



VILLAGE OF CORFU

116 East Main Street
Corfu, NY 14036
585-599-3327

SPRING 2015 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

Tuesday - Friday

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

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.

The public is welcome to attend!!!

Meeting minutes can be found on the website: www.corfuny.com

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Village Deputy Clerk deputyclerk@corfuny.com

Village Board:

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Trustee Ken Lauer ken@kesyoni.com

Trustee Art Ianni arthur.ianni.corfu@gmail.com

Trustee Al Graham pemcoach@rochester.rr.com

Trustee Jenny McMartin-Eck

jennymcmartin@ymail.com

Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer:

Craig Blake elgringoceb@gmail.com

DISSOLUTION COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD MAY 12th at 6:30 PM At the Community Center, 116 E. Main St.

The Committee is working on clarifying the requirements of a Final Plan before going to Public Hearing. A representative from NYS Dept. of State will be in attendance to assist in interpretation of Dissolution Law and to answer questions that have developed between the Town and Village. This meeting is open to the public.

Election Results

The Village of Corfu Election results for Mayor and Two (2) Trustees were:

	# Votes
<u>Mayor - Dave Bielec</u>	<u>93</u>
<u>Trustee- Jenny McMartin-Eck</u>	<u>101</u>
<u>Trustee-Albert Graham</u>	<u>62</u>
Trustee-Joseph Biggs Johnson	58

Total number voting; 118

(Bold, underlined won the positions.)

CONGRATULATIONS!

SEWER RATE INCREASE

Beginning with the July 2015 Sewer billing, sewer rates will be increasing to a rate of **\$7.52**/1000 gallons. On February 23, 2015 an advertised Public Hearing was held for the purpose of allowing all interested parties an opportunity to comment on potential increase in Sewer Rates as per Local Law #3 of 2013, which permits “the Board of Trustee to change the sewer rates as necessary from time to time by Resolution of the Board of Trustees following a public hearing.”

Upon the close of the public hearing the new rate was put into effect to commence with the July 2015 quarterly billing. The Board anticipates that this will be a temporary increase, until the flow at the plant is up to capacity. If you have any questions, you may attend any Board meeting to address the Board with your concerns.

BOARD CONNECTION

First, a warm welcome to our new Mayor, Dave Bielec and new Trustees, Al Graham and Jenny McMartin-Eck. They have actively participated in Board meetings on a continuous basis and are familiar with all the inner workings of the Village and will be an asset to the Village for the upcoming two years.

The Board would also like to thank the community for their support and all that helped with the recent benefit in memory of Alyson Krzanak.

SEWER PROJECT:

The Sewer Project is basically completed. Final landscaping and cleanup will be taking place in the spring. It is anticipated that the new Yancey's Fancy will be connected in May 2015, and talks are continuing regarding potential of the Truck Stops connecting into the system. You can get more detailed information on the Corfu and Pembroke websites.

MAINTENANCE:

Hopefully by the time you receive this, spring will be here to stay. Residents are already beginning their spring cleanup as things dry out. Jesse will be making the rounds on a regular basis to keep the branches and brush picked up. There is no set schedule as yet, so please be patient. If you have large amounts of brush or debris please contact the Village office, as we may be able to pick it up on site rather than you having to haul it to roadside or 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.

FYI: There is a lot of mulch available at the sewer plant for residents' use.

SPRING ROLLOFF is Friday May 1st, 7am-2pm and Saturday May 2nd, 8am-11am.

COMMITTEE NEWS:

The Board would like to thank the Winterfest Committee for coordinating a successful Winterfest in January. The Committee will also 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 please contact the Village Office.

ZONING & CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Craig Blake is now serving as the Village Code Enforcement and Zoning Officer. He is 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.

Please note that the Village Planning Board needs one member and 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 Planning Board or Zoning Board of Appeals Member.

POLICE:

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

Concert season will soon be upon us. Please see Darien Lake Concert Schedule on the Community Events page for dates and times. Expect heavy traffic in the Village. Please consider alternative routes, plan additional travel time and be patient.

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS BY AL

February of 2015 was the coldest in WNY history. The coldest in recorded history was on February 9, 1934. In Corfu the low was -30 degrees. The official low for Genesee County was -28 degrees in Batavia.

OTHER HISTORICAL TIDBITS

- Corfu was hit by a destructive wind storm on January 13, 1890. It destroyed or badly damaged 6 barns in the Village. It destroyed chimneys on the school house (S. Allegheny), the Railroad Depot and the Union Hotel. A large stained glass window in the Universalist Church (now the Grange Hall) was damaged and the west wall destroyed. Many windows throughout the Village were damaged, along with several orchards.
- On January 29, 1937 the new auditorium at the Corfu School (now the Intermediate School) had it's grand opening with a "Grand Opening Ball" by the Senior Class.
- In October of 1945 a former Corfu teacher, Howard Marsh, sang for President Truman.
- Until 1947 the voters of Corfu voted every year whether or not to go on "Daylight Savings Time".
- In 1925 the Corfu School had four teachers for grades 1-8, three teachers for the high school and a principal. There were 9 students in the graduating class.
- On June 9, 1959 the Corfu Fire Department started testing the siren at 5:00 pm. It sounded once on weekdays and full cycle on Saturdays. This is no longer done.

Thanks to those who stopped by my display at the recent Winterfest. The next "Pembroke Historical Program" is May 6, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall on Main Road. There is No Charge to attend.

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Village of Corfu Crop Walk for Hunger

You are invited to join us for a brisk walk that will be good for your heart, physically and spiritually. On April 25, we will be walking in the CROP Hunger Walk approximately 3 miles. Church World Service works around the world, but 25 percent of what we raise by walking will go to Grace's Kitchen in LeRoy that provides a free meal every Tuesday and also to our own Corfu Community Food Pantry to help our neighbor's right here in Genesee County.

Check points throughout the village will mark your progress in the walk. Follow the designated path that will begin and end at the Corfu Presbyterian Church at 63 Alleghany Street. This is also the location of the Corfu Community Food Pantry that is available to our neighbors in need on the Third Saturday of the month from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. If you know of someone or you are someone with a need you can call the church at 599-6414.

The CROP Hunger Walk is a really great community event. It is an opportunity for everyone to show that they really care about fighting hunger and poverty, helping families in Kenya tap into new sources of clean water, assist refugees from Burma as they struggle to survive in camps along the Thai/Burma border, enable families in Guatemala to grow more and better food, and assist communities working to recover from storms in parts of the United States.

Please, come CROP Walk for Hunger with us. Please consider getting a team together and join us. It really will make a world of difference. And can't we all use a little fresh air and enjoy the spring after a long winter? **If you have 1 sponsor or 50, come join the cause and make a difference.**

2015 Genesee County CROP Walk

Date: April 25, 2015

Time: Registration at 1 pm

Walk begins at 1:30 pm

Place: Begins and ends at Corfu United Presbyterian Church

For more information, please contact Debbie Russ at 409-5909. Walker packets ready for pickup. Sponsor sheets and funds are due the day of walk.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY

CORFU PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Hungry Bear Breakfast
Sat, April 25th - 8:30-12:30
Bring your Appetite!

For more info call
 Dorothy at 599-4588

SPRING ROLLOFF



FRIDAY MAY 1st, 7am-2pm
SATURDAY MAY 2nd, 8am-11am
At Sewer Complex on Fieldcrest Drive

This service is intended for residential use for
VILLAGE RESIDENTS ONLY.
NO DUMPING WITHOUT A VILLAGE
EMPLOYEE PRESENT.
 Please contact the Village office for complete
 listing of acceptable items.

CORFU GRANGE



WENDEL'S CHICKEN BBQ
SUNDAY, APRIL 26th
 11:30 AM – until sold out
 Adults \$10, Kids 5-12 \$6

AT CORFU GRANGE HALL
RTE 77 (Across from School)
 Portion of Proceeds to support
 "Words for Thirds" Dictionary Project

BOY SCOUTS FUNDRAISER



Scout Fundraiser at Denny's
Wednesday, May 6th
4:00 – 9:00 pm
20% of proceeds to Scouts
SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SCOUTS!

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
Come in & check out our
new Books and Movies

BOY SCOUTS BOTTLE & CAN DRIVE



Saturday, May 2nd, 9am-2pm
At Charlie Lenhard's House
 104 East Main Street

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SCOUTS!

DATE	DARIEN LAKE CONCERTS	TIME
6/18/2015	Fall Out Boy, Whiz Kalifa & Hoodie Allen	7:00 PM
6/24/2015	Train, The Fray & Matt Nathanson	7:00 PM
6/28/2015	Brad Paisley, Justin Moore & Mickey Guyton	7:00 PM
7/11/2015	Toby Keith & Eli Young Band	7:00 PM
7/12/2015	Def Leppard, Styx & Tesla	7:00 PM
7/15/2015	Vans Warped Tour	12:00 PM
7/21/2015	Kelly Clarkson, Pentatonix & Eric Hutchinson	7:30 PM
7/29/2015	Slipknot, Lamb of God & Bullet For My Valentine	6:00 PM
7/30/2015	Tim McGraw, Billy Currington & Chase Bryant	7:00 PM
8/4/2015	Kid Rock & Foreigner	6:45 PM
8/6/2015	Zac Brown Band	7:30 PM
8/7/2015	Nickelback	7:30 PM
8/8/2015	Florida Georgia Line	TBD
8/13/2015	Jason Aldean, Tyler Farr & Cole Swindell	TBD
8/21/2015	Darius Rucker, Brett Eldridge & more...	TBD
8/25/2015	Van Halen & Kenny Wayne Shepherd	7:30 PM
8/29/2015	Rascal Flatts, Scotty McCreery & RaeLyn	TBD
9/3/2015	Luke Bryan, Randy Hauser & Dusty Lynch	TBD
9/4/2015	Luke Bryan, Randy Hauser & Dusty Lynch	TBD