A Message from the MAYOR

Dear Residents,

Summer is here and a great time to get outdoors, soak up the sunshine, take a walk, and enjoy family and friends. It’s a perfect time to come together and take advantage of the many amenities, activities, and events that the Village of Colonie has to offer.

The Easter Parade kicked off the warm weather with the Easter Bunny making more than 200 stops, greeting and taking pictures with kids and families. We mailed complimentary photographs to all Village residents who stopped out to see us that weekend! Check inside this issue to see some of the pictures.

Mark your calendars and plan to join us when:

• Family Fun Day on June 10th offers fun, food and music for a great day in Cook Park.
• The Tuesday Concerts in the Park return June 13th through August 29th with a full schedule of musical entertainment and dancing!
• The Summer Sheds will open on June 26th at Cook Park and Locust Park with summer staff offering games and crafts for kids to enjoy on summer weekdays.
• The Annual Ice Cream Social on August 14th gives everyone an opportunity to celebrate the end of summer and enjoy our favorite treats!

Don’t forget our bike and walking paths in Cook Park, the playgrounds for kids, pavilions for social gatherings and many baseball games to cheer on our young athletes.

No matter what you decide to do this summer, I encourage you all to have fun! I look forward to seeing everyone out and about enjoying our Village!

Sincerely,

Tom Tobin, Mayor

Photo L to R: Patty Schwarz Lockart, Art White, Tom Tobin, Ed Sim, Jim Rubino.
**Village Directory**

**Department of Public Works**  518-869-6372
- Deputy Mayor Ed Sim, Liaison
- Les Decker, Superintendent
- Chris Bisognano, Assistant Superintendent
- Dan Light, Water/Sewer Foreman
- Chris Ciota, Highway/Sanitation Foreman and Recycling Coordinator

**Village Hall**  518-869-7562
- Jamie Blot, Clerk
- Christina Secor, Treasurer
- Benjamin Neidl, Attorney
- Victor Caponera, Attorney

**Building Department**  518-869-7562
- Trustee Patty Schwarz Lockart, Liaison
- Steve Meservey, Code Enforcement Officer, Department Head, 518-275-3666
- Randy Rivera, Stormwater Management Officer, Code Enforcement Officer, 518-857-3654

**Senior Citizens Center**  518-869-7172
- Trustee Patty Schwarz Lockart, Liaison
- Chrissy Lanza, Recreation Leader
- Ginny Ritz, Office Administrator

**Family Recreation Center**  518-218-7782
- Brian Casey, Youth Monitor
- Katie Ciota, Creative Coordinator

**Outreach Center**  518-218-1030
- Trustee Patty Schwarz Lockart, Liaison
- Joan Rueckert, Outreach Worker

**Fire Company**  518-869-9306
- Trustee Jim Rubino, Liaison
- Jeffrey Kayser, Fire Co. Chief
- Lou Van Buren, Fire Co. President

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**Message from Village Hall**

Sewer bills will be mailed June 1, 2023 and are due by July 15, 2023, but will be accepted July 17, 2023 without late fees since the due date falls on a Saturday. U.S Post Office postmark is accepted.

Village tax bills will be mailed out June 1, 2023 and are due by July 1, 2023, but will be accepted July 3, 2023 without late fees since the due date falls on a Saturday. U.S Post Office postmark is accepted.

If you do not receive your bills by June 15, 2023, please contact Village Hall at 518-869-7562. If you have an escrow account for your Village tax bill, those bills will be sent to your bank, upon their request. If you receive your Village tax bill, and it should have gone to your bank, please forward the bill to them as soon as possible to ensure payment is made in a timely manner.

We are accepting credit cards as a form of payment for all Village bills and invoices. Credit card payments must be made in person, at Village Hall. There will be a 3% fee for credit card transactions.

We will also continue to accept cash or check as a payment method.

If paying by check, please make sure to note in the memo field the service address or account number. You may write one check for multiple payments, but please note if there is an error made on the check, neither bill will be processed, which may cause processing delays and late fees.

Village Hall is unable to hold credits on accounts, so please only pay the amount due or your payment will be sent back.

As always, if you should have any questions, please give us a call at 518-869-7562 or stop in and see us!

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**Message from the Traffic Committee**

Dear Village of Colonie Residents,

As we head into summer, the Village of Colonie Traffic Committee would like to remind you that more people will be using our streets and sidewalks during the nice weather. We are very proud to live in such a wonderful community where we can enjoy our many parks, trails, and well-kept streets for walking, bicycling and other outdoor activities. We are asking that you help us all and be responsible, **Slow Down when driving; Remind family, friends, and neighbors to be aware of the speed limits and Report problem drivers to the Police by using the non-emergency line 518-783-2744.** However, if you need to report an emergency, please call 911 or 518-783-2811.

Look out for children playing, people walking their pets and remember to yield to pedestrians in crosswalks.

With children out of school for summer vacation, please do not forget to use extra caution around ice cream trucks, driveway basketball hoops, parks, and playgrounds.

We will continue to place lawn signs reminding people to

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To "Meet the Staff," please visit our website at...

www.colonievillage.org
“Slow Down” in residential areas, promoting safety awareness in the Village. There will be an opportunity for all Village residents to display these signs in the future. We invite you to send requests to the Village Hall; attention “Traffic Committee” as well as attend the Traffic Committee meetings at the Village Hall on the 2nd Thursday of every month beginning at 6:30 P.M.

Again, please remember to “Drive 25” through the Village residential streets. After all, this is your community, and we all want to be safe.

Thank you,
The Village of Colonie Traffic Committee

• Message from Department of Public Works

Yard Waste Pick-Up
Place your yard waste in biodegradable paper bags or in your reusable containers. Containers MUST NOT be over 32 gallons in volume or 40 pounds in weight and be identified by a special sticker. Brush no larger than 3” in diameter must be cut in lengths no longer than 4 feet and bundled with string (no wire) in a bundle that one man can lift. Place the bags and/or containers at the curbside for pick-up. There is no set pick-up day. Yard waste is picked up each week on a continual cycle.

Biodegradable paper bags can be purchased at supermarkets, hardware stores and home centers. Stickers to identify your 32-gallon reusable containers are $3.00 each and are available at the Village Hall.

HEAVY ITEM PICK-UP 2023
IMPORTANT PLEASE READ!

In person scheduling at the Village Hall for Heavy-Item Pick-Up is now available Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30am. Any questions regarding the program, please call Village Hall at 518-869-7562

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF PROGRAM:
In person scheduling at the Village Hall for Heavy Item Pick-Up is now available. If you have any questions regarding scheduling a pick-up, please call Village Hall at 518-869-7562.

Rules and Regulations of the Program:
• Each residential address will be eligible for one pick-up per year.
• 2023 pick-ups will begin June 5, 2023, and end August 21, 2023. Pick-ups will be each Monday, excluding holidays.
• Reservations must be made in person at Village Hall, 2 Thunder Road, on weekdays during normal business hours 8:30am-4:30pm.
• Residents are required to fill out a Village of Colonie Heavy Item Form and coordinate the date for their assigned pick-up.
• Proof of residency must be provided at the time of reservation (driver’s license, cable bill, utility bill or tax bill.)
• Upon reservation, you will receive a copy of the completed Village of Colonie Heavy Item Form, along with a list of rules of the program. You can check our website at colonievillage.org for a list of items that will or won’t be accepted for Heavy Item Pick-Up. Please note that this list is subject to change without notice.

Please remember this program is for Village residents only.
In order for this program to continue yearly, we must all work together to maintain its success.

• Message from the Code Enforcement

Warmer weather means more home projects. We want to ensure our residents are able to accomplish these projects safely and correctly. As a reminder for residents, Village Building Permits are required for any structural work being done to their home, as well as for fences, pools, decks, and sheds. It is also the responsibility of the homeowner to ensure the correct permits are obtained, not the hired contractors. The easiest way to find any of our permits is on our website: colonievillage.org/building-department. If you have any questions about obtaining a permit, please call Village Hall at 518-869-7562.

We wish all the weekend warriors and home improvement enthusiasts the best of luck and weather this summer.

-Village Code Enforcement

Can We Find Your House in An Emergency?

Are your house numbers clearly visible? While it may seem like a small thing to many, it is a huge safety concern. It may start off as a minor inconvenience when the pizza delivery person can’t find your house right away, but it can turn into a major issue when the police, ambulance and fire services can’t find your home right away in an emergency situation. Every second counts in an emergency, and here in the Village we want to keep you, our residents safe at every possible turn. If you ever are in question about how your numbers are to be posted please refer to our Village code. It states:

Numbers required. Any single-family or two-family residence and any multiple-family residence and any nonresidential establishment, whether public, nonprofit or private, to which a separate street address number has been assigned shall display this number in reflectorized numbers at least three (3) inches high. The numbers shall be located either on or immediately adjoining the main entrance door or on a mailbox located close to the curb. Numbers shall be so located that they are clearly visible from the street or nearest path of vehicular access.

As warmer weather is here, and we are outside in our yards more often, now is a great time to take a look at the exterior of your home to evaluate if your numbers are clearly visible from the road or not. It’s such a simple fix, and the outcome can be life-saving. We thank you all for helping to make the Village a safe place to be proud of!
STORM WATER MANAGEMENT

Be Stormwater Smart, Know What Happens When It Rains - Stormwater is the water that flows over the ground after it rains, snows, or sleets. It can become polluted as it runs over hard surfaces and flows downstream.

Have you ever watched water run down a gutter or pool on the side of the road during a storm? What happens to all the water? Most stormwater—the water from rain and snow—runs over the land and down a storm drain. The water flows through a network of underground pipes and open channels directly to our streams, rivers, and lakes. That’s why keeping stormwater clean is vital to the health of our waterways, community, and even our economy. When water flows off our property after a storm, what’s on our lawns, roads, buildings, and parking lots flows with it. The water that doesn’t soak into the ground picks up oil, litter, fertilizer, and other unhealthy items along its way that wind up in our rivers, lakes, and streams. Water pollution can start on your property in ways you cannot see, but that affect your health and the whole community downstream. Watching what we put in our storm drains and on our property makes our rivers, lakes, and streams cleaner, healthier, and more enjoyable. -EPA

Have you ever seen these metal drains on a Village street or in a parking lot? They are storm drains. Any water that drains into them goes through our MS4 system, it does not go to the sewers and through a treatment plant! Our MS4 is a system of stormwater drains and pipes that collects and conveys stormwater and run off and deposits it back into the environment. To help keep our waters clean we have a few tips from the EPA that you may find helpful this summer!

In the Garden:

Rain is great for your lawn, but excess rain can run off from your yard and walkways into the street, where it flows from the storm drain into local rivers, lakes, or streams, taking any chemicals you’ve applied with it. • Apply fertilizers and pesticides carefully on your lawn or garden and not on pavement. • Avoid using fertilizers and pesticides completely if rain is in the forecast. • Consider installing a rain garden, which is a depressed area planted with grasses or perennials that collects stormwater. • Don’t rake leaves or yard clippings into the storm drain to avoid clogs and debris that could cause flooding.

In the Driveway:

Wash your car with biodegradable soap to avoid chemicals floating downstream, or visit a carwash. • Direct water from downspouts and car washing to grassy areas, so it can soak into the ground rather than hit the pavement. • Don’t hose down your driveway and flush dirt down the storm drain. • When watering your lawn, direct the spray toward your lawn and plants, not the pavement. • Look for spots on the ground that indicate your car leaks oil or fluid. Don’t let your leaks pollute! • Pick up pet waste and keep trash and dirty water away from pavement and storm drains, where it can contaminate stormwater that flows downstream.

Learn more about Stormwater and how to participate in the development, implementation, and review the Village’s Stormwater Management Program by visiting the Village’s stormwater webpage at: colonievillage.org/stormwater-management-program/ and the US EPA’s website at: epa.gov/npdes/npdes-stormwater-program Village Stormwater Management Officer/Hotline: 518-857-3654 — Randy Rivera Stormwater Management Officer

REMINDER

The Village Offices, D.P.W. and Recreation Center will be closed:

• Monday, June 19th
  Juneteenth observed
  * All Garbage & recycling pick-up will remain the same on Tuesday, June 20th.

• Tuesday, July 4th
  Independence Day observed
  * Garbage & recycling pick-up will be picked up on Monday, July 3rd.
  * Please have all garbage & recycling out by 6:00am.
Earth Day Heroes

On Earth Day, April 22, this group of friends gathered at Bauer Park and helped clear the trail. They spent their time picking up trash, sweeping off the boards and making notes for further repairs. Check out how much litter they were able to clear off the trail in one day alone! We can’t thank them enough for taking the time and initiative to help keep the Village a great community to be a part of!

Village Resident Marina Bender, CCHS Students Kacie Wilday, Lilli Van-Denburgh, and Serinda Becker.

2022 Planning Commission Approvals

The Mayor and Board of Trustees would like to WELCOME the following businesses approved by the Planning Commission and wish them much success!

1535 Central Avenue - Eyemax Computer Geeks - Computer support for small businesses
1770 Central Avenue - Excel Aquatics - Swim Instruction
1770 Central Avenue - Labello Catering Inc. DBA Innovo Kitchen - Kitchen for catering for Innovo Kitchen
4 Walker Way Section 2 - Jacki Oskam Basketball LLC - Small group and individual instruction in basketball
12 Walker Way Section B - Landmark Flooring - Warehouse for Excess Materials

Summer Playground Sheds

When: Beginning Monday, June 26th
Monday-Friday
8:30am-11:45am & 12:45am-4pm

Where: The brown sheds on the playgrounds in Locust Park and Cook Park.

What: Summer Staff trained in CPR and First Aid are present at the sheds to provide children with additional crafts, games, and fun while they visit our playgrounds. We have crayons, paints, hula hoops, jump ropes, bubbles, beads, balls, and so much more stocked up in our sheds ready for summer!

Extra Fun: We are planning trips to the Town Pool and a few field trips this year! We also hope you will join us for our End of Summer Party later in August! More details will be available soon. Please check back with the Family Rec Center at 518-218-7782!

The Important Stuff: The Sheds close during lunch hour from 11:45am-12:45pm, pool trips, field trips and during severe weather. While we try to plan for every situation, we reserve the right to close the sheds due to staff shortages and other unforeseen circumstances. This is a service provided by the Village of Colonie to enhance you and your children’s summer experience within our parks and playgrounds.

We love interacting with our Village families and our staff really enjoy doing their jobs! But we want to ensure that everyone has a safe and happy experience this summer. We want to strongly remind residents that this is NOT an all-day camp nor an alternative to daycare or childcare. Our staff do not keep track of children entering or leaving the playground. Our staff do not accept any compensation or coercion to babysit children while on duty.

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Easter Parade

It was wonderful seeing everyone out and about on the first weekend of April for our Easter Parade! Thank you all for coming out to greet us and the Easter Bunny. We made over 200 stops around the Village that weekend with many families and neighbors gathering at each other’s homes and celebrating the start of the spring season together. We helped the Easter Bunny print and mail complimentary photos to all the Village residents who had their pictures taken with the Easter Bunny. Remember, if you would like digital copies of the photos you received in the mail, you can email us at publicity@colonievillage.org for a copy of your photos! We love being able to bring a smile to our Village families’ faces!

Dear Village Neighbors,

I know we are all looking forward to a long, beautiful summer with great weather! With these warmer days ahead, it is important to remember that for our furry friends it can be dangerous. Leaving your pet out in the yard without shelter from the heat or access to water can be deadly. Even more dangerous is leaving your pet in your car while you tend to errands or shopping, cracking a window is usually not enough! Dogs and cats do not sweat the same way as humans and are unable to cool themselves down as easily as we do. This chart shows how quickly things can go bad for your furry friends. Pets are an important part of our families; help keep them safe and avoid a tragedy! Enjoy the summer!

Patty Schwarz Lockart, Trustee
Can I Recycle This in The Village?

Need a reminder on what you can recycle in the Village? We have that information for you!

YES – Paper, cardboard, junk mail, newspapers, magazines, egg cartons, paper milk & juice cartons. All Plastics #1-7, glass bottles & jars, clean aluminum foil, clean aluminum & steel cans.

NO - Plastic bags & Styrofoam, shredded paper, straws, paper napkins & towels, batteries, light bulbs, electronics clothing, medical waste, or needles.

If your plastic item does not have the recycling symbol on the bottom with a number 1-7 on it, it should be thrown out!

• BREAK IT DOWN
Break down and flatten all cardboard boxes.

• KEEP IT CLEAN!
Rinse all items of food and liquids.

• SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING
There is no need to sort or separate your recyclables in the Village, they can all be placed in one container.

• WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT!
If you’re unsure if something is recyclable, it’s best to throw it out instead of contaminating all the recyclables in the truck.

• DONATE, RESELL, REUSE
With warmer weather, we all tend to partake in a bit of cleaning and clearing out at home. As you clean out your house, remember to donate items that can be used again. There are also some fantastic groups on Facebook and Nextdoor where you can give away or sell your gently used items.

• STAY HYDRATED
To help save on waste and stay hydrated, utilize a reusable water bottle when you can this summer. When you can’t use your own bottle, please remember to recycle, or return plastic bottles and cans. You can always donate and drop off your redeemable bottles and cans to the Family Recreation Center for Scout Troop 278.

For more information about recycling in the Village, visit www.colonievillage.org/recycling

Questions? Contact the DPW at 518-869-6372 or cciota@colonievillage.org

Keep it Green, Keep it Clean

Chris Ciota, Recycling Coordinator
**Senior Corner**

For Village Residents 55+ and Village Senior Center Members:

We are here for you Monday-Friday 8:30am to 2:30pm. Delicious lunches are served Monday-Friday 12pm-12:30pm.

Homemade lunches are available for our Village Residents and Senior Center Members. Dine-in meals are $6 each, take-out meals are $7 each, cash & checks are accepted. To pick up a take-out meal, you must come into the building for pick up. Parking for the Senior Center is located behind Village Hall in front of the main Senior Center Entrance. Seniors, you MUST ORDER MEALS A WEEK IN ADVANCE at 518-869-7172 so we are able to honor your lunch request, we frequently sell out! Menus and order tickets are currently released weekly, check out our website at www.colonievillage.org/senior-citizens. You can order and pay in advance! If you are shut in and can’t leave your home, we can arrange for accommodations.

The Center also has many great activities and classes to participate in, such as Bingo, Qi Gong, Tai Chi, Function Movement, Body Fitness, Mah Jongg and a Village singing group. As a member you also have daily access to a Billiards Room, Sewing Room and Workout Room.

**SPECIAL:**

Keep an eye out this summer for these fun events! A Father’s Day Brunch in June, Indoor Summer Picnic during the month of July, Floating Ice Cream Fridays in August! Call the Center for all the information and make sure you order early, quantities are limited (and always delicious)!

Let’s do our part to keep our Center open! Everyone is welcome, but if you are not feeling well, be mindful of others and PLEASE STAY HOME! We want to keep our Center and our Seniors as safe as possible!

Not a member yet? Our Senior Center is FREE to join for all VILLAGE residents 55 years plus! Call 518-869-7172 today for more information. We would love to have you join our Center Family!

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**Village of Colonie Outreach**

The Village Outreach is a resource available to all residents. The Outreach can provide information and referrals on community services, supports and government programs that will assist individuals and families in need.

The Outreach Center has been relocated to the Senior Center behind Village Hall. The entrance is located on the side of Village Hall, directly across from the Locust Park Playground. The Outreach Center is open 8:00am to 3:30pm Monday through Friday. Please call Joan Rueckert at 518-218-1030 should you have questions or need assistance.

The Village Outreach is unable to accept donations of food, toys, furniture, or clothing. Please do not leave anything outside the former or current Outreach building. Donations of food and clothing can be made to Pine Grove Church, 1580 Central Ave. in Colonie. Food donations can also be made to the Capital Church food pantry, 31 Vly Road, Colonie. Your Village Outreach is grateful for the continued support of Village individuals and families.
**FAMILY FUN DAY**  
Saturday, June 10th  
12pm-5pm • Cook Park

Let’s kick off the summer together, Village style! Come out and enjoy our Village community at its best in one of our favorite places, Cook Park! We are planning for tons of fun, including face painting, bounce houses, giveaways, raffles, demonstrations, crafts, games, food, and plenty of enjoyment for residents of all ages! We look forward to seeing you there!

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**ICE CREAM SOCIAL**  
Monday, August 14th  
6pm-8pm • Cook Park

Join us for a relaxing and sweet summer evening at the Cook Park Amphitheater. Music performed by the Colonie Town Band and complimentary ice cream sundaes served by our summer staff at the Snack Shack. We look forward to seeing you out and enjoying what our Village community has to offer!

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**BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

For all Village meetings residents can contact the Village Hall at 518-869-7562 the day of, to confirm the quorum. All agendas and minutes are available on our website, https://colonievillage.org/agendas-minutes/

- **Mayor and Board of Trustees**  
  1st & 3rd Monday of the Month ....................6:30pm  
  Thomas Tobin, Mayor  
  Edward Sim, Village Trustee/Deputy Mayor  
  Patty Schwarz Lockart, Village Trustee  
  Art White, Village Trustee  
  James M. Rubino, Village Trustee  
  Jamie Blot, Clerk

- **Planning Commission**  
  1st & 3rd Tuesday of the Month ..................6:30pm  
  Chris Dennis, Chairman  
  Kerry Bytner / Brian Curran  
  Kenny Hart / Brittany Kendall  
  John Martin  
  Jim Splonskowski  
  Joan Ruekert, Coordinator  
  Patty Schwarz Lockart, Village Board Liaison

- **Sign Review Board**  
  4th Thursday of the month as needed .............6:30pm  
  Bill Levy, Chairman  
  Cynthia Calabrese  
  Jason DePaulo  
  Sue Dickinson  
  Carole Trifiletti  
  Christina Secor, Coordinator  
  Art White, Village Board Liaison

- **Zoning Board of Appeals**  
  1st Wednesday of the month as needed ..........6:30pm  
  Lou Van Buren, Chairman  
  Christopher Larrabee  
  Phil Minissale  
  Trevor Normandin  
  Frank Prevratil  
  Joshua Rowinski  
  Stacie Douglas, Zoning Coordinator  
  James M. Rubino, Village Board Liaison

- **Traffic Advisory Committee**  
  2nd Thursday of the month .....................6:30pm  
  Frank Prevratil, Chairman  
  John Gillivan / Daniel Hornick  
  George Lashoff  
  Les Samiof  
  Hannah Curran, Coordinator  
  Edward Sim, Village Board Liaison

If you are handicapped and need any assistance to attend a public meeting in the Village of Colonie, please notify the Clerk 24 hours before the meeting.
Opportunities to give:

**GOLD SPONSOR**
- $1000 Donation
- Corporate Name in Tuesday Night Programs
- Corporate Name on Season Event Signage
- Opening Night Recognition

**SILVER SPONSOR**
- $500 Donation
- Corporate Name in Tuesday Night Programs
- Corporate Name on Season Event Signage

**BRONZE SPONSOR**
- $250 Donation
- Corporate Name in Tuesday Night Programs
- Corporate Name on Season Event Signage

**PATRON OF THE ARTS**
- $100 Donation
- Corporate Name in Tuesday Night Programs

**FRIEND OF THE ARTS**
- $25 Donation
- Name listed in Tuesday Night Programs

**DONATION**
- I/we are unable to become a sponsor, but enclosed is a contribution of $______ in support of the Amphitheater Arts Program

Please fill out below:

Contact Name: ____________________________________________

Business: ___________________________________________________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________________________________________

City: __________ State: _______ Zip: _______ Phone: _______________________

NAME/BUSINESS: ____________________________________________

*PRINT EXACTLY HOW YOUR NAME/BUSINESS SHOULD APPEAR ON THE PROGRAM*

Please address all checks to “Village of Colonie - Amphitheater”

Return this paper with your payment to:

Christina Secor, Village Hall
2 Thunder Road, Colonie, NY 12205

If you have any questions please call Brian at the Family Rec Center, 518-218-7782

Thank you for your generosity, without your donations these concerts would not be possible.
TUESDAY in the PARK 2023

Tuesday Evenings
JUNE 13th to AUG 29th
@ 6:30pm

Frank A. Leak Amphitheater
Cook Park
Village of Colonie

June 13th The Lustre Kings
Rockabilly

June 20th The Accents
Greatest Hits

June 27th Electric City Horns
Rock/Pop/Swing

July 11th T.S. Ensemble
Sinatra to Today

July 18th Joe’s Boys
60’s/70’s/80’s & Beyond

July 25th Skeeter Creek
Country

August 1st Triskele
Celtic

August 8th Capt. Squeeze & the Zydeco Moshers
LA Gumbo Simmering Blues

August 15th Hair of the Dog
Celtic/Americana

August 22nd Jim Gaudet & The Railroad Boys
Bluegrass

August 29th New York Players
Jazz/Funk/Disco/Motown

Brought to you by the Village of Colonie
Mayor Tom Tobin, Deputy Mayor Ed Sim,
Trustees Patty Schwarz Lockart,
Art White & Jim Rubino

Any questions, please contact
the Family Recreation Center
3 Thunder Road Colonie, NY 12205
(518) 218-7782

Rain dates will be on the following day (Wednesday) at the Amphitheater, weather permitting. If there is inclement weather on the rain date, the concert will be cancelled.
From Maintenance/Skate Shed to Amphitheater

The area in Cook Park where the Amphitheater now stands formerly held the Cook Park Maintenance/Skate Shed. The pond and surrounding field were flooded in winter to create a large skating pond. Residents were able to come down to the frozen pond in winter and skate to their hearts’ content. Over the years, due to larger amounts of drainage water, the area began to have excessive flooding, making the shed ineffective to hold the park equipment and tractors. The area became unusable, even for skating. Plans were made to rework the area, to address the drainage issues and to serve the community in a different way, an amphitheater. To make way for the new amphitheater, the Colonie Village Fire Company demoed the shed by doing a control burn of the building for training. The Maintenance Shed was relocated and built in a different part of the park and the ground by the pond was then cleared and leveled for construction. The Amphitheater was finished in July 2003 with a large part of the work done by our own DPW. The Grand Opening and Dedication for the Frank A. Leak Amphitheater for the Arts was on May 11, 2004. We have been holding our concerts in the park ever since!