

Introduction:

The Board of Trustees hope everyone has been safe and have had a wonderful summer! The summer's gone by so quickly, and hope your children are having a great start to the school year. The Board last met on September 8, 2021, and we wanted to update you on issues discussed at our September meeting and other issues that are currently affecting the Village. Please contact any of us with any questions or comments.

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This year marks the 20th year since the September 11th attack, which has affected all of us – many of which this has affected personally, losing friends and family members. Please take the time to remember all the families that were affected by September 11, 2001, especially our Village residents, and their families. They include:

Thomas Burke Paul R. Casio James Connor Joseph D. Dickey Jr. John F. Iskyan Timothy C. Kelly Frank Salvaterra

Village Events:

Jimmy's Run is this Sunday, September 19th starting @ 9AM at Mary Jane Davies Park. This run is named after Sgt. James ("Jimmy") J. Regan who was killed in action in 2007. Jimmy was raised in Munsey Park, attended Munsey Park School and following graduation from Chaminade High School attended Duke University where he played on the lacrosse team. His love of country led him to enlist following his graduation from Duke.

This run historically took place in lower Manhattan but has moved to Manhasset for the first time. The run will begin at 10:00 AM at the LIRR train station and proceed up Park Avenue past the former Regan home on the corner of Morse Lane where runners will turn right to Hunt Lane and then follow Hunt Lane past Munsey Park School (where the park is named after him) and then right on Manhasset Woods Road to Park Avenue and back to the train station.



This fundraising event benefiting the Army Ranger Lead the Way Fund. This 501c3 not-for-profit provides financial support to U.S. Army Rangers and the families of those who have died, been disabled or are currently serving in harm's way around the world.



Traffic & Safety:

School has just opened and, especially with more students walking than taking transportation, we ask all residents to please SLOW DOWN. Please take your time driving through the Village and be aware of children and pedestrians in the neighborhood. Slow down, come to a complete stop at the stop signs and find a safe spot to drop off and pick up your student by the school. Parking measures around the school are designed for the safety of the residents. Speed control and safety starts with us.

In addition, the Village has been able to obtain a police crossing-guard at the intersection of Hunt and Manhasset Woods. For further safety of our children, we suggest those crossing over Manhasset Woods Road to get to Munsey Park School to try and cross over at that intersection.



Road Work Update:

There have been many road improvements completed throughout Munsey Park over the past year, and we thank all of the residents for their cooperation and patience during the construction. In addition, the upgraded water main has been installed on Park Avenue and MLWD are currently connecting individual homes within the Village to that main. Other than that, happy to report, the road work has been completed. For the first time in a long time, Park Avenue is fully paved!

Copley Pond Fountain:

A new addition to Copley Pond was the installation of a fountain in the center of the pond. Please take a look as you drive by or take a walk. The fountain even lights up at night! Thank you to Ted and the Munsey Park maintenance team for installing the fountain. Also, with the installation of the "dog decoys" in the park, the geese have fortunately been less present.





New Legislation:

At the July meeting legislation for the following local laws have been passed:

- (1) Local Law 1 2021, opting out of allowing retail cannabis dispensaries and/or on-site cannabis consumption establishments from locating within the Incorporated Village of Munsey Park.
- (2) Local Law 2 2021 prohibiting smoking and/or tobacco use upon property owned and/or controlled by the Incorporated Village of Munsey Park.
- (3) Local Law 3 2021 designating "Protected Streets" and governing the requirements for excavations to be performed thereof.

Storm Assistance Information:

With the possibility of significant weather events approaching our area this season, and especially with the unexpected devastation caused by Hurricane Ida, it is a good time to revisit your family's level of emergency preparedness. Do you have a communications plan? How about an emergency kit? Have you practiced your plan? The Village is here to help and we do what we can to prepare our Village in anticipations of any storms, but individual and family emergency preparation is critical to staying safe during a dangerous storm. During an emergency situation in the Village, Village Hall will be open for shelter and for any power assistance a resident may need. Please see following for some useful phone numbers to keep on hand –

Emergency: Dial 911

To report power outages or downed power lines:

• PSEG 24 hour hotline: (800) 490-0075

To report gas outages or gas safety emergencies:

• National Grid 24 hour hotline: (800) 490-0045

Information on mass transit service:

- MTA/LIRR/NYC Transit: www.mta.info
- LIRR 24 hour travel information center: 718-217-5477

Up to the minute information about traffic conditions on Long Island's major roads: NYS Department of Transportation's 511 service: <u>www.511ny.org</u> or call 511.

Know your Streets:

Munsey Park was developed on land purchased by newspaper publisher Frank A. Munsey in 1922 and willed to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in 1925. From the beginning, homes were designed by architects to conform to a traditional 'American' style of home - custom built using the best materials and workmanship. To this day plans for alterations, additions or new construction are reviewed to insure proper design and individuality, while protecting each neighborhood from extreme designs not in architectural harmony with the rest of the community. If the street names evoke images of paintings it's because they were named in commemoration of great American artists.

Look at the street signs. All are American artists from the turn of the 19th Century. In this issue, we will focus on the namesake of Stuart Place, Gilbert Stuart. Gilbert Charles Stuart was born December 3, 1755 and died July 9, 1828) was an American painter from Rhode Island.

Gilbert Stuart is widely considered to be one of America's foremost portraitists. Throughout his career, Gilbert Stuart produced portraits of over 1,000 people, including the first six Presidents of the United States. Some distinguishing characteristics of his art were his liberal use of color and how he often painted without the use of sketches. Stuart developed his portraiture in the European style at the time, but his attention to detail and expression were skills he particularly cultivated.

His best known work, the unfinished portrait of George Washington that is sometimes referred to as The Athenaeum, was begun in 1796 and left incomplete at the time of Stuart's death in 1828. With an engraving of the portrait printed on the one-dollar bill, the Athenaeum is generally believed to be the most recognizable portrait of Washington..

Stuart's contemporaries considered the Athenaeum portrait as the peak of his work, as did Washington's own step-grandson, George Washington Parke Custis, in part because the overall expression and the classical style portrays Washington as a moral ideal, exuding power and authority. The portrait's incomplete state is perhaps another factor contributing to its distinction as it seems to bring focus to Washington's head with the unfinished background providing it more dimension and realism. These factors were fitting for a man so idolized as Washington, and Stuart made the most of the image's wide appeal by painting and selling many replicas of it.

Gilbert Stuart died in Boston on July 9, 1828, at the age of seventytwo. He had suffered a stroke four years earlier that left his face paralyzed. He continued to paint and advise young painters despite the paralysis.

His work can be found today at art museums across the United States and the United Kingdom, most notably the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City, the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., the National Portrait Gallery in London, and the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston.









Village Housekeeping:

New to the Village: Have a new neighbor? Please tell your new neighbors about the great place we call home, the Village of Munsey Park. Encourage them to check out our website at <u>www.Munseypark.org</u> and to stop by Village Hall. Our staff, Tara Gibbons and Maureen McClean, will give them a warm welcome and help them with any questions they may have. New residents can join our Village email distribution list to receive Village updates and newsletters. Welcome packets are also available to new residents at Village Hall.

Opt Out: If you wish to be placed on a 'Do Not Solicit List' please contact Village Hall.

Volunteers? If any residents have a desire to get involved with the Village, please reach out to Mayor Ceriello or any of the other Trustees.

Doing work on your house? Please go to munseypark.org to see applications and fee schedules for any potential work on your property. This includes the removal or pruning of trees.

Board of Trustees Public Meeting: Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 13th, at 7:30pm.

For additional information please visit our website at www.Munseypark.org.

