



# NORGATE NEWS

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***Spring Clean-Up.*** Norgate will participate in the Earth Day Cleanup Event sponsored by the Town of North Hempstead. Norgate's efforts will take place on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, between the hours of 10:30 AM and 12:00 PM. We'll meet at the corner of Norgate and Highmeadow Roads and concentrate on sprucing up the entrance to the community from the pillars at Northern Boulevard to the neglected house at 22 Norgate Road. The Town will supply garbage bags and free t-shirts for the first ten residents who take part. Our Councilwoman, Anna Kaplan, will come by shortly after 11 AM to say hello and see what we've accomplished. She has been very helpful with Norgate issues and we'd like to have a good turnout of residents to assist with the work and to greet her when she arrives. The cleanup will entail raking, weeding, pruning overgrown vines and bushes, and removing trash along Norgate Road neglected areas in the Norgate community. The Norgate Pillars will be inspected and will be repaired and repainted as necessary.

***Beautification Committee.*** Rita Eredics has agreed to stand in as acting Chairperson until a Chairperson is selected. The committee hopes to restore the rock gardens at the ends of Highmeadow Road and Normandy Lane and at the southwest corner of Norgate and Highmeadow with new plantings. All residents who would like to contribute to the design and execution of a more beautiful Norgate should contact Rita by e-mail at [eredicsr@aol.com](mailto:eredicsr@aol.com) or by phone at 365-7125.

***Standing Committees.*** The by-laws of the Association call for the establishment of three standing committees, namely, traffic & safety, beautification, and social events. Norgate residents who would like to serve on one of these committees should contact our President, Chris Quirin, by e-mail at [Cfquirin@aol.com](mailto:Cfquirin@aol.com) or by phone at 365-8775. We look forward to beautification and cleanup in the spring, social events and most importantly having an active association and a voice in combined efforts with other Manhasset civic associations, Town Hall, and the Manhasset High School so that safety is a priority and we can be heard on the issues of parking, cleanliness, and all amenities so as to preserve our quality of life.

***Treasurer's Report.*** Pat Loiacono, our association's treasurer, reports that 43 of the 57 families entitled to membership in the Norgate Civic Association have paid their dues for the 2013-2014 fiscal year. In the coming months we'll be putting those dues to work to improve Norgate.

***Operation Clean Sweep.*** The North Hempstead Highway crew will be conducting its Annual Operation Clean Sweep program which is designed to rid Town roads of dirt and debris. The present schedule calls for a street sweeper to visit the unincorporated areas of the Town north of the Long Island Expressway during the week of May 5<sup>th</sup> to May 9<sup>th</sup>. Residents are reminded to kindly remove their vehicles from the street between the hours of 7:00 AM and 3:00 PM in order to ensure that the streets are properly cleaned.

**Norgate Directory.** It's time to publish the annual directory containing the names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses of our residents. The Block Captains will be checking the contact information for each of the Norgate households. A new version of the directory containing the contact information for our residents, a map of the community, and the association's constitution and by-laws will be circulated shortly. You can help by sending an e-mail with the appropriate information for your household to the association's e-mail address at [norgate@verizon.net](mailto:norgate@verizon.net).



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**S.T.O.P Event.** Once again the Town will be conducting one of its important STOP Programs (an acronym for Stop Throwing Out Pollutants) on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM at North Hempstead Beach Park in Port Washington. Residents can dispose of items such as aerosol cans, household chemicals, old paint, pesticides, disinfectants, fertilizers, bulbs, thermostats, rechargeable and lithium batteries, TV's and computers. For complete information, residents can consult the [STOP page](#) on the Town's web site.

**Town Building Department.** The Building Department of the Town of North Hempstead has appointed an Applicant Advocate who will be holding evening office hours throughout the Town to address residents' questions and concerns about the building permit process. The next session will be held at the Manhasset Public Library from 6 to 8 PM on Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. Further dates and information are available in a [press release](#) on the Town's web site.

**Street Lights.** Street lights were out on Normandy Lane, Dennis Street and part of Norgate Road beginning after a heavy sleet and snow storm back in January. The Association reported the outages when they occurred but repairs could not be made while snow and ice covered the ground. The repair requests were renewed in April and Councilwoman Kaplan's office was instrumental in seeing that the orders for the necessary repair work were moved to the head of the queue. The lights were repaired on Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Suggestions.** Recommendations for community improvements or to call attention to a new or persistent problem should be communicated to your Block Captain and sent by e-mail to [norgate@verizon.net](mailto:norgate@verizon.net). Public officials seem to be more attentive when receiving requests from local civic associations. Concerns of our residents regarding the Manhasset community as a whole can be reported by our representative to the Council of Greater Manhasset Civic Associations, which will work with us to present them to the appropriate public officials or other interested groups. There's a lot that we can accomplish together.

### **Block Captains.**

Dennis Street/Memorial Place	Jim Pelzer
Highmeadow Road	Holly Wilson/Jim Murray
Norgate Road	Jon Leipsic
Normandy Lane	Pat Vermuelen
Robin Road	Pat Loiacono/Craig Tocher

**22 Norgate Road** - Once again the derelict condition of 22 Norgate Road owned by Sunset Chapels is a topic of discussion and ongoing concern. The officers of the association are working with the Town of North Hempstead to see that the owners will be directed to cure any violations of town ordinances.