



# ***Town of Saratoga News***

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## **Warm Greetings to Everyone!**

August will be another busy month filled with town activities. The next meeting of the Town Board is scheduled for Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Some of the items that will be covered at this meeting include: zoning officer's report, town clerk's report, supervisor's report, public hearing on Local Law #2 Brown Road PUD, and park committee report. The Town Board Agenda meeting will be held on Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

We are starting the budget process by reviewing current levels of expenditures and needs for next year.

## **Turning Point Festival**

The fifth annual **Turning Point Festival** will take place on Saturday and Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup> and August 1<sup>st</sup>. On Saturday at Fort Hardy Park there will be food and craft vendors, carnival mini-rides, games, and more. Entertainment and live music will be ongoing from 12:00 noon. There will also be an old fashioned street dance from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm followed by a Bon Fire at 10:00 pm. Be sure to attend the Turning Point Parade in Schuylerville on Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup>. The Parade starts at 1:00 PM and will travel the length of Broad Street. The parade will have over 15 musical groups and over 100 units including floats, military units, fire trucks, and clowns. Family activities will continue at Fort Hardy Park shortly after the parade. The Open Bar Band will play from 7:30 pm until dark. The celebration will conclude with fireworks at Fort Hardy beginning at dusk.

## **18th Century Day at the Schuyler House**

The annual 18<sup>th</sup> Century Day will be held at the Schuyler House on Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup>. The program will start at 12:00 noon and continue until 5:00 pm. Activities scheduled for the day include tours of the Schuyler House, colonial music, militia drills, and demonstrations by over twenty-four 18<sup>th</sup> century craftsmen. The program is sponsored by the Old Saratoga Historical Association and the Saratoga National Historical Park. Please make an effort to attend.

## **18<sup>th</sup> Century Day Chicken Barbecue**

On Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup> The Old Saratoga Reformed Church will conduct their annual Chicken Barbecue at the church on Pearl Street from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. The menu consists of ½ chicken, baked potato, Dutch Kraut, baked beans, roll, cake, and beverage. The cost for adults is \$9.00, children ages 5-12 are \$5.00 and children under 5 are free. Walk ins are welcome but reservations are recommended. Call 695-6638 for reservations. Takeouts are available. The church is located at the corner of Pearl and Burgoyne streets in Schuylerville.

## **New Voting Machine Instruction**

On Monday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, at the Town Hall, the Saratoga County Board of Elections will present public instruction on the use of the new electronic voting machines. Residents may stop in anytime during this time period and learn how to use the machines.

## **Schuylerville Dissolution Public Hearing**

On Wednesday, August 18<sup>th</sup> a public meeting will be held in the Town of Saratoga Town Hall to present information on the results of the dissolution committee study on the impact of dissolution. There will be a significant amount of time allotted to have the public ask questions and share their views on the proposal.

## **Wilbur Road Towpath Trail Officially Opened**

On Thursday morning state and local officials cut the ribbon and officially opened a section of the Wilbur Road Old Champlain Canal Towpath. Planning and work on the project have been taking place since 2006 when the Town of Saratoga purchased the property from Saratoga County. The approximately ½ mile long trail located on over 6 acres of land is fully handicapped assessable and offers hikers an opportunity to see the undisturbed old Champlain Canal that is currently filled with an abundance of wildlife. The Wilbur Road section is the first piece of several for which the long range vision is a continuous trail connecting Waterford to Whitehall. The work on the trail was made possible from a grant obtained through the New York State Canal Corporation Erie Canal Greenway Grant Program.