



Town of Saratoga News

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Warm Greetings!

The month of May finds us planting gardens and mowing lawns. It marks the unofficial start of the summer season and opportunities to enjoy our great outdoors. The next meeting of the Town Board is scheduled for Monday, May 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, and new town hall update. On Thursday, May 8th the Town Board will conduct their monthly agenda meeting at which they will review agenda items scheduled for the May 12th meeting.

At the recent referendum conducted on April 29th, the residents voted 500 to 274 in favor of the town purchasing the Corner School in Schuylerville for 4.3 million dollars to serve as a new town hall. The town is now moving forward arranging for bonding and working on the renovation schedule. The town should move into the new town hall this fall.

The town landfill will be open for brush under 3 inches on Saturday, May 3rd from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. In observance of Memorial Day, the Town of Saratoga offices will be closed on Monday, May 26th. Starting Friday, May 23rd the Town Hall Summer Hours will begin. The town offices will close at 12:00 noon on Fridays.

Saratoga Lake Association News

The Annual meeting of the SLA is scheduled for July 24th at Panza's Restaurant. Saratoga Lake is a valuable resource to the town and I encourage all Town residents to join the SLA and take a proactive role in protecting Saratoga Lake. The annual NYS Scholastic Rowing Championship Regatta will be held on Fish Creek on May 10th and 11th. The official website of the Saratoga Lake Association is www.saratogalake.org.

Memorial Day Parade

The American Legion Old Saratoga Post #278 in Schuylerville will sponsor the annual Memorial Day parade to be held on Monday, May 26th. The parade will start at 9:30 a.m. at the American Legion and will travel down Clancy Street, East on Burgoyne Street and end up at the bandstand in the village park next to Fish Creek. The program and ceremony will honor all the heroes who have served their nation and have ultimately made the supreme sacrifice.

New York State & Saratoga County Farmland and Open Space Preservation Programs

The Saratoga County Farmland and Open Space Preservation Committee has provided the Town with copies of the county grant application for 2008. The package includes the program criteria for eligible projects, the grant application form for open space projects and the grant application form for agriculture. The County application period opens on May 1st and closes July 31st. The NY State applications will be available beginning the middle of June and the application deadline is September 17th. Anyone that has questions should call Jamie O'Neil at the Saratoga County Planning Department at 884-4705.

Quaker Springs Fire Department News

On Sunday, May 4th the annual Chicken Barbecue will be conducted from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. Tickets are \$8. for adults, \$5. for children age 6-12 and free for children 5 and under. Take out meals are available. Reservations are highly recommended. For reservations call 584-3829 or 584-2758. Support the fire department and enjoy a delicious meal.

With the recent changes in the Wicks Law scheduled to begin on July 1st, The Quaker Springs Fire Commissioners have decided not to advertise for bids until July 1st. By waiting until after July 1st it is hoped that the bids will come in lower resulting in a savings to all residents of the fire district. It is anticipated that construction will begin about September 1st and the building should be completed before the end of this year.

Assessor's Office News

Town of Saratoga Assessor Victoria Hayner reports that the 2008 Tentative Assessment Roll has been completed and filed with the Town Clerk on May 1st. It is available for public inspection Monday - Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the Town Hall. The Assessor will be in attendance with the Tentative Assessment Roll at the Town Hall on Monday, May 12th between 4:00 and 7:00 pm and Saturday May 17th between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to hear and examine all complaints in relation to assessments. Grievance Day is scheduled from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Tuesday, May 27th. If you would like a copy of the updated booklet "How to File a Review of Your Assessment?", the Assessor's Office has a few copies or you may go to the following website:

<http://www.orps.state.ny.us/pamphlet/complain/howtofile/index.htm>

Schuylerville-Victory Water Board News

The next water board meetings will be held in Victory on May 13th at 7:00 p.m. and in Schuylerville on May 27th at 7:00 p.m.