Village of Arkport

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Message from your Mayor

Greetings all -

I hope you all had a nice summer and are getting acclimated for the chilly weather that is now upon us. Please take note on the reverse side of this newsletter our "Winter Safety Tips" so everyone is prepared for the cold weather.

I am pleased to introduce our new Department of Public Works/Water Plant Supervisor, Joe Demick. He comes to us from the Village of Angelica and of the three final candidates, Joe had the experience and license necessary to operate our water supply system.

With preparing for winter, please be aware that the brush drop-off is for Village residents only. It is NOT for commercial use (or contractor working for a village resident).

Election Day is Tuesday, November 5, 2024. Voting will be open from 6:00 AM - 9:00 PM in the Community Room of the Arkport Village Hall, 6 Park Avenue. Come out and vote!

Snow and ice will soon be upon us so please remember that it is the responsibility of the property owner (or person in charge of any house, building, church or public ground) to remove snow and ice from the sidewalk (Section §47-13 of the Village of Arkport Code book).

We are required by the Department of Health to have contact information for all village residents. Therefore, we are asking for you to please provide us with a good working phone number to update our records. We will not give the numbers out unless emergency circumstances require it, i.e., water main break or other situation that deems it necessary to reach our residents. We ask that you please fill out the enclosed information form and return it with your water bill payment (or save postage and drop it off in door slot along with your water payment).



From all of us at the Village, we wish to extend to all a safe, healthy and Happy Thanksgiving and Holiday Season!





TRAFFIC ALERTS

Your mayor, George Prete

School has been in session for a couple of months already so this is a gentle reminder that our buses are running Monday-Friday before 7:00 AM and again in the afternoons as early as 2:45 until 4:00 PM (sometimes later due to inclement weather or sporting events). It is a traffic violation to pass a stopped school bus; a traffic ticket could run upwards of \$250.00 for a first time offense. For the safety of all, be alert and aware of your surroundings. We also have several students who are walking to and home from school, crossing the streets so be watchful for darting kids and please, respect our Traffic Crossing Guard. She is there for the safety of our students/village residents! The Village speed limit is 30 miles per hour and 20 miles per hour as you get closer to the School.



VILLAGE MEETINGS: Third Tuesday of each month—7:00 PM November 19, December 17, 2024; January 21, 2025

Bone Builders: An exercise program for our Senior Citizens.

Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:00-11:00 AM

Village Hall Community Center

Community Room Rates:

Village Residents - \$75.00 Outside Village - \$100.00 Deposit - \$50

Park Rental Rates: Park Rental - \$45.00 Deposit—\$45.00

Cemetery News

Thank you for your cooperation in picking up your Spring/Summer decorations. Fall/Winter decorations are permitted beginning November 15. The Arkport Heritage Hill Cemetery permits the placing of wreaths (natural or artificial) on graves for decorations.

REMINDER Daylight Savings Time ends November 3, 2024.

Don't forget to turn your clock **BACK** one hour and enjoy the extra hour of sleep!



Library News

The Arkport Public Library has some exciting news this quarter! We have a new Library Director, Lindsie Meese. Lindsie and her husband raise their family in Hornell and she comes from a financial services background. After 22 years she decided to make a career change and found her passion in public library service. Lindsie started with us on September 10th. If you get a chance stop by and say hello!

We are hard at work planning new programs and services at they library and are excited to announce Storytime for 2-5 year olds on Thursdays from 10:30 to 11:30 am. We also now offer Notary Public services for no fee. Follow us on Facebook <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> <u>ArkportPublicLibrary/</u> for even more exciting updates as planning turns into action!

DPW NEWS:

<u>Fall Leaf Pickup</u>: Leaf pickup will continue until it snows. We ask that you have your leaves as close to the **edge** of the road as possible (not in the road). Grass clippings, mulch, shrubs/shrub trimmings, potted plants, yard ornaments, twigs and branches mixes in with leaves, **as well as pumpkins** will **NOT** be picked up. Residents can dispose of these items at the village brush drop area, Monday through Friday, (located at the corner of Lisman Lane and Oak Hill Street).

<u>Fire Hydrants</u>: Fire hydrants will be flushed the first week of November (weather dependent). You will want to run your water until it runs clear after flushing has been completed.

<u>Seasonal Parking</u>: With winter right around the corner, we want to remind everyone that there is NO STREET PARKING on Village streets between the hours of 2 AM and 6 AM November 1 through April 1. This is for plowing purposes. We thank you for your cooperation.

Winter Safety Tips -

- * Check furnace and heating systems (change filters and have inspected if necessary)
- * Test Smoke and Carbon Dioxide detectors (change/add new batteries if needed
- * Check for any pipe exposure that could potentially freeze; cover with insulated wrapping to prevent frozen water pipes
- Remove garden hoses and shut off (if possible) outside water spickets to help prevent freezing

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY IN ARKPORT, (CANISTEO VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY)

The Canisteo Valley Historical Society, Arkport, recently participated in the Steuben County History Week Museum Trail. The two day event included a soft opening of the new home for the historical society at the McCarty House, 5 East Avenue, "as is." About 60 visitors came to the house and were from Bath, Pulteney, Almond, Swain, Cameron, Howard, Wayland, Rochester, Canisteo, Prattsburgh, Fremont, Nunda, Hornell and Arkport.

With pride, we announce that our fundraising goal for the acquisition of the house has been very successful. With humility, we suggest that our goas is to be able to meet future expense involved with necessary renovations. Therefore, we plan to engage in further fundraising. For the holiday season, we are offering chances on a stunning Charcuterie Board, perfect for gift giving. It is designed and donated by JR Henry Woodworking of Arkport, 22" x 14" with handles and is the American flag motif. Tickets are \$5 for one raffle ticket, 3 for \$10 and 7 for \$20. Drawing is December 14, 2024 at the McCarthy House. Tickets are available from the CVHS officers.