

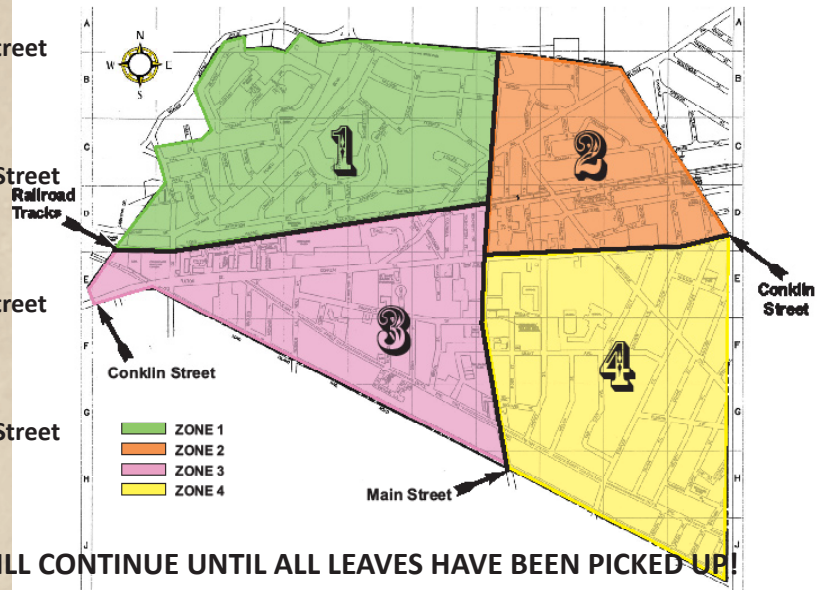
2020 LEAF PICKUP SCHEDULE

Zone 1: North of Front Street & West of Main Street
 Oct. 26 - Oct. 30
 Nov. 30 - Dec. 4

Zone 2: North of Conklin Street & East of Main Street
 Nov. 2 - Nov. 6
 Nov. 23 - Nov. 25

Zone 3: South of Front Street & West of Main Street
 Nov. 9 - Nov. 13
 Dec. 7 - Dec. 11

Zone 4: South of Conklin Street & East of Main Street
 Nov. 16 - Nov. 20
 Dec. 14 - Dec. 18



ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE! WE WILL CONTINUE UNTIL ALL LEAVES HAVE BEEN PICKED UP!



December 2020
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FARMINGDALE VILLAGE REPORT

Moving In The Right Direction

As we begin to enjoy the traditions and events of the upcoming Holiday Season, we look forward to celebrations with friends, family and the community. This is the perfect time to reflect upon how fortunate we are. While many enjoy the seasonal festivities, there are others that are in need of assistance, food and support in our community and elsewhere. Perhaps consider donating new, unwrapped toys to the "Marine Toys for Tots." There is a collection box in Farmingdale Village Hall for toy donations, now through Friday December 18. Last year we set a record, thanks to your donations and this year we would love to beat it! We truly appreciate your generosity donating during the holiday season to help others. Just a reminder we are also collecting non-perishable food donations to help the local needy in our community. Donations can be dropped off at Village Hall from 9 am – 3 pm.

Mayor Ralph Ekstrand
Deputy Mayor William Barrett
Trustee Cheryl Parisi
Trustee Walter Priestley
Trustee Anthony J. Addeo



Additionally, several merchants and organizations throughout the village will also have collections, ways to help donate to those in need this season, so please consider helping those less fortunate. The Farmingdale Rotary is looking to help the Salvation Army in their yearly effort for donations. Both the Rotary and Salvation Army are committed to helping the community and are looking for Volunteers to man a few key spots on Main Street in Farmingdale; to Ring the Bell and help collect donations for one hour shifts during late November to mid-December. If interested in volunteering, please contact Kevin Bagnasco, avantisempre@aol.com for scheduling. Thanks for any support.

And a BIG thank you to all of our residents who have been so diligent and continue to be diligent in fighting Covid 19. Please respect everyone and follow Gov. Cuomo's recommendations. Be safe. We are all in this together. Wishing everyone a wonderful Holiday Season!!!
 Mayor and Board of Trustees

TRUSTEE RECEIVES "WOMAN of DISTINCTION" AWARD

Farmingdale Village Trustee and Women's Club of Farmingdale Past Co-President Cheryl Parisi was recognized among the New York State Senate's "Women of Distinction." State Senator Kevin Thomas presented Parisi with the award. "We truly appreciate Cheryl's steadfast dedication and wonderful contributions to the Village of Farmingdale," Village of Farmingdale Mayor Ralph Ekstrand wrote. "Congratulations on behalf of the residents, merchants and your fellow village board members."



HOLIDAY LIGHTS CONTEST

Which Farmingdale homes have the best Holiday lights this year?

Vote for the house with the best decorations of 2020 by emailing the house address of your choice to wpriestley@farmingdalevillage.com by 12/20. Homes must be in 11735 zip code and you must live in 11735 to vote. Please only 1 vote per household. First place prize is a \$100 gift card, 2nd place prize is a \$50 gift card and 3rd place prize is a \$25 gift card. Gift cards are sponsored by Farmingdale Village business.



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STAYING INFORMED

In an effort to keep our Village residents properly informed and to keep Village government transparent, please check the website, the Farmingdale Village Facebook page or sign up for Constant Contact for important information regarding public hearings and announcements.

WHAT IS THE NC EXECUTIVE & THE REST OF LI LOOKING AT... FARMINGDALE!!

“With its bustling downtown, attractive housing options and thriving business environment, Farmingdale Village is a great role model of Nassau County’s ‘Live, Work, Play’ vision,” Curran said. “The Village has proven that supportive zoning policies and creative revitalization programs can make a real impact on the bottom line, bringing more tax dollars to support the school district and other public needs. In these difficult economic times it is even more important to know what strategies are tested and proven and I encourage other municipalities to look at Farmingdale as they develop their own economic resurgences.”

In 2019, the Long Island Regional Planning Council (LIRPC) awarded 4Ward Planning Inc. a grant to study the economic impact that the revitalization efforts of the Village created over the past decade. The LIRPC is the regional planning body that represents Nassau and Suffolk County. They presented their findings at a meeting on September 15, 2020. A few highlights of the meeting:

- * The LIRPC and 4Ward Planning recognized that the Village of Farmingdale’s success was no accident.
- * 35 new businesses have opened in the downtown since 2012
- * A net positive impact to the Farmingdale School District of \$1.4 million
- * Returned a \$1.74 for every \$1.00 spent from capital improvements
- * Long Island looks to Farmingdale Village for doing it right!

You can read the entire article by Dave Gil DeRubio of the Observer by going to this link: <https://farmingdale-observer.com/2020/10/08/downtown-development-key-to-farmingdales-economic-success/>

NC RECOGNIZES FARMINGDALE WITH AN INNOVATION AWARD

The Village of Farmingdale is pleased to announce that it has received an “Innovation Award Certificate of Recognition” from Nassau County Comptroller Jack Schnirman. The award recognizes the Incorporated Village of Farmingdale for “its positive impact on residents, dedication, leadership and creative thinking, and the ability to adjust and find innovative solutions in creating Transit Oriented Development, in establishing a vibrant, attractive and economically flourishing downtown.”

Mayor Ralph Ekstrand said, ‘We have been and continue to work with developers, business owners, residents, volunteers, organizations and local officials to make Farmingdale a true destination village on Long Island and we salute our local businesses for their creativity and willingness to make adjustments during the covid-19 pandemic. We thank the residents, volunteers, organizations, Village staff, local officials and everyone that contributes to the vibrancy, sustainability and economic enhancement of Farmingdale Village. On behalf of the Farmingdale Village Board of Trustees and residents, we thank Nassau County Comptroller Jack Schnirman for this Innovation Award, the certificate of recognition is an honor and look we look forward to continued vibrancy and advancement in our Village.’



CALLING ALL SENIOR CITIZENS - CDBG FUNDS



The Village has grant money through HUD (Community Development Block Grant) that can be used to help homeowners who need assistance with maintaining their homes. Please call Village Hall at 516-249-0093 for the requirements to participate in this program. Please ask for Barbara Kelly. A program is planned for late August (date to be determined) to help homeowners apply for this grant money.

IMPORTANCE OF STORM WATER MANAGEMENT

Storm water comes from the precipitation that flows across the ground or pavement when it rains or when snow and ice melt. The water seeps into the ground or flows into our storm drains. These are the drains that you see at street corners or low points on the sides of your streets. Storm water runoff is a concern because of the pollutants it may carry as it is conveyed to the nearest body of water, such as a local stream, pond, harbor or the ocean. There is no system in place to filter storm runoff.

Substances carried by storm water that are considered to be pollutants are:

- Sediment, trash & debris, including bagged animal waste
- Oil, grease, and toxic chemicals
- Soap and paint products from outdoor maintenance activities, including washing your car
- Pesticides and fertilizers from lawns and gardens
- Viruses, bacteria, and nutrients from pet waste and failing septic systems

Information from Nassau County Storm Water Management Program – Illicit Discharge Hotline 516-571-7535, email stormwater2@nassaucountyny.gov

Keep our water clean!

STEP PROGRAM

Do you need to replace a couple of flags of sidewalk in front of your home? The Village has a program called STEP - Step Tripping Elimination Program. We will partner with you to replace up to 4 flags of sidewalk. Call Village Hall to be added to the program.

GOOD NEIGHBOR PRACTICES

Being a “Good Neighbor” comes in many forms. There are few things all of us can practice:

- * Do not put recycle cans or garbage cans out until after 5:00 pm the night before pickup;
- * Keep your sidewalks clear from all debris;
- * Repair sidewalks that are cracked or lifted from tree roots;
- * During snow emergencies, keep your cars off the street.

BEAUTIFICATION

I want to thank all the volunteers who helped to get out Village ready for the holidays. It was certainly a different year.

As we all know, Covid-19 has placed many restrictions on gathering. In thinking outside the box, I asked for volunteers to decorate wreaths at their homes. A huge thank you to Val Thieke,



Kathleen Kender, Dolores Sullivan, Fran Rotondo, Rosemary Trudden, Margaret Barrett, Lois Carbo, Theresa Gannon, Bea Ferreri, Gail McGuirk, Lynne Cahill, Cathy Sewell, Liz Muscarella, Barbara Horner, Vicky Impollonia, Tina Diamond, Judith Vazquez and Kristina Hilton’s Girl Scout Troop.

Wreaths were delivered to all these homes by DPW. The lights and bows from last year were removed and replaced with new lights and bows. DPW then picked them up and hung them on Main Street. A huge thank you to these volunteers!

On Saturday, November 21st, Joan and Tom Ryan volunteered to hang the garland and bows on the fence at Village Green and John Capobianco and Bill Barrett hung the garland and bows on the gazebo at Village Green. Thank you to Joan Ryan for also attaching the garland to create one strand of 160’ for the gazebo and then adding lights. Thank you to Vickie Miller, Maggie Miller and Carol Budinoff for putting the garland and bows up along the fence on South Front Street leading to the railroad. The gazebo and sign at 5 Corners will be done the week of November 30th.

The Village looks beautiful and brings a little cheer during this Covid-19 pandemic.

I am hoping that the Spring will once again allow us to gather and plant and bring a renewed sense of life to the village. Until then, be safe, be healthy and wear a mask.



DPW Crew cleaning up leaves - thanks for a great job men!