



Town of Saratoga News

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Warm Greetings !

The month of March brings us longer and warmer days, the start of spring and the eternal hope of new life and better days. The next meeting of the Town Board is scheduled for Monday, March 12th 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, building committee update, and town park updates. On Thursday, March 8th the Town Board will conduct their monthly agenda meeting at which they will review agenda items scheduled for the March 12th meeting.

The next meeting of the Town Hall Building Committee will be conducted on Wednesday March 7th at 6:00 pm. The committee continues to review options and gather data.

The town highway department employees are commended for doing an excellent job of keeping our town roads safe and clear during recent snow and sleet storms. Earlier this winter they began construction on a new storage building for town equipment. The work continues, weather permitting.

Senior Taxi Transportation Program

The town has recently entered into a contract with Saratoga County Office of the Aging for Capitaland Taxi service for senior citizens in need of transportation for Drs. appointments, grocery shopping, senior citizen functions etc. Over the years I have received requests from senior residents regarding the availability of transportation to needed services. This program helps fulfill that need.

The contract starts on April 2nd. Taxi service will be on Mondays only and will transport seniors to Saratoga Springs and the Wilton area. The taxi hours are between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm. Senior citizens wishing to use the service must make reservations through the Office of the Aging by calling 884-4100. Reservations must be made by noon on the Friday preceding the Monday of the taxi service. All riders must wear seatbelts and must be able to access the vehicle without assistance. The vehicles are not wheelchair accessible and passengers are limited to two packages per person. During inclement weather the taxi service may be cancelled. Riders will be notified of all cancellations.

The service is free and is designed to assist senior residents with the needed transportation. I encourage residents in need of transportation assistance to use the program. This is a nice service to have available.

Schuylerville-Victory Water Board News

The March Water Board meetings will be held in Victory on March 13th at 6:30 p.m. and in Schuylerville on March 20th at 7:00 p.m.

March Tax Collection Schedule

During the month of March, Town Tax Collector James Gorham will be in the Town Hall Conference Room on Mondays only from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm and from 1:30 pm to 4:00 p.m. Taxes may be mailed to Jim at anytime. If you have any questions for Jim, call him at 695-3644 X 18.

Quaker Springs Fire Department News

On **Sunday, March 11th**, The Quaker Springs Fire Department will conduct their annual **Corned-beef & Cabbage dinner** at the firehouse from 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m.. Reservations are recommended and may be made by calling Joyce at 584-2758 or Julie at 584-3829. Takeouts are also available. The cost is \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children ages 6 – 12, and free for children 5 and under. The annual membership banquet will be conducted on Saturday, March 17th.

The Quakers Springs Fire Department is recognized and commended for providing emergency shelter and water for residents during the recent power outage. In addition they responded to fire calls and called on residents to make sure they were safe and had adequate heat and water. In the event of future emergency situations, do not hesitate to call the fire department for assistance.

The QSFD is looking for people that would like to volunteer to become Firefighters or Fire Police. In addition they are looking for support from people that may not be interested in becoming firefighters or fire police members, but would be willing and able to help with the administration, fire safety promotional work, fund raising, grant writing, catering, and truck and equipment maintenance. The training is free so if you've ever thought about lending a helping hand, please give the QSFD a call at 584-3349.

General Schuyler Emergency Squad News

The General Schuyler Emergency Squad is busy looking into funding sources for their new emergency squad building. They are applying for grants from Congresswoman Gillibrand and Senator Joe Bruno. In addition, they are working with the Saratoga County IDA to secure low interest financing. The goal is to break ground this spring.

911 Numbers

Recent emergencies have brought to our attention the continued need for all residents to conspicuously display the 911 numbers assigned to their property. The numbers should be 4 inches in height and located so that they can be easily seen from the highway.