



VILLAGE OF CORFU

116 East Main Street
Corfu, NY 14036
Office: 585-599-3327
Court: 585-599-3380

FALL 2016 NEWSLETTER



VILLAGE OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Wednesday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

COURT HOURS

Closed Monday
Open Tuesday - Friday
9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Court is held every 1st and 4th
Monday of the month
Phone: 585-599-3380

MEETINGS

Village Board meetings are held the second Monday of the month at 6:30 pm.

Committee meetings are held the fourth Monday of the month at 6:30 pm.

Planning Board meetings are held the fourth TUESDAY of the month at 7:00 pm.

Note: Oct, Nov & Dec. Planning meetings will be held the fourth Wednesday of the month.

Meeting minutes can be found on the website:

www.corfuny.com

CONTACT INFORMATION

Village Clerk clerk@corfuny.com
Village Deputy deputyclerk@corfuny.com
Court Clerk corfuvillagecourt@yahoo.com

Village Board:

Mayor Biggs Johnson asudj90@rochester.rr.com
Trustee Ken Lauer ken@kesyoni.com
Trustee Al Graham pemcoach@rochester.rr.com
Trustee Jenny McMartin-Eck jennymcmartin@gmail.com

Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer:

Craig Blake codeenforcement@corfuny.com

SALLOWEEN SOZRS

The Village Board has set hours for Halloween Tricks & Treats between 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm on Monday, October 31, 2016



CORFU VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT HALLOWEEN OPEN HOUSE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31st from 6 pm – 9 pm

At 116 East Main Street

2017 WINTERFEST

Winterfest 2017 will be held on Saturday, January 28, 2017. Planning is under way and it is being chaired by Trustee Ken Lauer. For further info or if you are interested in participating, contact the Village Office at 599-3327.

CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE BENEFITING OUR LOCAL CHILDREN

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING A NEW,
UNWRAPPED TOY OR GAME

THERE ARE 2 WAYS TO DONATE:

Bring Toys to:
Corfu Fire Dept.
Monday Evenings
or Village Office
Mon – Fri 9-5
116 E Main St



Bring Toys to:
Corfu Presbyterian Church OpenHouse
Dec. 4th, 2016
12pm – 3pm
Santa comes at 1pm

Sponsors:

Corfu Police Dept, Corfu Volunteer Fire Dept.
& Corfu United Presbyterian Church
See Community page for more detail on Open House
For more info. call Village Office at 599-3327

BOARD CONNECTION

It looks like summer is over. We would like to thank the Village residents for their patience during the high traffic times of the Concert Season. We would also like to announce that Dave Bielec has resigned as Mayor. We would like to thank Dave for his years of service. The Village Board has appointed Trustee Joseph "Biggs" Johnson to fill the Mayor position until the elections on March 21, 2017.

ELECTIONS:

Elections will be coming up on March 21, 2017. Just a reminder that caucuses must be held between January 24th and 31st. Positions to be filled are Mayor for a 2 year term, two Trustees for 2 year terms and one Trustee for a 1 year term. For further information contact the Village Office.

SEWER:

Talks are continuing regarding potential new districts and the TA Truck Stop has begun the engineering schematics for connecting into the system. The Town is working on getting a grant for potential new hook-ups and adding capacity to the Village Plant. You can get more detailed information from the minutes on the Corfu and Pembroke websites.

SEWER BILLING REMINDER

Village of Corfu Sewer Law Section 1118 reads; "If there shall be any payments which are due to the Village of Corfu, or any Department thereof, pursuant to any Article or Section of this Law, which shall remain due and unpaid, in whole or in part, for a period of **thirty (30) calendar days** from the date of billing by the Village of Corfu, the same shall constitute a default, and there shall be added to the entire amount of the original bill a penalty equal to **ten percent (10%)** of the original bill, and **interest shall accrue on the unpaid balance at a rate of two percent (2%) per month**, retroactive to the date of the original billing." If you pay your bill late and do not include all interest due, it will be added to your next bill, **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.**

MAINTENANCE:

Pickup for leaves and brush will be on Mondays and Fridays as work schedule and weather allows throughout the season. Please make sure there is no animal waste in the leaves. **Please keep brush, branches and fallen nuts with husks separate from leaves**, as the branches and nuts will plug the leaf vacuum. Brush and branches should be in manageable lengths not longer than 4 feet. If a large amount of branches must be disposed of, you may call for the Village trailer. You will be required to load the trailer, but there will be no charge for hauling the branches. Also remember there is **NO OPEN BURNING!** This is a STATE LAW and will be enforced!

During the week of Halloween we would appreciate that any leaves and brush needing to be picked up, have them out by the road by Friday October 28th for pickup, as we would like to have the sidewalks and streets clear for the Trick or Treaters. We want to insure a safe night for the kids to enjoy. Also just a reminder, there will also be Christmas tree pickup after the holidays.

Thompson Drive and Longs Lane were oiled and stoned this summer through the use of Chips funds from NYS DOT.

POLICE:

First, the Board would like to announce that Officer Mike Petritz has resigned as the full-time officer for the Village of Corfu to take another job. We would also like to welcome new part-time Officer Lonnie Nati. We feel Lonnie will be a great asset to our Village force.

The Board is still in negotiations with the CSEA Police Union. New details will be passed on when they are available.

COURT: A Message from Court Clerk Pam Thurber

I would like to take a moment to thank the Village Board for allowing me to attend the annual NYSAMCC conference in Binghamton NY at the end of September. It is a fantastic occasion to learn and network amongst colleagues. Many clerks are not afforded this chance. I do not take the opportunity for granted. Thank you! ~Pam

COMMITTEE NEWS:

Winterfest is right around the corner on Saturday, January 28, 2017. The committee would appreciate any volunteers to help make this the best Winterfest ever. We encourage you to share your time and ideas.

The "Celebration & Beautification Committee" needs volunteers and will be looking forward to 2018 when the Village celebrates 150 years of being incorporated. Village Historian Al Starkweather is willing to work with those interested in setting up a 2018 Sesquicentennial celebration.

If anyone is interested in volunteering for either or both of these committees, please contact the Village Office.

GRANT INFO:

Alco-sensors were recently purchased for the Police department using 2016 DWI Grant funds. We are still waiting for the preliminary paperwork to be approved on the grant award from Senator Ranzenhofer.

ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Craig Blake, as the Village Code Enforcement and Zoning Officer, has been hard at work in conjunction with the Village Board and Planning Board, actively contacting individuals that are in violation of various codes and attempting to work with them to take care of the violations in a timely manner. There has sometimes been some confusion regarding what type of work requires a Building permit as well as what constitutes a code violation. See below for a general listing of any work proposed in the Village that requires Building Permits. For Zoning or Code requirements and questions, Craig can be contacted at 585-815-3782.

Please note that Zoning Board of Appeals needs two members. Now is your chance to get involved and help your Village. Please contact the Village Office if you are interested in becoming a Zoning Board of Appeals Member. This is a great opportunity to get involved with the future of your Village.

Please note that the meeting nights for the Planning Board have been changed during October, November and December from the 4th Tuesday of the month to the 4th Wednesday of the month. The public is always welcome to attend.

BUILDING or ZONING PERMITS ARE REQUIRED FOR FOLLOWING:

- New Construction of buildings and additions
- Accessory/Storage buildings
- Fences, Swimming pools, Porches & Decks
- Permanent Generators
- Installation of a solid fuel heating appliance, chimney or flue
- Demolition, removal or relocation of a structure
- Re-roofing, certain repairs, replacements, renovations, alterations and reconstruction
- Establishing a business, both in-home or separate business location

Please note the above list is not all-inclusive. When in doubt, before you begin a project please contact the Village Code & Zoning Enforcement Officer, Craig Blake at 585-815-3782.

Building and Zoning permits are available at the Village Office. Zoning permit application and a couple of the most common building permit applications are also available on the Village website at **www.corfuny.com**

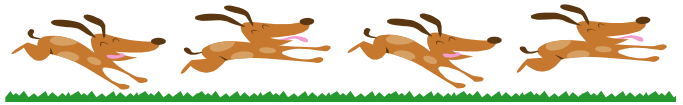


SNOW REMOVAL

We would like to remind Village residents that under the law, the removal of snow and ice from the sidewalks is the responsibility of the adjacent property owner. The Village will try to assist in the removal of snow from the sidewalks, however this does not and cannot reduce owner's responsibility. If everyone will abide by the following rules, it would facilitate snow removal in the Village.

Please do not pile snow from driveways onto the sidewalks, particularly after the Village plow has gone through.

Please remember there is a parking ban on Village streets between the hours of 2:00 am and 6:00 am from November 1st to April 30th. Vehicles in violation will be issued tickets and may be towed away. This is regardless of whether or not there is snow. Please do not park on sidewalks or block sidewalks at any time.



Section 8,H of Local Law No. 1 of 1992 states it shall be unlawful for any dog owner to permit or allow a dog to create a nuisance by defecating, urinating or digging on public or private property other than the property of the said owner. This includes public sidewalks, the Cemetery and the Library. It is not a dog park.

PLEASE CLEAN IT UP!

CORFU UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WILL BE CELEBRATING ITS BICENTENNIAL IN 2017.
THEY PLAN ON HAVING MONTHLY EVENTS
THROUGHOUT 2017. IF YOU HAVE ANY MEMORIES
OR ARTIFACTS OF THE CHURCH TO SHARE,

PLEASE CONTACT:
Church: Dorothy at 599-4588
Historian: Allan at 599-4195

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS BY AL

Thanks to all those that visited the historical display at the Brick House Fair

HISTORICAL TIDBITS

- On July 2, 1817 Reverend Hugh Wallis started the Presbyterian Church in Longs Corners (now Corfu). They met in various locations. The Presbyterian Church building was opened in 1831.
- Corfu became a Village and had its first election in 1868.
- Rural Free Mail Delivery began in Corfu in 1902. Corfu was the second Post Office in Genesee County to have Rural Free Delivery. (Elba was the first.)
- The Corfu Post Office absorbed the Indian Falls Post Office in 1933 and the Pembroke Post Office in 1935.
- In 1888, Grover Cleveland was running for President and there was a "Tallyho" Wagon campaign for him in Genesee County. A "Tallyho" was several men who went out and campaigned for a candidate. In Corfu they were greeted by the largest crowd they ever had. People had gathered there from six counties. They partied until 3:00 am, devoured a 1000 pound barbecued ox, a lot of beer. and only three fights broke out.
- Samuel Welch of Corfu was killed in action in World War I on 9/29/1918. His body was returned to Corfu in 1920 and was buried in Evergreen Hill Cemetery with full military honors.

UPCOMING PEMBROKE 2016 -17 HISTORICAL PROGRAMS

Wed. Nov.2, 2016 at 7:00 pm - Greg Kinal presents a **Program on Gettysburg**. Sure to be Interesting!

Wed. Dec. 7, 2016 at 6:00 pm - **Christmas Party** at Holiday Hollow (contact Town for more info)

No Meetings January – March 2017

Wed. April 5, 2017 at 7:00 pm – G. Gerstung presents **"By Trolley to Olcott"**. Learn about the Electric Trolley that ran from Buffalo to Olcott Beach.

Wed. May 3, 2017 at 7:00 pm – Lucine Kauffman presents **"The Poor Man's Bible"**. A Slide Show on Stained Glass windows in area churches.

Wed. June 7, 2017 at 7:00 pm – Jeanette Kreher presents **"Which Came First, the Chicken or the Egg?"**
Learn about the history of the Egg Industry and all about the eggs we enjoy every day.

All Programs are open to the public at no charge. They are all held at the Pembroke Town Hall unless noted otherwise. For more information contact the Town at 599-4892.

CORFU FIRE DISTRICT NEWS

Genesee County has changed the method of allocating the cost of their self-insured worker's compensation fund. In the past, the Town of Pembroke has paid the entire amount for the three Fire Districts in the Town including the Corfu Fire District. Genesee County now is billing the Fire Districts directly for 2017. Our assessment is just under \$10,000 due in January 2017. The Board of Fire Commissioners has voted to raise taxes by 5% to cover about two thirds of this new cost, the remainder coming from funds in the regular budget. This will raise the tax rate by \$.075 per 1,000, so the average taxpayer will pay approximately \$10 more for fire protection.

The Corfu Fire District has applied for grants to purchase new SCBA (Air packs) and bottles as most of our bottles expire this year and the present SCBA are three NFPA editions out of date.

Don't forget the Fire Department is having a Halloween Open House on October 31st between 6pm and 9pm with kid's activities, games and prizes. There will also be coffee, cider and donuts. Let's have a safe Halloween!

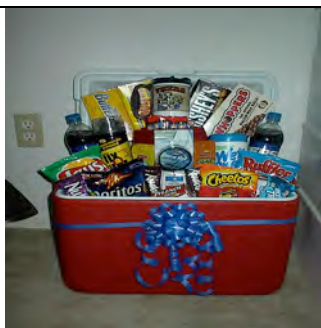
The Fire Department is also co-sponsoring the Christmas Toy Drive in conjunction with the Corfu Police Department and Corfu Presbyterian Church to benefit local children. Toys may be dropped off at the Fire Department on Monday nights, at the Village Office Monday-Friday 9am-5pm or at the Presbyterian Church Open House on December 4th between 12pm – 3pm.

**NATIONAL TAKE-BACK DAY – DEA PHARMACEUTICAL COLLECTIONS
SATURDAY OCTOBER 22nd – 10:00am - 2:00 pm**

<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Collection Site</u>	<u>Address</u>
Batavia Police Department	Batavia Police Department	10 East Main St., Batavia, NY 14020
Genesee Co. Sheriff's Dept.	Pembroke Town Hwy Barns	1145 Main Road (Rte 5 & 77) Corfu, NY 14036

In addition all three Sheriff's departments and the State Police in Batavia have drop boxes at their facilities that are available 24 hours a day.

**WINTERFEST 2017 IS COMING!
SATURDAY JANUARY 28TH from 10am – 6pm**



**Reserve the date to come join the fun!
Music and Entertainment!
All Kinds of Food – Bring your appetite!
Door Prizes - Basket Raffle – 50/50 Raffle
Dozens of Vendors and Crafters!
Support Local Non-profit Organizations!**



Receive one Door Prize ticket for each Non-perishable food item donated for Local Food Pantry!

Don't forget to check the Community page for upcoming events in the area. Some of these events are coming up right away, so you don't want to miss them.

IT'S YOUR COMMUNITY! GET INVOLVED!

AROUND THE COMMUNITY



CORFU FIRE DEPT



DINNER AT DENNY'S
Wednesday, Oct. 19th

From 4:00 pm- 10:00 pm
Denny's Restaurant
On Allegheny Road

Kids can have fun with the Fire Truck. Come support your Fire Department!

CROSSROADS HOUSE

3RD Annual Fall Basket Raffle
Sat. November 5, 2016
12:00 pm – 4:00 pm

At ARC Community Center
38 Woodrow, Batavia
Tickets: \$5/sheet of tickets
Baskets being drawn at 3:00pm
Mega Raffle (\$5 or 3/\$10)
2 Round trip SW Airline Tickets
Light Lunch, Beverages & Desserts Available for Purchase

For more info: www.crossroadhouse.com

CORFU UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



OPEN HOUSE & TOY DRIVE

DEC. 4TH, 2017 – 12pm – 3pm
SANTA COMING AT 1:00 PM
FREE Centerpiece crafts
Light refreshments will be available
Sponsored by Corfu United Pres. Church, Corfu Vol. Fire Dept. & Corfu Police Department

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL



LUNCHEON & BAZAAR
Sunday, Nov. 20th 11am – 2pm

COOKIES, VENDOR CRAFTS, BAKED GOODS, RAFFLES, SANTA

Lunch Menu: Homemade Soups, Chili, Hot Dogs, BBQ Hamburgers, Salad And Beverage.

10675 Allegheny Road
Darien Center, NY 14040

CORFU LIBRARY NEWS



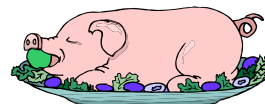
Library Hours

Monday 10:00 – 2:00
Tuesday 2:00 – 8:00
Wednesday 10:00 – 2:00
Thursday 2:00 – 8:00
Friday 3:00 – 8:00
Closed Saturday and Sunday

See our Website at www.corfufreelibrary.org
For events, new books and videos.

CORFU GRANGE

ROAST PORK DINNER



Sunday, November 6th
Noon until Sold Out

Across from the Intermediate School on Route 77

BOY SCOUTS



DINNER AT DENNY'S
Wednesday, Dec. 14th

From 4:00 pm- 9:00 pm
Denny's Restaurant
On Allegheny Road

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SCOUTS!

BOY SCOUTS

Food Drive



Saturday, November 12th
Boy Scouts will be collecting Non-perishable food items. Leave bag hanging on home door knob for pick-up or contact Charlie at 599-3748

BOY SCOUTS



BOTTLE & CAN DRIVE
Saturday, Nov. 5th

From 9:00 am- 2:00 pm
At Charlie Lenhard's House
104 East Main Street

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SCOUTS!

If your group or organization has an event coming up in late January through early April contact the Village Office and we can put it in the next quarterly issue of the Village Newsletter.

