# Town of Saratoga News



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#### Warm Greetings to Everyone!

The month of December is a time to think of giving to others, a time of celebration, and a time to reflect back on the past year. It is amazing how fast the past 12 months have gone by. All of your elected and appointed officials have worked hard and have attempted to conduct town business in a way that reflected the wishes of town residents. The next meeting of the Town Board is scheduled for Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. A special end of the year meeting will be held on December 30<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. to conduct end of the year financial business.

The Town Park Committee is making good progress on the new Town Park located on Rt. 29 across from the Farmer's Daughter Ice Cream stand. Massive amounts of sand have recently been moved to prepare the site for the ball fields.

The Town Offices will close on Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm and all day on December 25<sup>th</sup> for the Christmas Holiday and on Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at 1:00 pm and all day January 1<sup>st</sup> for the New Year Holiday.

## **Quaker Springs Fire Department News**

Contracts for the new satellite fire station on Route 9P have been signed and construction is expected to begin in the near future. Weather permitting the concrete peers will be placed in the ground in December and the steel frame will go up over the winter. The firehouse should be completed in either late April or early May. The upcoming election of a fire commissioner and district treasurer will take place at the fire house on December 9th from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Martin Hanehan is running for re-election as a commissioner and Ann Crandall is running for District Treasurer. The annual Christmas party for children of the fire district is scheduled for December 7th from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

#### Saratoga Lake Association News

SLA membership dues for 2009 are currently being collected. The membership year is from January 1 to December 31. Do to increased costs, dues will be raised to \$30. The official website of the Saratoga Lake Association is <a href="https://www.saratogalake.org">www.saratogalake.org</a>.

### **Evening With St. Nicholas**

The Schuylerville Area Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring the Annual Evening With St. Nicholas on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. The schedule is as follows: 4:15 PM – St. Nicholas arrives at corner of Broad & Spring Streets

4:45 PM Children's Lantern Walk starts from 12 Spring Street parking lot with Caroling proceeding to the 911 Village Park on South Broad Street.

5:15PM - TREE LIGHTING: Carol singing and hot drinks provided by the Rotary club.

5:30 PM – CONCERT at Canal St. Art Center, 88 Broad St. This schedule is subject to changes due to weather, traffic or the time involved in having FUN!

On Sunday, December 7th children can join Santa for breakfast at Randy's in the Dovegate Inn. Reservations are required. At 3:00 pm join the Old Saratoga reformed Church for their Community Christmas concert featuring the Saratoga Strings Orchestra with refreshments following. For more information call 695-3479.

# **News From The Assessor's Office**

The Assessor's Office has been busy preparing itself for the busy exemption season. We will be mailing renewal applications on December 11<sup>th</sup> for the 2009 Roll. Please watch for these important forms. They need to be filled out and returned to our office no later than March 1, 2009 in order to be included on the 2009 Assessment Roll. Our exemption forms are "color coded" to help identify the appropriate exemptions. The Senior Star renewal applications are blue, the low-income Senior Exemption renewal forms are pink and the Agricultural renewal forms are green. If you have questions or concerns about any exemption, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 695-3644, ext. 312 or ext. 321. Our office has relocated to 12 Spring Street on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor and that is where you will need to submit your application. Applications may be submitted either by mail or in person. The Assessor's Office is open Monday – Thursday from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM. The Assessor is in the office on Mondays and Thursdays or by appointment.