



# *Town of Saratoga News*

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## **Warm Greetings !**

The month of February is short in days but packed with town activities. The next meeting of the Town Board is scheduled for Monday, February 12<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, committee reports, recognitions of people that assisted during the recent power outage crisis, a Quality Communities Joint Open Space Plan Executive Summary presentation by Tracy Clothier of the LA Group, and extending the Saratoga Country Inn PUD for an additional 90 days. On Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup> the Town Board will conduct their monthly agenda meeting at which they will review agenda items scheduled for the February 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The Town Hall Building Committee continues to review options and costs for a new town hall. Two models of the proposed new town hall buildings are on display in the town hall and a new town hall preference survey is available for residents to fill out.

The town is encouraging anyone that is interested in serving on a town park planning committee to contact Supervisor Tom Wood.

The Association of Towns will be conducting the annual Training School for town officials from February 18<sup>th</sup> thru 21<sup>st</sup>. The school provides numerous staff development sessions that keep town officials up on the latest changes and developments in town government. Officials that will be attending from the town include Councilpersons Betty Koval, Fred Drumm and Mike McLoughlin, Supervisor Tom Wood, Town Clerk Ruth Drumm, Assessor Catherine DeFelice, Town Justices Jack Ditch and David Mathis, and Town Attorney William Reynolds.

The Town Offices will be closed on Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> for the Presidents' Day Holiday.

## **Saratoga Lake Association News**

Residents are encouraged to join the SLA for 2007. Dues are only \$25. for the year. The effort to protect Saratoga Lake from being used as a water source by the City of Saratoga Springs continues. SLA and SLPID are doing a great job of leading the fight to protect the lake. The official website of the Saratoga Lake Association is [www.saratogalake.org](http://www.saratogalake.org).

## **February Tax Collection Schedule**

During the month of February Town Tax Collector James Gorham will be in the Town Hall Conference Room on Monday's only from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm and from 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm. The Town Office will be closed Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. Taxes may be mailed to Jim at anytime. If you have any questions for Jim, please call him at 695-3644 X 18.

## **Quaker Springs Fire Department News**

The Quaker Springs Fire Commissioners are making good progress on plans for a new satellite fire station near Saratoga Lake. It is hoped that a new station will be operating by the end of 2007.

## **National Incident Management System (NIMS)**

The NIMS Command System provides the structure and plan for dealing with emergency disaster situations. The town is moving forward in preparing our Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan. Members are taking the required NIMS Courses and an organizational structure is being developed. Communication devices, identification cards and vests, NIMS Field Guides, and contact sheets are being developed. Jim Miers is the Town Emergency Coordinator and was busy coordinating emergency services during the recent ice storm power outage. He is currently working hard on making arrangements for the development of the town emergency plan.

## **General Schuyler Emergency Squad News**

On Saturday evening January 27<sup>th</sup>, the General Schuyler Emergency Squad conducted their annual banquet. The squad is celebrating 35 years of service to the community. Newly elected officers were installed and members were recognized for the number of runs that they responded to in 2006. Top Run responders included Dick Behrens 147 runs, George Garney 113 runs, and Sherry Doubleday 112 runs. The squad was recognized for being the leading agency in Saratoga County for expertise, equipment and innovative projects.