

RUSHVILLE VILLAGE VOICE

Village of Rushville, New York

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Fire Dept Fundraiser Event

The Rushville Hose Company is hosting our first "Cash Raffle" on Saturday August 7th 2010. It is being held Grace Days weekend at the Rushville fire house. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets are \$50 each. One ticket is good for two people which includes: 2 chicken BBQ dinners, all you can drink, a chance at 10 CASH prizes 1st \$2500 2nd \$1000 3rd \$500 4th & 5th \$100 6th – 10th \$50 and a night of music by The Billy Morgan Band. Happy hour and



check-in, 5pm, dinner, 6pm, drawing at 7pm and music to follow. For a ticket contact any RFD member, stop by the firehouse any Tuesday after 7pm or contact Bill Gardner @ 944-9135. Please help make this a great event and thanks for your continuing support!! There will be no dinners available except for raffle ticket holders the day of this event.

Also, we are always looking for new members. Whether you could volunteer to help at social/fundraising events or would like to become a fireman/woman, it's a great rewarding way to give back to your community. There is no mandatory training for social members and with busy schedules in mind training classes are kept to minimal time for fire personnel. We meet Tuesday nights at 7:00pm. So, stop on by, say hi and check out our facility and see what it's all about!! All ages welcomed. Thank you again for supporting the Rushville Hose Company!

MABEL D. BLODGETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

First of all, the Board Members for the Mabel D. Blodgett Memorial Library would like to thank Librarian Betty Clark for 11 ½ years of dedicated service to our Reading Room located at 35 South Main Street, and wish her the best.

The library is currently closed as the Village Board and Library Board determine how to best serve our community and make it more accessible to residents in terms of programming and hours. **We are asking for your input to help us make the best decisions.** Enclosed with your water bill, you will find a short survey that will only take you a few minutes to fill out. We need to know what days and hours you would like to have access to the library and what types of programs and services you would use and enjoy. You may return the survey with your water bill payment or e-mail your response to villageofrushville@frontiernet.net.



As soon as we hear back from our residents, we can move forward and reopen. Your suggestions are very important to this process.

A Message from the Mayor

The water project is on schedule to begin next year, we are in the final stages of securing funding which is through Rural Development at 2.5%. This summer we will be fixing the drainage on Bassett Street which should only take a couple of weeks. We will also be cleaning the headstones in the cemetery and having new footers built for some of the older headstones that are falling over.

It has come to our attention that some residents do not know the procedure for addressing the Village Board with their concerns. This is a very simple process, please let our Village Clerk-Treasurer, Jennifer, know the Friday (by noon) before the regular scheduled meeting that you would like to be put on the agenda for the next meeting. All concerns, complaints or compliments should be directed to the Village Board in writing or request to be on the agenda. We thank you for your cooperation.

On a lighter note, kids are out for summer vacation. It is beneficial to your child, and the community as a whole, that they stay active. If you have small jobs they can help out, with please enlist their help. The most random opportunities can teach the greatest skills that can be used for a life time.

Thank you for your support in helping make Rushville an even better place to live. Have a peaceful and safe summer!

The Rushville Lions Club Hosts: COMMUNITY DAYS

Friday, August 6th & Saturday, August 7th

Friday's Events: Yard Sale & Bake Sale
Location: Congregational Church Lawn



Saturday's Events: Carnival Day
Location & Time: Methodist Church Lawn, 10am - 2pm

Activities: Carnival Games, Vendor Booths, Food Booth by the MW Leo's Club & Rosco the Clown

Further Details: If you would like to host a residential yard sale you can advertise it with the Lions Club for FREE. Also vendor booth space is available at NO cost to anyone who wishes to reserve space.

**Contact Joanne Burley at 554-6822
for yard sale advertising and vendor reservations.**

**COME & ENJOY A
DAY WITH THE FAMILY!**

FIRE DEPT BARBECUE THANK YOU "LOVE THAT CHICKEN"

The Rushville Fire Department held another Chicken BBQ on Sunday, May 22nd. The event was well attended and approximately 300 chicken dinners were sold, helping to support the department's ongoing fire protection mission to Rushville and its surrounding area. Thank you to all those who supported the Chicken BBQ and to the Company, the dedicated members, generous vendors/restaurants, local businesses, and everyone else who pitched in who helped make the event a success.

Official Village Newspaper

Please be advised that on Monday, June 14, 2010, during a regular monthly Village Board meeting the official newspaper was changed from the Canandaigua Daily Messenger to the Finger Lakes Times. This decision was unanimously made based on the declining coverage the Daily Messenger gives to the Marcus Whitman School District and lack the community information relating to our residents. If you should have any questions regarding this decision please contact one of your Village Board members.



Thank you for your attention!

Do You Have Health Insurance Questions?

On the 3rd Monday of every month, Jeff Angel, a representative from the Yates County Office for the Aging, is at the Village Office from 10:00am-12:00noon. He is available to answer any questions you may have regarding Medicare, Medicaid, or general health insurance coverage. You may reach him at his office at (315) 536-5515 or stop in the Village Office on the 3rd Monday of the month to speak with him. Appointments are not necessary but are appreciated!

Summertime Safety Tips *from the Rushville Hose Co.*

It's possible to enjoy a sizzling-hot summer without getting burned! When the time comes to haul out the gas grill and camping equipment, jump in the pool, or enjoy some fireworks gives some thought to this advice:

Grilling: Keep barbecue grills far away from anything that can burn; your home, cars, dry vegetation, etc. Stay with the grill when lighted, and keep children and pets away. When barbecuing, protect yourself by wearing a heavy apron and an oven mitt that fits high up over your forearm. Barbecue grills must never be used inside the home because of the fire hazard and the grill can easily cause carbon monoxide poisoning. For charcoal grills, only use starter fluids, designed for barbecue grills; never use gasoline. Use a limited amount of starter fluid before lighting the fire. If the fire is too slow, rekindle with dry kindling and add more charcoal if necessary. Don't add liquid fuel to re-ignite or build up a fire, as flash fires can result. Soak the coals with water before discarding and leave the grill away from the house until completely cool. For gas grills, always store the gas cylinder outside, away from structures, and turn off the valves when not in use. Check frequently for any leaks in connections by using a soap and water mix that will show bubbles if gas escapes. When purchasing a gas grill, select one that bears the mark of an independent testing laboratory. Follow manufacturer's instructions and if needed, have it repaired by a trained professional.



Fireworks: The safest way to enjoy fireworks is to attend an outdoor public display put on by professionals. Pyrotechnic devices (better known as fireworks) are designed to burn and explode, and are a leading cause of injuries in the U.S. Every year, fireworks used by amateurs cause thousands of injuries serious enough to require emergency room treatment. Children between the ages of 10 and 14 are at greatest risk of injury from fireworks. Even sparklers, often had mistaken as safe, burn as hot as 1200 degrees Fahrenheit. Leave any area where amateurs (adults included) are using these devices, and do not pick up or touch found fireworks.

Enjoying Your Pool: Liquid and solid chlorine-based oxidizers are commonly sold for home pool care as hydrogen chloride products. These chemicals can spontaneously combust if contaminated by organic materials such as body fluids, acid rain, etc. or hydrocarbon liquids such as fuel or motor oil. This type of fire will result in toxic fumes that can be extremely dangerous and require resident evacuation. Store and use pool chemicals according to the manufacturer's recommendations, and always store them outside the home, away from any heat source or flame. Keep the containers in a dry place, well away from other items. If the container is punctured or otherwise damaged, properly dispose of the chemicals. For more information on proper storage of other hazardous chemicals, flammable/combustible products, contact the Rushville Fire Department.



Camping: Pitch your tent (flame retardant is best) well away from your campfire. Only use flashlights or battery-powered lanterns inside the tent or any other closed space, as opposed to liquid-fueled heaters or lanterns. In addition to the fire hazard posed by liquid-fueled devices, carbon monoxide poisoning can easily result in unvented spaces. Build your campfire downwind, away from your tent, clearing away all dry vegetation and digging a pit surrounded by rocks. Look for signs that warn of potential fire hazards in national forests and campgrounds, and always obey park service regulations. Pour water over or cover the fire with dirt before going to sleep or leaving the campsite. Store liquid fire starter -- NEVER use gasoline -- away from your tent and campfire and use only dry kindling to freshen a campfire - not liquid fuel. By following these quick and simple steps, we can all keep summer activities fun and fire safe.



Summer Reading Program



Come enjoy the Summer Reading Program at the Mabel Blodgett Library.

~ Two Age Group Sessions Available ~

Ages 2-6: Tuesdays: July 27th, Aug. 3rd, Aug. 17th & Aug. 24th from 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Parents/Caregivers are welcome to stay!

Ages 7-12: Mondays: July 26th, Aug. 2nd, Aug. 16th & Aug. 23rd from 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Come and Enjoy Stories, Games, Crafts, Snacks and Much More Fun!

Please register by calling the reading program coordinator, Heather Bassett at 554-6283. Feel free to leave a message with the name and age of the child being registered and a contact number.

Call and Reserve a Spot Today!
Space is Limited!

NYS Theme:
Make A Splash ~ Read!



The Mabel Blodgett Library is located at the corner of South Main St. & Bassett St.

Have a Safe & Happy Summer!

VILLAGE OF RUSHVILLE,

Jon Bagley, Mayor

Charles Elwell, Trustee

David Field, Trustee

Timothy Jabaut, Trustee

John Sawers, Trustee

Jennifer Gruschow, Clerk-Treasurer

Art Rilands, Public Works Supervisor

Mike Pierre, Assistant Water &

Wastewater Operator

Reggie O'Hearn, Code Enforcement
Officer & Building Inspector

Don Blodgett, Village Co-Historian

Jim Rice, Village Co-Historian

Valley 2nd Graders Tour Rushville

2 classes of second graders attended a tour of the History room and a village history tour on Thursday, June 17th. There were 48 children, 2 teachers, 4 aides and 1 grandmother in the group.



The classes were divided into three groups for the tour of the History Room with a group hosted by Ken Seeling, Joan Stover and Jim Rice.

The entire group then were taken on a tour of the village. They saw the

house where Dr. Bryant lived. He was the Doctor who began teaching Marcus Whitman how to be a medical doctor. They then heard of the history of the Opera House above Federal Hollow store, how the Masonic Lodge building had been built on the corner of Main and Gilbert Streets and later moved in one piece to where it is now. They next journeyed to the Congregational Church and learned about the 2 men who are honored by monuments in the front yard. Then to the corner of Railroad and Main Street to see where Marcus Whitman's house used to be.

They then were given a tour of the Rushville Fire House and equipment by Ken Seeling and then back to the Valley building.

General Information for the Residents of the Village of Rushville

Village Board Meetings

Second Monday of Every Month @ 7:00pm
Rushville Village Hall, One 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
Village E-mail: villageofrushville@frontiernet.net

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
History Room E-mail: rushvillehistory@frontiernet.net

Reading Center Hours & Contact Information

Temporarily Closed

SWIMMING POOLS and OTHER REQUIRED PERMITS

By: Code Officer Reggie O'Hearn

It is that time of year again of wanting a swimming pool to cool of in, for your benefit please take notice that ANY swimming pool over 2 feet high requires a permit and inspections. Swimming pools require inspections to meet the New York State Building Code. Also be aware that the inflatable swimming pools sold in stores do not meet State Code and need additional items such as fencing 48" high with a latching gate. The swimming pools with plastic sides do not meet the requirement for a strong sided pool, as metal above ground pools do, to meet the height requirement of 48" so they would have to be fenced with a latching gate. In addition any filter pump or electric installed in connection with a pool needs an electrical inspection from a UL electrical inspector. Swimming pools also have to meet the Zoning regulations for the location of a pool. Also please check for other permit requirements like roofing, siding, heating systems, hot water tanks, etc. In the event someone doesn't obtain the required permits for their project and is found not to have a permit there is an additional fee of \$50.00 for not obtaining a permit. To find out the different types of permits required you may pick up a pamphlet from the Village Clerk. For any questions please contact me at the Village Office.