

Town & Village – Thursday, December 7, 2006

CHRISTMAS TREE INSTALLED IN GRAMERCY PARK

Delivery and installation of the Gramercy Park Christmas tree, a neighborhood tradition, took place on Friday, November 30th. Once again, as in the past thirty-six years, it was provided and installed by the James Boag family of Seaside Park, New Jersey.

Boag and his sons and workers were welcomed to the Park by Park Trustee Arlene Harrison, who is also president of the Gramercy Park Block Association, Kathleen Scupp, who is Of Counsel to the Trustees, and Park caretaker Amando Flores, who helped to install the thirty-one foot Norwegian Spruce.

“This marks the beginning of the Holiday season, and we appreciate the fact that the Boag Family always looks for a tree that can no longer continue to grow in its present location,” James M. Clark, Jr., Chairman of the Trustees of Gramercy Park, commented on the arrival of the tree. “It may be that the tree has overgrown the house where it sits, or it needs to be cut down for some other reason.”

“In a few days we will be placing the Menorah in the Park, and we are looking forward to that,” Clark added. “The Trustees are very pleased to sponsor both the annual Christmas Eve caroling and the annual Chanukah Menorah lighting ceremony in the Park.”

