



Town of Rensselaerville

The Hamlets of Cooksburg, Medusa, Potter Hollow, Preston Hollow, and Rensselaerville

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February 2010 Town Board Minutes Summary

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Rensselaerville was held on the 11th day of February, 2010, at 7 o'clock in the evening at the Rensselaerville Town Hall, 87 Barger Road, Medusa, NY. The meeting was convened by Supervisor Dermody and the roll was called with the following results:

PRESENT WERE: Supervisor Marie Dermody, Councilwoman Marion Cooke, Councilwoman Dale Dorner, Councilman John Kudlack, Attorney Joseph Catalano, Town Clerk Kathleen A. Hallenbeck
ABSENT: Councilman Gary Chase

Also present were Superintendent Gary Zeh and 16 interested citizens.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: Superintendent Zeh asked if a grant application was submitted for a backup generator for the building. Supervisor Dermody did not include this in her grant application. Bob Bolte mentioned that he submitted a grant application for a generator.

MINUTES: The Town Board discussed the transfer for the workers compensation for the fire companies.

A motion was made by Councilman Kudlack to accept the minutes as corrected for the Regular Meeting held on January 14, 2010; 2nd by Councilwoman Dorner. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

TRANSFERS:

Highway Fund

From:	To:	Amount
DA5142.1 Snow Removal PS	DA5151.1 FEMA Payroll	\$600.00

Councilwoman Cooke asked if the Town Board created the position of FEMA Clerk. Should the money come out of the General Fund? Supervisor Dermody, these are highway expenditures. This issue was discussed.

Supervisor Dermody added the following to the Bookkeeper's Transfer Report;

General Fund

From:	To:	Amount:
A1620.4 Bldgs Contractual	A1680.4 Central Data Processing, Cont.	\$1856.78.

Supervisor Dermody mentioned that under the transfers it should read, Highway Fund, not General Fund.

A motion was made by Councilman Kudlack to accept the correction and add the general transfer to the bookkeeper's report and accept the transfers; 2nd by Councilwoman Dorner. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

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*Library Bookmark**What's New?*

April is National Poetry Month! Please join us for our **Fifth Annual National Poetry Month Celebration on Friday and Saturday, April 2nd and 3rd, 2010:**

- **Friday, April 2 Poetry Reading and discussion of the “writing process” at the Rensselaerville Library by poet Stephen O'Connor**, author of *Rescue* (short fiction and poetry) and numerous works of fiction, non-fiction and poetry. His work has appeared in such prestigious journals as the *New Yorker*, *TriQuarterly*, and *Poetry*. He teaches in the MFA programs at Columbia University and Sarah Lawrence College.
- **Saturday, April 3 2:00–5:00 An Afternoon of Poetry:** Readings, Favorite Poem Project & Open Mic at Conkling Hall.
- **Poetry Readings by Albany-area poets, Marion Menna and Mimi Moriarty** will begin our afternoon's events. Marion, the initiator of the Delmar Library Writers' Group, has had her poems published in a variety of journals, and in her recently published chapbook. Mimi is the poetry editor for *The Spotlight*, a weekly periodical in the Albany area. Her short fiction, poems, essays and articles have appeared in many journals, magazines, newspapers, as well as in her chapbook *War Psalm*.
- **Favorite Poem Project and Open Mic emceed by photographer Dudley Reed** will follow. **The Favorite Poem Project** is part of a national movement, begun by former poet laureate Robert Pinsky, during which neighbors bring their favorite poems to read aloud. Last year, almost 50 participants gathered to enjoy poems of all types, from the silly to the serious (from Shel Silverstein to Shakespeare), favorites from childhood as well as adulthood, from “classics” to contemporary. **The Open Mic** will open with Rensselaerville poets **Joanna Bull, Emily Arrighi and Linda Miller** among others. **All writers are invited to bring in an original poem or two, or other short work of original writing to read and share.** Refreshments served.

For more information about any of these events, please call the Rensselaerville Library @ 518 797-3949.

Second Weekend Film Series at Conkling Hall

- **Friday, April 9 at 6:30P.M.** – *The Princess and the Frog*. Runtime: 97 min. Rated G.
- **Saturday, April 10 at 7:00P.M.** – *A Serious Man*. Runtime: 106 min. Rated R.

Saturday Story Times at 10:00A.M. Check our website at www.rensseleervillelibrary.org for this month's dates and themes!

Calling all kids: Please join us for our new **Young People's Book Discussion Group**. We are reading *The Sisters Grimm*, Book 1 by Michael Buckley. Stay tuned to our website for dates and times of upcoming discussions!

Looking for company while you knit, crochet, or sew? Come join others with similar interests **every**

Tuesday night from 7:00–9:00P.M. at our Handwork Group Meetings. Bring any projects you are currently working on (or ideas for them!) and teach others, learn from others, share, show-and-tell, and have a good time!



Staff:
Liz King, Director;
Katie Caprio, Assistant;
Zachary Wellstood, Page

The next **Library Board meeting** is on **Monday, April 19th at 7:00P.M.**

Library Hours:

Tuesday &

Wednesday:

10:00 AM to Noon,

4:00–9:00 PM

Thursday & Friday:

4:00–9:00 PM

Saturday:

9:00–1:00 PM

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Conkling Hall—What's On In April

Saturday, April 3: Poetry Month is here again. An Afternoon of Poetry: Readings, Favorite Poem Project and Open Mic. 2:00 - 5:00 PM

Friday, April 9: Second Friday Movie for Children. 6:30 PM. \$1.00 admission.

Saturday, April 10: Second Saturday Movie for Grownups. 7:00 PM. "A Serious Man". Admission, \$2.

Saturday, April 17: Rensselaerville Food Coop Membership Meeting, 11:00 AM.



Methodist Hill Road
Rensselaerville, NY
(518) 797- 3459

MAY, 2010

Saturday, May 8: Conkling Hall Annual Membership Meeting. 5:00 PM. Information, Entertainment, Beverage, Snacks. All are welcome. Come and plan our future with us.

Pilates: Saturdays 9 - 10 AM. Mat Class. Strengthen your abdominals, gain long, lean muscles and work with good alignment. Appropriate for all levels.

Yoga: Tuesdays 9 - 10:15 AM. Move, breathe and relax. Good for what ails you. Open to all. Please call Sarah Nelson-Weiss at 239 6825 for more information.

You can contact Conkling Hall at 518 797 3459 or read our website at www.ConklingHall.org. We send frequent announcements/reminders about our events. If you wish to be added to the list, please give us your email address at ConklingHall@earthlink.net.



Next Waste Oil Collection Day

April 24th, 2010

7:00am—3:00pm

At the Town Highway Garage

Library Bookmark

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Writers' Group at the Library - If you love to write, but don't find the time, join us on the **Second Thursday** of each month at **7:00P.M. on the balcony**. For more information, call Linda Miller at 936-4402.

Children's Outreach Group: The Library would like to start an outreach group for children, to make our Library more accessible to the outlying areas in the town of Rensselaerville. We'll bring our books and a story time to you! If you know of groups of children who may be interested, or can think of a good location to hold meetings for such a group, please contact Liz King at 797-3949.

Senior Corner

Need Information? Elder Source Line (447-7177) has information about Senior Services to help in a variety of ways. Call between 8:30AM-12:30PM Monday through Friday. Call for free assistance with housing options, insurance counseling, benefits and entitlements, community resources, adult daycare, and caregiver options. This program is funded by United Way of Northeastern New York and Senior Services of Albany Foundation.

Senior Citizens Club: We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at the Medusa Firehouse at noon. \$1.00 is collected. ALL senior citizens are invited to join the club. Please bring a covered dish to share and/or dessert. Members need to bring their own plates and utensils. Coffee is provided.

Senior Van: Tuesday: Bryant's Center, Greenville
Thursday: Cobleskill (Wal-Mart) Monday, Wednesday and Friday: Van is available to travel to doctor appointments. Call Ann Vogel at 797-3376 regarding scheduling and/or arranging for van pick up.

Helderberg Senior Services: Lunches are served Monday through Friday at noon for \$3.75. A one-day advance reservation would be appreciated and can be made by calling Marie at 797-3652 between 9:00AM-1:00PM for information and reservations.

We need volunteer drivers!!!! If you have a valid driver's license and could volunteer a couple hours of your time now and then, it would be greatly appreciated. Contact Kathy Hallenbeck, Town Clerk, for more details.

WHAT IS HEAP?

HEAP is an energy assistance program which helps to pay for utility bills.

Where Can I Apply?

Cornell University Cooperative Extension/CHOICES
Faith Plaza, Route 9W, Ravena, NY 12143

04/01/10 Cornell Cooperative Extension, Voorheesville, 3:00pm-6:00pm

To apply for Emergency HEAP you must apply at the HEAP certifier office and then take the application to Albany County Department of Social Services located at 162 Washington Avenue, Albany

Call 756-8650 for more information regarding eligibility and document requirements.

Jimmy Walker's Greenhouse
Rt. 145 - Preston Hollow

Custom Designed Planters,
Bedding Plants, Heirloom Vegetables, Grapevines
& Landscape Design Services



Opens Sat. May 1, 2010

James Walker & Dennis Pitts
518-239-4039
Email: dennis7pitts@yahoo.com



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Extra Helpings Food Buying Club — Available to Everyone

Extra Helpings is a program of the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York and is offered to the community through The Hilltowns Community Resource Center (HCRC) in Westerlo. The program is open to all individuals regardless of age or income. Anyone is welcome to purchase any or all of the package options. April's Extra Helpings menus are as follows:

April's Regular menu: \$21.00

- 1 - 10 to 12 lb. Whole Turkey
- 1 lb. Mild Bulk Sausage Roll
- 1 lb. pkg. Chicken Patties
- 1 lb. Tilapia Fish Fillets
- 5 lb. bag Potatoes
- 1 bunch celery

Special #1: \$ 12.50

- 5 lb. Block Sliced White American Cheese

Special # 2: \$ \$ 19.25

- 10 lb. Bag Breaded Chicken Tenders

Special #3: \$32.00 MEAT BOX

- 2.5 lbs. Chuck Beef Pot Roast
- 3 lbs. Boneless/skinless I.Q. F. Chicken Breast
- 3 lbs. Sweet Italian Rope Sausage (2/1.5 lbs.)
- 3 lbs. Pepper Steaks
- 2 lbs. Breakfast Sausage (4/ 8 oz. rolls)

(Substitutions of equal value may be necessary due to availability.)

PLEASE NOTE: Orders with payment are due at the HCRC office by **April 9thth** for pick-up on **April 27th**. HCRC distributes Extra-Helpings at the Rensselaerville Firehouse from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and at St. Bernadette's Church in Berne from 11:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. on delivery days. The pick-up site must be noted with each order. Anyone wishing more information regarding Extra-Helpings or other Hilltowns Community Resource Center services, please call 797-5256. HCRC's mailing address is P.O. Box 147, Westerlo, NY 12193. Please include your phone number on all correspondence.



A Special Presentation

At the March 11, 2010, Town Board meeting, Supervisor Marie Dermody was presented with a check in the amount of \$30,000 from the Rensselaerville Volunteer Ambulance Squad. This check represents their revenue recovery efforts for 2009. Pictured below is Supervisor Dermody accepting the check presented by Gerald Wood, B.J. Cook, Maryanne Overbaugh, and Michael Leppig.



Not only do the members of the Ambulance Squad selflessly give their time and energy to this vital Town service, they share financially with the Town as well. We owe them a tremendous debt of gratitude, and it is hoped that everyone will personally express their thanks when they have the opportunity to do so.

Middleburgh Library Happenings

4/6, 13, 20, 27 - 10:30 AM - **Drop-in Storytime** - Join us for stories, songs, fingerplays and a short movie. This fun, interactive program is meant for children ages 0-5 and their caregivers.

4/6, 13, 20, 27 - 3:30 PM - **Reading with Indy** - Indy is a trained and certified therapy dog who along with his trainer, Karen Van Dyke, offers non-judgmental ears to your little one. Children who are just beginning to read, need practice reading, or simply need a confidence boost will find Indy a great friend.

4/6 - 12:00 PM - **Ten Design Tips for Knockout Gardens** - Author, teacher and garden expert Kerry Mendez returns to Middleburgh to share her design tips for low maintenance gardens. **Registration Required.**

4/7, 14, 21, 28 - 1:00 PM - **Wednesday Matinee - Based on the Book Film Series**

“Sherlock Holmes” (PG 13), “The Time Traveler’s Wife” (PG 13), “The Men Who Stare at Goats” (R), “The Lovely Bones” (PG 13) - Free Popcorn

4/1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - 7:00 PM - **Knitting Circle** - Do you like to knit or crochet or do you participate in other fiber arts? Bring your project and join your neighbors for some creativity and conversation. No registration is required.

4/13 - 7:00 PM - **Concert - Enoch Kent** - Scotland born and now Canada-based, this legendary interpreter and songsmith’s love of traditional music was first inspired by his family.

4/20 - 1:00 PM - **Understanding Reverse Mortgages** - Reverse Mortgage Specialist, Sonja Hotaling will educate you about the advantages and disadvantages of reverse mortgages. **Registration Required.**

4/20 - 7:00 PM - **Book Discussion - “Stones From the River” by Ursula Hegi** - Books will be available at the circulation desk.

4/21 - 10:30 AM - **Library Babies** - This special storytime is designed especially for babies 3 - 14 months and their caregivers. We’ll read, sing, bounce and have fun all while teaching Pre-literacy skills.

4/25 - 6:30 AM - **Spring Bus Trip to Boston.** Cost \$58.00 payable by April 15th. For details pick up an information sheet at the library.

4/27 - 7:00 PM - **Virtual Chat with Garth Stein** - Author of “The Art of Racing in the Rain”
Registration Required.

4/28 - 10:30 AM - **Drop-in Storytime** - Come to our once a month Storytime on Wednesday mornings with Doreen McCoy. Miss Doreen will delight your little one with stories and a craft.

4/28 - 12:00 - **Chat & Chew** - Bring a bag lunch & join the Director in a discussion about what we’ve all been reading.



**ALL YOU CAN EAT
BREAKFAST
7 to 11 AM**



APRIL 17TH

**MEDUSA FIRE COMPANY
Free Will Offering**

Town of Rensselaerville, Planning Board Meeting Minutes February 18, 2010 - FINAL

Present: Rich Amedure, Dorothea Cotter, Muriel Frasher, Sherri Pine, Alfred Stettner, Ray Welsh, Allyn Wright

Also Present: Jon Kosich, Kathy Wank, Craig Bouvier
Chairperson Frasher called meeting to order at 7:30 PM

Motion to accept minutes from January 21, 2010 meeting made by Rich Amedure; seconded by Allyn Wright.

Craig Bouvier – Sketch Plan Application for subdivision (10-01-01)
SBL 125.-1-21.10 - 392 Pond Hill Rd. Committee reviewed, Craig answered questions – drew in square drawing where house will be built. Motion made by Rich Amedure to accept the Sketch Plan Application as “completed;” seconded by Ray Welsh; all in favor, none opposed; so moved.

Motion to classify this application as a MINOR subdivision made by Rich Amedure; seconded by Alfred Stettner all in favor, none opposed; so moved.

Motion to accept minor subdivision application as “completed” made by Rich Amedure; seconded by Sherri Pine; all in favor, none opposed; so moved.

Jon Kosich read through checklist of items on SEQRA form. Motion to declare SEQRA requirements as having a negative impact made by Rich Amedure; seconded by Dorothea Cotter; all in favor, none opposed; so moved.

Motion to set public hearing date on March 4, 2010 at 7:30 PM made by Rich Amedure; seconded by Alfred Stettner; all in favor, none opposed; so moved.

Board informed Mr. Bouvier that the house lot, existing driveway, sewer, and septic locations will need to be put on final plat drawings. The total acreage to be disturbed will need to be indicated. Mr. Bouvier was also informed that in addition to the 2 paper copies of plats, 2 mylar copies are also needed for the public hearing date to sign off and complete this process.

Mr. Bouvier informed the Board that the water test was taken approximately 2 ½ weeks ago, and he is awaiting an official letter from Albany County. He will submit this letter to the Planning Board Secretary as soon as it is received.

Planning Board Secretary presented Mr. Bouvier with his letter of classification for the application, as well as abutting land owner letters for certified/return receipt mailings. Secretary will place legal notice in Altamont Enterprise for public hearing date.

Sherri Pine presented paper copies of the window screens used by the Town of New Scotland software to track building lot changes. Sherri indicated that this software was believed to be very similar to what CEO Mark Overbaugh currently uses. Perhaps we could utilize this software rather than purchasing something new. Kathy Wank will investigate this option with Mark Overbaugh and bring results to the next meeting.

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 8:01 PM by Dorothea Cotter; seconded by Alfred Stettner; all in favor, none opposed.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Wank, Planning Board Secretary





Wind Study Committee Update

We are making steady progress in our research related to large-scale Commercial Wind Power. Our work is steadily guided by the question “What policy recommendations will best serve our Town” and by our Comprehensive Plan.

Commercial Wind Power is a complex subject. Our areas of research include:

<p>Relationship to Comprehensive Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall Town vision • Town Goals • Natural Resources • Historic Resources <p>Law & Policy Matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact of State Laws & County Authority. <p>Federal Laws</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tax codes & taxing authority. • Other authorities - NYSERDA • Financial impacts <p>Developer Agreements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract elements • Bonding Issues • Attorney General’s Code of Conduct 	<p>Health Environmental & Safety Considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noise and Sound • Shadow Flicker • Ice Throw • Ground Vibration • Construction Techniques • Soil, Water. Impact upon aquifers and wells. • Wildlife Impact • Effects on Roads and Infrastructure • Firefighting • Adherence to SEQRA
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We invite you to join our weekly meetings Tuesdays at 7 PM at Town Hall. Check the Town Website to ensure that we are meeting and for updates and information. www.rensselaerville.com/windstudy.php

To be placed on our email list for information and updates: WindStudyCommittee@gmail.com



An Invitation to All Town Residents

Please join us for a
Reception for

J. Robert 'Bob' Lansing

To recognize his years of service to the commu-
nity.

**Saturday, April 10, 2010
4:00pm – 5:30pm**

Town Hall, Barger Road
Presentation to be made at 4:30pm.

Liquidation! **Sale of Fixtures and Equipment**

The Hilltown Market and Natural Food Co-op will sadly be closing its doors at 6pm on Friday April 16, 2010. We thank all the volunteers, past and present fellow Board Members, and most especially Dian Ryan, the Treasurer and Operations Manager whose dedication and hard work has kept the store going in the past years. Food in the store is now on sale, so are the coolers, shelving, scales, cash register, computer, etc. Bids will be accepted on the equipment up until 6pm on Saturday April 24th. Priority will go to the bidder(s) offering the best price for the most equipment. If you would like to receive an inventory, please send a request by email: denis7pitts@yahoo.com Store hours through April 16 will be Tues-Thurs 4-7pm and Fridays 9-7; Saturdays 9-3 or as long as stocks last. The Annual Meeting of coop members will be held at 11:00 am, Sat. April 17, 2010 in Conkling Hall.

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Mothers Day is May 9th

Does your Mom have untidy kitchen cabinets? Closets overflowing? Piles of "good stuff" to sort through piled high in a corner somewhere?

Get Mom something she truly needs this year....

ORGANIZATION

Mother's Day Special

Purchase 2 hours of services, get the 3rd hour free!!!!

**Call Hilltown Professional Organizing
518-797-9292**

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**We promote ethical,
honest, and
competent town
government
regardless of party
affiliation!**

"As Mankind becomes more liberal, they will be more apt to allow that all those who conduct themselves as worthy members of the community are equally entitled to the protections of civil government. I hope ever to see America among the foremost nations of justice and liberality."

— George Washington

Contact us to contribute to our work

PO Box 159, Rensselaerville, NY 12147
518-797-3296

<http://groups.google.com/group/concerned-citizens-of-rensselaerville>

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Church Services

Preston Hollow Baptist Church

Route 145, Preston Hollow,
239-6544
Worship: Sunday - 11:00AM

Rensselaerville Presbyterian Church

Summer Session Worship - 11:00AM
Coffee Hour following Service

United Church of Christ

Medusa, 239-6119
Worship: Sunday - 10:00AM

Trinity Episcopal Church

Trinity Lane, Rensselaerville,
797-5395
Holy Eucharist & Church School Sunday
11:00AM

Potter Hollow Union Church

4824 Potter Hollow Mountain Road
Potter Hollow, 263-4478
Worship: Sunday - 10:00AM
Coffee Hour & Sunday School—11:30AM

**YOU ARE INVITED
TO AN
OPEN HOUSE**

FOR THE

**MUSEUM
OF
MEDUSA HISTORY**

**ON APRIL 25
FROM 2 TO 4 PM
AT THE
MEDUSA CHURCH**

EASTER AT THE MEDUSA CHURCH

The United Church of Christ will celebrate Palm Sunday on March 28th, at 10am.

New members will be welcomed during the service.

On Easter Sunday, the celebration of Easter begins with a Fellowship Breakfast. There will be one seating only, at 8:30am.

The menu will include pancakes, French toast, sausages, beacon and drinks. A free-will offering will be taken. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Easter Service will be at 10am, with all the glory of flowers, music, and the Joy of Easter. As always, everyone is invited to come at Easter and any Sunday.

Easter Holy Week Services

Trinity Episcopal Church

TRINITY LANE, RENSSELAERVILLE
MARCH 28 – APRIL 4, 2010

**Officiated by Fr. Jay North
Everyone Welcome**

Palm Sunday – March 28, 11:00am – Blessing of the Palms – Holy Eucharist

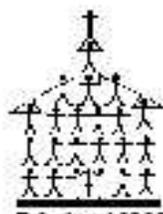
Maundy Thursday – April 1, 7:00pm – Eucharist, Foot Washing, Altar of Repose

Good Friday – April 2, 7:00pm – The Passion, according to St. John, Solemn Prayers

Holy Easter Vigil – April 3, 8:00pm – Lighting of the ‘New Fire’ and Pascal candle, Eucharist

Easter Egg Hunt – April 4, 10:30 – All ages – Beginning of the Rebirth

Easter Holy Eucharist – April 4, 11:00am – Celebration of the Resurrection



The Church @ Potter Hollow

Potter Hollow Union Church News

Ephesians 4:15-16

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday

Morning Worship
10am

Mustard Seed Coffee Hour,
Youth & Adult Bible Studies
11:30am

Praise & Prayer
6:30pm

(Call for location and details)

March 14th (and every 2nd Sunday) pot luck in place of coffee hour and Bible studies.

Want to learn how to deal with people better?



Come 6:30 Sunday Evenings for our

Relationships Class

for help with communication, resolving conflict and more. We'll share truth that will help relationships with co-workers, children, spouses, and everyone in your life. Instruction by Mike Ryan.

Feb. 28th - April 18th

2nd Tuesdays!!! FAMILY NIGHT



April 13th
5 pm - 7 pm

Free dinner provided!

- DINNER -GAMES-BIBLE TRUTH
- CRAFTS & MORE

OUR KICK OFF WAS A SUCCESS! WE HAD 35 PEOPLE AND IT WAS A BLAST! IF YOU MISSED IT, DON'T WORRY...FAMILY NIGHT IS EVERY 2ND TUESDAY. THIS IS A NIGHT THE WHOLE FAMILY WILL ENJOY, AND GROW TOGETHER, FROM BABIES TO GRANDPARENTS. IN AN AGE WHERE MANY FAMILIES DON'T EVEN GET TO EAT DINNER TOGETHER, MAKE THE BREAK, AND DO SOMETHING TOGETHER! GUARD YOUR CALENDERS FOR EVERY 2ND TUESDAY!

Resurrection Celebration Sunday! April 4th



8:30am Early Service

10:00am **Free breakfast!**
call (518)263-4478 to RSVP.

11:00am Praise service

All services will be at our Fellowship Hall this year.

VISIT US

Potter Hollow Union Church
Fellowship Hall
4824 Potter Hollow Rd.
Potter Hollow NY.
nathandmiles@hotmail.com
(518) 263-4478

It's the Law!

A new law is scheduled to go into effect in April 2010 which will affect anyone renovating six square feet or more of painted surfaces in a room for interior projects or more than twenty square feet of painted surfaces for exterior projects in housing, child care facilities, and schools built before 1978.

This federal law will require contractors that disturb lead-based paint in homes, child care facilities, and schools built before 1978 to be certified and follow specific work practices to prevent lead contamination.

The Facts about Lead

- Lead is especially dangerous to children under six years of age.
Lead can affect children's brains and developing nervous systems, causing reduced IQ, learning disabilities, and behavioral problems. Even children who appear healthy can have dangerous levels of lead in their bodies.
- Lead is also harmful to adults.
In adults, even low levels of lead can pose many dangers, including high blood pressure and hypertension. Pregnant women exposed to lead can transfer lead to their fetus.
- Lead gets into the body when it is swallowed or inhaled.
People, especially children, can swallow lead dust as they eat, play, and do other normal hand-to-mouth activities. People may also breathe in lead dust or fumes if they disturb lead-based paint. People who sand, scrape, burn, brush, or blast or otherwise disturb lead-based paint risk unsafe exposure to lead.
- Lead-based paint was used in more than 38 million homes until it was banned for residential use in 1978.

What should I do if I'm concerned about my family's exposure to lead?

- Call your local health department for advice on reducing and eliminating exposures to lead inside and outside your home, child care facility, or school.
- Always use lead-safe work practices when renovation or repair will disturb lead-based paint.
- A blood test is the only way to find out if you or a family member already has lead poisoning. Call your doctor or local health department to arrange for a blood test.
- For more information about the health effects of exposure to lead, visit the EPA website at www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/leadinfo.htm or call 1-800-424-LEAD (5323)
- Contact Mark Overbaugh, Code Enforcement Officer, for additional information.

Census 2010: Be Counted!

National Census Day is April 1, 2010 and is the date used as a point of reference in filling out the form. Everyone is encouraged to mail back their 10-question short form on or before April 1, 2010. Filling out and submitting the census form allows you adequately represent what resources our community needs going forward. Accurate data reflecting changes in our community are crucial in apportioning seats in the U. S. House of Representatives and deciding how billions of dollars per year in federal funding is allocated for projects like new hospitals and schools, emergency services, bridges, tunnels, and other public works projects.

Participation isn't just important – it's mandatory.

A Note from Marion Cooke, Town Council

Well are you ready to think spring yet? I'm not sure if it the last snow storm we experienced was a record but I am sure our Town Highway Department must have thought it was. I commend them for the job they did even with all the equipment breakdowns they had. At one time during the storm they had four trucks broke down, so I am sure it was a challenge in repairing the trucks and trying to play "catch up". To the Highway Department: THANK YOU for a job well done. I had stopped at Town Hall that I found out was closed (which I wasn't aware of beforehand) but Gary Zeh was there and informed me of some of the problems they were dealing with. I'm sure the highway workers were also concerned about their families that were without phones and electric during the storm. The Highway Superintendents' report is available on the Town of Rensselaerville website. Be sure to check the website out to see if there are any special meetings posted or community events you might be interested in also.

The greatest presentation brought before the Town Board was that our very worthy Volunteer Ambulance Squad in the Town of Rensselaerville presented the Town Supervisor with a check for \$30,000.00. Not only do they spend countless hours, night and day, volunteering to take care of the residents of the Town but they also gave the taxpayers back money that they had secured over their monetary needs from insurance recoveries. If you see any of these volunteers, walk up to them, shake their hands and give them a great big THANK YOU.

Mark Overbaugh, building inspector, reported on a new regulation going into affect concerning lead paint abatement. If you are a building contractor, this could possibly affect you so please check for further information.

This year we have Gary Zeh and Jon Whitbeck volunteering to mow around Town Hall. THANK YOU to both of them for stepping up to save our Town some money.

Sandy Gordon, Albany County Legislator, reported that the County at this time did not have the money for the Right to Farm signs that we had requested for him to look into. As you may be aware Albany County is also facing a deficit. Being this is an important issue for our farmers I think other avenues need to be explored to get these signs.

Last month I reported about the audit that Town Board approved and I will quote verbatim from the Town Board minutes of February 11, 2010 as follow:

- The Town Board discussed moving forward concerning getting the books audited starting in 2007 to 2009. A motion was made by Supervisor authorizing Attorney Catalano to come up with a Requests for Proposals for a firm to audit the financial records of the Town; 2nd by Councilwoman Cooke. A vote was taken and unanimously carried.
- I did not catch the date of 2007 as I believed it should have read 2006-2009 and unfortunately I voted to approve the minutes in March. I apologize for not catching what I believe is an error.
- What happened to that RFP, I am not exactly sure. Supervisor Dermody then presented a proposal from an accountant that had agreed to do the audit for four years for the \$25,000 (which he knew beforehand) allotted in the 2010 budget (which is why I now think it was 2006 -2009). I agree that an audit doesn't have to go out for RFP but being that the Town Board had passed a motion for a RFP to be written and without rescinding that motion, in my opinion that's the way it should have been done. This accountant had previously worked for the town and resigned. I have not seen his letter of resignation from 2006, only the Town Board minutes, but I believe that the audit should be a completely independent audit. He also was appointed as Town Accountant in 2008 and from what I understand never took the job. After much discussion, the motion that the Supervisor had requested to approve this proposal was rescinded and a special meeting for March 18th was set up. By the time you get this newsletter I am sure there will be more action taken on this. Sandy Gordon, Albany County Legislator, suggested calling Albany County to conduct the audit and the Town Supervisor was going to call them the next morning.

Thank you for all your phone calls and support. Feel free to call with any issues that you might have.

Until next month.....

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ABSTRACT 2010-02 - VOUCHERS,BILLS

The General Fund - \$82,324.06; Highway Fund - \$60,991.93; Lighting District - \$651.63; Sewer District - \$60.28; Water District - \$790.14; Ambulance - \$41,000.00, Rensselaerville Fire District and Preston Hollow Fire District - \$97,000.00. Grand Total - \$282,818.04.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to pay all signed vouchers; 2nd by Councilwoman Cooke. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

Supervisor Dermody mentioned that she has written a memo to all vendors stating that they are required to use our new vouchers.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 2010 Census - The Census Department will be giving test at the Town Hall every Wednesday, 10AM, February and March if anyone is interested in a census job.
- Judge La Plante - Supervisor Dermody read 2 memos from Judge La Plante commending Constable Richard Simons for his exemplary service to the Court for a trial and Deputy Town Clerk Dee Andrus and Town Clerk Kathleen Hallenbeck for their exemplary service in helping set up for this trial.

REPORTS

SUPERVISOR DERMODY

Supervisor Dermody read the monthly report submitted by Clerk 1 Cornwell.

IT SERVICES: Supervisor Dermody reported that we received quotes from 3 firms concerning our Request for Proposals for technology maintenance, repair, and support services for the computer system in the Town Hall. Supervisor Dermody met with interested firms and they went over the equipment that we have. Firms submitted quotes were as follows:

- B.B. Computer Services, 32, West Bridge Street, Catskill, NY 12414
- intelligent technology solutions, inc.(i.t.s.), 47 S. River Street, Coxsack, NY 12051
- Business Automation Services, Inc. (BAS), 636 Plank Road, Suite 207, Clifton Park, NY
- ETC Inc.,

Supervisor Dermody and Shawn Styer, our Webmaster, reviewed all the quotes. Mr. Styer explained to the Town Board the contents of the quotes. Mr. Joseph Wolodkevich from i.t.s. answered questions from the Town Board concerning his quote.

The Town Board discussed the quotes received at length and felt that intelligent technology solutions, inc. was the firm that offered the services that meet the Town's needs. Attorney Catalano will work with i.t.s. to come up with a contract that meets our needs. The estimated cost for the server, equipment, and services is approximately \$5,000.00.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to retain intelligent technology solutions, inc. as our IT provider and that Supervisor Dermody be authorized to sign the contract with them; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

ELECTRICITY IN BUILDING: Councilwoman Cooke asked about the voltage coming into the building. Would this have anything to do with the computer problems we have been having?

Supervisor Dermody will contact Central Hudson and asked them to come and check on the electricity coming into the building.

BOILER - ANTI-FREEZE: Supervisor Dermody reported that Main Care put in 20 gallons of anti-freeze in the heating system. They charged us \$30.00 a gallon.

PAYROLL AUDITS: Supervisor Dermody mentioned that she audited some of the payrolls last year. As Supervisor, she can no longer audit them but she feels that the Board members should learn how to do them and she is willing to teach them.

CPA LETTER: This will be discussed later in the meeting.

GREENVILLE PRESS: Supervisor Dermody mentioned that this is the 2nd week that the Greenville Press has

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not been published. We need an official paper for our legal notices.

A motion was made by Supervisor Dermody to appoint the *Altamont Enterprise* as our temporary official newspaper; 2nd by Councilwoman Dorner. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to accept the Supervisor's report; 2nd by Councilwoman Dorner. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

TOWN ATTORNEY

RIGHT TO FARM LAW: Attorney Catalano reported that the Town adopted the Albany County Right to Farm Law in 2007. He did not see a need to adopt our own law; it would be the same. The Town Board and Legislator Gordon discussed the law and the grievance procedures. The Town Board talked about getting signs to put up concerning the Right to Farm Law. Legislator Gordon will work on this. The Town Board decided to stay with the Albany County Right to Farm Law.

TOWN PROPERTY: Attorney Catalano mentioned that he is still working on the issue with the Town and the building and the Greenville School District. He will report to the Town Board as soon as he gets more information.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to accept Attorney Catalano's report; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Superintendent Zeh reported the following to the Town Board;

STORM 01/25/10: With the combination of warm temperatures and steady rain, in six hours we had 60 washouts on 32 of our Town Roads. Superintendent Zeh explained how the Highway Department handled this situation.

MAINTENANCE/REPAIRS: Superintendent Zeh reported that they are continuing to do maintenance and repairs on the trucks and machinery. He is concerned about the cost and feels that at the rate they are going he will be out of money by April. He will have an equipment replacement plan for the Town Board to go over at the March meeting.

2009 INVOICES: \$28,470.47 in expenses that were incurred in 2009 have been paid out of his 2010 budget. He is asking that the Town Board consider reimbursing the highway department from last year's unexpended balance for the appropriate budget items.

WASTE OIL FURNACE: The highway department and recycling department are currently working on a plan for used oil collection.

SAFETY AND TRAINING: Superintendent Zeh reported that the highway department is set up with Selective Insurance Agency's website and they are conducting weekly safety meetings on topics relative to their operation. A representative from the Operating Engineers came out and explained what they have to offer for training.

KENYON ROAD DUMP: The gates have been reinstalled and secured to deter any trespassing.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS: Kyle Bates from Simplex Grinnell inspected the fire extinguishers in the buildings and equipment.

RTE 85 PROJECT: Rensselaerville did not get picked; the next meeting will be in March.

ACCESSIBILITY: Superintendent Zeh reminded everyone that his door is always open and you can call him at anytime and also reach him by email.

ROUTE 85: The condition of Route 85 is deplorable. Supervisor Dermody and Superintendent Zeh will write a letter to NYS stating what terrible condition Route 85 is in.

REPAIRS: Councilwoman Cooke asked what is going to happen if we run out of money for repairs

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS: The Town Board discussed the fire extinguishers. It costs \$60.00 to refill them or

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\$40.00 to buy new ones.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to replace the fire extinguishers; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to accept Superintendent Zeh's monthly report; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

Note: The complete Superintendent's report is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

TOWN CLERK: Town Clerk Hallenbeck reported the following collected and paid out for the month of 2010: Town Clerk Department - Total Collected - \$952.56. Paid to the Supervisor - \$857.96 (fees); Paid to the Albany County Clerk - \$9.40 (dog license); Paid to NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets - \$3.00 (spay and neutering Program); Paid to NYS Departmental Conservation - \$82.20 (sporting license). Sewer Rents Collected - \$5503.94. Tax Collection - General Fund - \$236,575.00, Highway Fund - \$758,510.00, Special Districts - \$199,450.00, Re-levies - \$7965.77.

A motion was made by Supervisor Dermody to accept the Town Clerk's Report for the month of January 2010; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/BUILDING INSPECTOR: CEO Overbaugh reported that his computer is down and he does not have a report for January.

CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS: Beginning February 22, 2010 all existing homes are required to have carbon monoxide detectors installed.

FEE SCHEDULE: CEO Overbaugh reported that he has received fee schedules from ten of the eleven towns contacted.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to accept CEO Overbaugh's report; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT:

EXEMPTIONS - Assessor Pine mentioned that people applying for or renewing exemptions must have the information in to the Assessing Department by March 1st.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to accept the Assessor's report; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

BOARD OF ETHICS: There is nothing to report at this time.

Letters of interest will be accepted by the Town Board for anyone wishing to serve on this Board.

ASSISTANT NEWSLETTER COORDINATOR: A motion was made by Supervisor Dermody to re-appoint Georgette Koenig Assistant Newsletter Coordinator to keep in compliance with Article 808 which states that a town employee/appointee must serve on the Board of Ethics; 2nd by Councilwoman Dorner.

A vote was taken and unanimously carried.

WATER/SEWER COMMITTEE: The Town Board and Chairman Long discussed the issue of having another operator for the sewer plant. Currently Gerrett Platel is the deputy plant operator. He will be unavailable to work for a couple of months. This topic was tabled until the Board could meet with the Treatment Officer.

A motion was made by Supervisor Dermody to talk to the current treatment officer before making any decisions on this topic; 2nd by Councilwoman Cooke. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

CURRENT EVENTS:

- The Medusa Fire Company is holding a breakfast on February 20th.
- The Rensselaerville Fire Company is holding a breakfast on February 14th.
- Albany County Youth Bureau - Supervisor Dermody is going to invite Margaret Diggs, Director, to

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come to the March Town Board meeting and explain their program.

OLD BUSINESS

HEAT SENSOR – HAMMOND SECURITY: Hammond Security would contact someone when the temperature in the building falls below a certain level.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to purchase and have installed the Heat Sensor from Hammond Security Systems for \$300.00; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

TOWN BOARD MEETING DATE CHANGE – OCTOBER & NOVEMBER: Supervisor Dermody asked the Town Board if they could change the Town Board meeting dates for October and November.

A motion was made by Supervisor Dermody to change the October Town Board meeting from October 14, 2010 to October 21, 2010; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

The November Meeting date will be discussed at the March meeting. Dates for budget submittal must be checked our first.

A legal notice will be posted in the newspaper when we get closer to the meeting dates. The dates will be put in the newsletter.

USED OIL COLLECTION: The Town Board discussed the used oil collection process. They will begin to collect used oil for the waste oil furnace on the 4th Saturday of the month unless otherwise noticed. The first collection date will be February 27, 2010, 7 AM to 3PM. The Town Board went over the regulations for this collection as follows:

The used oil will only be accepted by a Recycling Center Employee under the following conditions:

1. Used oil will only be accepted from a Town of Rensselaerville residence. No businesses, please.
2. Residents will be required to complete a "Used Oil Log Sheet" and proof of residence may be required.
3. Used oil should be transported by the resident in a sealed and leak proof container to the front of the Town Garage.
4. Up to 5 gallons of used oil will be accepted per household per month.
5. The Recycling Center Employee will inspect the used oil for contaminants and will accept only oil that meets standards for recycling. The presence of water, gasoline, paint, brake fluid, thinners, solvents, chlorine, or other chemicals will cause the oil to be rejected and returned to the resident who will be responsible for its proper disposal.
6. Acceptable oils for recycling are: used motor oil, used transmission oil, used hydraulic oils, used power steering fluid, and used gear oil.
7. The Recycling Center Employee will dump the used oil into the appropriate storage tank and return the empty container to the resident for reuse.
8. For liability reasons, no resident will be permitted in the garage area.
9. Used oil will only be collected until the garage waste oil furnace tanks are full. Therefore, there may be no collection available during the summer months.
10. Used oil collection may also be postponed due to inclement weather.

RECORDS STORAGE ROOM: Supervisor Dermody reported that she and the Town Clerk met with Andy Raymond from the State Archives Division concerning the fire wall and records room. Mr. Raymond mentioned that a lot of the records in the storage room could be destroyed and or put in electronic form. This would free up space in the records room. He did not recommend constructing a records room in the highway garage even if there was a fire wall. Supervisor Dermody mentioned that we missed the February deadline for applying for grant funding for a storage facility. We have a year to work on this project. The Town Board discussed the records storage room and fire wall at length. Councilwoman Dorner will investigate the fire wall and Councilwoman Cooke will investigate PODS for

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storage.

AUDIT: The Town Board discussed moving forward concerning getting the books audited starting in 2007 to 2009.

A motion was made by Supervisor Dermody authorizing Attorney Catalano to come up with and Request For Proposals for a firm to audit the financial records of the Town; 2nd by Councilwoman Cooke. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

NEW BUSINESS

LANDFILL CONTRACT: The City of Albany proposes to renew its agreement with the Town for use of the City's Rapp Road Landfill facility for 2010 for \$52.00 a ton for municipal solid waste.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner authorizing Supervisor Dermody to sign the Contract with the City of Albany for use of their facility for \$52.00 per ton for municipal solid waste; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

INVESTMENT POLICY: Attorney Catalano would like the Town Board to table this issue until the next meeting to give him time to investigate it further.

A motion was made by Supervisor Dermody that the Investment Policy be tabled until the March meeting; 2nd by Councilwoman Dorner. *A vote was taken and unanimously carried.*

INSURANCE: The Town's liability and automobile insurance coverage runs out on March 12th. Supervisor Dermody will meet with Mr. Pazin from Marshall & Sterling next week to discuss the town's insurance needs.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

- Superintendent Zeh mentioned that he needs the room in the garage for vehicles. He would rather not have the records room in the garage.
- K.B. Cooke spoke concerning the old building that is possibly on town land by the old school house in Potter Hollow. This building should be boarded up before someone gets hurt and sues the Town or the school.

There is the Unsafe Building Law that perhaps we could operate under.

FEMA: Is the paper work being done on the FEMA projects?

Supervisor Dermody mentioned yes and they have one folder completed and ready to be turned in.

WASTE OIL: Does the Town have a permit to transport the used oil?

No they don't; they will not be transporting the used oil.

RECORDS ROOM: The records room issue was discussed briefly.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Councilwoman Dorner to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 PM; 2nd by Councilman Kudlack. Motion Carried.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Kathleen A. Hallenbeck, Town Clerk



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CONKLING HALL WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL MEETING FOR MEMBERS AND THE PUBLIC ON SATURDAY, MAY 8, 2010 AT 5:00 PM. TO HELP US PLAN THE FUTURE AND LOOK AT THE PAST, PLEASE FILL THE FORM BELOW:

(Please put a check (x) by your answer/s)

In the past year, how many events have you attended at Conkling Hall?

What type of events do you like to attend at the Hall? (Check more than one if you like)

- Movies**
- Musical/Theatrical performances**
- Poetry Readings**
- Dance performances**
- Chili Cookoff**
- Community Dances with live music**
- Farmer's Market**
- Senior Lunches**
- Craft Fair**
- Special Interest Classes:**
 - Language classes** **Craft workshop**
 - Art/Drawing classes** **Yoga/Exercise**
 - Ballroom dance classes** **Cooking Classes**

Other _____

Do you have a skill or talent that you would like to share by teaching a class or workshop? If so, describe briefly:

Are you a Conkling Hall member? _____ Yes _____ No

Do you find the cost of admission to events at the Hall to be fair?

____ Yes ____ No

Would you consider serving on a committee for an event and help with running the event? _____ Yes _____ No

The Hall has the potential to serve the community in many ways. What would you have it do that is different than today? _____

Please bring this questionnaire to the membership meeting or mail to Conkling Hall, P. O. Box 43, Rensselaerville, NY 12147

Annual
Rensselaerville Garage Sale Day
Saturday, May 15
 Rain, Snow or Sun Shine

For the hamlet of Rensselaerville and vicinity. Now is the time to sign up if you would like to hold a sale at your property/location for the event. The Rensselaerville Fire Department Ladies Battalion sponsors this event. We will advertise in local and some capital district newspapers, radio and on the cable. Your sale will be listed on the map, which will be available the morning of the sale for a donation at the firehouse.

Sales should be open from 9am to 4pm. The cost is still \$15.00 per family. Please send your registration form and your check to RVFD Ladies Battalion, 1364 CR351, Rensselaerville, New York 12147. If you have questions, please call Rose Kuhar at 797-3360. Registration forms must be received by May 8th, 2009.

Refreshments and sale maps will be available at the firehouse 9am to 3pm.

Garage Sale Registration

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address:

Site of Sale: Road name, Rte number, 911 number, miles from village, color of house and other descriptive information.

Description of items for sale:

Detailed descriptions will attract potential customers to your sale. Clean, clearly priced items that are spread out for display are more likely to sell.

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Volunteer News and Events

Medusa Volunteer Fire Department

Company Meeting: Monday, April 5th, at 8:00 PM

Drill & Work Meeting: Monday, April 12th and 19th at 7:00PM

Rensselaerville Volunteer Fire Department

Visit us at www.rensselaervillefire.com

Calls as of March 10, 2010: 10

April :

3rd - 2pm Easter Egg Hunt

5th - 7pm Company Drill

7th - 7pm Ladies Battalion

12th - 7pm Company Drill

28th - 7:30pm Company Meeting

May:

3rd - 7pm Company Drill

5th - 7pm Ladies Battalion

10th - 7pm Company Drill

15th - 9am-3pm Garage Sale Day

26th - 7:30pm Company Meeting

30th - 1 - 3pm Fireman/Trinity Barbecue

Rensselaerville Playground

Special Events - April & May:

4/3 - 2pm - Easter Egg Hunt - Bring everyBUNNY for crafts, snacks and FUN

Looking into the future:

5/15 - 9am to 3pm Garage Sale Day!!

Map, Food & Snacks available at the Rensselaerville Firehouse ALL DAY

5/30 - 1 to 3pm - Fireman's/Trinity Barbecue at the Rensselaerville Village Playground!!

Tri-Village Volunteer Fire Department

Company Meeting: Wednesday, April 7th at 8:00PM

Rensselaerville Volunteer Ambulance Department

Company Meeting: Wednesday, April 21st at 7:00PM

HISTORICAL SOCIETY STILL SEEKING NAMES OF LOCAL BUILDERS

By Janet Haseley, Research Chair, Rensselaerville Historical Society (<mailto:edhase@aol.com>)

Information on builders and architects of buildings in the Town of Rensselaerville is still being sought by the Research Group of the Rensselaerville Historical Society.

Several architects and builders who designed and/or renovated buildings in the hamlet of Rensselaerville many years ago were highlighted in two articles in the most recent issue of the Historical Society's quarterly newsletter and an appeal for more information was printed in the Town newsletter but so far additional information has been turned in on only seven buildings constructed or renovated in the recent past. None of these are in other hamlets of the Town and Historical Society researchers are anxious to identify builders and architects from the entire Town. Information is being collected on both old and new houses. A more comprehensive article will be published when more information has been collected.

Please contact Rosie Kuhar at rosekuhar@gmail.com or call her at 797-3360, e-mail Janet Haseley at edhase@aol.com, or snail mail Rensselaerville Historical Society, PO Box 8, Rensselaerville, NY 12147 with any information you have.

If known, please say whether the person is an architect, a non-architect who plans and modifies plans for buildings he constructs, or a builder who follows plans given to him by the person who hires him.

Important Contact Information

Town Board Meetings
Second Thursday 7:00 pm

Working Meeting
Tuesday 7:00 pm
before regular meeting

Town Justice Court
Mondays 7:00 pm

Planning Board
First and third Thursdays 7:30 pm

Zoning Board of Appeals
First Tuesday 7:00 pm

Building Inspector/Zoning Officer
Thursday 8:00-10:00am, 7-9 pm

Town Clerk's Hours
Monday-Wednesday 9:00am-3:30pm
Thursday 1:30pm-7:30pm
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Supervisor's Hours
Monday, 9am—12 noon
Wednesday, 9am—12 noon
Friday following monthly TB meeting
9am—12 noon
Other times by appointment

Assessors' Hours
Thursday 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

Assessors' Clerk Hours
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday morning

Dog Control Officer
Cheryl Baitsholts
518-797-5201

Town Refuse Station Hours
Wednesday and Saturday
7:00am-3:45pm

Water/Sewer District Meeting
First Thursday 7:00 pm

Town Supervisor
Marie Dermody
518-239-4552 (H)

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Kathleen A. Hallenbeck

Town Justices
Victor La Plante
Timothy Miller

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Gary Chase, Marion Cooke,
Dale Dorner, John Kudlack

Building Inspector
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Mark Overbaugh

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Jeff Pine, Peter J. Hotaling, Jr.,
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Rachel Chase, Clerk II

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144 Beebe Road, Berne, NY 12023
518-872-2602

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518-239-6715, 518-239-6710

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Social Number - 797-3218

Tri-Village Fire Company, 911
Social number - 239-6780

Medusa Fire Company, 911
Back up emergency number,
765-5979
Social number - 239-6166

Rensselaerville Vol. Ambulance, 911
For Information - 518-797-5233

Albany County Sheriff, 911
518-765-2351

State Police
Rensselaerville and Hilltowns, 911
518-477-9333

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