



# FARMINGDALE VILLAGE REPORT

GEORGE J. GRAF, Mayor

October, 2007

## A Message From Village Mayor GEORGE J. GRAF

### Another Memorable Columbus Day Fair

**E**arlier this month our annual Columbus Day Fair was once again held. The unseasonably warm weather helped make this year's fair one of the best attended ever. I hope you had time to walk through town on Saturday and Sunday and experience the remarkable array of craft and clothing vendors. I was very pleased to see many of our local Main Street merchants also out in front of their establishments with displays, specials and my favorite, samples of their food! The Fire Department parade is the most enjoyable part of the weekend for me. As I have done for the past four years I always get down to the parade staging area early so I can walk the various streets and talk with the marchers. It is very rewarding to



Mayor Graf with members of the Columbus Lodge.

see the wonderful traditions continue in our town. The parade brings young and old together: the Cub/Boy Scouts, Brownies, and Girl Scouts mixing in with the Columbus Lodge and Veterans from the VFW. The High School marching band and Dalerettes practicing along side the Fire and Police Department bands and bag pipers. This year, thanks to the Nassau County Police Department, the parade was lead by the Nassau County Police Mounted Unit. As I marched behind them, carefully watching my step, I was very pleased to see the big smiles and the excitement on the children's faces along the parade route. As I came to the end of the parade I could not wait to take my spot by Village Hall to enjoy the many bands that were still marching down Main Street. The bag pipers and marching bands sounded great.

The excitement and energy of the marching fire departments was at level that I have never seen. The evening culminated with another entertaining fireworks show. The Farmingdale Fire Department once again out did themselves this year. I want to personally thank them for their hard work in making the Columbus Day Fair happen each year. I would be remiss if I also did not thank the Nassau County PD and the Auxiliary Police for their extra efforts during the extended weekend. Thanks also go to Fred Zamparelle and his DPW crew for their support and efforts the whole week of the fair. The many "little" things that they do largely go unnoticed by the general public, but without them the fair could not go on so smoothly. The parade was terrific; the fire works were wonderful and once again the collective efforts of our community showed all Long Island just how unique Farmingdale is.



Dinda Florist was one of the many merchants who set up sidewalk displays and Fair Specials.

# Columbus Day Fair 2007



Chief Jack Scherer leads the department in the parade.



The apparatus of the FFD drives down Main Street as on lookers cheer them on.

*Special Thanks To the Farmingdale Fire Department for another wonderful Columbus Day Fair*



Thanks to the Nassau County Police Dept. Mounted Unit for marching in the parade.



TOB council Macagnone greets a happy parade goer



Veterans of Foreign War Post 516 with The Village Board and NC. Legislaturer Dave Mejias and Rhonda Fisher from The Nassau County DA's office.



Craft and other vendors show their wares on Main Street



Town of Oyster Bay Supervisor John Venditto led the Town of Oyster Bay team in the parade. Pictured: I-r: TOB Councilman Tony Macagonne, Joe Belesi, representing NY State Assemblyman James Conte, TOB Clerk Steve Labriola, Supervisor John Venditto, Mayor Graf, TOB Councilwoman Rose Walker.



Hardscrabble Girl Scouts.



Cub Scout Pack 601.

## Northside Pocket Park Ground Breaking



The Village Board of Trustees and Nassau County Legislature Dave Mejias are shown here at the ground breaking ceremony for the new pocket park across from Northside School.

## Chief's Office Gets Renovation



Mayor Graf and Deputy Mayor Rachiele are shown here with Jim Kalinowski of Dreamworks Construction and Chief Jack Scherer and Asst. Chief Ken Tortorso Jr. in the recently renovated office.



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Mayor: George J. Graf

Deputy Mayor: Joseph F. Rachiele

Trustees: Thomas A. Langon, Patricia A. Christiansen, George Starkie

Clerk/Administrator: David Smollett

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## 2007 Leaf Pickup Schedule

Leaves will be picked up by zones. Each Zone will have two (2) scheduled pickups – 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. All Leaves should be put out before the scheduled week.

### Zone 1:

North of Conklin and  
West of Main-

Week of 10/29/07 thru 11/02/07

Week of 11/26/07 thru 11/30/07

### Zone 2:

North of Conklin and  
East of Main-

Week of 11/5/07  
thru 11/9/07

Week of 12/3/07  
thru 12/07/07

### Zone 3:

South of Conklin and  
West of Main-

Week of 11/12/07 thru 11/16/07

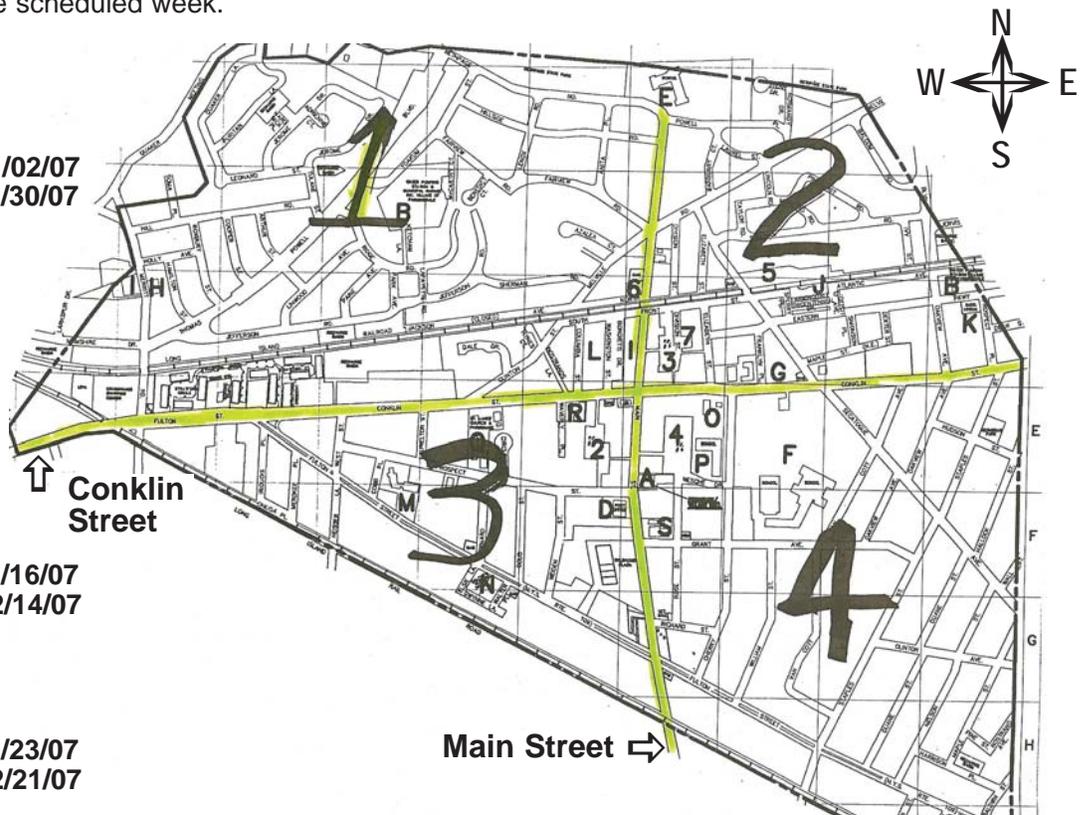
Week of 12/10/06 thru 12/14/07

### Zone 4:

South of Conklin and  
East of Main-

Week of 11/19/07 thru 11/23/07

Week of 12/17/07 thru 12/21/07



**Next Trustee Meeting: Monday, November 5th @ 7:30PM**

**Farmingdale Chamber Holiday Parade: Saturday, November 17th @ 12 Noon**

**Tricentennial Tree Lighting Ceremony: Wednesday, November 28 @ 6 PM**

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