

# FARMINGDALE VILLAGE REPORT

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## Moving In The Right Direction

### FINDING THE FUNDS...

Newspaper headlines describe a nation that is facing its biggest financial catastrophe in a century. Well known financial institutions are facing bankruptcy, Wall Street is suffering and Main Street continues to face many problems. Vacant store fronts continue, suffering the loss of merchants. The success of Main Street is not only predicated on the successful fit but also the support of our community. The Board continues to work hard with Nassau County, the state and federal government to obtain funds for Main Street and our Village residents.

#### 1. Community Block Development Funds

- a flexible program that provides communities with resources to address a wide range of unique community development needs
- HUD provides the monies
- Nassau County approves the requests and distributes the monies

After several meetings with Rosemary Olsen, Director, Nassau County Office of Housing & Intergovernmental Affairs, funding for different areas of need was established.

**MAIN STREET FACELIFT** - "Streetscape" Funds - \$36,000 has been approved

- Bids were received for new street fixtures that will provide more light and save the Village a substantial amount of money in the cost of electric
- New planters will be purchased to replace the wood ones as well as increase total inventory
- New metal trash containers will be purchased adding to the present number

**COMMERCIAL REHABILITATION** - A program will be set up to help pay for exterior renovations to store fronts that include awnings, signage, and exterior painting

**RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATION** - Program guidelines and application are available at Village Hall and on the website

Money for these programs is available on a first come basis. When these funds are exhausted, a waiting list will be developed for future years. As we continue to show a need for this money and spend it, we hope to be able to obtain larger grants.

#### 2. Impact Study of Downtown to Assess Impacts of Future Development

We have received \$50,000 from Senator Kemp Hannon, "like kind services" from Nassau County with respect to the transportation portion of the study, and are working on a Brownfield Opportunity Area (BOA) grant from New York State for the balance of the money.

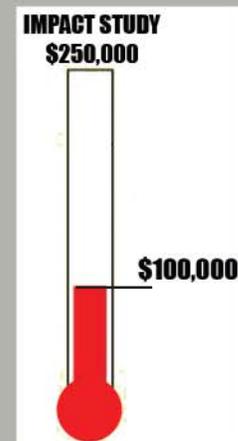
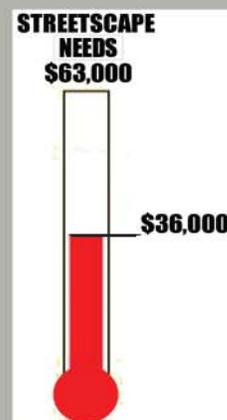
An RFP (Request for Proposal) has been written and is now going out to bid. We plan to solicit quotes in October. Once received, we will share the results at a public meeting and start the process of studying all future development on Main Street and around our train station.

#### 3. Trash Removal

We have contacted the Town of Oyster Bay and have requested a meeting with them to discuss pickup of trash from the rear of our stores. Residents have asked for a cleaner Main Street and we are working hard to accomplish this.

#### 4. Architectural Review Board (ARB)

The Planning Board has been expanded to include ARB. Focusing on the theme of developing downtown Main Street, the Board is creating a two phase program. Phase I consists of a descriptive outline that sets guidelines for signage, awning, fencing, and exterior painting as well as a color palette. Phase II Architectural Design will present guidelines for all new and remodeled construction of facades and materials to create an aesthetically pleasing look for the Village. All applications will need to comply with these new guidelines.



**New Village Website Opens**  
**'On The Green' Successful**      **Parking Lot Signs Change**

# Beautification Committee

Fall is here and the leaves are getting ready to change their color. The members of the Beautification Committee are preparing to get Main Street ready for our Columbus Day Fair weekend. Towards that end, they will be planting mums and cabbages in the planter boxes and putting up cornstalks for all to enjoy during the fall season. During the summer months, we met with members of the Main Street Revitalization Committee and the Planning Board to discuss the purchase of new street lights for our Main Street as well as new planters and benches. Selections were made and proposals were put together and submitted to Nassau County as part of our Community Block Grant request. Once we receive approval from the County, final selections can be made and work commenced.

Holiday decorations will begin to appear on November 22nd and 29th all in advance of the Tri-Centennial Tree Lighting on December 3rd. All volunteers are welcome to join the committee on those Saturdays to help transform our Village into a Holiday Wonderland.

All residents of the Village are welcome to become part of the Beautification Committee in one or more ways: attend our meetings, help with preparation and planting on designated days, donate supplies and refreshments on "beautification work" days, contribute to the Village Beautification account. New volunteers are encouraged to leave their name at Village Hall or email Deputy Mayor Pat Christiansen at [pchristiansen@farmingdalevillage.com](mailto:pchristiansen@farmingdalevillage.com).

Special thanks to the staff at our Department of Public Works. Through their diligent efforts, the flowers in our hanging baskets, planter boxes, Village Green and Northside Park looked beautiful all summer.

## New Village

# Website



Take a look at what the Village of Farmingdale has to offer. Check out our new website at [www.farmingdalevillage.com](http://www.farmingdalevillage.com). We hope that all our Village merchants participate. The Village has offered this service FREE to our merchants and allows for an easy to access directory of Village merchants, services and events. Merchants received a hand delivered announcement of our website. So if you don't see them listed, please encourage them to send in the information and I'll be happy to add them to the website. The site has been designed to promote our merchants. We hope that it will be successful in bringing you to our neighborhood. You may contact Trustee Cheryl Parisi at [cparisi@farmingdalevillage.com](mailto:cparisi@farmingdalevillage.com).

## DID YOU KNOW...



Mayor Starkie was appointed to the Long Island Regional Planning Council by Nassau County Executive Tom Suozzi. He was unanimously approved by the Legislature.

Going to the city for the day? Village residents can obtain a one day railroad parking permit for \$3.00

No permit is needed to park at the train station between 4:00 pm and 4:00 am.

## COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, October 9, 2009

Carnival Only 5:00 - 10:00 pm

Friday, October 10, 2009

Carnival Only 5:00 - 11:00 pm

Firehouse Sales 5:00 - 11:00 pm

Saturday, October 11, 2009

Carnival Noon - 11:00 pm

Street Fair 6:00 am - 6:00 pm

Firehouse Sales Noon - 11:00 pm

Sunday, October 12, 2009

Carnival Noon - 11:00 pm

Street Fair 6:00 am - 6:00 pm

Firehouse Sales Noon - 11:00 pm

Parade 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Fireworks 10:00 pm

Monday, October 13, 2009

Carnival Noon to 10:00 pm

Firehouse Sales Noon to 10:00 pm

### Rain Dates:

Sunday, October 19 - 6:00 am - 6:00 pm

Sunday, October 26 - 6:00 am - 6:00 pm

## New Arrival On Main Street

### Farmingdale Country Bakery



# SENIOR CITIZEN FLU VACCINATION PROGRAM

FOR VILLAGE RESIDENTS 60+

October 22, 2008

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Prior Registration Is Required

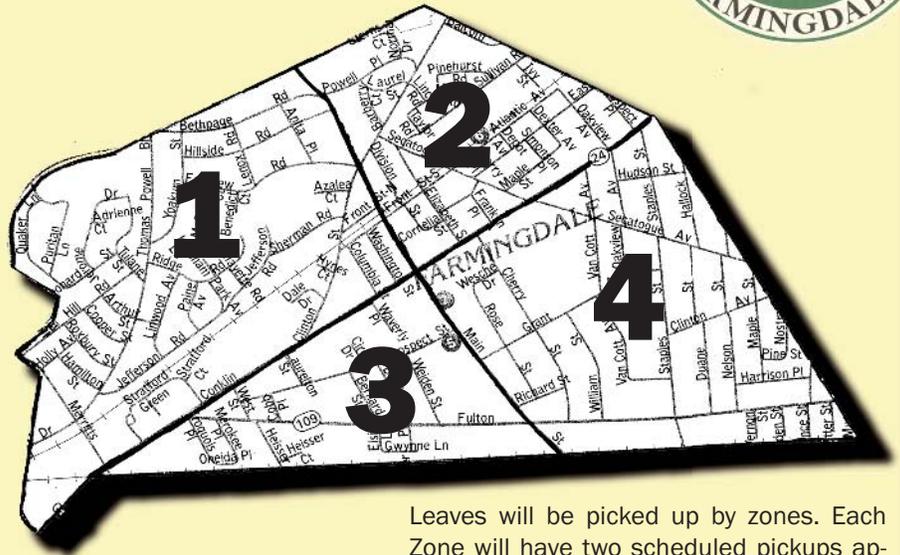
No Exceptions!

Flu shots will be dispensed in cooperation with Nassau University Medical Center and the Inc. Village of Farmingdale. There is **no out of pocket expense** to the senior. Flu shots will be dispensed at Hardscrabble Apartments, Community Room, Main Street, Farmingdale on October 22, 2008 between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm.

Registration will be October 7, 8, and 9 at Village Hall, 361 Main Street, Farmingdale between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm. For Hardscrabble residents registration is on October 15th from 10 am - 3 pm and October 16th from 10 am - Noon at Hardscrabble.



# Leaf and Snow Removal



**Zone 1 -  
North of Conklin  
and West of Main**

**Zone 2 -  
North of Conklin  
and East of Main**

**Zone 3 -  
South of Conklin  
and West of Main**

**Zone 4 -  
South of Conklin  
and East of Main**

Leaves will be picked up by zones. Each Zone will have two scheduled pickups approximately four weeks apart. The Town of Oyster Bay will pick up bagged leaves on trash days, twice a week. Homeowners who have landscapers are required to have them remove the leaves. Pickup will begin as soon as the leaves begin to fall. Snow removal is done by Zones as well.

## Art In The Park

The first annual "Art in the Park" on the Village Green was a tremendous success. Village resident, Fran Rotundo, proposed the idea to the Village Board in early May. She took the reigns and ran with the

idea. The artists who displayed their works were happy with the turnout and the possibility to sell a piece of art. With the first "Art in the Park" under her belt, I'm sure Fran is already planning next year's event! Thank you Fran for a job well done! The Village truly appreciates all your efforts!!



Columbus Day  
Fair  
Oct. 9th - Oct. 13th  
2008



## Village Signs Get A Makeover

Parking as well as ticketing has been a tremendous problem in the Village. Trustee Cheryl Parisi worked with DPW to design the sign shown to the left. It will be placed at all entrances to Village parking lots. Simply stated, you must check posted signs within the parking lot to determine whether you can or cannot park there and for how long. All parking lots are being restriped, where necessary, and DPW is making sure that all rows have sufficient signs as well as the correct signs. The Village is strictly enforcing the 3 hour parking limit in all lots and has moved some 12 hour Village permit parking to Parking Lot #3 (east side of Main Street behind The Inn on Main). Parking Lot #4 (east side of Main Street behind CVS) has made the last row of parking (closest to St. Kilian's) three hour parking. It was 12 hour Village permit parking.

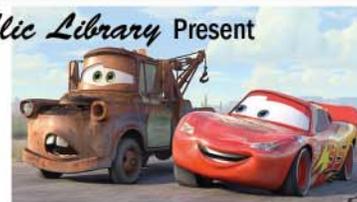


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The Village of Farmingdale in conjunction with the Farmingdale Public Library Present

## “MOVIE NITE”



*Bring Your Family and Friends*



Friday, October 10th -  
7:00 pm - Finding Nemo



Friday, October 24th -  
7:00 pm - Cars



**Come Early. . . Bring a Picnic  
Basket Dinner**

*Popcorn Served*

**SIGN- UP for “CONSTANT CONTACT” ON  
THE VILLAGE website to be notified about  
future “on the Village Green” Events  
[www.farmingdalevillage.com](http://www.farmingdalevillage.com)**

*“on the”  
Village Green*

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