



NORGATE NEWS

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New Leadership Elected at June 2019 Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Norgate Civic Association was held in the Community Room of the Manhasset Public Library on the evening of June 25, 2019. A good turn-out of Norgate residents discussed neighborhood issues and elected the following officers and block captains for the 2019-2020 year:

President	James Vermuelen
Vice-President	Jon Leipsic
Secretary	Teresa Amato
Treasurer	James Pelzer
Block Captains	
Dennis Street/Memorial Place	Anne Marie Stack
Highmeadow Road	Eugenia Viner
Norgate Road	Connie Bruno
Normandy Lane	John Polcari
Robin Road	Carmen Lin

A Message to Norgate Neighbors from President Jim Vermeulen

I want to take this opportunity to let you know what has been happening with the Norgate Civic Association since we had our election and community meeting in June.

Your Board of Officers had an executive meeting this summer and discussed your priorities for the community and set timetables. We felt there are three areas of neighborhood importance to address: Traffic and Safety, Outside Partnerships, and community maintenance.

Traffic and Safety was first on our agenda. The Board felt that it was imperative for the Norgate community to create partnerships with Gregory Abruzzo, Commanding Officer 6th Precinct; Superintendent Vincent Butera of Manhasset School District; Joe Geraci Superintendent of Highways; and Veronica Lurvey, our Town Councilwoman for the 4th District. A few weeks ago, I sent introductory letters requesting individual meetings focusing on safety and quality of life issues within the Norgate Community.

In August, Treasurer Jim Pelzer and I met with Councilwoman Lurvey and her Legislative Aide Romina Tehrany. As we discussed the safety and traffic issues on Norgate Road and surrounding Dennis Street at the entrance to the Manhasset High School, it became apparent to us that the traffic congestion, driver cut thru, bus stop and stop sign issues were all interrelated throughout the community.

Considering the complexities in dealing with the increase in traffic and the limitation of adequate roadways, Councilwoman Lurvey was very receptive to our Association's suggestions that we create a leadership working partnership with the 6th Precinct, Manhasset Schools, Traffic,

Department of Highways and the Norgate Civic Association. Together we would focus on evaluating the current roadways, enforcement of established traffic regulations, traffic flow in and out of the school and the Norgate Community, and ways to ensure safety of pedestrians and children waiting for school buses. Both Jim and I were quite pleased when Councilwoman Lurvey agreed to take the lead in organizing the working group and managing its meetings. It is anticipated that we will be meeting with the Traffic and Safety Partnership the week of September 16th to begin discussions on how to improve traffic flow and institute safety measures to ensure that our families are all safe when walking through our community. We will also be addressing the late night drinking and noise from the school fields.

You may have noticed that street markings were repainted and all of the traffic and parking signage was repaired throughout the community in August. Most of the streetlights were repaired, with the exception of the light at the end of Robbin Lane. A work order has been filed and additional repairs should begin shortly. That was your Board working with the Department of Highways to improve the safety of the community.

In the early summer National Grid began a project to replace the gas service pipes in our streets and to Norgate homes. Its contractor, Asplundh, left temporary patches that left our streets rough and uneven. We contacted National Grid and created a partnership with its contractor. We felt that it was taking too long to make permanent street repairs. They were very receptive to our calls and actually rescheduled the final stages of repair and completed resurfacing patches on the community roads by the end of August.

Your Norgate Board members will be meeting in early September with the school Superintendent to discuss good neighbor policies, including noise abatement, landscaping concerns and Memorial Field after hours activities.

The Board has contracted a painter to scrape and paint each of the three pillars at the entranceways to the Norgate Community. They should be completed by the end of September. Vice President Jon Leipsic has been working with an electrician to repair or replace the lights on the Northern Boulevard pillars. As you may have noticed, the NORGATE signs on each of the pillars have been removed. One was stolen and the other has been removed to use as a model for creating new NORGATE signs. Since the signs have to be sent out and laser cut, it is anticipated that the new signs will take 6 to 8 weeks to replace and install.

Our neighborhood carter, Dejana, indicated to me that the Norgate community has returned to early Friday morning bulk pickup as of this week. Block Captains, if your block is still experiencing late pick up, notify Dejana directly at (516) 944-7445.

Going forward we are looking into having the Block Captains take a more active role in the community by helping to update our Norgate Neighborhood Directory, assisting in putting together mini welcome packages for new residents, and requesting street cleaners when the need arises. We are also planning once again to have our annual holiday party.

I would like to thank the NCA Board of Officers, our Block Captains, and the entire Norgate community for their support. I believe that Norgate at Manhasset is one of the most beautiful and family friendly communities in all of Manhasset and it is up to each one of us to continue in that tradition.

Sunset Chapels Property Sold and on the Market for Development

The Steinberg brothers, who owned the Sunset Chapels funeral home on Northern Boulevard, have passed away and the three business-zoned lots on which the business was located as well as the residential lot the Steinbergs owned at 22 Norgate Road were sold to corporations run by Jim Massineo. The business lots are on the market as a location for future development. Mr. Massineo assures us that he plans to keep 22 Norgate Road vacant as a buffer between the other lots and Norgate. He has taken steps to hire a gardener to maintain the grounds at 22 Norgate Road. The Executive Board of the NCA will be following future events regarding these properties closely.

Annual Dues Notices

At its meeting in late August the NCA Executive Board fixed the dues for the 2019-2020 fiscal year at \$100 per household. Restoration of the Norgate pillars, including painting, reproduction and reinstallation of the Norgate signage, and the repair of the lights that top them will, along with annual holiday decorations, form the greater part of NCA expenses over the coming year. A dues notice will be distributed to each household in the coming weeks.

Civic News of Manhasset & Norgate on Greater Council Web Site

The latest news concerning civic affairs in Manhasset can be found on the web site of the Council of Greater Manhasset Civic Associations on which the NCA has a separate page. Check it out at www.manhassetcivic.org.

Concerns, Comments, and Suggestions

The upkeep of the homes in Norgate, the traffic on our streets, the beautification of common areas along Norgate Road, and activities on Memorial Field and the secondary school campus affect the quality of life in our community and the value of our properties. The Executive Board needs your input on these issues so that the officers can convey your concerns to the School District, Town Hall, the Council of Greater Manhasset Civic Associations, the police, and state and town code enforcement officers.



Contact your Block Captain or one of the NCA officers to share your thoughts.

Public officials seem to be more attentive when receiving requests from local civic associations. Concerns of our residents can be reported by the officers of the Association to the appropriate public officials and by our representative to the Council of Greater Manhasset Civic Associations, which will work with us to support our interests. There's a lot that we can accomplish together!

L. R. R. (NORTH SHORE DIVISION)

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1196-1200: ROBIN RD
 USED CAR SALES
 C.B. OR F. STEEL BEAMS
 1205 1207 1211 1215

1955-CONCRETE
 STEEL BEAMS
 W. OR WALLS
 AUTO SALES
 & SERVICE
 1225 1231

FPX-1965
 (C.B. OR F.)
 A-1-0
 NON-COMB CEILING
 UNDERTAKER
 1205 1235 1301 107 09 11 13

PARK'G
 FPX-1963
 CONC. SLAB FLS. BARS
 ON STEEL JOISTS
 STEEL BEAMS 12"
 C.B. & BR WALLS
 C.C. & BR CORE & DIVN
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 OFF. 1209
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NORTHERN BLVD.
 USED CAR SALES
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