



## VILLAGE HALL

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# The Villager

## A Message from the **MAYOR**



Dear Residents,

The Village has had a full summer season of special events, renovations, and improvements. I am happy to share some of the highlights below:

- Our Ice Cream Social was a well-attended event, and everyone enjoyed the entertainment provided by the Town Band. Special thanks to Stewart's for supplying the ice cream.
- The Mini-Park Program was a success and the kids enjoyed lots of fun and activities in our park playgrounds as well as adventurous field trips and swimming in the Town pool.
- The 2023 Tuesday Nights in the Park Concert Season attracted hundreds of concert-goers who enjoyed a wide variety of musical artists. We are grateful for the generous support of donors and sponsors who make this concert series possible each year.
- A new digital sign at the entrance to Cook Park has been installed with funding sponsored by Senator Neil Breslin.
- Several new vehicles for our DPW have been purchased, including a trackless and a recycling truck.
- The Village of Colonie is introducing a new contact system that residents can subscribe to for news and updates on Village activities and events. Please see inside this issue for more details.
- Renovations to our Senior Center will be completed this fall that include the bathrooms and a new HVAC system.
- Congratulations to Les Decker, who has retired after 25 years of dedicated service to the Village of Colonie.

Now that our summer days have ended and the crisp air of autumn is here, please continue to check our website at [www.colonievillage.org](http://www.colonievillage.org) for the latest Village news.

*Tom*

Tom Tobin, Mayor



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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

— YOUR CALENDAR —

**October 15**

*Boy Scout's Bottle Drive*

**October 28**

*Kids Halloween Party*

**October 31**

*Last Day to Pay  
Village Tax Bill*

**November 1**

*Leaf Vacuum Begins*

**November 15**

*Water Bills Due*

**November 19**

*Scouting for Food*



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# Village Directory

## Department of Public Works

518-869-6372

Deputy Mayor Ed Sim, Liaison  
Chris Bisognano, Superintendent  
Chris Ciota, Assistant Superintendent  
Dan Light, Water/Sewer Foreman  
Vincent Krzykowski, Highway/Sanitation Foreman

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518-869-7562

Jamie Blot, Clerk  
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Benjamin Neidl, Attorney  
Victor Caponera, Attorney

## Building Department

518-869-7562

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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



Visit the Village Website at:

[www.colonievillage.org](http://www.colonievillage.org)

## • Message from

# Department of Public Works

### Leaf Pick-Up

The Village's Department of Public Works will begin using the leaf vacuum on Wednesday, November 1st, and will continue until the weather precludes further operation. ABSOLUTELY NO STICKS, ROCKS, OR OTHER DEBRIS WILL BE PICKED UP. There is no set schedule for operation, and there is NO guarantee that leaves will be vacuumed. Therefore, given the weather-dependent nature of the leaf vacuum machine, all residents are encouraged to bag their leaves when possible. The leaf vacuum will not be used in freezing temperatures, heavy rain, or snow. Weekly leaf bag pickup will continue until Monday, December 4th.



## • Message from Village Hall



### Water Bills

October water bills were mailed on October 1, 2023 and are due by November 15, 2023. Receipts will be returned, by request only. Please indicate on your remittance stub if you would like a receipt, and we will gladly provide you with a stamped receipt.

### Tax Bills

We will accept Village Tax payments until the 31st day of October. Anything left unpaid after October 31st will be sent to Albany County for collection.

We ask that you refrain from stapling any checks to remittance stubs, as they are processed through a check reader. For your convenience, there is a drop-box located curbside at Village Hall. Please utilize this to leave payments after hours, it is checked daily. We are currently taking credit cards (in-person payments only at this time). There is a 3% processing fee for all credit card transactions. Yard waste stickers are available for purchase at Village Hall, stickers are \$3.00/each.

## • Message from

# Code Enforcement



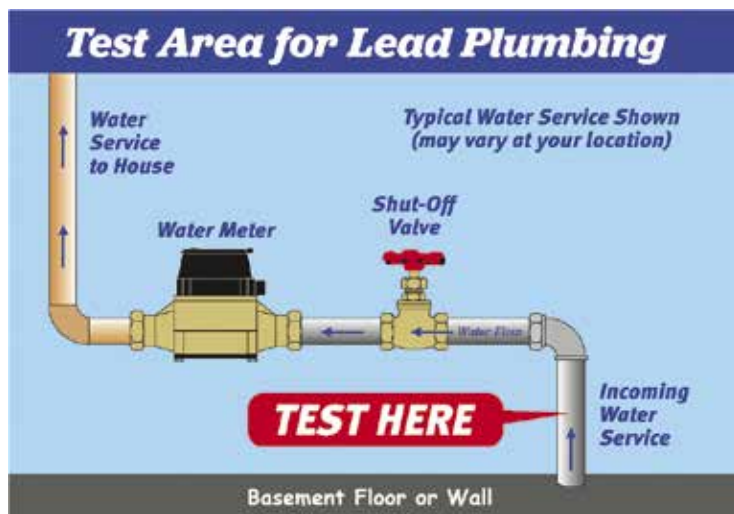
With the winter season coming fast upon us, we want to remind all residents that all basketball hoops and poles must be removed from the Village streets and right-of-way. This is to ensure they are not damaged by snowplows. According to Village Code, basketball hoops and poles cannot encroach on any Village right-of-way or public thoroughfare or be placed within ten feet of a Village street line. Any basketball hoops and poles found to be in violation may be removed by the Village upon ten day written notice to the property owner. If it is determined that it is a public hazard or a threat to public safety or motor vehicle traffic, it will be removed by the Village immediately. Questions or concerns can be addressed to the Building Department at 518-869-7562.

## • Message from the Village Water Department

The EPA - Environmental Protection Agency as part of the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions is requiring all water systems to prepare and maintain an inventory of water service line materials by October 16, 2024. To meet this deadline, The Village of Colonie requests your help in identifying the water service pipe material as it enters your house/building. If you have any questions or if you would prefer to have a Village Water Department representative identify your service, please call 518-869-6372 to set up an appointment. We thank you for your help.

### **STEP 1:** **LOCATE YOUR PIPE**

This is typically found in the basement near your water meter. Testing should be performed where the service enters the building, before the shut-off valve and the water meter. In some instances, a very short length of pipe may enter the house before transitioning to another material. Please see the diagram below.



### **STEP 2:** **TEST YOUR PIPES**

#### **What you need:**

- A key or coin
- Strong fridge magnet.

#### **How to test:**

1. Test the pipe first with the magnet to see if it sticks. If not, move on to the scratch test.
2. Use your chosen item to gently scratch the pipe (like you would a scratch ticket) where it comes into your house.

#### **TYPES OF PIPES:**



##### **Galvanized Steel Pipe**

If a magnet sticks to the surface your service line is galvanized steel. A scratch test is not needed. If you do scratch the pipe, it will remain dull gray.



##### **Copper Pipe**

A magnet will not stick to a copper pipe. Scratch the pipe with a coin. If the scratched area is copper in color, like a new penny, your service line is copper.



##### **Lead Pipe**

A magnet will not stick to a lead pipe. Scratch the pipe with a coin. If the scraped area is shiny silver and flakes off, the service line is lead.

### **STEP 3:** **TAKE A PICTURE**

Take a picture of that area with your phone or camera. (See examples)



### **STEP 4:** **REPORT YOUR RESULTS**

Now that you have identified your water service line material and taken a picture, email it along with the following information to [water@colonievillage.org](mailto:water@colonievillage.org)

Your Name  
Address  
Phone Number  
Pipe Material

#### **ATTACH PICTURE OF PIPES**

If you have any questions or if you would prefer to have a Village Water Department representative identify your service, please call 518-869-6372 to set up an appointment.

We thank you for your help.



## • Message from the Traffic Committee

As we head into autumn, the Village of Colonie Traffic Committee would like to remind you school is back in session and that means we need to be on the lookout for children around bus stops and school areas. Remember **“Children may not always use best judgment and safety skills”. School Buses that are not moving, with Red Flashing lights on and a stop sign extended mean STOP! Do Not Pass or Attempt to Go Around!**

The change of season brings a multitude of fallen leaves that could be slippery under your vehicle tires. Pedestrians and bicyclists may be forced to walk around leaf piles so please practice patience when sharing the roads. Look out for children playing in leaf piles, people walking their pets and remember to yield to pedestrians in cross walks.

**October 31st is Halloween** and that brings out trick or treaters, so please be aware of people in dark costumes that may not be clearly noticeable.

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.

Lawn signs encouraging people to “Slow Down” will be back out in the spring. If you would like your residence added to the list of addresses for sign placement, please send requests to the Village Hall; attention “Traffic committee”. For any traffic concerns, issues, or updates, please feel free to attend the Traffic Committee meetings at the Village Hall on the 2nd Thursday of every month beginning at 6:30pm.

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

# Don't Flush TROUBLE

## These Items **BELONG IN THE TRASH**



**CLEANING WIPES**



**OIL & GREASE**



**PERSONAL  
CLEANSING  
WIPES**



**DIAPERS**



**FACIAL WIPES**



**PAPER TOWELS**



**BABY WIPES**



**FEMININE  
HYGIENE  
PRODUCTS**



**TISSUES**

Although the label may say “flushable”, disposable wipes and other products clog sewer lines, damage pumps and result in higher sewer rates. These problems are expensive to fix and can cause sewage backups into homes and overflows into the environment. The sewer lateral that leads from a home to the Village sewer main is the homeowners responsibility to physically and financially maintain and fix. Save yourself a headache and a big bill.

## **When in doubt, use the garbage can and THROW IT OUT!**

**For more information, or any questions, contact the DPW at 518-869-6372**

# WATCH FOR OUR PUMPKIN PATROL

## Happy Halloween!

We look forward to seeing all our neighbors and community members out on Halloween for Pumpkin Patrol, it is a Village tradition! The Mayor, Board and Senior Staff members ride through Village streets during trick-or-treating to help ensure that everyone has a safe and happy holiday. If you see us out, give us a wave, we may even have a sweet treat for trick-or-treaters of all ages!



## FALL RECYCLING

Recycling can happen with more than just paper and plastic! Check out some options for recycling your leaves this fall:

### Mow over the leaves:

The easiest and most simple way to use your leaves is to mow over them with a mulching blade. This chops the leaves up into fine pieces. The leaf pieces will release nutrients as they decompose, fertilizing and protecting your lawn in the winter.

### Mulch your leaves:

The next option is to gather your leaves and spread them around shrubs, bushes, and trees so they can work as mulch. This helps moderate soil temperature, can prevent erosion, reduces weeds, and provide nutrients for plant roots as it decomposes over time.

### Compost them:

There are hundreds of great resources online or at the library where you can get more information on composting your leaves and other waste in your own backyard!

### Brush Pickup:

Let us do the work for you. Collect your leaves in barrels or paper lawn bags and leave them out for the Village to pick up. We take our brush to be composted and reused again later! Please remember absolutely NO rocks, plastic or trash or sticks can be in these bags!



## Village of Colonie

# KID'S HALLOWEEN PARTY

**Friday, October 27th  
6pm-8pm**

**Family Recreation Center  
2 Thunder Road**

**Join us for our Kid's Halloween Party  
at the Family Recreation Center!**

We will have goody bags, crafts, pumpkin decorating, snacks, tricks and treats!

You must call ahead and register, there are limited spots available. This is NOT a drop off event. Costumes aren't required, but always encouraged! Call the Family Recreation Center at 518-218-7782 to reserve your spot today!

**This is a complimentary event for our  
Village community, courtesy of  
our Mayor and Board of Trustees.**



# Stormwater Management

If you've been thinking about reducing your environmental footprint, you can take steps to decrease the amount of pollution that flows from your home into local waterways every time it rains, this is known as stormwater. Tips for stormwater management this fall:

- Don't rake leaves or yard clippings into the storm drain to avoid clogs and debris that could cause flooding.
- Pick up pet waste and keep trash and dirty water away from pavement and storm drains, where it can contaminate stormwater that flows downstream.
- Yard cleanup is important, once rain or snow hits the ground, it can carry dirt, chemicals, and other pollutants downstream from your home and yard to the rivers and lakes in your community.



## New Equipment

The Department of Public Works recently acquired two new pieces of equipment. A Trackless (pictured at right) that can be used as a mower, snowblower and a sidewalk plow, and a two-man, right-side drive recycling truck (pictured below). These new vehicles will help our DPW in their work throughout the Village.



## OUTREACH Center

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.





# SENIOR CORNER

For Village Residents 55+ and Village Senior Center Members:

**Exciting news!** The Senior Center has been undergoing some repairs and renovations recently and they should be completed this fall. When the Center reopens, Seniors will enjoy brand new bathrooms and a new HVAC system. Until then, the Center is only open for drive-thru pick-up lunches from 12pm-12:30pm.

Homemade lunches are available for our Village Residents and Senior Center Members. Drive-thru meals are \$7 each, cash & checks are accepted. Seniors, you **MUST ORDER MEALS A WEEK IN ADVANCE** at 518-869-7172 because we frequently sell out! Menus and order tickets are currently released weekly, check out our website at [www.colonievillage.org/senior-citizens/](http://www.colonievillage.org/senior-citizens/) You can order and pay in advance! If you are shut in, we can arrange for accommodations.

## **SPECIAL:**

Keep an eye out this fall for these fun lunches! A Halloween Lunch Special and our very special Thanksgiving Lunch. Call the Center for all the information and make sure you order early, quantities are limited (and always delicious)!

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 Senior Center Family!



# Fall Boy Scout Bottle Drive

Village Boy Scout Troop 278's Fall Bottle Drive is Saturday, October 21st 7am to 12pm at the DPW garage. This will be a drop-off event only.

If you miss this Bottle Drive, the Family Rec Center is open for drop-offs Monday to Friday 8am to 3pm.



# Scouting for Food – Drive Up

Help our Village of Colonie Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts and the community, when you give to the "Scouting for Food" Food Drive. Each year, Boy and Girl Scout Troops from the Village of Colonie host this food drive as part of their mission to assist others. This drive comes at a time when food pantries are typically low. With the holidays right around the corner, now is the time to help.

## **Scouting for Food – Drive Up**

**Saturday, November 4th**

**7am to 12pm**

**Family Recreation Center**

Drive right up and the Scouts will help unload your car! Residents that are unable to leave their homes or who have limited mobility, we will have a small crew of Scouts and parents doing pick-ups at the end of the day. This process may take us longer, so please have patience if they are not picked up by noon. Leave the full bag of food items in a visible spot on your front step and the Scouts will pick it up. It is your generous donations that help provide support for our community throughout the year.

As always, thank you for supporting the Scouts!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

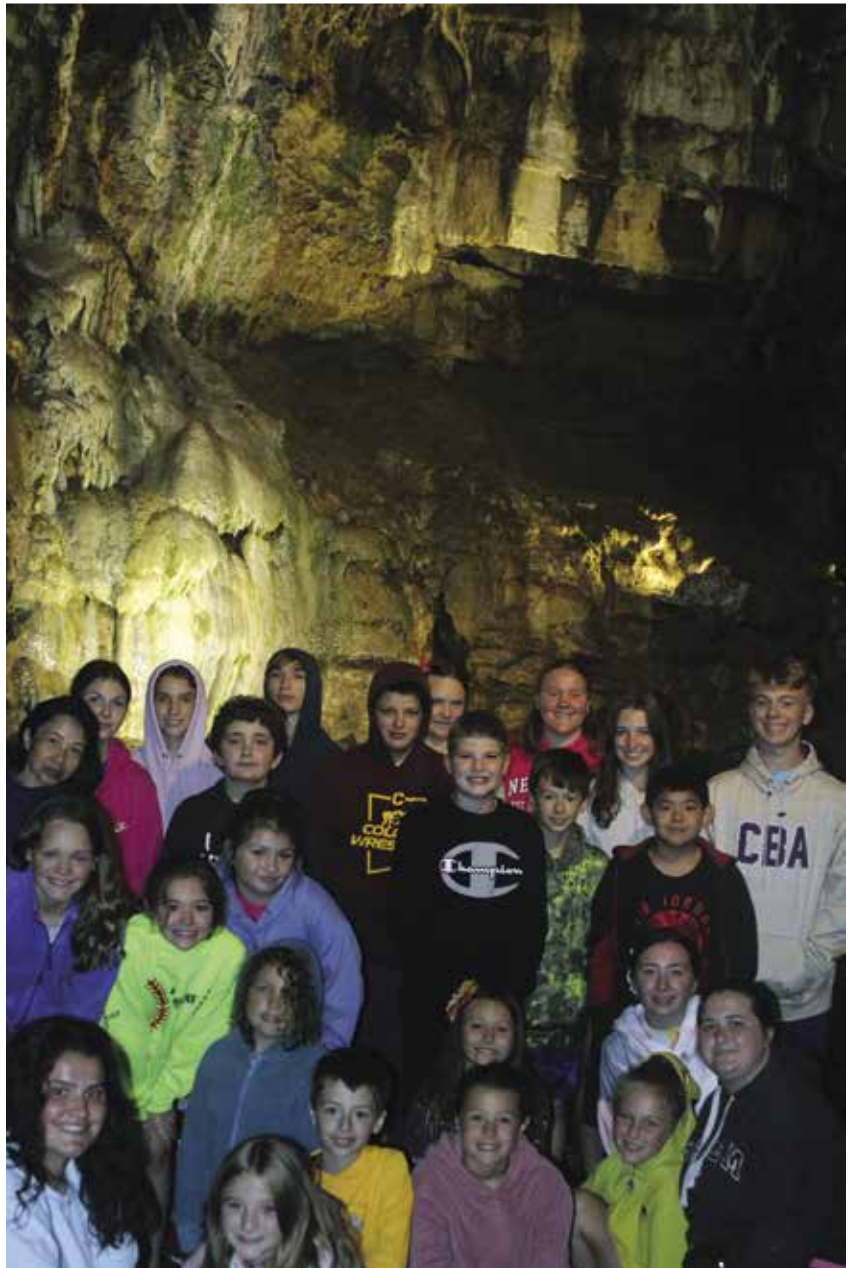
Brian Casey, Scout Master  
[caseyb@colonievillage.org](mailto:caseyb@colonievillage.org)  
518-218-7782



# SUMMER

## Recap

The Family Rec Center summer staff had a great summer at both Locust Park and Cook Park Playgrounds. They got to play and craft with many Village families, made new friends, and enjoyed trips to the Town Pool as well as field trips all over the Capital District and beyond. You can see all the happy faces in the accompanying photos. We wish everyone an enjoyable school year ahead and look forward to new fun adventures and friends next summer!







## 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



Thomas Tobin

### • PLANNING COMMISSION

*1st & 3rd Tuesday of the Month.....6:30pm*

Chris Dennis, Chairman

Kerry Bytner / Kenny Hart

Brittany Kendall / John Martin

Jim Splonskowski / Mark Stevens

Joan Rueckert, Coordinator

Patty Schwarz Lockart, Village Board Liaison



Patty Schwarz Lockart

### • SIGN REVIEW BOARD

*4th Thursday of the month as needed .... 6:30pm*

Bill Levy, Chairman

Cynthia Calabrese

Jason DePaulo

Sue Dickinson

Carole Trifletti

Christina Secor, Coordinator

Art White, Village Board Liaison



Art White

### • 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



James Rubino

### • TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

*2nd Thursday of the month .....6:30pm*

Frank Prevratil, Chairman

John Gillivan / Daniel Hornick

George Lashoff

Michael Normandin

Les Samiof

Hannah Curran, Coordinator

Edward Sim, Village Board Liaison



Edward Sim

*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.*

# Congratulations

Congratulations to Les Decker (pictured at right) upon his retirement after 25 years with the Village; serving as Superintendent of Public Works for the past 9 years. Best wishes to Chris Bisognano, who will assume the position of Superintendent. Chris has been with the Village for 25 years and served as Assistant Superintendent for the past nine. Best of luck to both these gentlemen!



## 2023 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!*

**12 Walker Way Section 1A - Cooking Together, LLC**  
*Cooking school*

**16 Computer Drive West Suite 101**  
*Tradesman International, LLC*

**1593 Central Avenue - Cell Phones for Less Inc.**  
*Cricket Wireless Store*

**1531 Central Avenue Suite 201 - House of Flavia**  
*Women's and children's clothing by appointment*

**18 Walker Way Section 2 - Renewal Claim Solutions of Upstate New York**  
*Fire & water damage insurance work*

**16 Jupiter Lane Suite 1 - Eternal Scents LLC**  
*Distributor*

**30 Wolf Road - Spirit of Halloween**  
*Halloween Shop*

**1510A Central Avenue - Vanite Hair Salon**  
*Hair Salon*

**14 Jupiter Lane Unit 7 - Castle Windows**  
*Replacement Windows and Doors*

**14 Jupiter Lane Unit 3 - Serv Pro**  
*Water & Fire Remediation*

**1710 Central Avenue - Beijing Hair Salon/ Albany Nail Supplies**  
*Hair Salon & Nail supply shop*



## SAVE THE DATES!

### Village Christmas Tree Lighting

December 5, 2023

### Santa Parade

December 9 & 10, 2023

### Breakfast with Santa

December 16, 2023

Seatings at 8:30am & 10:30am



*Check your Winter Villager for more information to sign up!*



# Cook Park Sign

With funding from a grant sponsored by Senator Neil Breslin, we have installed a new digital sign down at the entrance to Cook Park. This sign now allows us to update our community in a faster more efficient manner, whether it be for snow days, community events or emergencies. We hope you will drive by and check it out!



## Colonie Fire Company's Annual **TURKEY RAFFLE**

... MARK YOUR CALENDAR ...

# NOVEMBER 18, 2023

**Doors open at 6pm**

at the

**Village Family  
Recreation Center**

**3 Thunder Road**

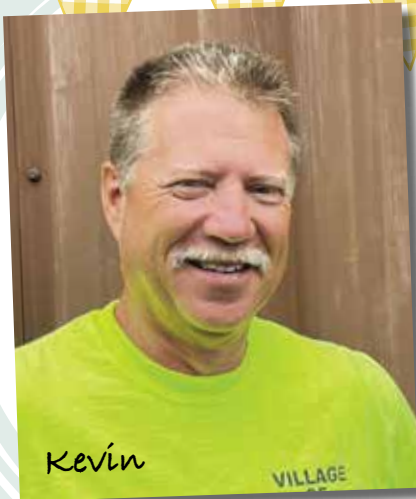
*Celebrate the evening with  
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Door Prizes,  
Merchandise,  
Turkey Raffles, Food,  
Beverages,  
Lots of Laughs  
& more...*



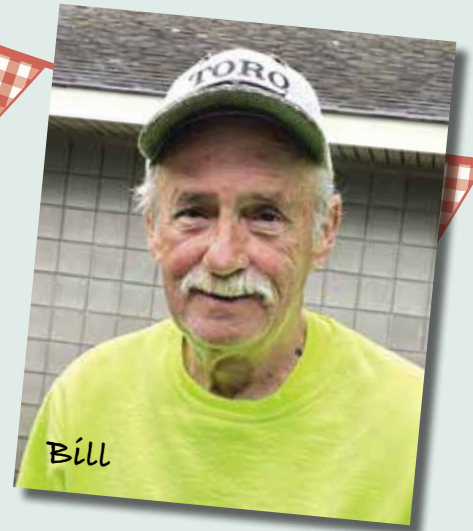


# Employee Tributes

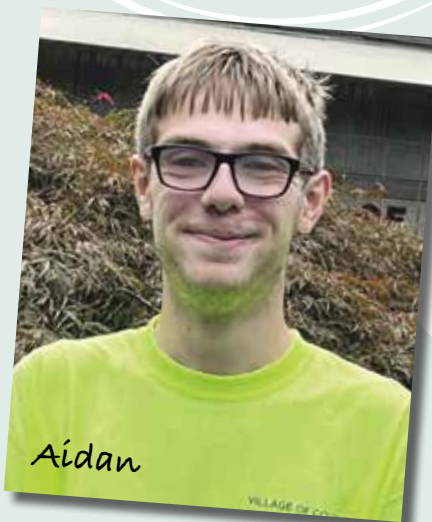
Our employees are the heart of our Village. They are the people that keep our municipality going. They make the tough times easier and the good times even better. This is our tribute to our employees, in recognition of all their hard work and dedication. This season, we are featuring our Park Staff! They are the ones who keep the parks clean and beautiful. So many of us enjoy walking and playing in Cook Park, but we forget how much work it takes to upkeep a park like that. These are the people that do it. They weed, mow, rake, sweep, clean, plow, shovel, snow blow, fix, paint, stain, and all the myriad other tasks it takes to make our park the gem that it is. They do this work out in the high heat and sun, and in the freezing cold and snow. They do it all because they care and take pride in their work. They are one of the reasons the Village is "a Place to be Proud of." To our Park Employees, we salute you!



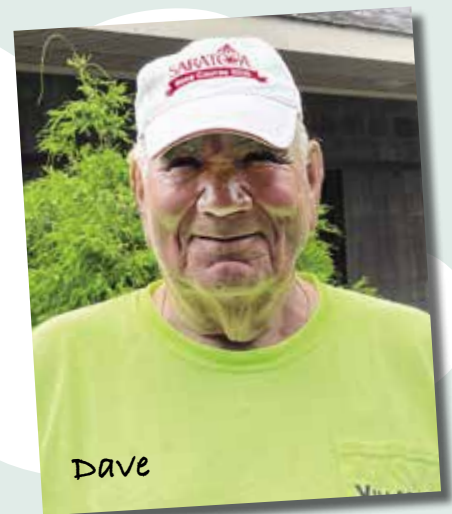
Kevin



Bill



Aidan



Dave



Cory



Vincent







## Thank You!

A special thank you to Stewart's Shops for donating the ice cream for our summer events! We are so grateful for their continued support of our community!



## REMINDER

The Village Hall, DPW, Family Recreation Center, Outreach Center and Senior Center will be closed:

- **Columbus Day**  
Monday, October 9, 2023
- **Election Day**  
Tuesday, November 7, 2023,  
*Tuesday's garbage, and recycling will be picked up as usual.*
- **Veterans Day** (Observed)  
Friday, November 10, 2023,  
*Friday's garbage, and recycling will be picked up as usual.*

- **Thanksgiving**

Thursday, November 23, 2023,  
*Thursday's garbage, and recycling will be picked up on Friday, November 24, 2023.*

- **Day after Thanksgiving** (Black Friday)

Friday, November 24, 2023,  
*Friday's garbage, and recycling will be picked up as usual.*

***Please remember to have your garbage and recycling out by 6am on your pick-up day. Residents can have up to 2 garbage barrels that are no more than 40 gallons apiece.***

# Playground

Here's a sneak peek at some exciting things happening at the Sharon Playground in Cook Park! Check back later this fall for some awesome updates!



## Village News Alerts

You asked, and we listened! You, our residents, and your safety, are our top priority. We have been working diligently on our new alert system to get news out to you fast. This new system allows us to communicate important announcements and safety updates with you through email and/or text. This information may include emergency closings, weather alerts, water breaks, billing reminders, changes to your garbage pick-ups, plus much more. Sign up today to stay informed!

To sign up:

1. Go to [www.colonievillage.org](http://www.colonievillage.org)
2. Under "News & Announcements" you will see "SIGN UP FOR VILLAGE OF COLONIE ALERTS"

OR: Scan the QR code and follow the instructions to sign up.





## • Message from the Fire Chief

**Parade competition** - On Saturday, June 17th the Colonie Fire Company competed in the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Convention held in Glens Falls. CFC members placed 3rd in the Dress parade which required them to march during a driving rainstorm.

Pictured (right) are our members lining up in formation just minutes prior to the start of the parade. Also pictured (below) is our 2018 Pierce pumper "Engine 406" which was in the parade and received a score of 94 out of a possible 100.



**Mobile home fire with trapped pets** - On Thursday, July 17th at 12:58 pm our members responded to a mobile home fire where we there were several cats and guinea pigs still inside the home during the fire. Pictured are members of Colonie Fire Company removing a cage containing five guinea pigs that were still alive, out of the heavily damaged trailer. In addition to the guinea pigs, there were several cats that were also rescued by our firefighters.



**Backyard safety** - PLEASE do not leave children unattended, especially around swimming pools as tragedy can strike at any time. Last summer our members responded to a 2-year-old boy who drowned in a pool and then again just one year and one day later we had another child drowning call. On Friday

evening August 9th our members responded along with Colonie Police and Colonie EMS to a call at a Village residence for a 4-year-old boy who drowned in a swimming pool. The little boy was in cardiac arrest when he was removed from the pool and our members worked feverishly to resuscitate him there at the scene. Thankfully, pulses were finally restored by the time the child arrived at the hospital and he continues to fight towards recovery as of this writing. This was a difficult call, but our members are committed to saving lives and protecting property in our community and we never hesitate to answer the call. We value the commitment that our members have to each of you and your families, and we thank each of them for their contribution to our mission. PLEASE be aware of your children when they are in proximity to swimming pools.

**New Members** - The Colonie Fire Company would like to welcome several new members who have recently stepped-up to join our ranks:

Brian Kelly of Vly Rd, Brady Latham of Stella Terrace, Aiden Lautenschlager of Rapple Dr, Christopher McCall of Peter Dr, Emiliano Torres of Nicole Drive, Michael Recor and Sean Tedeschi.

***We always welcome new members  
so if you have any questions about becoming  
a volunteer firefighter, stop by the station or  
e-mail us at [www.coloniefire.org](http://www.coloniefire.org)***

# The Villager

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## Tuesday Nights in the Park Concert Series

Thank you to our sponsors, residents, families, and friends for another great season, see you next summer!



## Thanks for another great season!

