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The Villager

Dedication of new Pickleball Courts and Playground

Mae Leak, wife of former Mayor Frank Leak, along with former Mayor Tom Tobin.



Pickleball is a fun, social and friendly game that has grown in popularity in recent years.

The late Mayor Frank Leak recognized that pickleball was becoming a favorite sport among our senior community and the neighboring communities of the Village. Trying many different avenues to find a good fit and a prime spot for this sport to flourish, took time and effort from many people.

Mayor Leak set in motion the vision of what could be a new location for Pickleball Courts within Cook Park.

Mayor Tom Tobin continued Mayor Leak's vision and accomplished getting the courts established. Under his leadership, the courts were constructed and finished. Mayor Tobin also saw a need for replacing outdated playground equipment in the area next to the pickleball site.

In true fashion of the Mayor who came before him, Mayor Tobin replaced the equipment with an updated, modern jungle gym that the children of the Village will enjoy for years to come.

On June 18, 2024, Mayor Jim Rubino dedicated the "Frank A. Leak and Thomas J. Tobin Pickleball Courts and Playground." He said, "these two individuals, throughout their careers have always strived to address the needs and wants of their residents and their community. We owe them a debt of gratitude for all they have done for the Village of Colonie, truly making it "a place to be proud of".



Mayor Tom Tobin, his wife Lyn Tobin, and their family.



New playground equipment.



New pickleball courts.

UPCOMING EVENTS

— YOUR CALENDAR —

October 25

Kids Halloween Party

October 26

Boy Scout's Bottle Drive

October 31

Last Day to Pay Village Tax Bill

November 1

Leaf Vacuum Begins

November 15

Water Bills Due



BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

For all Village meetings residents can contact the Village Hall at 518-869-7562 the day of the meeting 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 Month6:30 pm

Jim Rubino, Mayor
Patty Schwarz Lockart, Deputy Mayor
Frank Prevratil, Village Trustee
Jason DePaulo, Village Trustee
Mark Stevens, Village Trustee
Jamie Blot, Clerk



James Rubino

• PLANNING COMMISSION

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

Chris Dennis, Chairman
Alison Curran / Kenny Hart / Brittany Kendall
John Lemperle / John Martin / Jim Splonskowski
Carl Kuentzel, Alternate
Joan Ruekert, Planning Coordinator
Frank Prevratil, Village Board Liaison



Patty Schwarz Lockart

• TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

2nd Thursday of the month6:30 pm

Kevin France, Chairman
John Dombrowski / George Lashoff
John Lemperle / Michael Normandin / Les Samiof
Hannah Curran, Coordinator
Frank Prevratil, Village Board Liaison



Frank Prevratil

• SIGN REVIEW BOARD

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

Bill Levy, Chairman
Cynthia Calabrese / Krysta Dennis
Ann Paro / Marisa White
Diana Kuentzel, Alternate
Christina Secor, Coordinator
Jason DePaulo, Village Board Liaison



Jason DePaulo

• ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

1st Wednesday of the month as needed..6:30 pm

Phil Minissale, Chairman
Les Decker / Chris Larabee
Trevor Normandin / Joshua Rowinski
Ginny Ritz, Alternate
Stacie Douglas, Zoning Coordinator
Mark Stevens, Village Board Liaison



Mark Stevens

• ETHICS COMMITTEE

As needed

Frank Prevratil, Chairman
Marc Crow / Alison Curran
Maureen Lee / Jeff White

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.

• Message from Village Hall



Water Bills

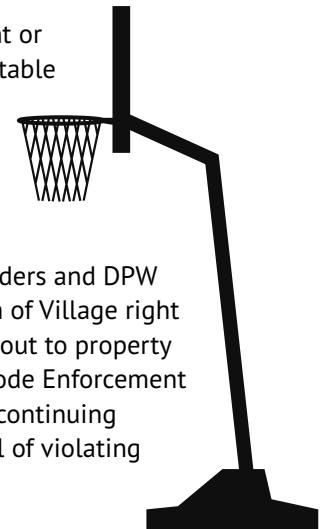
October water bills will be mailed on October 1, 2024 and are due by November 15, 2024. Receipts will be returned, by request only. Please indicate on your remittance stub if you would like a receipt, and we will gladly provide you with a stamped receipt.

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.

Important Code and Safety Reminder!

Village Code prohibits the placement or use of athletic equipment, such as portable basketball units, in or within ten (10) feet of any Village Street line. Compliance with this law is necessary to promote safety for residents and motorists in our neighborhoods. Also, it is important that Public Safety providers and DPW have complete access to the full width of Village right of ways when needed. Notices will go out to property owners who are in violation. Village Code Enforcement Officers have the authority to enforce continuing non-compliance by citation or removal of violating equipment.



Village Code:

Portable basketball apparatus.

§242-5.1.(4)(e)

[Added 6-17-2010 by L.L. No. 3-2010]

[1] No portable basketball apparatus, hoop, pole, backboard or other attachment may be placed in or upon any public street or highway or encroach upon any Village of Colonie right-of-way or public thoroughfare. In no event shall any such apparatus, hoop, pole, backboard or attachment be placed within 10 feet of any Village Street line.

[2] Any such basketball apparatus found to be in violation of this restriction may be removed by Village of Colonie personnel, upon 10 days written notice to the property owner.

[3] In the event that the Village of Colonie shall determine a public hazard and a threat to public safety and motor vehicle traffic exists, the basketball apparatus may be removed immediately.

A Message from the **MAYOR**



Dear Residents,

What a great summer we all shared throughout the Village with special events, improvements and community activities.

- The Tuesday Nights in the Park Concert Series, celebrated 20 years of music, and attracted hundreds of concert-goers who danced and sang along with a wide variety of musical artists. Special thanks to all our donors and sponsors who make this concert series possible each year.
- During each concert, items were collected for the VA. In October, we will be holding a clothing/food drive for veterans to get through the winter months.
- Our Building Department was busy with several clean-up projects throughout the Village. We paved the following streets: Huckleberry Lane, Honey Court, Bauer Drive, Harriet Street and Jupiter Lane.
- We purchased a new vac-truck for our DPW (pictured below).
- This summer's Family Fun Day, held in June, was well-attended and everyone enjoyed the entertainment and activities. Our Ice Cream Social, that officially concludes our summer events, was another great success. Special thanks to Stewart's for supplying the ice cream.
- The Mini-Park Program enjoyed another successful season with lots of activities and fun for all the kids, including adventurous fields trips and swimming in the Town pool.

As our summer days grow shorter and we get ready for the arrival of autumn, please continue to check our website at www.colonievillage.org for the latest Village news.

Thank You,

Jim Rubino

Mayor Jim Rubino



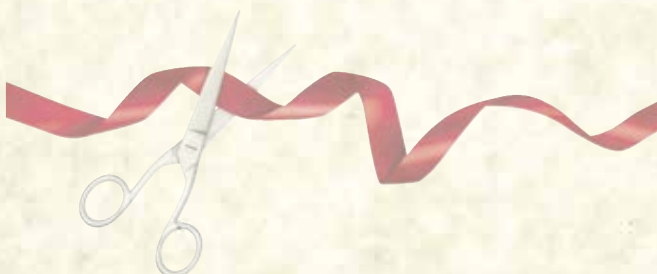
Ribbon cutting for Market 32



Mayor Rubino and Fire Chief Kayser at Family Fun Day



Mayor Rubino with DPW Superintendent Chris Bisognano & Asst. Superintendent Chris Ciota in front of the Village's new Vac Haul truck. It has become an exceptional asset, helping DPW employees work quicker and more efficiently.



• Message from the Traffic Committee

As the days get a little shorter and we head into autumn, the Village of Colonie Traffic Committee would like to remind everyone that school is back in session for another year and we need to be careful around bus stops, schools and playgrounds. Children may not always use best judgment and safety skills, so be careful and be patient. School buses with flashing lights and a STOP sign extended, means STOP! Do Not Pass or Attempt to Go Around!

The season brings rain and colorful fallen leaves which can make our roads treacherous and slippery. Pedestrians and bicyclists may be forced to navigate around leaf piles or puddles so please share the road. As always, you should yield to pedestrians in crosswalks.

October 31st is Halloween and always brings out trick or treaters. Please be on the look-out for people in dark costumes and clothing; they may not be clearly visible.

We are very proud to live in such a wonderful community where we can enjoy so many parks, trails and well-lit streets for walking, bicycling or just visiting neighbors. We are asking that you help us all be responsible. Slow down when driving our streets. Remind family, friends and neighbors to be aware of speed limits. Please report problem drivers to the Colonie Police by using the non-emergency line 518-783-2744. If you need to report an emergency, please dial 911 or 518-783-2811.

We would like to thank all the residents who participated in the lawn sign program, encouraging people to "Slow Down." The program will be back in the spring and if you would like to be added to the sign placement list, please send a request to the Village Hall: Attention Traffic Committee. For any traffic concerns, issues, or updates, please feel free to attend the Traffic Committee meetings at Village Hall on the 2nd Thursday of every month beginning at 6:30 pm.

Again, please remember to "Drive 25" through our Village residential streets. After all, this is your community and we all want to be Safe.

• Message from Department of Public Works

Leaf Pick-Up

The Village's Department of Public Works will begin using the leaf vacuum on Friday, 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 2nd.



Fall Recycling



Recycling can be 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 utilize your leaves is to mow them with a mulching blade. This chops the leaves into fine pieces that will release nutrients as they decompose, fertilizing and protecting your lawn in the winter.

Mulch your leaves:

Gather your leaves and spread them around shrubs, bushes, and trees so they can work like mulch. This helps moderate soil temperature, can prevent erosion, reduces weeds, and provides 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 the brush to be composted and reused. Please remember absolutely NO rocks, plastic/trash or sticks can be placed in leaf bags!

Stormwater Management

We have had a very wet and rainy summer. While we cannot control Mother Nature and stop sudden heavy downpours, we can work together to ensure our storm drains and pipes are clear for water to freely flow. To minimize unnecessary drain back-ups and polluted water from reaching our waterways, here are some tips to help our stormwater management system work to the best of its ability.

- While doing yard clean-up, rake leaves, yard clippings and debris away from storm drains to avoid clogs that could cause flooding.
- Bagging your brush for Village pick-up is the best practice, so when it does rain, leaf piles won't be destroyed and end up in a drain or clog a pipe.
- Pick up pet waste and keep trash away from pavement and storm drains, where it can contaminate stormwater that flows downstream.
- Yard clean-up 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.

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 12:00pm-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 and 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 make arrangements to accommodate you.

The Center also has many great activities and classes to participate in!

ACTIVITIES:

- Billiards – Monday-Friday 8:30am-2:30pm
- Wii Bowling – Monday-Friday 8:30am-2:30pm
- Bingo – Monday & Wednesday 8:30am-2:30pm
- Mah-jongg – Thursdays & Fridays 11:00am-2:30pm
- Village Singers – Fridays 10:00am-11:00am

EXERCISE:

- Workout Room – Monday-Friday 8:30am-2:30pm
- Qi Gong – Mondays 9:00am-9:45am
- Tai Chi – Mondays 9:45am-10:30am
- Body Fitness with Theresa – Thursdays 10:15am-11:00am
- Chair Yoga – Fridays 10:00am-10:45am
- Functional Movement with Isadore – Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays 11:00am-11:45am (not held during TRS meetings, 2nd Wednesday of the month)

THIS FALL:

Sooner than you know, the aromas of the fall holidays will be evident in the HBK Senior Center! We are excited to announce a Fall Ball this October! Call the Center for more information about this new event and the Thanksgiving Luncheon! Make sure to sign up and order early; quantities are limited (and always delicious!)

The Senior Center is both heated and air conditioned, so no matter the weather, our building will be comfortable!

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.

Village of Colonie

KID'S HALLOWEEN PARTY

Friday, Oct. 25th • 6pm-8pm

Family Recreation Center • 3 Thunder Road

Join us for a spook-tacular good time!

There will be goody bags, crafts, pumpkin decorating, snacks, tricks and treats! You must call ahead and register because there are limited spots available, and we always fill up fast. This is **NOT** a drop-off event. Costumes aren't required, but always encouraged!

Reservations begin October 1st.

Call the Family Recreation Center at 518-218-7782.

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



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's a Village tradition! The Mayor, Board of Trustees and Senior Staff members ride throughout the Village 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!

Village Directory

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Chris Bisognano, Superintendent
Chris Ciota, Assistant Superintendent
Dan Light, Water/Sewer Foreman
Vincent Krzykowski, Highway/Sanitation Foreman

VILLAGE HALL 518-869-7562

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Christina Secor, Treasurer
Charles Dumas, Attorney
Victor Caponera, Attorney

BUILDING DEPARTMENT 518-869-7562

Steve Meservey,
Code Enforcement Officer, Head, 518-275-3666
Randy Rivera, Stormwater Management Officer,
Code Enforcement Officer, 518-857-3654

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER 518-869-7172

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

Joan Rueckert, Outreach Worker

FIRE COMPANY 518-869-9306

Trustee Jason DePaulo, Liaison
Jeffrey Kayser, Fire Co. Chief
Frank Cuoiccio, Fire Co. President

Sign up for the Village News Alerts!

www.colonievillage.org OR:



SCAN ME

Visit the Village Website at:

www.colonievillage.org

• Message from the Fire Chief

Colonie Fire Company Firefighters Graduate...this past June, four members of Colonie Fire Company graduated from the New York State Interior Fire Operations Course. They are: Michael Cox, Brady Latham, Raymond Rabanal and Emiliano Torres. This was a challenging course of study and all our four members performed extremely well. Congratulations, guys!

Colonie Fire Company Enthusiastically Welcomes Newest Members...over the last two months, the following new members were sworn in as Probationary Active Firefighters: Justin Baumann, Ayden Kotlurich, Jayson Moffre, Greg McMullen and Logan Trembley. Welcome aboard men, we look forward to having you on the trucks in the weeks ahead!

Colonie Fire Company Preparing for Arrival of a New Pumper.....In January of 2022, the Village Board authorized the purchase of a new pumper truck for the fire company. This new pumper will replace our oldest pumper, Engine 405, a 1993 Pierce 1,500 gallon per minute pumper.



The cab being mounted to the chassis.



The compartment body being prepped for mounting to the chassis.

The new pumper will be an E-One brand cab and chassis with a 6-man cab, a 2,000 gallon per minute water pump with a 750-gallon water tank and it will carry over 4,300 feet of fire hose.

In August, New Truck Committee members, Chief Jeff Kayser and Firefighter Tom Breslin, traveled to the E-One factory in Ocala, Florida to inspect the progress of the pumper construction. The group spent two days on the factory floor inspecting the pumper while the temperatures hovered at 100 degrees. Progress on the new pumper is moving along and final completion is expected in mid-September. More to come on this new pumper in the next edition of the Villager. In October, you might see drivers training on the pumper on Village streets.

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

Employee Spotlight

Senior Center



Left to right: Mike Martini, Holly Martini, Chrissy Lanza & Ginny Ritz.

Martini work together to create a welcoming, comfortable environment at the Herbert B. Kuhn Senior Center. They accommodate the needs of Village seniors, solve minor issues and, if needed, help make connections with outreach services.

Chrissy and Ginny oversee the Center which houses a computer lab, work out room, billiards room, sewing room, dance floor and large recreation room. They organize classes and activities such as Tai Chi, Qi Gong, Pinochle, Bingo, Mah Jongg, Chair Yoga, and Singing Group, among others.

Holly and Mike collaborate to provide one of the Center's most popular attractions: homemade lunches. Delicious lunches made from scratch, served on weekdays to seniors, for either dining in, taking out, or delivery to those in need. They work with Chrissy and Ginny to create monthly holiday parties with engaging themes, delectable menus and entertaining events.

All the staff work together to create a positive environment, where new people and residents are met with hospitality and friendly faces. They are proud to ensure that the Center is clean, comfortable and ready to accommodate all seniors at any time of the year.

Located at the rear of Village Hall, the Senior Center may appear as a quiet, unassuming building. Yet inside, it is a hub of senior activity and community. These department employees are the ones who create such a welcoming environment for all Village residents. They help keep the Village "a place to be proud of."

Our employees are special people that keep our Village operating every day of the year. In recognition of their hard work and dedication, this season we are spotlighting our Senior Center staff.

Department Head, Chrissy Lanza; Assistant, Ginny Ritz; Head Chef, Holly Martini; and, Assistant, Chef Mike

Fall Boy Scout Bottle Drive

Village Scout Troop 278's Fall Bottle Drive is Saturday, October 26th, 7:00am – 12:00pm at the DPW garage. This will be a drop-off event only. If you miss this Bottle Drive, the Family Recreation Center is open for drop-offs Monday to Friday 8:00am – 3:00pm.

Village Scout Troop 278 received a donation in appreciation of the community help extended to the Upstate NY Buick Club and Goldstein Buick/GMC.



From left to right: Glen Taunton, General Manager, Goldstein Buick/GMC, Ed Allmond, Asst. Director, Upstate NY Buick Club, Brian Casey, Scout Master Troop 278, Rosemary Durso Malette, Secretary, Upstate NY Buick Club, and Ken Malette, Treasurer, Upstate NY Buick Club.

JOIN VILLAGE SCOUT TROOP 278

Open to all boys & girls - Grades 6-12

Are you ready for an adventure that lasts a lifetime? The Village Scout Troop is charting a course for character, leadership, and fun! Open to all boys and girls from Grades 6-12 (ages 11-18), our troop is dedicated to preparing young individuals to make ethical and moral choices throughout their lives.

OUR VALUES

At the heart of our Scout Oath is a commitment to helping others. Our Scouts actively engage with community members, extending a helping hand wherever it's needed. Village Scout Troop members also collaborate with Scout troops from surrounding communities, fostering a sense of unity and shared purpose. Our troop promotes an inclusive scouting experience for all.

JOIN US

Visit us at the Village Recreation Center every Wednesday from 6:30pm – 8:00pm to get a glimpse of the adventure that awaits. Regardless of financial constraints, we ensure that interested children can participate in all troop activities.

QUESTIONS?

Contact: Scout Master, Brian Casey, 518-218-7782



REMINDER

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

- **Columbus Day**
Monday, October 14, 2024
- **Election Day**
Tuesday, November 5, 2024,
Tuesday's garbage, and recycling will be picked up as usual.
- **Veterans Day**
Monday, November 11, 2024
- **Thanksgiving**
Thursday, November 28, 2024,
Thursday's garbage, and recycling will be picked up on Friday, November 29, 2024.
- **Day after Thanksgiving** (Black Friday)
Friday, November 29, 2024,
Friday's garbage, and recycling will be picked up as usual.

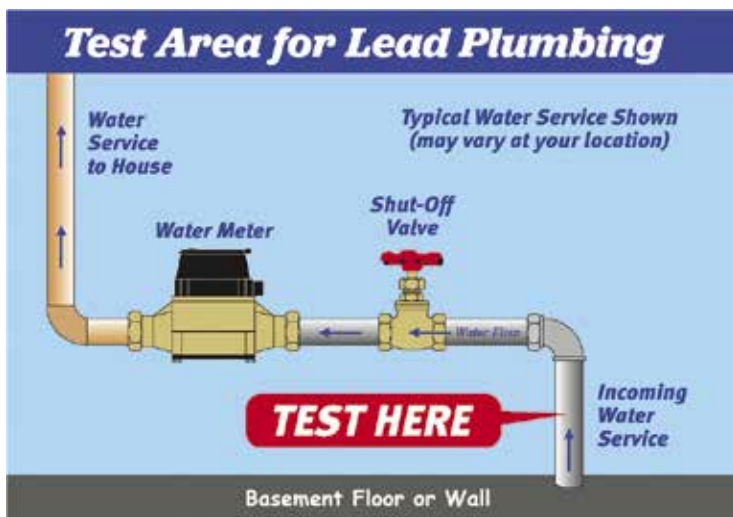
Please remember to have your garbage and recycling out by 6am on your pick-up day. Residents can have up to 2 garbage barrels that are no more than 40 gallons apiece.

• 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

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.

OUTREACH Center



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

The Village of Colonie Outreach Office will be collecting donations for Veterans, such as nonperishable foods, personal toiletries, socks and underwear on an ongoing basis. Please note: all items collected must be new. You may drop off at the Outreach Office (inside the Senior Center) weekdays between the hours of 9:00am – 2:00pm. Please enter through the side doors of Village Hall. Thank you for your support of this ongoing project to help our local veterans, and your continuing support of Village individuals and families. Please call Joan Rueckert at 518-218-1030 if you have questions or need assistance.

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: 988

• We can all help prevent suicide. The 988 Lifeline provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones. It also provides best practices for professionals in the United States.

- Text Help - Send the word TALK to 741741

Albany County Mobile Crisis Unit: 518-549-6500 (ask for Mobile Crisis)

- Monday to Friday, 8:00am to 12:00 midnight; Saturday and Sunday, 11:30am to 9:30pm.
- Access to Adult Mobile Crisis Team.

Northern Rivers (Parsons Child and Adolescent) Mobile Crisis Team: 518-292-5499

(ask for Child and Adolescent Mobile Crisis)

- Monday to Friday, 11:00am to 9:30pm
- Crisis Assessment, Intervention & Stabilization; Consultation and Information; Facilitation of Alternate Levels of Care.

2024 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!

16 Computer Drive West, Suite 100 and 105 / NYS Insurance Fund

1520 Central Avenue, Massage N Movement / Sports Massage

1524 Central Avenue, Alvin Gamble for Senate

32 Wolf Road, Spirit Halloween / Retail Halloween Store

18 Walker Way, The ICEE Company
Frozen Beverage Company service center

23 Walker Way
ALS Environmental Service center for environmental testing

132 Lincoln Avenue / Section 101 / Commercial Kitchen & Hoods LLC
Kitchen Designer & Builder

132 Lincoln Avenue / Suite 102, Mexico Depot LLC
Hispanic & Latino wholesale goods

132 Lincoln Avenue / Suite 401, Stream HVAC
Heating, ventilation and air conditioning service

132 Lincoln Avenue / Suite 403, AAA Hudson Valley
Garage space for AAA Hudson Valley

134 Lincoln Avenue / Suite 304 / Chambers Sports Performance
Expansion of baseball training facility

Colonie Fire Company's Annual TURKEY RAFFLE

... MARK YOUR CALENDAR ...

NOVEMBER 16, 2024

Doors open at 6pm
at the Village Family
Recreation Center

– 3 Thunder Road –

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



SAVE THE DATES!

Village Christmas Tree Lighting

December 3, 2024

Santa Parade

December 7 & 8, 2024

Breakfast with Santa

December 14, 2024

Seatings at 8:30am & 10:30am

Reservations begin November 20th



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

SUMMER Recap

FAMILY FUN DAY



Our summer kick-off event where we celebrate amenities our community has to offer in the Village! We were so grateful for a break in the weather to be able to enjoy our residents and friends coming together. We want to thank all the community services and organizations who volunteered their time to join us.

SUMMER MINI-PARK PROGRAM

We had a great season at both Locust Park and Cook Park playgrounds. Village families got to play and craft with summer staff, make new friends and enjoy trips to the Town Pool as well as field trips all over the Capital District. We wish everyone an enjoyable school year ahead and look forward to fun new adventures and friends next summer!



ICE CREAM SOCIAL



Music and ice cream are a wonderful combination. We had a beautiful night for ice cream sundaes and music provided by the Colonie Town Band. 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!



Veteran Month

Village of Colonie declares October "Help a Veteran Month"

During the month of October the Village will be collecting various items for the VA Medical Center. Items to be collected: grocery items (rice, cereal, individually wrapped snacks, instant potatoes, rice-a-roni products), gift cards (\$25 increments), coats, hats, scarves, gloves, socks and underwear. Please note: all items collected must be new. Items will be collected at the Village of Colonie HBK Senior Center, 2 Thunder Road, Albany, NY 12205. Any donations are greatly appreciated. For questions, please contact Jamie Blot or Ed Sim at the Village Hall 518-869-7562.

A Veteran Salute

Beginning with this issue of the Villager, we are highlighting a veteran Village resident who has proudly served our country in the military.

The first veteran is our former Mayor, Tom Tobin, who enlisted in the US Marine Corp in January of 1969. After his basic training at Parris Island, SC, he was stationed at El Toro Santa Ana, CA. He was then deployed to Da Nang, Vietnam. He concluded his service by achieving the grade of Sergeant.

He felt that he had a responsibility to serve his country and so he chose to be a Marine. His military experiences guided him throughout his career in service to others. Tom truly believes in the Marine Corp motto, Semper fi - always faithful.

We salute all our service men and women who make sacrifices every day to protect us all and preserve our freedom.

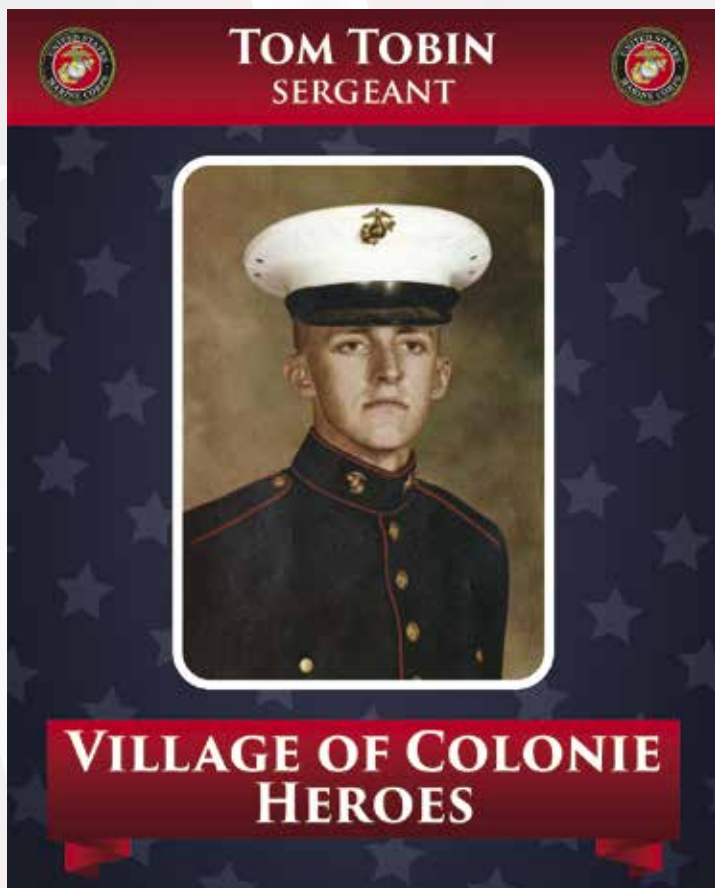


Heroes Banner Program

As you drive or walk through Cook Park, you will notice the Heroes Banners on many poles in honor and recognition of our Village Veterans and military members. You can also view these banners on our website at colonievillage.org/heroes-banner-program.

In the near future, we will initiate a mapping of the banners to provide the Veteran's name and pole location for the convenience of family, friends, and visitors.

If you are interested in purchasing a Heroes Banner for display in Cook Park, or learning more about the program, please contact Hannah Curran at hcurran@colonievillage.org.



Veterans Day Event

**Monday, November 11, 2024
9:00am**

**Veterans Memorial in Cook Park
Across from the Tom Gentile Pavilion**

Coffee & light refreshments to follow

*Join us as we proudly honor those who
have served our country.*

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Thanks for another great season!