

VILLAGE OF WATERLOO 2013 NEWSLETTER

VILLAGE OFFICE HOURS: 8:30AM to 5:00PM weekdays.

If an emergency occurs after hours, contact the Police Department at 539-2022.

A mail slot is located beside the front door for water & sewer payments made after hours. All payments must be received in the office by 5:00PM on the 15th to avoid a penalty. (In case of a holiday or weekend-by 5:00PM the next business day). **We do not accept cable TV payments.** If a holiday falls on a Saturday, the Village will be closed on Friday. If it falls on a Sunday, we will be closed on Monday.

The **Village Board meeting** is held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00PM at the Village Office. If you would like to address the Board, please call to be placed on the agenda.

The **Village Tax Year** runs from June 1st to May 31st. On December 1st all unpaid Village taxes will be referred to Seneca County for relevy on the Town and County Tax bill issued January 1st.

The Village **assessment information** is provided by the Town of Waterloo Assessor, Jim Cleere, at 66 Virginia Street, 539-0206 or for the Town of Fayette and Seneca Falls, Cindy Loncosky at 568-9700. You may contact them for information regarding Senior Citizen Exemptions and the STAR program. Veteran's exemptions are handled by the Seneca County Veteran's Office at 539-1798.

Village **TRUCKS** are available for a fee for a weekend from April through September on a first come first serve basis. Call for information. 539-9131

A reminder to LANDLORD'S, it is your responsibility to remove large amounts of trash from your property when tenants move in and out.

COMPOSTING OF LEAVES AND GRASS TRIMMINGS WILL BE EVERY OTHER FRIDAY, THE SAME WEEK AS RECYCLING. NO LOOSE COMPOSTING WILL BE PICKED UP, IT MUST BE IN BAGS.

PICK UP OF LARGE AMOUNTS OF SHRUBS AND TREE TRIMMINGS WILL START IN THE SPRING, AS WEATHER PERMITS, UNTIL JUNE 1ST ONLY.

WE WILL NOT BE PICKING UP LARGE LIMBS DURING THE SUMMER, UNLESS WE HAVE DAMAGE FROM A STORM.

If you have a **tree cut down**, it is **your responsibility** for the removal of any and all of the debris.

The Village has a **MULCH PILE** behind the Barn on E. Water St. Feel free to take what you need for **FREE**.

RECYCLING: For information, or to order a blue box, please call the Seneca County Real Property Tax Office at 539-1720.

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FALL TRASH PICK- UP SCHEDULE

MONDAY – October TBD

ALL OF EAST MAIN ST.

N. Gorham St.

All streets east of Virginia St.

(not including Virginia St.)

to Mill St. (including Mill St.)

North Rd. – east of Virginia St.

MONDAY – October TBD

ALL OF WEST MAIN ST.

Locust St. and all dead end streets south of

W. Main St.

All of Virginia St. (North)

All streets west of Virginia St.

North Rd. – west of Virginia St.

MONDAY – TBD

**All streets east of Mill St. to Thurber Drive,
including E. William from Mill to Thurber and Chapel St.**

All of Wycliffe Rd.

All streets south of Main St. including E & W Water St.

(“SOUTH OF THE VILLAGE”)

All trash must be at the curb by MONDAY MORNING for your area. Please do not pile any trash against a Fire Hydrant, Tree or Telephone Pole. Please keep all Appliances, Hot Water Tanks and White Goods separate, as they will be picked up at a different time. No refrigerators, freezers or air conditioners will be picked up unless the compressor is removed because of the freon. Tires, batteries or hazardous materials (paint, solvents or fuels) will not be picked up. There can be no more than One Truckload per household. If required the Second Truckload will be billed to you at \$100.00 per load. If the trash in your area has been picked up and you put out more, that also will be billed at \$100.00 per pick-up. This service is for Village Residents Only. Any one observed bringing trash from outside the Village will be prosecuted.

NOTICE: LEAVES, LIMBS and **BRUSH** for the **FALL PICK UP ONLY** must be at the curb on the Monday of your week and will be picked up as soon as possible for that week. **Please keep them separate** from your other trash. Leaves should be in Plastic Bags; **no** loose leaves will be picked up. All limbs placed at the street should have the large (cut) end facing the same direction.

THIS WILL BE THE FINAL TIME THAT LIMBS AND BRUSH WILL BE PICKED UP UNTIL SPRING. However, we will continue to compost leaves.

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NO AUTO PARTS, TIRES, PROPANE TANKS, COMPUTERS, CELL PHONES, BATTERIES or HAZARDOUS MATERIALS will be picked up. Seneca County will be holding their Annual Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Day on Saturday, October 22nd, 2010. You must call 539-1945 before October 12th to register to participate.

Please dispose of **any couches, chairs, mattresses or box springs during our Fall Pickup Only**. These will not be picked up during our regular weekly trash pickup.

For your normal weekly garbage pickup it is required that all garbage be placed in a trash container. Plastic bags, not in a container, or 55 gal drums, metal or plastic, will not be accepted.

TRASH TOTERS are available for purchase at the Office. Large-90gals-\$85, Med-65 gals-\$80.

FOR ALL THOSE HAVING THE REGULAR THURSDAY TRASH PICK- UP, THANKSGIVING DAY PICK-UP WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21st, 2012.

For all other holidays, when your regular scheduled pick-up falls on that holiday, pick-up will be one day late that week. Otherwise, always put your trash out on your regular trash day.

The Village has a **SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM** available. We will pay 50% of the cost, up to \$1000.00. Info is available at the Office.

A COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD is located on the front of the Village Office. It is available for you to post flyers for your community events for everyone to see. Next to the bulletin board is a holder for the Village **walking tour brochures**. Feel free to take some of these to distribute to friends and family.

VILLAGE MAPS are available at the Village Office.

WINTER PARKING RULES: will be in effect from Nov. 1st to April 1st. NO PARKING is allowed on any Village street from 2:00AM until 6:00AM.

Fire Hydrants need to be clear of snow during the winter months, in case of a fire. The life you save may be your own.

STUDED SNOW TIRES may only be used from October 15th to May 1st of each year.

The Village wide **GARAGE SALE** is usually held the week of the Seneca County Fair. No permit is needed. You can call the Office to get on a list when the time arrives. A permit is needed for any other garage sale in the Village and may be obtained at our Office. Two 3-day sales are allowed per year. No garage sales are to be held from May 25th to June 5th because of Memorial Day. **GARAGE SALE**

SIGNS cannot be placed on trees, telephone poles, etc. The Village Code allows you to have one sign

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on your own property, maximum size of 4'x8'. It is the responsibility of the homeowner to remove garage sale debris after the sale is concluded.

OAK ISLAND: Please remember if you bring your pet to the island, you must clean up after your pet. "It's The Law".

THE OAK ISLAND PAVILLION may be reserved for your picnics, weddings, birthday parties, etc. for a fee. Restroom facilities and electric services are available for use. You may contact the Village Office for more information. 539-9131

HANDICAP PARKING PERMITS are issued at our office only to Village Residents with an application from your doctor.

THE DOG WARDEN, Dorothy Comerford, is available through Schultz's Pet Service. She will assist any Village resident with stray animals and help with nuisance animal complaints. She can be reached at 539-9357. Per Section 77-8.A of the Village ordinance, NO DOG shall be permitted to run at large within the Village of Waterloo.

The Village has a **Nuisance Animal Control Officer** who is available to assist with "nuisance" animals that act strangely and may have rabies or be hurt or injured. A nuisance animal is not one that is living under a wood pile or porch. Please contact the Village Office for assistance.

A reminder that **VENDOR LICENSES** are required for anyone who will be going door to door to the Village residents. They may be purchased at the Village Office.

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VILLAGE COURT is located in the Village Office Board Room, which is the entrance on the west side of the building. Phone #539-2512.

Presiding Judge: Dean T. Mattoon

Acting Judge: Roger Barto

Court Clerk: Mary Lou Turner

Court held every Wednesday from 9:00AM til 12:00

Clerk Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00AM til Noon and 1:00PM til 4:00PM.

Daylight Savings Time ends November 6th. Remember to set your clocks back one hour Saturday night after midnight.

Remember to check and change the batteries in your **smoke detector** twice a year.

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WATER METER READINGS are important. For accurate billing it is necessary for us to read your meter every time. For indoor meters, many customers leave a key with us that is kept secure. We always knock before entering and the meter reader always has a photo ID available. If unable to enter the home, we leave a postcard for you to return to us with your name, address and meter reading on it. Please note that it is a Village Ordinance that we physically read the meter every six (6) months! Please keep a clear path to outside remotes. It is also important to let the meter reader know of any animals that you may have. Try to keep them tied up away from the meter. Thanks!

METERS FREEZING: It is important to remember with the winter months coming to close all basement windows and to secure any major drafts that would cause your water meter to freeze. If this happens, the meter will be replaced at a cost to the homeowner of \$225.00.

If at any time your water tastes different than normal, please do not hesitate to call the Water Treatment Plant at 585-9811. We will do our best to help you find the cause of any abnormality. Our water is typically taste and odor free. We strive to not only meet, but exceed, NYS Dept. of Health requirements.

ZONING AND BUILDING PERMITS: No building or structure shall be erected, added to, demolished or structurally altered until a Zoning Permit has been issued. Zoning Permits shall be valid for a period of 1yr. and for good cause may be allowed a max. of 2 extensions for periods not exceeding 3 mos. ea. Applications for permits may be obtained at the Village Office and returned here when properly filled out for a fee. Any further questions may be directed to Dan Driscoll, Zoning Officer at 539-9131 or 539-8323 during normal business hours and during scheduled office hours on Tuesdays from 10AM to 12:00 noon. NYS Law now requires all applicants to submit a WC/DB-100 form for Workers Comp/Disability Ins. This form must be completed and notarized before a Village Permit can be issued. REMEMBER-Apply Early. Normal process may take up to 60 days.

The Fire Department will **fill swimming pools**. Cash on delivery for a 2000 gal. load from April 1st to Oct 1st. Call the Fire Dept. (539-2161).

HOMEOWNERS, LANDLORDS & TENANTS: It is recommended that a large house number (at least 4" high), in a contrasting color, be on your building so police, fire & emergency personnel can easily identify the residence. It must be easily seen from the street with no obstructions.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE should be a priority to prevent any cases of the West Nile Virus. Generally, no owner of any real property located within the Village of Waterloo shall allow such real property to become overgrown with brush, grass or weeds, or allow the unlawful accumulation of rubbish or trash. Property owners are asked to be diligent in their efforts to eliminate habitat for mosquitoes and their breeding grounds.

Chapter 148-2 of the Village Code states that **no person shall sweep, throw or deposit** or cause to be swept, thrown or deposited, any ashes, dirt, stone, bricks, leaves, **grass**, weeds or any other debris or rubbish of any kind or any water or liquid of any kind, except for purposes of cleansing the same, **into any public highway, street, gutter or public place or upon any sidewalk within the village.**

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STOLEN BICYCLES & ITEMS FROM UNLOCKED MOTOR VEHICLES: Each year thousands of dollars of bicycles are stolen from residents. **Bicycles which are stolen are ones that are not properly locked up.** Lock your bicycles to some immovable object. If your bicycle is stolen, report it to the Police Dept. We may have it. Make sure you keep a full description of your bicycle, including the serial number on file at your residence. **If you don't lock it, it will be stolen.** Also, **every community is experiencing thefts from unlocked motor vehicles.** Persons responsible are stealing loose change, ipods, cell phones, cameras, wallets, jackets, laptops, purses, satellite radios, keys and anything else of value. **DO NOT leave your vehicle unlocked anywhere and do not leave valuables in vehicles. Take away the profit and you take away the crime.** We receive many, many complaints every year of items stolen from motor vehicles. **DON'T LEAVE YOUR KEYS IN YOUR UNATTENDED CAR – EVER.**

SEAT BELTS: Drivers and passengers in the front seat must wear a seat belt. Children should always be buckled in, in a rear seat. **WEAR SEAT BELTS CORRECTLY- THEY SAVE LIVES.**

CHILD SAFETY SEATS: All children under the age of seven (7) **MUST** be restrained in an approved child seat. Child Safety seats are available for Village residents, by appointment only. Call the Police Dept. for details.

SCHOOL SPEED LIMITS: Remember to observe the 15MPH school zones on Inslee Street adjacent to LaFayette School and Washington Street near Skoi Yase School.

911 CALLS: Remember to dial 911 only in **emergencies.** If you accidentally dialed 911, **do not hang up.** Stay on the line and talk to the dispatcher. They need to confirm that there is no emergency.

MAPLE GROVE CEMETERY: It is cemetery policy that **NO ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS OR GLASS POTS** be placed at the graves. Your cooperation is appreciated. If these items appear, they will be discarded. Information regarding grave locations and grave purchasing can be obtained from our cemetery sexton, Jim King, at the building on Stark St. or by calling 539-0810. Also, **please remove any Christmas wreaths and decorations** you may want to save from the graves **by April 1st**, or the items will be discarded during spring clean up. **Flags** placed on the graves for the Veteran's for Memorial Day will be removed after the July 4th holiday. Flags placed in special holders will not be removed.

SEX OFFENDER INFORMATION: Information on sex offenders registered in our community (Level 2 and Level 3 only) can be found by clicking on the link on the Village of Waterloo website at www.waterloony.com or www.familywatchdog.us. Up to date lists of offenders are automatically sent to the Superintendent of Schools and the Recreation Director. The Chief of Police is always available to discuss sex offender legislation and status of offenders with anyone having questions. 539-2022.

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WATERLOO COMMUNITY CENTER

3 Oak Street, PO Box 188

Phone: 315-539-5309, Mike Slywka, Director

Open Recreation Hours:

Afternoons: 2:00-5:00 Monday-Friday

Evenings: 7:00-9:00 Monday-Thursday and
7:00-11:00 Friday & Saturday

The Community Center is open 6 days a week and offers a variety of recreational activities for people of all ages. The Center is also available to groups and individuals for meetings, practices, birthday parties, showers and many other activities. Seneca Cayuga ARC, Girl Scouts, Little League and the WBPA are a few of the outside groups who utilize the center on a regular basis.

The Community Center also has a Spray Park for residents of the Village and Town of Waterloo, the Town of Fayette, and the Town of Junius. It is operational from 9AM to 8PM for the months of May through September. Please pay special attention to the signs located outside the park for safety and operating recommendations.

Throughout the year we offer a wide range of programs for youth including indoor and outdoor soccer, kickball, basketball, indoor and outdoor lacrosse, and summer camps and programs to name a few. We also offer adult activities like coed volleyball, basketball, exercise classes, etc. Watch for news of upcoming programs to be offered. Youth Basketball applications will be coming out in late October with applications being taken during our normal Community Center operating hours. Feel free to call the Community Center with any questions at 539-5309 or stop by and visit us at 3 Oak Street.

The Community Center will remain a polling place for elections, even though the Middle School is now reopened.