



FARMINGDALE VILLAGE REPORT

GEORGE J. GRAF, Mayor

June, 2006

A Message From Village Mayor **GEORGE J. GRAF**

A few weeks ago I had the pleasure of attending the Community meeting at the Farmingdale Library that was presented by the Nassau County Police Department's 8th Precinct. Trustee Christiansen and I joined with many other Village residents and community members to listen to a presentation by 8th Precinct Commanding Officer, Deputy Inspector Michael P. Cronin. He was joined by Eighth Squad Commanding Officer, Detective Lieutenant Raymond Cote, members of the Eight Squad, the Gang Intervention Unit and POP Officers, Thomas Murphy and Paul Lamonaca.

The very informative event included a power point presentation by Deputy Inspector Cronin and a very active and lively question and answer period by all the officers present. Deputy Inspector Cronin answered all our questions very candidly. There was no double talk or beating around the bush. It was very refreshing to listen to him speak. The Village of Farmingdale has always maintained a very good relationship with the 8th precinct and it will only get even better by having a hands on, straight shooting (no pun intended) Commanding Officer to work with us. All the police representatives should be complimented. They were very informative and answered all the questions completely. Trustee Christiansen and I, along with Village Code Enforcement Supervisor and NC Auxiliary Police Inspector Joann Edling were able to meet briefly with Commander Cronin to discuss some specific Village Issues. I also took the opportunity to thank them for the great job that they do and for the extra effort they supply us for our parades and special events.

During the meeting several village residents had



asked about increased enforcement along Melville Road. They were concerned about trucks cutting through to 110 (the road is a no truck area). Commander Cronin promised that he would schedule extra cars to patrol that area and other "hot spots" that have been identified within the Village. I'm not sure if anyone has noticed, but stepped up enforcement within the Village has already begun.

The large turnout for the meeting was very encouraging. In so much that we have asked Commander Cronin to schedule a "Town Hall" meeting at Village Hall in the near future. This meeting will afford our residents an opportunity to ask questions that are specific to our Village. Commander Cronin has also promised to work hard to get additional police presence into our Village. He hopes that the recent graduates from the Police Academy produce additional officers to our precinct that can be used for specific areas of concerns. You have my promise that the Village Trustees and I will continue to work together with the 8th precinct to make sure that our Village always has the best police coverage possible.

Another very important event will take place at our next trustee meeting on July 10th. Eric Alexander from Vision Long Island will make a presentation on the status of the visioning process. I encourage all to attend this meeting. The next newsletter will include an overview of the presentation for those of you who can't make it.

I am also very pleased to announce that the Village Trustees passed a temporary moratorium on permitting further development in the village. Please read the article on the next page by Village Attorney Kevin Walsh for more details.

Village Attorney Walsh Announces Moratorium To Allow For Study of Future Development

Village attorney Kevin Walsh announced that on June 5, 2006, the Trustees unanimously approved a temporary moratorium on permitting further development within the Village. The temporary moratorium does not affect residential building permits unless the permit is sought to increase the number of housing units. The moratorium does not affect commercial building permits unless the permit will increase the usable space of the commercial property. Mr. Walsh said, "The purpose of the moratorium is to prevent the development of more housing units, subdivisions and increased commercial development until the Trustees can study and implement appropriate safeguards to insure that future development will enhance the quality of life of Village residents. The moratorium is consistent with the overall planning being studied by the Board of Trustees." The moratorium will last a minimum of six (6) months. While the moratorium does not effect residential building permits, residents may call the building department to discuss any plans they might have to increase the size of their homes.

Village, AARP Honor Blanche Oakes On Her 90th Birthday

The Village of Farmingdale and the AARP Farmingdale Chapter honored Village Resident Blanche Oakes on her 90th birthday at the recently held AARP luncheon at Fox Hollow. Oakes has been involved with the girl scouts for over 50 years and has served many positions for the AARP chapter.



Pictured:l-r. Mayor George Graf, Ione Moran (Blanches Daughter), Blanche Oakes, Trustee Patricia Christiansen, AARP V.P. Joseph Minella.

TNR Program for Stray and Feral Cats Arrives in Farmingdale

Joseph F. Rachiele, Deputy Mayor of The Incorporated Village of Farmingdale is pleased to announce the arrival of The Long Island Cat Project, a Trap, Neuter, Return Program (TNR) for cats. The objective of this program is to reduce the number of feral and stray cats through trapping, neutering/spaying and returning the cats where captured. In addition to the neutering and spaying, cats will be de-wormed, receive vaccinations for Rabies and Distemper, and ear tipped, the universal symbol identifying the cats as having been neutered. Cats that are candidates for adoption will be entrusted to adoption organizations.

This program will be available throughout the entire Farmingdale area. The proposed Farmingdale TNR program will be entirely funded by donations, which will purchase the needed supplies, traps and Veterinary care. On Saturday, August 5th, the Suffolk SPCA mobile spay/neuter van will be located in the municipal parking lot, next to Village Hall, offering low cost and/or free TNR services. October 7, the van will be returning to the Farmingdale area, location to be announced. Please make your tax deductible donation to the organization of your choice, who has agreed to offer low cost Veterinary care for the feral cats in Farmingdale, so that we are able to



spay and neuter as many cats as possible in an effort to resolve this widespread problem. The organizations are: "LICKS" Long Island Cat Kitten Solution HUB for the LI Cat Project. and "PATS" People and Animals Team up Successfully. If you would like to make a donation please mail it to: Village of Farmingdale -TNR Program, 361 Main Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735, Att: Deputy Mayor, Joseph F. Rachiele. Low cost cat spay/neutering is always available for \$50 at; Island Rescue, 1500 N. Clinton Ave, Bay Shore, NY 11706 (631-968-8700). Includes Rabies and FVRCP vaccination, no appointment necessary. Spay/Neuter Drop off Times; Saturday and Monday 8 to 9AM, Tuesday/Thursday/Friday 9 to 10AM.

All cats must be secure in carrier, no food after 10 PM the night before surgery. Please, do not call Village Hall regarding this program. To report locations of stray/feral cats or to inquire about volunteering, please contact; "PATS" @ (631) 398-9604 or Email; FERALPATS@YAHOO.COM. For more Information regarding TNR and the Long Island Cat Project visit: www.alleycat.org, www.neighborhoodcats.org, www.myvetonline.com/drsenk (see newsletters), www.suffolkspcs.org (regarding mobile spay/neuter van)



Memorial Day 2006



Members of Boy Scouts Troop 261



Village Board joins with VFW leaders and parade Grand Marshall Fdle FD Ex Chief John Tortoso.



Member of Brownies Troop 3349 & 3189



Deputy Mayor Joe Rachiele, VFW Member Bob Bucaria, VFW Post Commander Doug Makosky, Trustee Tom Langon, TOB Councilman Joseph Muscarella, Mayor George Graf, Trustees Pat Christiansen and Butch Starkie.

Village Officials Meet with 8th Precinct Officials



Village Mayor George Graf and Trustee Pat Christiansen recently attended the Nassau County Police 8th Precinct's Community Meeting held at the Farmingdale Public Library. 8th Precinct Commanding Officer, Deputy Inspector Michael P. Cronin presented a power point program updating and alerting the community of key issues and statistics for our area. He was joined by members of the 8th Precinct Detective Squad and Gang Intervention unit as well as our local POP officers. Mayor Graf, Trustee Christiansen along with Village Code Enforcement Supervisor and NC Auxiliary Police Inspector Joann Edling met briefly with the police officials afterwards to discuss specific concerns within the Village. Deputy Inspector Cronin has agreed to set up a similar meeting, like the one just held, at Village Hall in the future.

Pictured l-r: NC Auxiliary Police Inspector Joann Edling, Trustee Christiansen, NC POP Officer Paul Lamonaca, Mayor Graf, Deputy Inspector Michael C. Cronin, NC POP Officer Thomas Murphy, Detective Lieutenant, Commanding Officer eighth Squad, Raymond Cote.



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Village Pops Concerts Return For 24th Year



Pops Director Brad DeMilo

The Village Pops begins their 24th season on Wednesday, June 28th. The concerts will take place on Wednesday's nights at 7:30 at the Gazebo in the Village Green. Village Pops founder Brad DeMilo will once again direct the concerts. Just bring a comfortable lawn chair and plan on enjoyable nights of wonderful entertainment. The concerts will be held on: 6/28, 7/5, 7/12, 7/19, 7/26, 8/2 and 8/9.



NEXT TRUSTEE MEETING: Monday, July 10, 2006

Come hear Eric Alexander from VISION LONG ISLAND present an update and status report of the Farmingdale visioning process. We encourage all to come down and help shape the future of the village.

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