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PLAZA'S 24th ANNUAL STREET FAIR & AUTOFEST-NOON, SUNDAY, SEPT. 21

The Village of Great Neck Plaza, in association with its Business Improvement District (BID), is happy to announce the date of the 24th Annual Street Fair, AutoFest and Antique Show, Sunday, September 21st, with a rain date of Sunday, September 28, from 12 Noon to 5 P.M.

The sound of music will be alive on every corner of the village. The streets will be ablaze with color as balloon arches are placed in the Plaza. Clowns and minstrels will greet you as you stroll through the fair and delight in the multi-cultural aroma and flavor of the village. Did we say flavor and aroma? You will have your choice of a multitude of culinary treats to sink your teeth into from Japan, Italy, China, Persia, Mexico, Greece, Turkey, "good old American hot dogs" and lots of other treats! Join us as we celebrate life in "small town" America; shut off the TV, the computer, the video games and come back to the "good old days" of outdoor fun and frolic!

This year's event showcases some of the best that Great Neck Plaza has to offer. According to Jay Corn, Street Fair Committee Chairperson and a BID director, "This annual event is really a celebration of Great Neck; a way to highlight our wonderful community groups and shopping opportunities." Mayor Jean Celender adds, "The Village of Great Neck Plaza is delighted to continue this tradition of an annual street fair. Since its inception, this "Great Event," as it was first known, has been our way of giving thanks to the community for supporting our downtown and the extraordinary shopping and community life that we have here."

With antique cars, from early Model A's and T's to vintage Buicks and Cadillac's to classic Jaguars and Bentleys, this year's AutoFest will be our finest ever. Dash Plaques and a 24-ounce commemorative mug will be given out to the first 150 cars registered. With four top bands, rides, games, hay rides, a petting zoo and pony rides for the children, Great Neck Arts Center's Clothesline Art Show, there will surely be something for everyone at the Great Neck Plaza Street Fair!



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Mayor's Letter

Dear Friends,

The Village has been busy this past summer with the reconstruction work on Great Neck Road, resurfacing the shopper parking lot across from Village Hall and refurbishing Perlman Park. These are all nearing the end of construction with the last phases scheduled to be completed in the next several weeks. For Great Neck Road, the pedestrian count-down signals and median landscaping are some of the remaining elements yet to be done. I hope you will take a look at the work on this road, which has been a multi-year program, over five years, to bring this major improvement project to fruition. Already as one drives on this road, there is a noticeable calming of traffic, a slower and more orderly flow of traffic and safer, easier crossings for pedestrians.

In terms of updates on other projects, we have bid and expect to complete construction of four pedestrian bulb-outs on Bond Street in the fall. This is another traffic calming initiative in a grant received from the New York State Department of Transportation in the "Local Safe Streets and Traffic Calming" program. The Village has been in the forefront of undertaking these types of initiatives, which are aimed at slowing traffic, alleviating traffic congestion, enhancing pedestrian and traffic safety, and generally providing for improved, safer streets. We are proceeding with preliminary design work, similar to the improvements at the Barstow Road roundabout, for the area of Barstow Road and Linden Place/North Station Plaza. Look for future updates as we progress on this important traffic calming grant!

I applaud the many hours of long and hard work of the Resident Parking and Pedestrian Safety Committee. Anyone who wishes to volunteer and work on this Committee, as well as other village Committees, is welcomed to join. Please contact my Assistant, Carol Teplin, at 482-4500 and let her know what Committee you want to volunteer to serve on.

This past summer has been another fantastic Summer Concert Program. We were fortunate to have many lovely nights of great weather and terrific entertainment. Carol Teplin, Event Coordinator, did a great job of introducing some new venues, along with bring back old time favorites to round out a great series. If there were performers this past season you especially liked and feel we should welcome back next year, please let us know. Again, thanks to all our sponsors each week who helped us bring such great entertainment to Jonathan Ielpi Firefighters Memorial Park. Our thanks to the Great Neck Part District and to Regina Gil, our Arts & Cultural Affairs Commissioner, for their cooperation and support of this program.

You may have noticed our newly revised website at greatneckplaza.net. Thanks to Pattianne DiRosa, Clerk of the Court, who revamped it and gave it a fresh new look. In the coming months we hope to add more photographs and video clips.

Additionally, the village website includes a link to the Historic Preservation Commission, which also has revised its website on the Commission's activities and

the village's historic preservation efforts. This website was updated through a Certified Local Government Grant. You can download the Commission's three publications, including a Historic Properties Walking Tour, Walking Tour Map and Guidelines for Property Owners and Residents.

This summer the Village introduced, with support from the BID and our merchants, several evenings where we closed Bond Street to pedestrian traffic only for a "Promenade" night. During these warm and beautiful summer nights, the street was transformed into a block party with alfresco dining under the stars, jazz and country western bands and artist performances. These special evenings, extremely well received by the attendees, were an opportunity to stay close to home and meet friends and family for a community happening! We will be reviewing these activities over the next few months in order to bring to you an even more exciting Promenade program next summer.

Enjoy the rest of your summer. I look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming ~~Autofest and Street Festival!~~



Jean Celender, Mayor

E-Newsletter

Receive News and Information via E-mail

Join Mayor Jean's E-Newsletter!

If you would like to receive news and information from our office pertaining to our Village, including this newsletter by e-mail, fill out the form below and return it to us at Village Hall. Coming soon, you will also be able to go on-line and register on the Village's web site. The submitted information will be used solely by the Mayor's office to keep you current on important matters.

NAME: _____

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“Star Performer” Award Ceremony

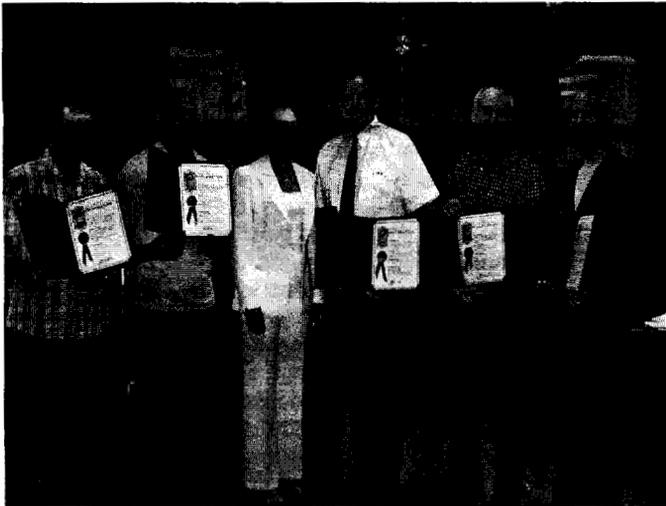
On Thursday, June 19th, 2008, Mayor Jean Celender welcomed six nominated Star Performers and the people who nominated them, to an official ceremony honoring them. To qualify for this award you need to be someone who goes out of your way to make people feel special, and make Great Neck Plaza a better place to work, shop and live. Potential “Star Performers” greet you with a smile, are eager to help, treat you with dignity, respect and patience so that it’s a genuine pleasure to do business in the Plaza. Many thanks to Waldbaum’s for providing the bagels! Here is a list of the recipients and their nominators:

Steven J. Derkatch, owner of Great Neck Opticians was nominated by resident Ruth Weiss for his being a “dedicated, caring, polite, honest and helpful optician. He is always cheerful and welcoming, and never talks a customer into getting more than they need. He is very highly respected.”

Craig Colon of Waldbaum’s was nominated by Jeffrey Schwartz as a very “special person, honest hard worker, responsive and always ready to help others.” Manager Charlie Sladek added that when he first began in Waldbaums, Craig was his supervisor, and he is very happy to be working with Craig again!

Dominick Caroleo of the Long Island Railroad at the Great Neck Station ticket booth was nominated by Barbara Stein for being “caring and helpful to all. He greets everyone who comes into the station like an old friend, with a great smile and warm welcome. Dominick has lent umbrellas, found and kept safe customers glasses and scarves and such. He goes out of his way to help LIRR Great Neck commuters.”

Joan Antonoff nominated three wonderful men who work at the Great Neck Library as a Star Performers. They are **George Malcolm, Jose Rodriguez and Daryl Goins**. “One terribly rainy day I got into my car and discovered that I had a dead battery. To compound the problem, my car was parked with the front up against a brick wall. George, Jose and Daryl came to my aid by releasing the brake and pushing the car away from the wall. When they couldn’t get the car started, they waited with me until AAA came and charged my battery. They wouldn’t let me leave until they were sure I was OK. This is above and beyond the call of duty.”



Mayor Celender presenting “Star Performer” Awards to outstanding honorees.

Great Neck Sr. Center Veterans Club

The Veterans Club meets on the second Friday of every month at 2 P.M. in the Great Neck Senior Center. The next two meetings are September 12 and September 26 at 2 P.M.

They now have over sixty members and look forward to welcoming you. At their August meeting several members shared their own war stories and experiences with other veterans of World War II, the Korean conflict and the Vietnam War. Please join them for this enjoyable program which is free and open to all veterans and their families.

Nomination Form

The “Star Performer” Ceremony will be on Thursday, October 9th at 9:30 A.M. If you wish to nominate a “Star Performer” please fill out the form below and we will invite you and your “Star” to attend the next award presentation.

Name of your nominee:

Their employer _____

Four words that best describe the nominee:

My name & phone number:

Send this form to VGNP, Carol Teplin,
2 Gussack Plaza, PO #440, GN, NY 11022

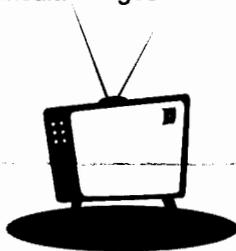
An Update From Cablevision

The Village has been advised by Cablevision regarding service changes that may affect some of their customers and our village residents. In an effort to keep you updated, if you have Cablevision service, we want to inform you of the upcoming changes.

As of September 16, 2008, Cablevision's public, education, and government ("PEG") access and local programming channels will be transmitted **only** in a digital format. As a result of this change, a digital cable ready television (equipped with QAM tuner), a digital cable box or a CableCARD will be needed to receive PEG access and local programming channels. While the majority of cable television customers subscribe to digital cable service, there may be some who do not. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Village Cable Commissioner, Deputy Mayor Ted Rosen, at 482-4500, or if you have Cablevision service, contact them directly, to assist you in continuing to receive Public Education Government access.

PEG access and local programming channels in your area on Cablevision are as follows:

Government Access (Ch. 18) - all nine peninsula villages
Public Access (Ch. 20)
Local Programming (Ch. 73)
Education Access (Ch. 75)
Adult Education Access (Ch. 76)
GN Parks Dept. (Ch. 77)



"I Don't Have A Garage, Garage Sale" Sunday, September 7th

The Village of Great Neck Plaza has a plethora of apartment buildings with "cliff dwellers" as residents. Residents in these buildings do not have a garage to use for the "All-American" garage sale. That is the reason for the institution of the "I Don't Have A Garage, Garage Sale" by the village several years ago.

This service to our residents allows them to empty their closets and shelves of items in good, usable condition that they don't want or need anymore, and sell them at a community garage sale. It allows them to clear out their "stuff," make some money, and for others to their cast-off "treasures." The village contributes the space, the staff and all the newspaper advertising to attract buyers. We often have over 50 families who put out their wares in Parking Lot #1 (opposite Fredrick's).

The date is Sunday, Sept. 7th from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M.; rain date for this Garage Sale is Sunday, Sept. 14th. The cost to register is \$5 for residents and \$20 for non-residents, and is non-refundable. This low registration charge helps defray the rising advertising costs. Call Village Hall 482-4500 and ask for Carol Teplin at Ext. 113.

Bond Street Promenade #2

By Andrew Sotiriou, Summer Intern

On July 17th from 6:30 to 10:30 P.M., the Village of Great Neck Plaza, in association with its Business Improvement District (BID), held its second Bond Street Promenade, uniting the community with an amalgamation of live music, alfresco dining, and spontaneous artwork. It was another glorious Thursday evening with friends and family from all over Great Neck and the North Shore area pouring onto Bond Street where the street was closed to vehicular traffic and became for pedestrians only. The atmosphere was very much like that of a town block party, with food and song dominating the night's vibrant aura – there was indeed a good time to be had by all attending this celebration of Great Neck's culture.

With four local restaurants on Bond Street – among them Elaine's Asian Bistro, Hinata, La Rotonda and Fredrick's Café – taking part in the festivities, food was served outdoors alfresco-style for patrons to enjoy beneath a lovely summer sky. Light soon faded to darkness so that denizens of Great Neck might be able to feast under the stars.

The musical styling of Savannah Sky, an acclaimed five-piece contemporary and classic country music band, and of Keith and the Bond Street Gemstones, a six-member jazz band led by Keith Fishenfeld, were able to satisfy the musical appetites of listeners from a wide range of melodic predilections. Additionally, a line dancing teacher provided by Savannah Sky further involved attendees of the Promenade in the celebratory character of the event.

The work of artists John DiNaro and Patrick Bancel also served to enhance the evening, with each artist contributing to the Promenade's highly-interactive nature in a distinct manner. John DiNaro chose several children from an audience to assist him in building and painting a street bench. The bench, coated in melding flower imagery, will be displayed in the Village of Great Neck and available for public use – it will most likely be placed nearby the mural on Maple Drive. Patrick Bancel, in accordance with a more conventional approach, painted "A Sunrise on Great Neck Plaza" at the Promenade. The painting – which depicts a citreous orange and yellow sunrise searing through darkness, both above and below – was auctioned off at the Promenade with the proceeds going towards the Village's Public Art Fund for a future public art project.

The 2nd Promenade was another widely successful evening. It was a wonderful, spirited community night; an opportunity to see friends and neighbors and to relax outdoors eating and enjoying musical entertainment. For this second Bond Street Promenade night, the Village expanded it by bringing in the artist exhibitions of DiNaro and Bancel for more entertainment, adding to the excitement of the festivities. Stated Mayor Celender, "It was a lot of fun; the perfect complement to kicking back and enjoying a lovely summer night and all that this community has to offer. Why leave town when you can come and enjoy what's going on along a closed Bond Street?"

Children were entertained by the artists, the music and a performer on stilts handing out Gift Certificates from the BID (a promotion to attract shoppers to participating Plaza merchants), parents enjoyed haute cuisine while being serenaded, and our neighborhood was brought just a little bit closer together. Who could ask for anything more?

Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption Program News

Since 1975 the Village of Great Neck Plaza has had a program called Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption (SCRIE) to help eligible senior citizens remain in their apartments by regulating the rent. Landlords of these apartments under this program receive 100% of the legal rent. The Village subsidizes the difference of the lease increases.

Eligibility in the SCRIE Program is limited to heads of households, 62 years of age or older, whose total yearly household income does not exceed \$20,000, and have been a resident of their Village ETPA apartment building for at least two years. (ETPA= Emergency Tenants Protection Act of 1974). Luxury apartments do not qualify.

Anyone wishing information on this program may contact the Commissioner of Housing, Sheryl De Los Rios, Monday through Friday, 9 A.M.- 4:30 P.M.

Those who are already on the SCRIE program need to remember to bring in your year end statements to continue on this abatement program.

TAXI FARE INCREASE

Effective September 1, the fare for Great Neck Plaza Taxi will increase by \$0.50 with the exception of Zones 3 and 4 which will increase by \$0.75 and \$1.00, respectively. The Village of Great Neck Plaza approved the rate change at their July 16th meeting, at the request of Great Neck Plaza Taxi, citing the tremendous increase in the cost of gas as the reason for the fare hike. The last taxi fare increase was in September, 2004.

In addition to the usual Senior Citizen discount rate of \$0.50, an additional discount of \$0.50 will be granted to persons 65 years of age or older who are members of the VGNP Senior Span program and have a Senior Span card issued by the Village of Great Neck Plaza. The Senior Span Program was developed, with the assistance of the Town of North Hempstead, to help our senior residents to age well in place through educational seminars, informational meetings, referrals and literature.

To receive a Senior Span discounted taxi fare card, eligible seniors must register in the Senior Span Program by completing a registration form at Village Hall and showing a valid photo ID that includes their date of birth. For further information call Carol Teplin at 482-4500. Senior Span discounted taxi fare cards are not transferable and can be used only by the senior citizen who is issued the card.

Children's Orchestra Started in Calamar, Colombia from Donated Used Musical Instruments

Around two years ago the Village of Great Neck Plaza received approximately fifty used musical instruments from residents and the Great Neck Music Center for starting a youth orchestra in Calamar, Colombia, a rural area outside of the City of Cartagena that has fallen on hard economic times. Finally, the instruments were distributed in Calamar by Eugenio Lora, President and founder of the Colombian Peace Foundation, who presented them this past June on behalf of the Village to the new mayor of Calamar. Mayor Celender met Mr. Lora through Sister Cities International, an international organization that builds peace through mutual respect, mutual understanding and cooperation and assists cities throughout the world in finding and nurturing sister city relationships and providing them with technical resources to strengthen and make these relationships more meaningful.

More instruments are needed for the number of children that would like to participate in the orchestra. We encourage residents to check their garages, bedrooms and attic spaces for any used, but working, musical instruments that their families may not be using and would like to donate to this worthy cause. The following instruments are needed to build the youth orchestra in Colombia: clarinets, oboes, flutes, piccolos, trumpets, trombones, tubas, drums, violins, violas, xylophones, and music stands. The children to receive these instruments are under-privileged students; giving them the opportunity to embrace music and culture will provide them with an indispensable tool for achieving their dreams.

We would welcome any instruments to help these children learn to play music, showing them the love and caring that this community has to spread across the world in a beautiful gesture of goodwill and peace. Please call Carol Teplin, Mayor Celender's Assistant, at 482-4500 for more information on how to donate an instrument.

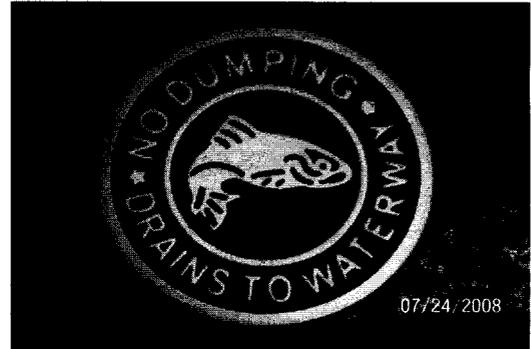


The start of a youth orchestra in Calamar, Colombia and the children enjoying the used musical instruments donated from Great Neck.

Update on Village's Stormwater Management Program

In continuing with Phase II of the Village's Stormwater Program, a new series of metal storm drain markers have been recently placed about the entirety of the Village for all eyes to see. The storm drain markers – which depict the white contour of a live, vital fish set against an aqua milieu – carry the words "No Dumping – Drains to Waterways." These markers are to prevent individuals from dumping waste into curb inlets, as these materials will ultimately find themselves in our local surface waters – and runoff in our storm drains in the Village of Great Neck Plaza eventually reach Little Neck Bay. The Village's message of limiting pollution, and thus of expanding public consciousness on the issue, are ideals fostered by the new storm drain markers. "It is our duty not only as citizens of the Village of Great Neck, but as inhabitants of this planet, to ensure a brighter, cleaner tomorrow for our children." said Mayor Celender. She went on to state that, "Small actions add up quickly – we are simply trying to accumulate a progression of small positive actions for the benefit of our community."

The decision to install new metal storm drain markers can be attributed in large part to their increased durability – the plastic storm drain markers installed in 2006 wore out in just under two years. Hopefully, if residents take notice, these markers will strike a desired chord – reminding us all that we must take action to help maintain the world we live in.



HURRICANE ALERT FOR RESIDENTS

Hurricane season is often overlooked by most Long Islanders with respect to the damage it can potentially inflict. It has fortunately been over twenty years since Hurricane Gloria, the last major hurricane to hit our area, tore across the shores of Long Island – an expanse of time that has allowed many Long Islanders to forget the probable lethal ramifications of being ill-prepared for the unexpected during hurricane season. As we quickly approach the zenith of hurricane season, it proves a comforting reminder that although we may have forgotten the force of a mighty hurricane, the Red Cross most certainly has not – in fact, a state grant of five million dollars for supplies, new emergency shelters, and two customized sport utility vehicles has been jointly announced by both Nassau and Suffolk chapters of the American Red Cross. Long Islanders cannot allow themselves to be lulled into a false sense of security – they must brace themselves for the direst of circumstances, as there are a great number of precautions that one can and should undertake in order to ensure the security of one's family.

One must be aware of potential evacuation routes in a time of emergency; additionally, learning how to perform both first aid and CPR will assist you in a time of need. It is recommended that you have copies of family documents on-hand in waterproof containers, keep cash on your person, and have a list of emergency contacts with you should a hurricane be at risk for hitting Long Island. A "go-kit" of sorts might also prove useful in a time of emergency, containing such necessities such as batteries, flashlights, blankets, water, and canned goods. We must take it upon ourselves to ensure our own safety: we must be well-informed – acting when action is required – bracing ourselves for the worst that hurricane season has to offer.

TEACH THE CHILDREN OF THE WORLD

A poem by Sylvia Schwartz

Teach the children of the world how to be
the parents of the next generation

If you don't they will be the parents of the
generation that will pass on all their hate
and anger in this nation

Children should be the patterns of their
parents to be

And see to it they are brought up with
more love and understanding and have more
empathy

Try to bring more happiness in the world
and make a human being more important

So that we can be less rigid and have social
contact and be more competent.

“Step to Montauk” Huge Success!

On August 2nd, the Village of Great Neck Plaza's Great Neck to Montauk Lighthouse 1st Annual Step Program was officially brought to an end, with an award ceremony held on August 5th at Ielpi Firefighters Memorial Park before the Village's summer concert. The awards ceremony celebrated achievements of the program's top five steppers who walked approximately 10,000 steps per day or five miles to better fitness and were the leaders of the 85 persons enrolled in the program.

Montauk Step Program awarded prizes on August 5th were: First Place, Ron Ryan with 744,181 steps, who was awarded a \$100 Gift Certificate for dining at Chez Kama Restaurant, Second Place to Jeffrey Schwartz with 661,241 steps, who received a Gift Certificate for \$25 from Poultry Mart, Third Place to Ana Quinones for her 635,119 steps and a \$10 Gift Certificate to Yogurteria, Fourth Place to Robert Lasky with 620,346 steps and was awarded a 1 lb. bag of coffee and a mug from Starbucks, and Fifth Place to Doug Winkler with 577,103 steps, who won 4 plastic tumblers from Starbucks.

All participants received a certificate from the Committee and a 1-week free gym pass courtesy of New York Health and Racquet Club. We want to thank the following sponsors for their generous support of this program: The Atria of Great Neck, (Great Neck Road), Chez Kama Restaurant, Poultry Mart, Yogurteria, New York Health and Racquet Club, and Starbucks. Congratulations to all participants! Stay tuned for more information on the bus trip to Montauk Lighthouse for those who completed the 216,000 steps to Montauk and are eligible for this day trip to the East End.

“Senior Span” Advisory Committee Update

Our next open meeting is scheduled for September 24th at 2 P.M. with local Nutritionist & Diabetic Educator Regina Winocur, speaking on topics of great interest to all. Join us and get your discount taxi cards. Everyone is invited to attend this meeting at Great Neck Plaza Village Hall.

The VGNP Senior Span Advisory Committee has continued in its efforts to address the needs of our senior citizens through their regular monthly meetings. In Committee reports, the Referral Services Subcommittee introduced a comprehensive user survey questionnaire gauging the satisfaction of Great Neck Plaza residents. The Committee is hopeful that results of this survey will provide useful data. The Advisory Committee will be able to fine-tune the Senior Span program to have specialized projects and activities that can effectively help enable our senior citizen residents to age in place with an improved quality of life. (See the enclosed insert for the Senior Span survey for you to complete.)

Renovations taking place at Tully Park/Indoor Pool have posed an issue for seniors who have depend on swimming as an important means of exercise. Several alternatives have been provided: Echo Park in the Town of Hempstead, which due to Tully Park's renovations is offering a special "North Hempstead Non-Resident" membership. Although the membership structure for the Aquatic Center at Eisenhower Park is somewhat different, it is nevertheless a viable indoor pool alternative. The Sid Jacobsen JCC in Manhasset (516-484-1545) and the Cross Island YMCA in Bellerose Queens (718-479-0505) both offer a wide variety of membership plans for Tully Park attendees to possibly utilize.

On a different note, the "Call a Friend" program – a proposal intended to increase the awareness of seniors in need and foster a "Getting to Know Your Neighbor" policy – was also discussed. This "Call a Friend" program is still to be rolled out and developed in consultation with social workers to ensure that the volunteer callers are properly screened and trained, and that the privacy of elderly recipients would be of the utmost concern.

Various matters concerning MTA-Long Island Bus were also addressed with representatives Danielle Bachor and Susan Czelusniak from the MTA. The issue of Able Ride was of particular importance to the Committee, as Able Ride is heavily relied on as a means of transportation within the elderly and disabled communities. An individual must be certified in order to use Able Ride, with their healthcare provider aware of the certification. Some concerns: the difficulty of scheduling rides on short-notice, the time-lag that must be taken into account by individuals scheduling rides, and the lack of assistance provided by bus drivers in aiding riders from their residencies to the bus. A cell phone/beeper system to better communications between driver and rider is being investigated.

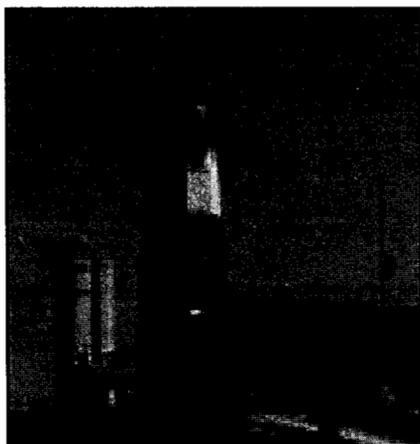
In looking at alternative means of transportation for seniors, the option of utilizing the Village's taxi services, was also mentioned. A "Senior Span" card will be issued free of charge so that any member age 65 and older enrolled in the Senior Span Program will benefit from a discount. To join the Senior Span Program, a form is available at the Village of Great Neck Plaza Village Hall or on-line at www.greatneckplaza.net.

STREET PARKING PERMIT RENEWALS

Street permits for multiple dwelling apartment buildings will expire at the end of December 2008. To renew your Village of Great Neck Plaza street parking permit, you need to present your license and car registration. You may provide copies if necessary. If the license and car registration do not show your current village address, you will need 2 proofs of residency, i.e. current signed lease or contract, current utility bill or a major credit card statement.

The applications for street permits are located on the front desk at the Village Hall. If the car is not registered in your name, you will need to fill out a form to verify the owner is permitting you to use the car. This form must also be signed by the owner themselves.

The cost is \$5.00, payable in cash or a check, made out to the Village of Great Neck Plaza. Hours are Monday - Friday 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.



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Dates to Remember:

Sept 7 "I Don't Have A Garage, Garage Sale," 9-4 PM, Rain date Sept. 14. Lot opposite Fredrick's on Grace Ave
Sept 21 The 24th Annual Street Fair & AutoFest on Middle Neck Road from Barstow to Cedar from 12 Noon to 5 PM
Sept 24 at 2 PM, Wednesday, in Great Neck Plaza Village Hall: Open Meeting of "Senior Span" (see pg 7 for details)
October 9 at 9:30 A.M., Thursday, "Star Performer" Award Ceremony in Village Hall.

Plaza Welcomes New Merchants

The Village is happy to welcome the following businesses that have opened or reopened in the Plaza. Stop in and greet these merchants and say "hello." They bring vitality, diversity and new life to our community.

If you are new storeowner in town, the Plaza would be happy to provide a free Ribbon Cutting ceremony to celebrate your opening. Call Carol Teplin at the Village, 482-4500, and she will help coordinate one with you.

- **Mi Casa Es Tu Casa**, Serving breakfast and lunch at 9 So. Middle Neck Road
- **Fast Frame**, Photography and frame store and more at 5 Bond Street
- **Bonda Yoga**, teaching relaxation skills and meditation at 4A Bond Street
- **Creative Designs Salon**, trendy, upscale hair boutique at 25 Cutter Mill Road
- **TEW Employment Worldwide, Inc.** Cleaning Service at 5 Great Neck Road
- **Riveria's Restaurant and Lounge**, located at 26 Great Neck Road



Mayor Jean Celender assists owner Diana Meleasa of Creative Designs Salon at 25 Cutter Mill Road to cut the ribbon celebrating the grand opening of their shop.

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

Satisfaction Survey

LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

- Do you feel comfortable in your present apartment? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel you have enough room in your present apartment? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel you have enough storage space in the kitchen? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you have enough closet or storage space in the rest of your apartment? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel safe in your apartment (have enough protection in emergencies)? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel you have enough privacy when you are in your apartment? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you fee you have enough quiet when you are in your apartment? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel your apartment is sufficiently free of danger of accidents? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel your apartment is sufficiently cheerful or home-like? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel your apartment is easy enough for you to care for? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel your apartment has enough heat? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel that you can see well enough in your apartment? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel your apartment has a pleasant view from your windows? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel your living conditions are sufficiently sanitary? ___ Yes ___ No
- What worries you about your present living arrangements? _____
- _____

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

- Are you able to do most of your shopping in the Village Plaza? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you use the transportation facilities of the Village Plaza? (train/taxi/bus) ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel you have enough medical facilities or services in the Plaza? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel you have enough things to do here in the Village Plaza? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you ever use the facilities of the Senior Center on Grace Ave.? ___ Yes ___ No
- Are you close enough to persons who could help in times of illness? ___ Yes ___ No
- Which nuisances are bothersome to you? (ie. Traffic, Noise, etc.) _____
- Do you feel there is a sufficient police presence in the Village Plaza? ___ Yes ___ No

HEALTH/SAFETY MANAGEMENT

- Do you feel you are eating enough (what is required)? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you usually eat alone or with others? ___ alone ___ with others
- Are you having any difficulty in preparing meals? ___ Yes ___ No
 OR ___ Not prepared by aging person
- Do you forget and leave the stove burner lit on fire? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you have trouble doing your laundry? (linens, underwear, etc.) ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you have trouble caring for yourself? (bathing, dressing, etc.) ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you have any difficulty with climbing stairs? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you have trouble using public transportation? (getting on/off buses, etc.) ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel you are getting enough medical care? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel you are comparatively healthier than others your age? ___ Yes ___ No

SOCIAL RELATIONSHIPS

- Do you feel you have enough contact with family and/or friends? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you have neighbors that help you? ___ Yes ___ No
- Would you want to spend more time with others? ___ Yes ___ No
- Do you feel sufficiently close enough to persons who mean the most to you? ___ Yes ___ No

• Are there any other matters you would like to tell us about? _____

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