



**Village Hours -**  
**Monday – Friday 8am – 4pm**

**Issue**  
**Fall 2021**

**Court Hours -**  
**Monday – Thursday 9am – 3pm**

*Residents are encouraged to mail, call the  
office at 585-599-3327, or email  
[clerk@corfuny.com](mailto:clerk@corfuny.com)*

**116 East Main Street Corfu NY 14036 (585) 599-3327**



**The Village Trick or Treating hours  
will on Sunday, October 31st from  
5 pm – 7:30 pm**

**Corfu Presbyterian Church will be  
doing their annual Trunk and Treat  
this year! 6pm – 8 pm**



**The Planning Board has been diligently  
working on upcoming businesses in the  
Village!**

**We are pleased to Welcome:**  
**Burning Barrel BBQ**  
**Homeslice 33**  
**Randy Joe's Bistro**  
**TMP Signs**

## **Thank you!**

**Special thanks to Deputy Mayor Mike  
Doktor, Corfu Betterment Committee,  
and all Volunteers for another  
successful *Autumn in the Village*.**

**We appreciate all your dedication and  
hard work to make our Village a special  
place to live!**

**Check out our website:  
[www.Corfuny.com](http://www.Corfuny.com)**

**For the latest up-to-date information**

**Check out the News & vents and  
register to interact with your  
community!**

### **Maintenance Department:**

**Leaf/Brush pickup - Mondays and Fridays**

**\*\*We do NOT pick up lumber, garbage or  
animal waste – YARD DEBRI ONLY**

***After Thanksgiving all leaves MUST be bagged***

## *St. Maximilian Kolbe Night Out*

*Dinner, Music and Prizes*

**November 13<sup>th</sup>**

Dinner at 6:30PM

*Dinner catered by The Whistle Stop*

**East Pembroke Social Hall**

8656 Church Street, East Pembroke, NY

Music 8PM – Midnight  
featuring the  
live band  
**Red Creek**

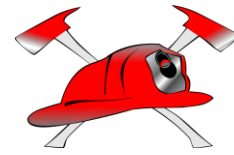
Tickets \$25 each  
Includes a drawing  
for grand prizes  
of \$300, \$200  
and \$100  
with 10 other  
cash prizes  
of \$25  
and many  
door prizes



### **Attention Home Sellers:**

It is the Homeowners responsibility to acquire a sewer inspection before selling your home. Please schedule the inspection prior to showings.

***Failure to do so can delay the closing procedure.***



## *Corfu Fire District News*

The Fire District continues to do our best to give the taxpayers a good return on their taxes. As you know we purchased a new Engine Tanker last year, utilizing our older engine's pump and stainless-steel body, whereby saving the district over \$100,000. We received a Federal FEMA grant in 2017 for \$87,000, which the district used to replace our outdated SCBA's. Our Chiefs have secured New York State grants the last two years for \$1,500 matching grants used to purchase PPE. We are buying some turnout gear for our members every year, so we won't need to purchase a large amount when the PPE expire.

We kept the tax rate steady last year as we felt we could do a small part to help with the difficult year everyone experienced. This year, with the town wide reassessment, we have lowered the tax rate by \$0.34 per thousand while raising the budget 2%, which is the amount allowed by New York State. Our expenses like everyone's keep going up.

The Corfu Rescue Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1 is our manpower that is essential of which the District could not exist without them, The department has already answered this year as many calls as we normally have in an average year. Last year was more and this year will be an all-time high. This is due to a number of reasons, including Covid 19 calls and helping neighboring fire companies. The Fire Department have their own needs outside of the district's bills and are now holding their annual fund drive, so please be as generous as you can to them.

As you are probably aware, declining membership in the volunteer fire makes it difficult to respond to our citizen's needs. We are fortunate that we are in better shape than some neighboring departments, but we still need more citizens to volunteer to this necessary and essential service.

**Please consider joining our fire company!  
To learn more, stop by a Monday  
night training 6:30-8pm.**



We are now starting the new school year. Hopefully, with no new Covid problems. Here's a few notes on past Corfu Schools.

The first school in the Town of Pembroke was a private school ran by Anna Horton in Longs Corners (Corfu). She started it in 1811, in her home near the four corners.

In 1814, three local men were put on a committee to divide the Town of Pembroke into school districts. In 1819, a log schoolhouse was built in long's corners, near the site of the present school. In 1839, Long's corners became Corfu.

By the 1860's, the schoolhouse had moved to 39 Alleghany near the railroad. In 1867, James McGraw, 18 years old, was a teacher and principal of the Corfu School. He married Mildred Whittlesey and moved to New York City. In 1885, he founded McGraw publishing, which later became McGraw-Hill Publishing Co, the largest textbook publisher in the world. They would visit Corfu often.

In 1881, a new schoolhouse was built near the current school site. A cemetery was moved and a 2-story structure with 3 classrooms downstairs, and a large room upstairs for the High School was built. The school opened as the *Corfu Union Free School*. They had their first graduating class of 4 in 1884. In 1906, it became an accredited High School and expanded in 1906 and 1930.

During these years, school plays, dances and indoor sports took place in the Corfu Village Hall on Main Street. In 1936, a 6-man football team was added to the sports program. The school was growing fast and in 1937, a new brick schoolhouse was built on the same site.

In 1938, the New York State Education Department required the consolidation of rural schools to form school districts. The Corfu and East Pembroke schools and 18 other rural districts became the Corfu-East Pembroke School District. The Corfu School housed K-12 and East Pembroke would house K-9. A new building was built in East Pembroke and an auditorium was added to the Corfu School in 1940.

The school continued to grow in the 1960s and a new High School was built at the Brick House Corners, which opened in 1964. The Corfu Building now houses 3-6 grades and is the Intermediate School. The name is now the Pembroke Central School District.

-Alan Starkweather



Join us  
for our  
**ANNUAL HARVEST  
DINNER**

*Presented by*

**St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish**  
*East Pembroke Social Hall*  
*8656 Church Street, E. Pembroke, NY*

**Sunday, October 17th**  
**NOON – sold out**

*Roast Beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, squash,  
beets, green beans, coleslaw, and  
homemade dessert*

**\$12.00**  
**Take out only!**



**Boy Scouts Troop #67**  
**Upcoming Events**

**Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup>**                      **9 am – 2 pm**  
**Bottle & Can Drive**

**Wednesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>**                      **4 pm – 10 pm**  
**Denny's Promotion**

**Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**                      **9 am**  
**Food Drive – leave bag by the door**



## WarmWelcome

*It is with great excitement that the Corfu United Presbyterian Church announces the arrival of our new Pastor Reverend Evan Wildhack. Evan comes to us from Mechanicville Virginia, where he served as Pastor of Bethlehem Presbyterian Church.*

*Evan shares the title of Presbyterian Pastor with his whole family. His Mother, Father and Sister are also Presbyterian Ministers.*

*Evan identifies as a church musician. He plays both flute and piano and has sung tenor in many choirs. His ministry passions are, but not limited to, Worship leadership, preaching, providing pastoral care to all ages, ministry with young adults and congregational song.*

*Evan is a fan of Star Trek and Stargate franchises and loves to watch all the DC superhero television series.*

*Evan grew up in Florida and as far as sports go, he likes baseball, and he will always be loyal to the Tampa Bay Rays. I think we can turn him into a Bills fan.*

*Upcoming events are just in the planning stage. Keep an eye out as the Better Corfu Committee works on plans for Holiday Lights in the Village. Hoping that this will include a tree lighting on the Church lawn.*



## Village OF Corfu CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATING

There's no better way to celebrate the Christmas season this year than by decorating a tree on your front lawn! The **Pembroke Science Club** will have a limited number of **6 to 8 foot Douglas Fir trees available at a discount**, perfect for trimming!

Each tree is \$40, and the proceeds of the sale will benefit the Science Club's activities.

Order your tree below:

NAME

PHONE

ADDRESS

NUMBER OF TREES ORDERED

TOTAL X \$40

**YOUR TREE(S) WILL BE DELIVERED TO YOU ON**

**NOVEMBER 27 BETWEEN 9:00AM-3:00PM**

*\*Delivery Date and Time Subject to Change\**

**HURRY - THE TREE SUPPLY IS LIMITED!**

**HELP US BEAUTIFY THE VILLAGE THIS HOLIDAY  
SEASON!**



Questions? Contact Tim Stringham  
tstringham@pembrokecsd.org  
585-599-4525 ext. 1506

Send order forms with cash or check to:  
Pembroke Science Club  
Pembroke High School  
Rt. 5 and 77  
Corfu, NY 14036

### DOG OWNERS

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. **PLEASE CLEAN IT UP!**

### 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 will not reduce owner's responsibility. If everyone abides by the rules, it will facilitate snow removal in the Village.

- 1) Please do not pile snow from driveways onto the sidewalks. **Do not block sidewalks at any time!**
- 2) **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.