



# Town of Saratoga News

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## **Warm Greetings !**

The month of February is short in days but packed with town activities. The meeting of the Town Board was held Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Some of the items that were covered at this meeting include: zoning officer's report, town clerk's report, supervisor's report, and committee reports. Zoning Officer Gil Albert presented the board with possible changes to the town zoning ordinance. Members will study the recommendations and continue their review at next month's meeting.

The Town Offices will be closed on Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> for the Presidents' Day Holiday.

## **Town of Saratoga Emergency Shelter Information**

### **Shelter Locations**

In the event of an emergency the primary shelter for the *Town of Saratoga* will be at the *new Town Hall Building* located at 12 Spring Street Schuylerville. The building is at the intersection of State Routes 4, 29, and 32. Enter the building through the doors adjacent the rear of the parking lot, and follow the signs to the shelter.

Secondary shelters will be used if the need arises. They will be located at the David Nevins Fire Station Pine Street, Victory Mills, the Quaker Springs Fire Station Blodgett Road , Quaker Springs and the Schuylerville Central School Spring Street, Schuylerville.

*The severity and duration of the event will determine when the shelters are opened, and for how long they remain in operation.*

### **The telephone numbers are**

David Nevins 695-6623 Quaker Springs 584-3349

Town Hall 695-3644 X 325 or X 316 Schuylerville School 695-4127

### **Where to call for information**

Town Hall 695-3644 X325 If a fire or medical emergency dial **911**

### **What to bring with you**

Bring your own pillow, books to read, and perhaps your child's favorite stuffed animal . Bring any important papers you might need - identification, passport, prescriptions, insurance policies etc. and any medications you may need. A change of clothes and any personal care items that you may require are always a good idea.

### **What to expect**

Shelters can best be described as organized chaos, so be prepared to have little privacy and a very small area in which to function. The meals will be basic but wholesome. If you have any dietary restrictions please bring these items with you. Special need items may be in short supply. *All will be required to sign in and out of the shelter, and a CURFEW will be strictly enforced.*

All of the residents will be requested to help with the operation of the shelter, and will be expected to treat other residents with respect and kindness.

### **How to help**

It would greatly help us to help you if we know in advance if you have any medical conditions or mobility issues that may require special attention. RU OK forms are available at the *Town Hall Emergency Preparedness Office* (2<sup>nd</sup> floor) to fill out for your special needs, or you can call **695-3644 X325** and have one mailed to your home.

### **Questions???**

If you have any questions regarding this segment of the disaster plan or would like to join us in our efforts, please feel free call 695-3644 X 325, *Town of Saratoga Emergency Preparedness Office*  
Sherry Doubleday *Emergency Manager*

## **February Tax Collection Schedule**

During the month of February, Town Tax Collector James Gorham will be in the Town Hall 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 16<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 318.

## **NEWS FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE**

The Assessor's Office continues to update our file for the 2015 Assessment Roll.. In looking at our town's information, we find that it is necessary to do a town wide update of the Town's Assessments since sales have been increasing in the Town and to maintain equity and our 100% level of assessment.. If you have a concern about your property, now is the time to come in and discuss it with the Assessor. If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 695-3644, ext. 312. Our office is located at 12 Spring Street on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. The Assessor's Office is open Monday through Thursday in February from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Many exemptions require renewal applications. Please take time now to fill these out and turn them in to the Assessor's office.

Exemption renewal forms are due to the Assessor by March 1, 2015. If you will be turning 65 in 2015, please check with the Assessor as you may qualify for Senior Exemptions for the next assessment Roll – applications must be filed by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 even if you turn 65 on December 31, 2015!! If you are new to the Town, please submit all applications for exemptions before March 1, 2015. Other exemptions available within the town include Veterans exemptions and Agricultural exemptions. The Town approved the Cold War Veteran's Exemption; so if you have not qualified for a Veteran's Exemption because of dates, check with our office to see if you qualify for this exemption. Certain criteria must be met to qualify for these exemptions. Please contact our office to determine if you might be eligible.