

Gramercy Park Block Association brings Thanksgiving to community

By Maciej Wroblewski

In keeping with its tradition, the Gramercy Park Block Association once again this year initiated numerous Thanksgiving programs in which it and its members gave thanks to the many individuals and groups that serve the Gramercy Park community throughout the year.

"Once again the resident of Gramercy Park welcomed the opportunity to say thanks to the people who serve our community," said Arlene Harrison, President of the GPBA. "I want to thank our many members and friends who contributed so generously to make these efforts such a success," she added.

The GPBA delivered homemade pies and cookies to sanitation and postal workers, the Park caretakers and others in the neighborhood.

Members of the Block Association also served



Gramercy Park Block Association volunteer, Kathleen Scupp, serving Thanksgiving dinner.

Thanksgiving dinner to homeless people at the local soup kitchen at Calvary/St. George's Church on East 16th Street.

Members donated cakes and pies and delivered them with their children to the 13th Pre-

inct, and still other neighbors served Thanksgiving dinner to Emergency Service Truck One and the 13th Precinct Police officers and members of the detective squad who were working that day.

Dear Friend,

The following are some of the Thanksgiving community activities of the Gramercy Park Block Association:

We will deliver homemade pies and cookies to various neighborhood workers, including sanitation and postal workers and our Park caretakers, to thank them for all that they do.

We will send community residents, who have asked where they can volunteer to our local soup kitchens so they can help serve Thanksgiving dinner. Some of our neighbors will be bring their children to work with them.

We will bring pecan, apple and pumpkin pies donated by one of our neighbors to our 13th Precinct Police Officers, Detective Squad, and Emergency Service Truck #1. We will give thanks to these officers who come into our neighborhood each day and put their lives on the line to protect us.

On Thanksgiving Day our Community Volunteer Team lead by Kathleen Scupp will provide a complete Thanksgiving dinner for the 13th Precinct Emergency Service Truck #1 and the 13th Precinct Detectives who will not be able to be home to have Thanksgiving dinner with their families.

Many people have called during the past few days to ask what they can do to give thanks to those who serve us throughout the year. We will continue these efforts during the coming holiday season and we will greatly appreciate your donation to help fund these projects. Please make your checks out to the Gramercy Park Block Association and write "Holiday Fund" in the memo. Kindly send your donation to the Block Association 23 Gramercy Park South, New York, NY 10003.

Thank you very much.

Happy Thanksgiving

Arlene S. Harrison
President