

August-October 2023 - First Edition

### Village Hall Calendar

### **Monthly Meetings**

7:00 pm

**Aug 15** 

Sept 19

Oct 17

Bone Builders for our Senior Citizens Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00-11:00 am Held in the Community Center

### **Community Room Rates**

Village Residents - \$75 Outside Village - \$100 Deposit - \$50

### **Park Rental Rates:**

Park Rental- \$45 Deposit - \$45



School starts Sept 7<sup>th</sup>

- Watch out for kids walking and waiting for buses.

# Village News

# Message from the Mayor

Hello everyone,

We hope you are having a safe and enjoyable summer, and that you enjoyed the Summerfest activities. The parade and fireworks were excellent for all to enjoy. People from out of our area commented that Arkport is a very clean and nice community and that they enjoyed the adorable park we have. We should ALL be proud of our Village.

School will begin in September, so please help in the safety of our kids. Also, the Village is in need of a substitute crossing guard to assist in helping our children get to school.

Village meetings are the third Tuesdays of the month at 7 PM. We invite you to attend and express your thoughts to the Village Board. The Village Board wish you the best in the remaining days of summer.

Your Mayor, George Prete

News from the Arkport Library

The Arkport Reading Center was funded and maintained (since its existence) by the Village of Arkport board of trustees.

In 2019, the library trustees met with the Arkport Village Board to discuss moving the Reading Center financial and operational responsibilities from the Village of Arkport to the Arkport Central School District. With village board approval, the Reading Center trustees met with the Arkport Central School District to add a referendum placed on the school district ballot. Voters passed the referendum, and the reading center became the Arkport Central School District Public Library, now a chartered library. Becoming a chartered library saved the library as all libraries need to be recognized and chartered in New York State to function under the Southern Tier Library System.

This would not have been possible as a reading center. Even though Arkport School District taxpayers vote and approve the budget, School District Public libraries are independent and separate from the school. The library board of trustees and the Director assume all the responsibilities for the library and associated expenses in running the library. The library trustees serve five-year terms and volunteer their time. If you haven't stopped in yet, this is a must-see!

Article submitted by Trustee Patricia Amidon



\*Pictured is Cathy Smith and Cody Herman at Cathy's retirement party and the Arkport Public Library grand opening after the construction renovations, June 2023.



# Village Reminders:



Please be respectful to all when walking your pup in the park or in the village. We ask that you keep them on a leash and clean up after.

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Bill Rusby 607-382-5049

Dog Control:

Clerk:

Hornell Humane Society 607-324-1270

**BUILDING PERMITS** ... are required for pools, fences, construction of sheds, accessory building in need of repair or if building is passed repair and in need of demolition. There are additional fees when you build without a valid building permit. Stop in the office to inquire about the necessary permits.

## **Cemetery Updates:**

### Planting Regulations-Lots and Graves:

All planting must be confined to an area no more than 12 inches out from the front of the monument or marker.

No planting is allowed behind the monument or marker.

Cemetery decorations must be removed by October  $15^{th}$  to assist with fall clean-up. Winter decorations can be placed November  $15^{th}$ .

Please be aware that there are rules with regards to posting signs throughout the Village (prior approval is required). Stop by or call the Village Office for more information.

Check out the Arkport Village website at:

www.villageofarkport.com

for more information about the Village. We do ask for your understanding as our website is currently being updated.