

VILLAGE OF RUSHVILLE, NEW YORK

Jon Bagley, Mayor
 Charles Elwell, Trustee
 David Field, Trustee
 Timothy Jabaut, Trustee
 John Sawers, Trustee
 Jennifer Gruschow, Clerk-Treasurer
 Laura Fleig, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer
 Art Rilands, Public Works Supervisor
 Mike Pierre, Assistant Water & Wastewater Operator
 Reggie O'Hearn, Code Enforcement Officer & Building Inspector
 Dodie Baker, Reading Center Director
 Jim Rice, Village Historian
 Todd Conaway, Fire Chief

Construction will soon begin on renovating the old Ralph Martin Building into the Marcus Whitman Community Center. Anyone interested in volunteering their time and/or resources towards this project may contact the Village Office with their contact information. All efforts will be coordinated by the project manager. Thank you in advance for your time and support. We are looking forward to making this facility available to students and residents in the Marcus Whitman school district. As this project comes to fruition, we will keep everyone informed of it's opening and availability.



For those of you who haven't heard, our village clerk Jennifer is pleased to announce Olivia Rose Gruschow was born February 27, 2013. Both mom and baby are happy and healthy.

The Village of Rushville has been awarded a grant to fund some much needed sidewalk improvements. Engineering will be done in 2013 and construction is scheduled to begin in 2014.

General Information for the Residents of the Village of Rushville

Village Board Meetings

Second Monday of Every Month @ 7:00pm
 Rushville Village Hall, One South Main Street

Clerk Hours & Contact Information

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Fridays: 8:00am - 5:00pm
 Closed Wednesday s & the Lunch Hour , Noon - 1:00pm
 Office Tel.: (585) 554-3415 Office Fax: (585) 554 - 4885
 E-mail: clerk@villageofrushville.com
 deputyclerk@villageofrushville.com

Code Enforcement Hours & Contact Information

Monday: 3:00pm - 4:00pm & Friday: 3:00pm - 4:00pm
 Office Tel.: (585) 554-3415 Home Tel.: (585) 394-7498

History Room Hours & Contact Information

Tuesday: 9:00am - 3:00pm & Thursday: 9:00am - Noon
 Tel: (585) 554-6085 E-mail: historian@villageofrushville.com

Village Website

www.villageofrushville.com

Annual Pancake Breakfast a Success



The Rushville Fire Department held the annual pancake breakfast on March 16th -17th. The event was well attended and revenues will support the department's ongoing fire protection mission to Rushville and its surrounding area. Thank you to all those who supported this wonderful event that include, the dedicated members, Lions Club, Loomis Barn, generous vendors, local businesses, and everyone else who pitched in who helped make the event a success.

Town of Potter Spring Clean Up Day

When: Saturday, April 27th
 Time: 8:00am - 12:00noon
 Where: Potter Town Pit: 1306 Phelps Rd
 Spring clean up will soon be underway. Get rid of all that old junk for **FREE!** Everything can be disposed of except bagged garbage, oil and paints.
 Questions? Call Potter Town Clerk @ 554-6758

RUSHVILLE VILLAGE VOICE

Village of Rushville, New York

April 2013

Inside this Edition

Fire Prevention And safety tips	2
Facts about Cooking Fires	2
More Fire Safety Tips	3
Reading Center News	3
Featured Local Business	3
New Baby!	4
Community Center	4
Sidewalks	4
Annual Potter Clean-Up Day	4


HAPPY SPRING!

The Village of Rushville would like to wish all of it's residents the very best for a happy and healthy spring season. As the snow melts away and the weather warms up it is nice to get out and enjoy everything nature has to offer. We really do live in a beautiful place!

Water Improvement Project Update

The water improvement project is almost complete. We are currently undergoing a series of testing and soon the new system will be online. Overall the project has gone well and we are pleased with the results of the work. For residents on Warren and Bassett Street, spring time restoration will be complete once weather permits. If you have any questions regarding the new system please feel free to contact the Village Office.

Memorial Day Parade

When: Monday, May 27th
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Where: Gorham 
Want to participate in the parade?
Contact the Village Office before May 1st!

The Parade Committee is always looking for volunteers! The next committee meeting is Tuesday, April 16th @ 7:00pm at the Gorham Town Hall. Hope to see you there!

Adopt A Flower Box

The Village of Rushville is once again hosting the Main Street Adopt of Flower Box Contest. Any individual or organization is welcome to participate. The boxes will be claimed on a first come, first served basis so if you would like to participate call the Village Office today. The boxes will be judged in August at Community Days and a prize will be awarded. Thank you in advance to all who participate and help make our community more inviting!



REDUCE THAT CLUTTER!

Spring cleaning can mean much more than just maintaining the appearance of your home. A thorough spring cleaning, if done properly, can dramatically improve fire safety for your family and your residence in the event of a fire or emergency.

To improve fire safety around the house, spend the time to reduce clutter in the garage, inside, and around the house. Clutter might not start fires; however, it can easily become fuel for a fire, which will help the fire grow and spread much faster. It also makes it more difficult for fire fighters to extinguish a fire. Clutter can also make it much harder to evacuate your home if a fire or emergency does occur.

Clutter collects dust, which can be a tremendous trigger for asthma and other respiratory problems. Children, especially, are susceptible to respiratory illnesses resulting from debris and clutter. Older people are more susceptible to injuries caused by tripping or falling over clutter. Clutter that towers runs the danger of toppling onto passers-by. Above all, clutter becomes a fire hazard. It is not only a fuel source for the fire, but can block exits and cause firefighters to experience trouble accessing a residence.

Another way to have a safer house or residence is to eliminate or reduce hazardous chemicals around your house. Common household chemicals such as cleaners, paint, oil, etc. can also act as fuel to a fire, as well as being hazardous to your health as these chemicals can emit toxic fumes when burning or mixed improperly. Only keep the amounts that you will use. Hoarding chemical cleaners is never a good idea. When storing or disposing of household chemicals, follow all safety recommendations on the manufactures' label.

Remember, spring cleaning not only refreshes your residence; it can save your life.

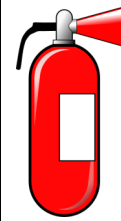
For more information on reducing fire risk in your home, contact The Rushville Hose Co. or any of its Members.



Mitigation of Cooking Fires

Fires resulting from cooking continue to be the most common type of fire experienced in U.S. households. This is true for fires reported to fire departments and those handled by private individuals. Cooking fires are also the leading cause of home fire injuries.

The U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) conducts research into the types of behaviors and sequences of events that lead to cooking fires. Through this research, recommendations are developed for behavioral mitigation strategies that will reduce such fires and their resultant injuries and fatalities.



Facts About Cooking Fires

- Cooking is the leading cause of residential building fires and residential building fire injuries.
- Between 2008-2010, cooking accounted for 45 percent of residential building fires responded to by fire departments.
- Ninety-four percent of residential cooking fires are confined fires that result in little or no loss.
- Males face a disproportionate risk of cooking fire injury relative to the amount of cooking they do.
- Young children and older adults face a higher risk of death from cooking fires than do other age groups.
- Young children are at high risk from non-fire cooking-related burns.
- Unattended cooking is the leading factor contributing to cooking fires.
- Many other cooking fires begin because combustibles are too close to cooking heat sources.
- Frying is the cooking method posing the highest risk.
- More than half of the home cooking injuries occur when people try to fight the fire themselves.
- Educational effectiveness may be enhanced by linking burn prevention and fire prevention.
- Technology may be the best long-term solution to dealing with the cooking fire problem.

The Rushville Hose Company strongly encourages everyone to be extra careful in the kitchen.



Spring Fire Safety Tips

From the Rushville Hose Company!

Smoke detector batteries should be checked, and replaced if necessary.

Smoke detector units should be cleared of dust.



Fire extinguishers should be checked, and recharged if needed.

Electric wiring should be checked for damage, and replaced if necessary.

Electric outlets and extension cords should not be overloaded.

Air Conditioning units and electrical cords should be checked.

Barbeque Gas grills (including gas hoses) and propane tanks should be inspected prior to use.

Never use open flame devices to strip paint. Never burn yard waste or trash. These are both very dangerous and illegal.

Windows should be checked to make sure they open and close properly, in case they are needed as exits.

Review your family's Fire Escape Plan.

Fuels for lawn and garden equipment, etc. should be stored in an approved container only.

Pesticides and chemicals should be stored in an approved container and away from children.

Swimming pool chemicals should be stored according to manufacturer guidelines.

Oil based paints and solvents should be stored in a metal cabinet

Reading Center News



- Check out the Mabel D. Blodgett Memorial Center on the Village of Rushville Website for updated schedules of programs and activities!
- April is National Library Week! Stop in and borrow a book to celebrate.
- Craft Classes are held the 2nd Sat of every month at 10 am. Visit the library for details
- The Reading Center will be walking in the Memorial Day Parade this year. If you are interested in joining us, please call (585)554-3939
- Café night with the Circle of Friends is on the schedule again this spring. We'd love to have you, please call the library for details.



Reading Center Hours & Contact Information

Monday & Wednesday: 3:00pm - 7:00pm
Friday: 1:00pm - 5:00pm & Saturday: 9:00am -

****Featured Local Business****

The new Rushville Pharmacy has provided us with great service. We are fortunate to have this fine business in Rushville. I hope you all will stop in to meet Dana, he provides knowledge, a smile, and a hearty greeting to every customer. They have earned our support. - Chuck Elwell



To nominate your favorite local business to be featured in our next Village Voice, please send your nomination to Laura or Jennifer at the Rushville Office.