



Town of Saratoga News

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Warm Greetings to Everyone!

The holidays of November remind us to be thankful for and appreciative of the good fortune and many blessings that each of us in our town has received over this past year. The next meeting of the Town Board is scheduled for Thursday, November 9th at 7:00 p.m. In addition to the regular items of business there will be a public hearing on the 2007 Town Budget.

The Town Board Agenda Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 2nd at 7:00 pm. The town offices will be closed Friday, November 10th in observance of Veterans' Day. In addition the Town offices will be closed November 23rd and 24th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Public Hearing on the 2007 Town budget is scheduled for Thursday, November 9th at 7:00 pm. The budget expenditures including ambulance and fire districts have increased \$157,939. Increases in town sales tax and mortgage tax revenue will substantially reduce the amount of this increase to be raised by property tax. The budget has increased as a result of increases in salaries and wages, park projects, building reserve fund, beautification, planning and zoning updates, highway maintenance, and fuel and heating costs. In addition both the ambulance district and fire protection costs have increased as a result of planned building projects, new equipment purchases, and the LOSAP program. Town taxes will remain constant at \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessment. Fire protection costs will increase from \$1.02 to \$1.06 in the Quaker Springs Fire District and will remain the same at \$1.02 in the Schuyler Hose and David Nevins Fire Protection Districts. Ambulance costs will increase from \$.56 to \$.57. The total tax rate will be \$3.13 per \$1,000 of assessment. A resident that has property assessed at \$100,000. will pay \$313. in town, ambulance, and fire district taxes. Our total tax rate compares favorably to that of our neighboring towns.

Old Saratoga Reformed Church Harvest Supper

On Saturday, November 4th, at 4:30 and 6:00 pm the Old Saratoga Reformed Church will conduct their Annual Harvest Supper at the church located on Pearl Street. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children ages 5 – 12, and children under 5 are free. The variety and quality of food cannot be beat. Take outs are available. Reservations may be made by calling 695-3479, 695-6638 or 692-7748.

Saratoga Lake Association News

The SLA conducted a meeting at 7:00 pm on October 27th. The meeting focused on recent actions taken by the City of Saratoga Springs in their continuing efforts to draw water from Saratoga Lake and the new Route 9P Bridge. The SLA is sponsoring a Magical History Tour program scheduled at Panza's Restaurant on Saturday, November 4th from 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm. The program consists of an Italian Buffet served at 6:00 pm, Dancing, Casino Games (for fun only) and historical exhibits on Saratoga Lake. For more details check the SLA website at www.saratogalake.org. This site is a source of detailed information about events and activities taking place at the lake.

Schuylerville Methodist Church Craft Fair

The Schuylerville Methodist Church will conduct their annual Craft Fair on November 18th at the American Legion from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Many crafts and baked goods will be available. Lunch will be served from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm.

American Legion Veterans' Day Dinner

On Saturday, November 4th the American Legion will conduct their annual Veterans' Day Dinner. Cocktails are available from 6:00 – 7:00 pm and the dinner begins at 7:00 pm. There will be dancing following dinner. The cost of advance sale tickets is \$10.00 per person and \$14.00 per person at the door. Call the American Legion at 695-3011 for tickets.

Town Highway Department News

The Highway Department has been busy preparing for the upcoming winter. Large quantities of sand and salt are stock piled and the snowplows are ready for action. The drainage ditches on Fitch Road and Neilson Road have been enlarged to improve drainage. Bryant's Bridge Road is being repaved. The concrete deck on Bryant's Bridge is being poured and the bridge should be opened shortly after Thanksgiving. The Town recently was notified from Senator Joe Bruno's Office that we had been awarded a \$15,000. member item grant to purchase a new 25 KW generator for the highway garage. Specifications for the generator have been drawn up and bids have been advertised. We hope to open the bids at the November meeting and have the generator installed and operable before the cold winter weather arrives.