

# PLAZA VOICE FALL 2007

VILLAGE OF GREAT NECK PLAZA

## 23rd ANNUAL STREET FAIR AND AUTOFEST, SEPT. 23rd, 2007

On Sunday, September 23, the streets of Great Neck Plaza will be lined with thousands of people showing their community spirit as vintage cars, a clothesline art show and antique products will be on display at the annual Great Neck Plaza Street Festival and AutoFest.

Mayor Jean Celender is excited about another year of celebration. "The Village of Great Neck Plaza is pleased to collaborate with the Business Improvement District (BID) in our tradition of hosting this unique event. This celebration brings the heart of the community to life and pays thanks to the community for supporting our downtown shopping district and continuing to make Great Neck Plaza and all of Great Neck a thriving community."

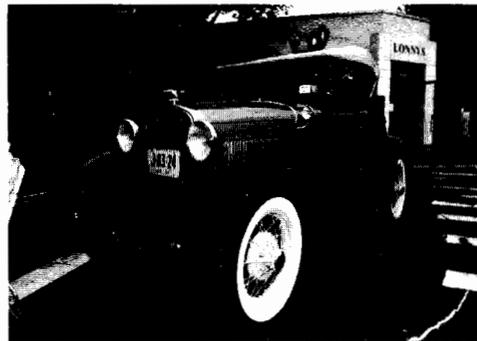
The antique cars on display are one of the highlights of the event. The autos will range from early Model A's and T's to vintage Buicks and Cadillacs to classic Jaguars and Bentleys. New this year, the clothesline art show, patterned after a very successful Easthampton event, will feature the artwork of up and coming artists. These artists will feature their work of oil, acrylic, watercolor, prints, sculptures and photographs along Middle Neck Road, with the artwork available for purchase.

This annual event showcases the best that Great Neck has to offer. Kids and adults alike can also enjoy the traditional attractions that will be offered. During the course of the five-hour festival, there will be carnival rides and games, pony rides and a petting zoo. Face-painters, magicians and an Elvis impersonator will be providing entertainment to make your visit more enjoyable.

The event will take place throughout Great

Neck Plaza including Bond Street, Great Neck Road, Middle Neck Road, Grace Avenue, North Station Plaza and Cutter Mill Road from noon to 5 PM. As always, there is no charge to attend the festival, so just enjoy yourself.

For more information on auto car registration, please call the BID offices at 516-829-1301. The BID requests that all antique and classic cars pre-register as there may not be available space to register on the day of the festival.



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### Chapel/Canterbury Road Overnight Resident Parking Update

Based upon the results of our resident survey from the June *Plaza Voice* Newsletter, the Great Neck Park District indicated it is a strong possibility that they will move forward with the Village to negotiate a pilot parking program for overnight resident parking in their Chapel/Canterbury commuter lot. We heard from a number of residents who are desirous of overnight parking in this area that are willing to pay a fee for such parking, and can be out by 7 AM.

While we had many favorable responses, more residents are needed to support such a program and enable the Village to continue pursuing this matter further with the Park District. We are gathering a list of interested residents for this overnight parking program, so please contact Carol Teplin, at 482-4500, if you are a Plaza resident and want to participate in this new overnight parking program in the Park District's Chapel/Canterbury lot.

## Mayor's Letter

Dear Friends,

This September 23rd, a Sunday, marks our 23rd Annual Antique Car Show and Street Fair. We are busy planning some new additions to this wonderful fun-filled community event, and hope you will join us to celebrate a great day in our Village. The Street Fair will take place on Middle Neck Road from Barstow Road to Cedar Drive, starting at Noon and running until 5 PM. It includes an Antique Fair on Bond Street and a Clothesline Art Show sponsored by the Great Neck Arts Center near Maple Drive. The rain date is the following Sunday, September 30th.

Here in Great Neck Plaza we're encouraged by the number of new stores that have opened in the last several months. During our recent Summer Concert series, we had a "Meet the Merchants" night in August when we introduced 21 new or relocated merchants in the Village. Despite reports of the country being in an economic downturn, we are grateful for the new and exciting businesses choosing to open in our community. I encourage and remind residents to "Shop In Great Neck" and support the wonderful merchants and vast array of great shops, restaurants

and service establishments here in our own Village. Check out page four for a list of these new merchants we recently saluted!

We hope you have enjoyed our beautiful hanging planters that have adorned the Village lamp posts, terra cotta pots overflowing with flowers, and the colorful plantings in the roundabout and in our green spaces this spring and summer. I want to commend our DPW staff for their creativity in bringing more varied and colorful plantings this year that have been a wonderful addition to beautify our streetscapes, parks and seating areas. Our DPW staff is out there every morning diligently watering to make sure these plantings stay lush and the flowers are not wilted. Please take a minute to let DPW Superintendent, Ivor Belgrave, and his staff know when you see them out there on the street, just how great a job they are doing!

I hope to see you all on September 23rd at the Street Fair! Enjoy the rest of the summer.



Jean A. Celender, Mayor

## Quality of Life, Heretofore, Traffic Talk

by Trustee Sheldon M. Goodman, Ph.D.

As fall is such an interesting and busy time in our Village and the Plaza Voice is jammed packed, this column will be abbreviated. I trust my reader will not think its content less important though. I wish to expand the content of my articles from covering only traffic matters to considering our quality of life, thus the change in title. I want to put before you something that is particularly timely; that being emergency preparedness. While those committed to helping us in time of need is particularly strong in the Village of Great Neck Plaza, assistance may be delayed in time of disaster. Thus it is for you, your loved ones and your businesses to be ready as advocated by the American Red Cross. They enumerate three crucial steps:

- 1) Prepare a kit; what you have on hand can make a big difference. Create a disaster kit - one for home and one to take with you as a "Go Bag," which needs to contain water, at least one gallon per person per day; Food, non-perishable items; a First Aid Kit; Medications, essential prescription and non-prescription items; a battery powered radio (with extra batteries); personal goods such as eye glasses, and hygiene items, money - have cash as ATM's and credit cards won't work when power is out; important family documents in a waterproof container and special items for infants and pets and those with special needs.
- 2) Make a plan and be informed. Create a plan which includes a communication plan and an evacuation plan and outline responsibilities for each member. Pick two places to meet after a disaster - one near your home and another further away in case you can't get back immediately.
- 3) Designate one person outside the affected area that each family member will call to check in with and practice this plan and update it as necessary.

Some random thoughts: teach each member when and how to turn off electricity, water and gas; learn the location of official shelters or make plans for a local motel to flee to. Know safe routes inland away from the L.I. Sound. Make special arrangements for the elderly. Inventory personal property and securely store valuable records.

## Help Prevent Abandoned Shopping Carts

The sidewalks and streets of our Village are besieged with shopping carts that find their way astray from various stores, particularly from Waldbaum's, because people remove them and do not bring them back. We urge residents to "**Please, don't take a shopping cart off the premises of a store.**" It is stealing.

When our DPW staff find carts in the Village, they do pick them up and bring them back to the store. However, we do not want to have to pick up these carts, and only do so in order to maintain the look of our beautiful village.

Please help stop the nuisance and eyesore that these carts create when they are left abandoned on our streets and sidewalks. If you see one in front of your apartment building, in your apartment building or on the sidewalk, please bring it back to the appropriate store, or notify the Village DPW at 482-4500.

These carts are an expensive item and replacement of them is very costly to these businesses. We all pay for these stolen carts in higher costs. Help us keep Great Neck Plaza clean and free from stray carts!

**CODE ENFORCEMENT ENHANCES  
SAFETY AND QUALITY OF LIFE IN  
GREAT NECK PLAZA**

We are obligated to enforce our parking regulations and other municipal codes, and do not seek pleasure when residents, visitors and merchants get parking or other code violations. It is important to remember that the Village Code Enforcement Officers are people. They have names, and families, and are employees that are working diligently to perform their duties to the best of their abilities. What would our Village be like if motorists continually blocked traffic lanes by double parking on our main thoroughfares? If store owners and their employees constantly fed the meters in front of their stores and prevented shoppers and residents from using those parking spaces? If parking spaces did not turn over because motorists parked beyond the time limit permitted? If street corners and crosswalks were blocked by illegally parked cars?

Therefore, under the capable supervision of Joseph Diaz, we call upon our Code Enforcement Officers: Arthur Lanteri, Thomas Acetta, Chris Backmon, Ron Ryan and Michael Shaw to ensure safety and a high quality of life in the Plaza. If you want to report a problem, or give praise to a Code Officer who was helpful to you, please contact Joe Diaz at 482-4500.

**Village Hosts Seminar for Seniors**

On October 18th, 2007 from 2 to 3 PM in Village Hall, staff members of the Town of North Hempstead will speak to our senior residents about their model program "Project Independence," an initiative in the town designed to help senior residents remain active members of the community. In a recent meeting with Town Community Services Commissioner, Madge Kaplan, and other participating partners of this program, Mayor Jean Celender invited them to speak to our residents about services which are available free to the public and are not commonly known. The mission of the program is to assist seniors to get the requisite services to age in place.

Such problems facing our seniors include medical transportation difficulties, home repairs, meals on wheels, handicapped accessible retrofits, and in general, ways to expand in-home senior services to forestall consideration of placement in an assisted care facility or nursing home.

If you are interested in attending, please call Carol Teplin at 482-4500. Also, we invite you to tell us your needs so that we may be prepared to bring your question to the "experts" before the seminar so that they will come with concrete answers for you. Join us for an informative, vibrant discussion. Refreshments will be served.



**"Star Performer"  
Nomination Form**

The next scheduled "Star Performer" Ceremony will be on Thursday, **October 4th, at 9:30 AM.** To qualify for this award you need to nominate someone who goes out of their 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 it's a genuine pleasure to do business in the Plaza. If you wish to nominate a "Star Performer" please fill out the form 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:

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My name & phone number:

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Send this form to VGNP,

Carol Teplin, 2 Gussack Plaza, P.O. Box 440, Great Neck, NY 11022-0440

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**Sunday, October 14th at 2 PM**

**Stimulate your brain and your heart!**

**Come to Village Hall for a**

**Poetry Reading**

**This month featuring poet Tom Disch**

**Information: Carolyn Raphael**

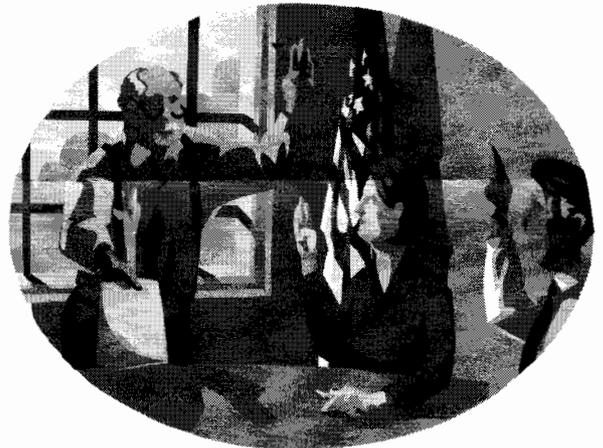
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# YOUNG VOTERS GET INVOLVED!

Our Board of Trustees and Mayor encourage young people in Great Neck Plaza to get involved in village government and we welcome our residents to participate on a Resident Committee and vote for your village officials. We know you are busy and you might be away from the Plaza attending school, but some may be going to universities and community colleges here locally or living at home and working on Long Island. Why not miss your favorite TV show or other activity and instead come down to a Board of Trustees meeting? We meet twice a month, the first and third Wednesday, where a wide variety of issues are discussed, from new restaurants and building applications, to new and amended legislation, and action is usually taken at each meeting. We solicit public input and comments and like to hear back from our residents, of all ages, on agenda items or issues of concern (you can call our Village Clerk-Treasurer, Patricia O'Byrne, at 482-4500 and request an issue of concern to be added as an agenda item). We are confident that in 20 years you will remember that meeting a lot more than what happened on TV (and there are always re-runs on TV anyway, especially in the summer).

If you are 18, and you haven't registered to vote, we have a voter registration form that can be picked up at Great Neck Plaza Village Hall (2 Gussack Plaza behind Bruce's Bakery) or downloaded from our web site at: <http://www.greatneckplaza.net/permits.htm> (scroll down the page to "Miscellaneous Permits or Forms,") or you can register on-line by visiting "Rock The Vote" at <https://secure5.ctsg.com/rtv/ovr/indexNoPop.asp>.

If you are registered to vote, and you know you will be away from home due to studies or vacation that require you to be elsewhere at the time of a village election (held each year on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in March), you can obtain an absentee ballot, which will be mailed to you. If you qualify and would like to receive an absentee ballot, or be notified of when to register for an absentee ballot and receive it by mail, please contact the Clerk-Treasurer, Patricia O'Byrne, via e-mail at [obynrep@greatneckplaza.net](mailto:obynrep@greatneckplaza.net), and she will send you the requisite information on getting an application to vote in the next Village Election, which will be on March 18, 2008.



Remember every vote counts and your voice can make a difference!

## Plaza Saluted New Merchants, August 21st, 2007

The Village of Great Neck Plaza sponsored a concert in Jonathan Ielpi Memorial Firefighters Park on Tuesday August 21<sup>st</sup> in its first annual "Salute to New Merchants" in the Plaza. This evening was conceived as an opportunity for residents to meet and greet the twenty-one new merchants who have opened up businesses in our village in the last six months. There are nineteen totally new business ventures and two merchants who took leases at new, larger facilities. The evening of August 21<sup>st</sup>, from 7 to 8 PM, merchants greeted the people; gave out discount coupons and promotional materials and told the audience a bit about their business.

At the "Salute to New Merchants," we welcomed owners of the following businesses: State Farm Insurance, Angels Medi-Spa, Deaf Welcome Foundation, Elaine's Asian Bistro, Ethos of Great Neck, Fa'el Salon and Spa, Great Neck Bagel Café, Great Neck Specialty Foods, Häagen Dazs, Kron Chocolatier, La Rotonda Café, Lee Beauty Care, Mama

Asian Restaurant, Max and Gino's Apparel, Michael Perez Pop Art Gallery, Mint Thai Bistro, mudd works, Signature Bank, Sterling National Mortgage, Sylvan Learning Center and The Salon at Great Neck.

Mayor Celender and the Board of Trustees are happy to welcome new businesses that have opened in the Plaza. If you are a new merchant in the Village and you would like to have a ribbon cutting to celebrate your grand opening, call Village Hall at 482-4500 and ask for Carol Teplin. She will help you coordinate the event and will announce the news to the Chamber of Commerce and various service clubs in the Great Neck area. The day of the event, the Mayor will bring the ceremonial scissors and ribbon, and join you as you greet your guests. Carol Teplin will take the photographs and write and submit the article to the local newspapers for you. This is done by the village, free of charge, to promote our local businesses.

## Village of Great Neck Plaza

### Village Board of Trustee Meetings

Convenes Wednesdays at 8 p.m.

Sept. 5 & 19

Oct. 3 & 17

Nov. 6 & 20

### Village Court Dates

Convenes Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

Sept. 4, 10 & 25

Sept. 17th Trials

Oct. 2, 9 & 23

Oct. 16th Trials

Nov. 5 (Mon.), 13 & 27

Nov. 20th Trials

### Receive News & 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. Submitted information will be used solely by the Mayor's office to keep you current on important matters.

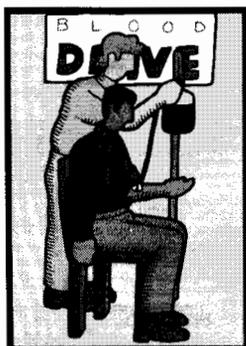
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\* Indicates optional information

## Village Blood Drive, Wednesday, October 10, 2007

The Village of Great Neck Plaza, in conjunction with the Lion's, Kiwanis, and Rotary Clubs of Great Neck and the Great Neck Chamber of Commerce, is scheduled to have a blood drive on Wednesday, October 10, 2007. The hours of collection are 1 PM to 6:30 PM and will be held in the Courtroom of Village Hall. The blood that is collected is vitally important to distribute to local area hospitals. Based on our successful drive last year at this time, our amount of recommended pledges needed to reach the goal is 75 donors.



Please call the village at (516) 482-4500 and let us know a convenient time for you to stop by and donate. We will be open for your arms from 1 until 6:30 PM. Please call and give the gift of life. If you were one of the volunteers last year you will remember the event as a truly memorable, "Only in Great Neck" type of blood drive. Donations from area restaurants supply our donors with food for brunch, lunch and coffee breaks.

Did we say food? We meant to say "Epicurean gourmet delights" to tempt and satisfy even the most discriminating palates. Did I mention a massage therapist would be on hand to relax you? We thank you in advance for your community spirit and generosity.

# Star Performer Awards on June 14th, 2007

On Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007 the Village of Great Neck Plaza presented nine people from the Plaza with "Star Performer" awards.

Anne Falk nominated her dentist, Dr. Howard Israel, who she says "Always makes me feel so comfortable in his chair. He told me that I look like one of his aunts and immediately I felt like family and knew he wouldn't hurt me. He is extra special as a person and as a doctor and I felt he was truly a Star Performer." Unfortunately, Dr. Israel had an emergency and could not attend, so his wife, Mindy, accepted the Proclamation from Mayor Celender.

Kathleen Cotter, Great Neck Library Station Branch Head Librarian, was nominated by Jerome Stern. "Ms. Cotter is an enduring asset to the Great Neck community. She brings diligence, attention to detail and energy to her profession." Ms. Cotter remarked that she has been in the library system for many years and has never encountered a more literary population.

Sylvia Schwartz was nominated by Mayor Jean Celender, who said told everyone that Sylvia was a USO hostess during WWII entertaining the troops, dancing with her parasol and was a fine hostess. She was the first Oneg Shabbat chairwoman of Temple Emanuel and is a charter member. "Sylvia is a dear friend, outstanding advocate, devoted community leader and staunch activist. I thank you for your commitment and important work in making a difference in the Great Neck community."

Michael Shaw was nominated by Ethel Pomerantz, a long time teacher in Great Neck who said, "I know Michael in two situations and he is outstanding in both. He is a graphic artist, mail room supervisor and head of the print shop at Temple Beth-El. He is also my student in the Adult Learning Center on Clover Drive. He is conscientious, highly motivated and says he is there to better himself academically and receive his GED. Michael represents all the students at the Center who are living the American dream."

Anne Falk was nominated by Mayor Jean Celender for her community activism. Said Mayor Celender, "Anne was the first person to advise me about how treacherous Great Neck Road can be when you are a senior walking with a cane or a walker. The traffic light does not allow adequate time for pedestrians to cross and the motorists use Great Neck Road as a speedway. After several years of planning and negotiations with Nassau County, Anne's goal to make a safer, more pedestrian-friendly Great Neck Road will come to fruition, when the renovation begins in the near future, hopefully by late fall or early spring."

Lisa Itty and Scott Swe of the Bank of America were nominated by Jewel Kramer who said: "Lisa is hard working, pleasant and well qualified. She always greets me with a smile and is anxious to help all her customers. Scott is a skilled gentleman, he is well dressed, immaculate and looks like he came out of a magazine. He is professional in his work and very conscientious."

Richard Levine was also nominated by Jewel Kramer, who has known him for over 25 years. "He walked into our accounting office to sell advertising products and we have been friends ever since. Richard's father died when he was 7; his mom did an incredible job raising him. Despite Richard's loss of hearing and lack of coordination nothing stops him from his goals. Two years ago Richard was hit by a car and suffered massive injuries which took months and months of hospitalization and rehabilitation. Richard is a member and volunteer for ANIBIC which is an organization in Bayside for neurologically impaired and brain injured children. This year he decided to enter the Long Island half marathon, walking 13 ½ miles to benefit ANIBIC. He raised almost \$5,000 for the organization who has been helping him since he was a little child. Richard is a perfect example of a fine human being; he is hard-working, honest and persistent – a real Star Performer."

Jewel Kramer was nominated by Richard Levine who said she is a kind hearted, dedicated angel who goes out of her way to help others. She is a valuable asset to the community, writing letters to our soldiers in the Desert Storm war and letters and gifts to the troops in Iraq. When the Midwest has floods some years ago, she began a collection of canned foods and shipped them to fellow Americans in trouble. "Jewel is really a gem," said Mayor Celender.



Pictured from left to right are: Lisa Itty, Jewel Kramer, Richard Levine, Anne Falk, Michael Shaw, Mayor Celender, Mindy Israel, Kathleen Cotter and Sylvia Schwartz.

# Stormwater Pollution Prevention Starts at Home

There are many ways you can prevent stormwater pollution at home. If we each do a little, it can add up to a lot. Pass the pollution prevention message along and let others know what they can do to prevent pollution. Encourage others to follow these practices. Here are just a few ideas of things residents can do to help prevent stormwater pollution, conserve energy and create less waste:

## Use Less Toxic Products

- If you change your own oil, recycle the used oil at a service station or recycling center. The Town of North Hempstead's S.T.O.P. also accept used oil for recycling.
- When purchasing cleaning supplies, buy as little as you need. Buy less-toxic or nontoxic supplies. Baking soda and water can be used in place of ammonia-based all-purpose cleaners. Instead of purchasing a drain cleaner, mix 1/4 cup baking soda with 1/4 cup vinegar.
- Use non-toxic glue and water-based markers for your arts and crafts projects.
- Use a baking soda paste as a general stain remover. Rub chalk on grease stains prior to washing. Apply butter or margarine to chocolate stains, let set at least 15 minutes and wash.
- Use herbs, set out a small dish of vanilla or leave an open box of baking soda in the room as an air freshener.
- Give leftover household hazardous products to someone who can use them (i.e., paints, pesticides, cleaning products, etc.), or bring to the Town's S.T.O.P. Look for dates at: [www.northhempstead.com/content/4433/4435/5474.aspx](http://www.northhempstead.com/content/4433/4435/5474.aspx), or call the Town's S.T.O.P Hotline at (516) 767-4600.
- Use cedar blocks or chips instead of moth balls.
- Use red chili pepper, paprika, or dried peppermint as alternative repellants.
- Use cat litter or sand instead of salt on icy walks.
- Find out which companies in your area practice pollution prevention, and patronize their businesses (e.g. Strathmore Products, Passano Paints, Harden Furniture, United States Postal Service, Carrier, Garden Way [Troy-Bilt]).

## Conserve Energy

- Keep your car well tuned. This will conserve gasoline and reduce harmful emissions. Buy only as much auto fluid as you will use up.
- Turn off lights when you leave the room to save energy and money. One fourth of the energy generated in America is used for lighting. Unplug cell phone, I-Pod and other chargers from outlets when not in use.
- Walk, carpool or ride your bike when possible. Americans make the equivalent of three million trips to the moon and back each year in cars, using up natural resources and polluting the air.
- Turn the water off when you brush your teeth.
- Only run full loads in the washing machine or dishwasher.

## Create Less Waste

- Instead of buying sandwich bags and brown paper bags for lunches, pack lunches in reusable containers and reusable bags. Use durable reusable bags when you go shopping, too.
- Buy durable appliances and electronic equipment that last longer and can be repaired. Help keep these items out of our landfills by repairing instead of disposing.
- Buy in bulk and avoid products with over packaging. About 1/3 of our garbage is packaging which is thrown out immediately.
- Purchase rechargeable batteries. Reduce the amount of trash going into our landfills and help keep toxic metals out too. Some batteries, especially the small "button" types and rechargeables, can be recycled.
- Use the Sunday comics or magazine pictures for gift wrap. About 40% of America's garbage is paper.

## Parking Pamphlets Available

We recently updated our "Parking Brochure," a tri-folded grey pamphlet, and placed them in several lots for motorists and pedestrians to obtain information indicating the various locations and rules of parking in the Village. These brochures are visibly located on wooden posts inside plastic holders in Lot 1 (across from Village Hall) and Lot 2 (Fredrick's Lot). Inside these pamphlets you will find information on where parking is located, permit versus metered parking lots, the hours of operation for our meters, when parking is free, and what to do when a meter registers failed or is not working. Furthermore, these pamphlets describe the importance of not "feeding the meter" meaning parking your vehicle in the same space for longer than the 2-hour or 4-hour limit and continuously putting money in the meter. In the pamphlets, you will also find an explanation of the extra 5-minute grace period we have reprogrammed into the meters at the end of the paid time to make them friendly meters. This is in addition to the 5 minutes we give you up front for "free" with a push button, to allow you time to get change at a store in case you don't have quarters for the meters.

Next time you are in these lots, please take notice of these free brochures and take one to keep handy in your car. We have made them available in order to help ensure better access for customers to the businesses around the Village. We want to make it easier for our residents and visitors alike to find parking and to better understand the rules of parking. Armed with this valuable information, we hope we can help make your shopping and dining experiences in Great Neck Plaza more enjoyable!



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### SAVE THESE DATES:

Sept. 23rd: 23rd Annual Street Fair and Auto Fest, 12 Noon—5 PM (Middle Neck Road: Barstow Rd to Cedar Dr)

Oct. 4th: "Star Performer Awards Ceremony" from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM (See page 3 for more details)

Oct. 10th: Annual Community Blood Drive—Village Hall from 1—6:30 PM

Oct. 18th: Seminar on Services for the Elderly—Village Hall from 2 PM to 3 PM

## Village Mourns the Loss of Trustee Joel Liebowitz

After battling cancer for the past few months Trustee Joel Liebowitz, succumbed to the devastating disease. News of his passing came as a tremendous surprise to all of us at Village Hall who loved him. We all expected that he would "kick it," as he so often told us he would.

Mayor Jean Celender, in her remarks at his funeral said, "For over 20 years, Joel rendered tireless service to the Village and its residents. Joel was appointed to the Board of Zoning and Appeals in 1987 by Mayor Allan Gussack. It was not long after that appointment that those in the village came to realize that Joel's voice was one of quiet calm, reason and sense. Several years later in 1990, he was appointed to the Board of Trustees." Joel also served as a Board member of United Community Fund, Cable Commissioner, Contract Negotiator & Long Range Planner, Great Neck Plaza Taxi Commissioner, Former CFO of a Graphic Arts Firm, Representative to Nassau County Village Officials Association and Woman Space Technical Advisor.

Mayor Celender ended by saying, "On behalf of a grateful village, its family members and its residents, "Joel, thank you." Thank you for being a friend. Thank you for being there (always encouraging and supportive). Thank you for your caring and commitment. Thank you for your long years of dedicated service. Thank you for making a difference. May you rest in peace.

