

# Village of Flower Hill Newsletter Winter 2008/2009

The Village garbage  
company is

## MEADOW CARTING

Trash collectors will  
come to your side or  
back yard to pick up  
your trash. Do not place  
it on the curb.

You may discard one  
large item per week.  
Call Meadow to arrange  
for this service. Do not  
put the item on the curb  
until the night before  
pick-up.

Recycling is picked up  
on the same days as  
your regular trash.

For any other ques-  
tions about your gar-  
bage pick up or to  
schedule a large item  
pick up, Please call:

**Meadow Carting**  
**338-0121**

They will be happy to  
assist you

## STREET LIGHTS

If you notice any street  
light outages, please  
report them to the  
Village office at 627-  
5000. We will ensure  
that the repair is done.

## Mayor's Message

Dear Residents:

I want to wish you and  
your loved ones a very  
happy holiday season  
and best wishes for the  
coming new year.

Although it has been  
some time since my  
last newsletter, I want  
to assure you that we  
have been very busy  
here at Village Hall.

All of our Boards have  
been meeting and ac-  
complishing a great  
deal of work. I would  
like to take this oppor-  
tunity to publicly thank  
all the members of the  
Village Boards: The  
Board of Trustees, the  
Zoning Board, Building  
Permit Review Com-

mittee and Planning  
Board for taking time  
away from their fami-  
lies and personal lives  
to serve our Village.

Foremost in the news  
and on all of our minds  
these days is the state  
of our economy. We  
are all finding ways to  
cut our expenses and  
be economical in our  
homes and busi-  
nesses. Here at Vil-  
lage Hall we are also  
making a concerted  
effort to reuse and re-  
cycle, cut costs and  
make do without.

We have been looking  
for grant money to help  
us accomplish projects  
with no or little out of  
pocket costs.

This past fall, we were able  
to apply for about  
\$300,000 in highway grant  
money to reimburse us for  
road reconstruction pro-  
jects that have been com-  
pleted. We are also cur-  
rently applying for grants to  
help us organize our his-  
torical records.

We would love to see you  
at our monthly Board meet-  
ings (check the calendar  
inside) which are always  
open to the public. It is the  
perfect opportunity for you  
to bring us any questions  
or concerns you may have,  
and to learn about what is  
going on in the Village. I  
hope to see many of you  
there in the coming year.

*Charles W. Weiss*

## Police Dept. Coming to Village Meeting Save the Date - January 5, 2009 at 8 pm

Our Village is served  
by Nassau County Po-  
lice Department's 6th  
Precinct, located at 100  
Community Drive in  
Manhasset.

At the request of

Board members and  
many residents, we  
have invited the Precinct  
to send representatives  
to our January Meeting  
to answer questions  
and hear our concerns,

including traffic en-  
forcement and home-  
owner safety.

This promises to be an  
informative evening.  
Please tell your friends  
and neighbors.

## Our New Village Hall and Park

We are completely moved into the new Village Hall with all the renovations about 98% completed. At this writing we are in the process of re-paving the parking lot along with the installation of drainage improvements. Other items still incomplete but soon to be finished are the installation of garage doors on the sand and salt shed, handrails on the front steps and interior decoration of the Village Hall such as draperies, plants and pictures.

If you have not yet seen the new Village Hall, I urge you to stop by and pay us a visit, you will surely be impressed.

We have been progressing with

improvements to the Village Park at the corner of Bonnie Heights Road and Port Washington Blvd. We planted some new trees and shrubs this past fall, installed a sprinkler system, electricity for lighting and constructed a beautiful stone stage area at the northeast corner of the park. We are continuing to upgrade the park as we look forward to a children's play area in the future as well as other improvements.

Looking ahead to the warmer weather, we are planning on having some entertainment on our new stage. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please let the staff at Village Hall know.

### RECYCLING GUIDELINES

**Paper:** pack in brown paper bags or tie with twine. No plastic bags, hardcover books, envelopes with plastic windows, or cardboard drink boxes.

**Cardboard:** corrugated only, No cereal/food boxes. Flatten & tie in bundles 2'x2"x6"

**Plastic:** Only containers with the PETE type 1 or HDPE type 2 plastic symbol on bottom. No Styrofoam or plastic bags. Rinse & remove labels.

**Metal:** Food & beverage cans, clean aluminum pans. No aerosol cans. Rinse & remove labels.

**Glass:** Clear & colored glass containers. No mirrors, window glass, light bulbs, ceramics, drinking glasses or broken glass. Rinse & remove labels & caps.

## New Staff at Village Hall

After many years with Flower Hill, long time Village Clerk Leslie Ann Taggard is no longer with the Village. We thank Leslie for her years of dedication and service and wish her well in her new endeavors.

Leslie has been replaced by Ronnie Shatzkamer. Ronnie is an experienced attorney who has served as Village Clerk for

another North Shore village for many years. She will serve as Village Administrator.

Kathy Wade is our new Village Treasurer. She has many years of prior financial municipal experience with a strong tax and internet technology background.

Susan Williams has joined the Village as Secretary to the Building Department. Susan also

comes to the Village with great municipal experience in the areas of building and justice court.

Jeffrey Blinkoff, a partner with Carrieri & Carrieri, PC in Mineola and our current Village Prosecutor, has been appointed as Village Attorney. Mr. Blinkoff and his firm specialize in Municipal Law.

## Coming Soon...www.VillageFlowerHill.com

If you've logged onto the Village Web Site lately, you will have found a notice stating that the site is currently under construction.

We are presently in the process of a major renovation to the Vil-

lage Web Site which will make it a very user friendly tool.

There will be lots of useful information and links. You will be able to download forms for various types of permits. There will also be a link to the Village

Code Book as well as a complete calendar of Village events and meetings.

We hope that by the time you receive this newsletter, we will be up and running and if not please be patient, it's coming soon!

# Meeting dates for 2009

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONTHLY MEETING/PUBLIC HEARINGS 1ST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH REGULAR MEETING 8 PM - PUBLIC HEARING 8:15 PM

January 5  
February 2  
March 2  
April 6  
May 4  
June 1  
July 6  
August 3  
Tuesday, September 8 (Monday is Labor Day)  
October 5  
November 2  
December 7

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORK SESSION LAST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH - 7 PM

January 26  
February 23  
March 30  
April 27  
Tuesday, May 26 (Monday is Memorial Day)  
June 29  
July 27  
August 31  
Tuesday, September 29 (Monday is Yom Kippur)  
October 26  
November 30

## BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS HEARING -3RD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH - 8 PM

January 21  
February 18  
Thursday, March 19 (Wednesday is Village Election Day)  
April 15  
May 20  
June 17  
July 15  
August 19  
September 16  
October 21  
November 18  
December 16

## BUILDING PERMIT REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MONDAY PRIOR TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING - 7 PM

Tuesday, January 20 (Monday is Martin Luther King Jr. Day)  
Tuesday, February 17 (Monday is President's Day)  
March 23  
April 20  
May 18

June 22  
July 20  
August 17  
September 21  
October 19  
November 23  
December 21

## JUSTICE COURT 2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH - 7:30 PM

January 14 & 28  
February 11 & 25  
March 11 & 25  
Tuesday, April 7 (Wednesday is the first night of Passover) & 22  
May 13 & 27  
June 10 & 24  
July 8 & 22  
August 12 & 26  
September 9 & 23  
October 14 & 28  
Tuesday, November 10 (Wednesday is Veteran's Day) & 25  
December 9 & 23

## PLANNING BOARD MEETS AS NEEDED

## Village Code Updates

The Board of Trustees has enacted two new local laws that will ensure our quality of life remains at its present high standard.

A new law will regulate commercial filming within the Village. In order to prevent disruption and prevent any damages, any company coming into the village to do filming must apply for a permit and pay a fee of \$1000 for

the first day of filming and \$1500 for each subsequent day. They must notify the Village of the location of any equipment and provide proper insurance.

The Village Board has also created a law to regulate the display of signs on residential property. All commercial signs such as realty signs and contractors signs are prohibited. The law

allows one day type of signs such as open house or tag sale signs. This law creates a much neater and less commercial look to our Village.

The Board has also authorized the installation of a stop sign on Rockwood Road at the intersection with Dartmouth Road. This was requested by the residents of that area as there are many children in the neighborhood.

## Holiday Safety Reminders

According to the US Consumer Product Safety Commission, each year about 12,500 are treated or hospitalized for injuries related to holiday lights and decorations.

As we approach the Holiday season, we want to remind you that for your own safety please make sure all your indoor and outdoor lighting displays are approved and tested by a recognized testing laboratory.

Please be considerate of your neighbors and turn your outdoor displays off at bedtime and also take your displays down within a reasonable period of time after the holidays are over.

Another major cause of injury and damage are unattended candles. Please make sure you extinguish all candles before you go to bed or leave the house.

## FLOWER HILL IS NOW A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

If you are interested in obtaining flood insurance, the Village is now a member of the NFIP. Contact your insurance agent for details on obtaining a policy.

**VILLAGE OF FLOWER HILL  
ONE BONNIE HEIGHTS ROAD  
MANHASSET, NY 11030  
(516)627-5000  
FAX: (516) 627-5470**

POSTAGE PAID  
PRESORTED  
FIRST CLASS  
PERMIT NO. 73  
MANHASSET, NY  
11030

## FLOWER HILL VILLAGE OFFICIALS

### MAYOR

CHARLES W. WEISS

### DEPUTY MAYOR

WILLIAM CLEMENCY

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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NORMAN GLAVAS

TAB HAUSER

AVIVA PINTO

AVERY RYAN

### VILLAGE JUSTICE

HON. J. BRUCE BYRNE

FRANCIS J. HONE, ACTING JUSTICE

### VILLAGE ATTORNEY/PROSECUTOR

JEFFREY BLINKOFF

### BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

MICHAEL SAHN, CHAIR

PETER COTELIDES

PETER CRISTOPHER

HOWARD MILLER

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RANDALL ROSENBAUM

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### VILLAGE STAFF

Village Administrator

RONNIE SHATZKAMER

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KATHY WADE

Building Inspector

JAMES GILHOOLY

Code Enforcer

ROBERT ROCKELEIN

Secretary

SUSAN WILLIAMS

Court Clerk

ANN LAURIA-SMITH

Highway Supervisor

SCOTT HISLOP

### REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS

JOHN WALTER