

# R'VILLE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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## Draft Minutes, Town Board Work Meeting, May 8, 2018

The Work Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Rensselaerville was held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018 at 7:00 in the evening at the Rensselaerville Town Hall, 87 Barger Road, Medusa, NY. The meeting was convened by Supervisor Steven Pflieger and the roll was called with the following results:

**PRESENT WERE:** Supervisor Steven Pflieger, Councilwoman Marion Cooke, Councilman John Dolce, Councilman Jason Rauf, Councilwoman Margaret Sedlmeir, Town Clerk Victoria H. Kraker

Also present were Jeffery Budrow and Joseph Zongol, engineers with Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc., Thomas Delp and John Rice from the Water/Sewer Committee, Highway Superintendent Randy Bates and one interested citizen.

### WESTON & SAMPSON ENGINEERS

It has been noted over the past few months that there is a settling along the upstream side of the dam as well as within the downstream embankment.

Jeffery Budrow and Joseph Zongol, both engineers with Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc. presented the Board with an evaluation and proposal to provide engineering services for the Lake Myosotis dam. They would first wish to identify defects within the 12" outlet pipe via a CCTV camera. They would also like to perform a survey along the stone wall of the dam to determine if movement has occurred since the last survey which was conducted in 1992.

The Board was afforded the opportunity to ask questions and will make a decision at the Regular meeting whether or not to go forward with Weston & Sampson's proposal.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS:** None

**MINUTES:** Minutes to be accepted at the Regular Meeting on May 10, 2018:

- April 3, 2018 – Public Hearing
- April 3, 2018 – Special Meeting
- April 10, 2018– Work Meeting
- April 12, 2018 – Regular Meeting

**TRANSFERS, VOUCHERS, AND BILLS:** Transfers will be addressed at the Regular Meeting on Thursday.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Any correspondence will be presented on Thursday.

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**REPORTS:** The regular reports from the Supervisor, Attorney, Highway Department, Town Clerk, Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector, Assessors, Water/Sewer Committee, Recycling Center, and Library will be given at the Regular Meeting on Thursday.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. The Board would like to extend the deadline for letters of interest for the Solar Energy Committee.
2. Attorney Fallati prepared a resolution for a Local Law which would grant the Town the authority to temporarily restrict the weight of certain vehicles traveling on Town Highways at certain times of the year. The Board and Superintendent Bates will review the terms of the proposed law.
3. The Board will need to accept the resignation of Thomas Kropp, Alternate Planning Board member.
4. Superintendent Bates estimated the cost of repairing the sidewalk in Preston Hollow to be about \$10,000. The estimate includes material and the rental of equipment; the Highway Department would provide 100% of the labor. The existing sidewalk, which runs from the Fire House to the Baptist Church is 3-4' wide and is constructed of asphalt. Superintendent Bates proposes to mill the asphalt, excavate and place a crusher-run base, and then lay 2" of new pavement, 4' wide.

Superintendent Bates noted that for repairs on an existing sidewalk, according to the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act), a width of 4-feet is acceptable. A brand-new sidewalk would be required to be 5-foot wide.

The ADA requires that tactile markings be placed at crosswalks which are located at Travis Hill Road and Schoolhouse Road.

Superintendent Bates would expect that these repairs could be done near the end of August or beginning of September.

The Town would also need to pass an ordinance which would require homeowners to remove the snow from the section of sidewalk in front of their house.

The best that can be done with the section of concrete sidewalk running along the cemetery is to power-broom it and patch it with concrete slurry.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. The Board will need to accept the resignation of Tracy Ricci, Planning/Zoning Board Clerk and authorize the advertisement of a new clerk.
2. Authorization to renew the subscription to the *Altamont Enterprise* is needed.
3. Authorization is needed to allow the Town Clerk to attend the NYS Association of Tax Receivers & Collectors training seminar June 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>.
4. Authorization is needed to allow the Supervisor to sign the Albany County Ambulance Services contract.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Superintendent Bates read the 2018 Highway Contract which he will present again at the Regular Meeting on Thursday.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Sedlmeir to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (5) Pflieger, Cooke, Dolce, Rauf, and Sedlmeir; Nays (0)*

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### RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED;

Victoria H. Kraker  
Town Clerk



## Draft Minutes, Town Board Regular Meeting, May 10, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Rensselaerville was held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018 at 7 o'clock in the evening at the Rensselaerville Town Hall, 87 Barger Road, Medusa, NY. The meeting was convened by Supervisor Steven Pflieger and the roll was called with the following results:

PRESENT WERE: Attorney Thomas Fallati, Supervisor Steven Pflieger, Councilwoman Marion Cooke, Councilman Jason Rauf, Town Clerk Victoria H. Kraker

ABSENT WERE: Councilman John Dolce, Councilwoman Margaret Sedlmeir

Also present were Highway Superintendent Randy Bates, Recycling Coordinator Jon Whitbeck, Linda Styer from the Rensselaerville Library, and five interested citizens.

### AUDIENCE COMMENTS

1. Ernest Kuehl wished to remind everyone that Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> is the State-wide school district budget vote.
2. Gerald Wood requested that the Town send a 'thank-you' to Sheriff Apple of the Albany County Sheriff's Department and Chief Mooney of the Albany County Correctional Facility for making it possible for the inmates to work at the park once again this year.

### MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2018 – continuation of the Public Hearing on proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2018. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

A motion was made by Councilman Rauf to approve the minutes of the April 3, 2018 Special Meeting – discussion on Solar Energy options. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cooke.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

A motion was made by Councilman Rauf to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2018 Work Meeting; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Cooke.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

The approval of the April 12, 2018 – Regular Meeting will be tabled until the next meeting in June as there are not enough members present.

Superintendent Bates stated that an average of 2,200 tons of material is run through the Town's paver each year. At a savings of \$10.00/ton as opposed to having a contractor perform the work, this results in a \$22,000 savings each year.

Also, on the average, it costs \$64,000/mile to re-surface a highway.

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**TRANSFERS:** None

**ABSTRACTS/VOUCHERS:** General Fund - \$56,986.06; Highway Fund - \$20,220.29; Lighting District - \$694.73; Sewer Fund - \$140.62; Water Fund - \$837.96; T&A Fund - \$5,990.77; Total Abstracts - \$84,870.43.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to pay all signed vouchers and bills; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Supervisor Pflieger received a \$200.00 donation for the Senior Bus fund and a thank you letter from Werner & Marianne Schuessler.

### **REPORTS**

#### **SUPERVISOR**

1. Supervisor Pflieger wished to thank the Albany County inmates for their hard work at the Bayard Elsbree Memorial Park. Supervisor Pflieger also spent time at the park working on the ballfield.

2. Supervisor Pflieger attended a meeting with Catholic Charities. Michael Sikule will attend next month's meeting as their representative and will present the things that Catholic Charities does for the tri-counties.

3. Supervisor Pflieger wished to thank Valerie Lounsbury for her assistance in getting him off to a good start and for getting him to the point where he is now able to perform his supervisory duties with ease.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to accept the Supervisor's report; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

**ATTORNEY:** Attorney Fallati will address the Board later in the meeting.

#### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

1. The Highway Department has been patching, working on regrading dirt roads, and adding stone where necessary.

2. Superintendent Bates announced that the Highway's contract work should begin in 2-3 weeks.

3. Superintendent Bates wished to thank the Albany County Highway Department for hauling crusher-run with their dump trailer. The County can haul 34 tons to the Towns' 15 tons-per-load. Thus far they have hauled approximately 800 tons of material. At a savings of \$4.00/ton, they have saved the Town approximately \$3,200 in trucking costs.

4. Superintendent Bates also wished to thank the Albany County Highway Department for a stainless steel spreader which they gave to the Town.

5. For this year, the Highway aims to resurface and improve 5 miles of roadway with C.H.I.P.s funding. Superintendent Bates is looking to stone and regrade approximately 4 miles of dirt roads and with the Town's own paver, he hopes to resurface 1-2 miles.

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Superintendent Bates has prepared the 2018 Highway Contract which reads as follows:

Town of Rensselaerville  
2018 Town Highway Agreement

This agreement made by the Town Highway Superintendent and the undersigned members of the Town Board to be effective as of 5/10/18 through 5/08/19.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 284 of the Highway Law, we agree that monies levied and collected in the Town of Rensselaerville and received from the State of New York as State Aid shall be expended for the repair and improvement of town highways as follows:

**General Repairs:** The sum of \$180,000.00 shall be set aside to be expended on primary work and general repairs of Town Highways including culverts and bridges having a span of less than five (5) feet.

**Permanent Improvements:** The sum of \$264,387.55 shall be set aside to be expended on permanent improvements of Town Highways as follows:

1. Miller Road: 1 & 1/2" compacted hot asphalt placed by Peckham Corp.\*/Cobleskill Stone Products\*; 18 feet in width beginning at Gifford Hollow Road for a distance of 1.2 miles and ending at County Route 6 for a cost of \$62,316.00.
2. Camp Medusa Road: 2" compacted hot asphalt placed by Peckham Corp.\*/Cobleskill Stone Products\*; 20 feet in width beginning at County Route 352 for a distance of 1.15 miles and ending at the town line for a cost of \$89,566.00.
3. Smith Road: 2" compacted moto pave with single chip seal placed by Gorman Bros.; 16 feet in width for 0.5 miles for a cost of \$22,620.00.
4. Cook Road: 2" compacted moto pave with single chip seal placed by Gorman Bros.; 16 feet in width beginning at Smith Road for a distance of 0.35 miles for a cost of \$15,834.00.
5. Engle Road: 2" compacted moto pave with single chip seal placed by Gorman Bros.; 16 feet in width beginning at County Route 354 for a distance of 0.40 miles and ending at the town line for a cost of \$18,096.00.
6. Cheese Hill Road: reclaim road base, add 6" compacted crusher run and cover with liquid calcium chloride; 18 feet in width beginning at County Route 359 for a distance of 1.0 mile for a cost of \$40,859.00
7. Alternate Road: Jaycox Road: 2" compacted moto pave with single chip seal placed by Gorman Bros.; 18 feet in width beginning at County Route 357 for a distance of 0.35 miles for a cost of \$22,336.00

End Agreement

**REFUSE/RECYCLING**

1. Recycling Coordinator Whitbeck reported the following for the month of April as follows:  
E-Waste: 1.72 tons; Rensselaer Iron & Steel: 6.27 tons; City of Albany Landfill: 49.69 tons;  
Sierra Fibers: 4.71 tons comingled and 5.23 tons old cardboard containers; Oil: 35 gallons;  
Tires: 70

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\*The Town may be able to piggy-back on the Albany County Contract which would save approximately \$3,000/mile.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to approve the 2018 Town Highway Agreement; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to accept the Highway Superintendent's report; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

**TOWN CLERK:** Town Clerk Kraker reported for the month of April as follows: Town Clerk Department – Total Collected \$1,609.75. Paid to the Supervisor - \$1,312.15 - the breakdown is as follows: Clerk Fees: \$59.15; Recycling: \$301.00; Dog Licenses: \$134.00; Building Permits - \$493.00; Planning: \$280.00; Zoning: \$45.00; Total: \$1,312.15

Fees paid to NYS Department of Agriculture & Markets for the 'Animal Population Control Program' aka 'dog surcharge': \$20.00

Fees paid to NYS Department of Health for one Marriage License: \$22.50

Electronic sweep from the Town Clerk's checking account for the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation - Sporting licenses: \$255.10

Water Rents collected for the month totaled \$6,368.06; which included \$73.71 in penalties

Sewer Rents collected for the month totaled \$3,423.73; which included \$54.08 in penalties

A motion was made by Councilman Rauf to accept the Town Clerk's report; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Cooke.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

### **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/BUILDING INSPECTOR**

Supervisor Pflieger read a written report from Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector Overbaugh as follows:

The following permits were issued: one Building Repair, one Septic, and three Deck permits.

The Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector has also been busy with providing the Assessor's Office with requested information; following through on RV permits; building projects without permits; building projects with incorrect information; renewal of permits; Certificates of Occupancy on older permits; and issuing 911 numbers.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to accept the Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector's written report; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

### **ASSESSORS**

1. Assessor Pine reported that the Assessor's Office had finished updating assessment changes and that notices had been mailed.

2. Grievance Day is May 22, 2018. Assessor Pine encouraged anyone with questions or concerns to reach out to the Assessor's Office before Grievance Day.

A motion was made by Councilman Rauf to accept the Assessor's report; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Cooke.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

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**WATER/SEWER COMMITTEE**

Town Clerk Kraker read a written report submitted by John Rice, Water/Sewer Treatment Officer, as follows:

The Water Treatment plant filtered 271,300 gallons – a daily average of 9,043 gallons.

The Sewer Treatment plant processed 267,840 gallons – a daily average of 8,930 gallons.

Supervisor Pflieger had concerns about the numbers. Town Clerk Kraker will contact Operator Rice for clarification and will report back at the next meeting. Acceptance of the report will be tabled until June.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to accept the Recycling Coordinator's written report; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

**RENSSELAERVILLE LIBRARY**

Linda Styer, a Trustee of the Rensselaerville Library, reported the following upcoming activities:

Children can read to Lefty the Dog

Summer Reading Program registration begins on June 16<sup>th</sup>

On May 29<sup>th</sup>, June 5<sup>th</sup>, and June 12<sup>th</sup> – a teen program designed to help students relax and organize for end-of-year exams.

On June 13<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm and 6:00pm– another teen program designed to help teens study for the Regents exams

May 19<sup>th</sup> – Book Sale in conjunction with the Town-Wide Garage Sales

May 27<sup>th</sup> - Memorial Day Weekend Party at the Library from 4-7pm

June 16<sup>th</sup> – Rensselaerville Ramble co-sponsored by the Huyck Preserve

Mrs. Styer also wished to remind everyone of the upcoming vote.

A motion was made by Councilman Rauf to accept the Library report; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Cooke.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

**CURRENT EVENTS**

The Town-Wide Picnic will be held at the Bayard Elsbree Memorial Park on June 10, 2018. There will be games for kids, BBQ, fire trucks, the ambulance, and the Sheriff's Department, just to name a few.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. It has been noticed that there is some settling of the rock behind the gate house and along the old roadway of the Lake Myosotis dam. A noise has been heard coming from the outlet pipe which runs through the embankment section of the dam.

Weston & Sampson Engineers conducted a preliminary evaluation and propose to inspect the 12" cast iron outlet pipe by a CCTV camera to identify any possible defects within the pipe. They also suggested installing two piezometers to monitor the depth of groundwater within the dam and then conduct a survey along the stone wall of the dam to determine if movement has occurred since the last survey which was conducted in 1992.

Attorney Fallati will contact Weston & Sampson as he has a few very minor wording changes he would like to see.

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A motion was made by Councilman Rauf to approve bullet points 1, 2, 4, and 5 of the contract (bullet point 3, if necessary, will be approved at a later date); incorporating the changes mentioned by Attorney Fallati. The motion also authorizes the Supervisor to sign the contract on behalf of the Town. The motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

2. It is the consensus of the Board to extend the deadline for letters of interest in the Solar Committee.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to extend the deadline for letters of interest for the Solar Committee and to authorize the Town Clerk to advertise such, noting that letters are due by June 12, 2018. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

3. Attorney Fallati read the Resolution for Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2018 as follows:

RESOLUTION OF THE  
TOWN OF RENSSELAERVILLE  
TOWN BOARD

WHEREAS, the Town Board has been advised that certain Town Highways suffer damage by the operation of certain trucks and similar vehicles of heavy weight during the thawing season and at other times of the year; and

WHEREAS, the Town, pursuant to Section 130(7) of the Town Law and Sections 1603(e) and 1660(a) (11) of the Vehicle and Traffic Law of the State of New York, may enact a local law temporarily restricting the weight of vehicles traveling on Town Highways; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has prepared the attached proposed Local Law to permit the imposition of temporary weight restrictions by the Highway Superintendent.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the duly convened Town Board of the Town of Rensselaerville that pursuant to the Municipal Home Rule Law and the General Municipal Law, a public hearing shall be conducted at the Town Hall on June 14, 2018 at 6:45pm on the attached proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2018, and notice of the time and place of such hearing shall be published on or before June 4, 2018 in a newspaper circulating in the Town.

By motion made by Marion Cooke and seconded by Jason Rauf the foregoing resolution was adopted by a majority of the members of the Town Board of the Town of Rensselaerville on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018 as follows:

<u>Town Board Member</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent/Abstain</u>
Steven Pflieger, Supervisor	X		
Marion Cooke, Councilwoman	X		
John Dolce, Councilman			Absent
Jason Rauf, Councilman	X		
Margaret Sedlmeir, Councilwoman			Absent
End Resolution			

4. A motion was made by Councilman Rauf to accept the resignation of Thomas Kropp, Alternate Planning Board member; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Cooke.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

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5. Superintendent Bates estimated the cost of repairing the sidewalk in Preston Hollow to be about \$10,000. The estimate includes material and the rental of equipment; the Highway Department would provide 100% of the labor. The existing sidewalk, which runs from the Fire House to the Baptist Church is 3-4' wide and is constructed of asphalt. Superintendent Bates proposes to mill the asphalt, excavate and place a crusher-run base, and then lay 2" of new pavement, 4' wide.

According to the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) a new construction sidewalk would be required to be 5 feet in width, but repair of an existing sidewalk may be 4 feet. The ADA also requires that tactile markings be placed at crosswalks which are located at Travis Hill Road and Schoolhouse Road.

Superintendent Bates would expect that these repairs could be done near the end of August or beginning of September and estimates it would take about a week to complete the project.

The Town would also need to pass an ordinance which would require homeowners to remove the snow from the section of sidewalk in front of their house.

The best that can be done with the section of concrete sidewalk running along the cemetery is to power-broom it and patch it with concrete slurry.

A motion was made by Councilman Rauf to authorize the Highway Department to perform the repairs on the sidewalk with a budget not to exceed \$12,000.00. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cooke.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. A motion was made by Councilman Rauf to accept the resignation of Tracy Ricci, Planning/Zoning Board Secretary; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilwoman Cooke.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

A motion was made by Councilman Rauf to authorize the Town Clerk to advertise for a new Planning/Zoning Board clerk noting that resumes be submitted by June 6, 2018. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cooke.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

2. A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to renew the subscription to the *Altamont Enterprise*; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

3. A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke authorizing the Town Clerk to attend the New York State Association of Tax Receivers & Collectors conference in June. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

4. A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Albany County Emergency/Ambulance Services contract; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS:** None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Councilwoman Cooke to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Councilman Rauf.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir*

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### RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED;

Victoria H. Kraker  
Town Clerk



### In My Opinion

At the May 12, 2018, regular Town Board meeting, the following motion was made and passed: "A motion was made by Councilman Rauf to authorize the Highway Department to perform the repairs on the sidewalk with a budget not to exceed \$12,000.00. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cooke.

*Motion carried: Ayes (3) Pflieger, Cooke, and Rauf; Nays (0); Absent (2) Dolce and Sedlmeir* [Editor's Note: See page 9 for background information.]

Allow me to preface my following comments with the statement that I am NOT opposed to the Preston Hollow sidewalk repair. However, there are matters that concern me.

1. I find the motion in its present form incredibly deficient in relevant details. No where does it specify Preston Hollow sidewalk repair nor does it reference any of the details of the repair (i.e., "as noted above"). I question why the attorney to the town is not providing adequate guidance in matters such as this.
2. The highway superintendent specifically stated that he predicts the cost of this sidewalk project would be \$10,000 which covers materials, equipment, and miscellaneous. This money is expected to be transferred into the highway account from the FEMA account. So why is the Town Board authorizing \$12,000 be taken from the FEMA account? If additional funds are needed because of a miscalculation of costs, then do another transfer! Can we rightfully expect that any money transferred but not used for this specific purpose will be transferred back to the FEMA account?
3. Why aren't labor costs factored into this proposal? Although the FEMA money does not come out of taxpayer pockets per se, labor costs absolutely do. It is only fitting and right that the public be informed of this significant addition to the cost of the project. To tout the project as costing \$10,000 is misleading to the public and must be addressed. I truly believe that a highway superintendent with such vast experience should have been aware of this issue and should have addressed it accordingly.
4. The hamlets of Medusa and Rensselaerville also have sidewalks that may now or sometime in the future need repair. It is my fervent hope that the Town Board will be equally willing to assist these communities in their search for equivalent funding and support for such needed repairs when the time comes.

**Since all Town Board members receive this newsletter and since they don't like being criticized at a public meeting, let this editorial suffice in putting them on notice that a response to these items is expected at the June 14, 2018 Town Board meeting.**

Kenneth's Army presents the  
4<sup>th</sup> Annual

**Kenneth's Ride**

Saturday, June 3, 2018

Music

Raffles

BBQ



**NEW LOCATION!!!!!!**

Registration:  
9:00 AM Berne Town Park  
Helderberg Trail  
State Route 443, Berne  
Between County Rt 9 & 1)

\$20 per bike  
\$30 with passenger  
\$20 walk-ins  
\$30 per couple  
\$10 ages 13-20  
Under 12 FREE

1st Hundred registered get a free t-shirt  
Kickstands up at 11:30 am  
Ends at Berne Town Park with a BBQ

50/50

\*\*\* Preregistration from April 1 - May 20 \*\*\*

\*Ride through the Hilltowns.

Stops at the Maple on the Lake and the Shell Inn.\*

Door  
Prizes

Proceeds benefit a Scholarship Fund  
for a Berne Knox Westerlo student and  
other charitable donations to keep  
Kenneth's memory alive.

Contact Info:  
Claire: 518-368-9812  
Dawn: 518-603-3625  
Melanie: 518-817-7079

**A Little Child Shall Lead Them**

Kenneth's Army is a 501 (C)3 organization.

Kid's Activity Page—Color Me!



**Contact Information for Elected Officials & Department Heads**

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Town Councilwoman	Margaret Sedlmeir	msedlmeir@rensselaerville.com
Town Councilman	Jason Rauf	jrauf@rensselaerville.com
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Zoning Board of Appeals Meetings: 1st Th @ 6:30pm	Anthony Guadagno	spfleging@rensselaerville.com
Board of Ethics	Mary Anne Overbaugh	ethicsboard@rensselaerville.com
Dog Control Officer	Cheryl Tefft-Baitsholts	Phone: 728-8082
Refuse/Recycling Coordinator Refuse Station Hours: W, Sa: 7am-3:45pm	Jon Whitbeck	Phone: 239-4225; 797-3798; Fax: 239-6339
Town Hall		Phone: 239-4225; 797-3798 Fax: 239-6339
<b>Albany Co. Hwy Dept.</b> 239-6715; 239-6710  Town Meetings: Work: Tues. preceding monthly mtg Regular: 2nd Thurs @7pm	<b>Sen. George Amedure</b> 46th District LOB, Room 802 Albany, NY 12247 455-2350; Fax: 426-6751 Amedure@nysenate.gov	<b>Assemblyman</b> 102nd District
		<b>County Legislator Chris Smith</b> 39th District Alb Co Office Building 112 State Street Albany, NY 12207 447-7168; (H) 447-7117

**RVFD News**

- **IMPORTANT:** Our social number is: **966-0338**. Please update your records. In case of an emergency, call 9-1-1.
- **Is there a fire in you? Please come to a drill or meeting to find out more.**
  - ⇒ Drills are the first two Mondays at 7:00,
  - ⇒ Battalion meeting first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm (no meeting in August), and
  - ⇒ Fire Meeting last Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm.



***Annual Father's Day Pancake Breakfast!***

Sunday, June 17th  
Rensselaerville Firehouse  
8:00 until 11:00 A.M.

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All you can eat, free-will donation.

***POST OFFICE INFORMATION***

<http://www.usps.com>

**MEDUSA POST OFFICE:** Phone 518-239-4826  
(19 COUNTY ROUTE 351 MEDUSA, NY 12120)  
**Retail Hours:** Mon-Fri 8:00am - 12:00pm; Sat 7:30am - 11:15am  
**Last Collection Hours:** Mon-Fri 4:15pm; Sat 11:15am  
**Lobby Hours:** Mon-Fri 7:30am - 5:00pm; Sat 7:30am - 11:30am

**PRESTON HOLLOW POST OFFICE:** Phone 518-239-6111  
(2930 ROUTE 145 PRESTON HOLLOW, NY 12469)  
**Retail Hours:** Mon-Fri 8:30am - 10:30am; 3:00pm - 5:00pm; Sat 9:00am - 12:00pm  
**Last Collection Hours:** Mon-Fri 5:00pm; Sat 12:00pm  
**Lobby Hours:** Mon-Sat 12:01am - 11:59pm

**RENSSELAERVILLE POST OFFICE:** Phone 518-797-3231  
(26 COUNTY ROUTE 353 RENSSELAERVILLE, NY 12147)  
**Retail Hours:** Mon-Fri 8:00am - 12:00pm; Sat 8:00am - 11:00am  
**Last Collection Hours:** Mon-Fri 4:15pm; Sat 11:30am  
**Lobby Hours:** Mon-Fri 8:00am - 5:00pm; Sat 8:00am - 11:30am



## Senior Citizens Info

The Town offers car service Mon-Fri by appointment only. Contact Town Hall at 239-4225 or 797-3798 for doctor appointments. The Senior bus also goes shopping on Thursday either to Cobleskill or Catskill. Call Ruth & Tom Snyder (239-4376) the day before about riding the bus if you are interested.

The Town of Rensselaerville Senior Citizens meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month at Medusa Fire House at noon. Anyone 55 years of age and older can join. Dues are \$8.00 a year due in June. We collect \$1.00 a month at the meeting for coffee, milk, etc. Please bring a covered dish to share. We eat promptly at noon and the meeting commences afterward. We have a picnic in August; in November, we have a Thanksgiving dinner at a local restaurant; and in December we have a Christmas dinner also. We have bus trips in the summer and fall. For further information, call Tom Snyder, President, at 239-4376.

Please note that we are in desperate need of drivers for the bus and the car. Please call Town Hall at 239-4225 if you're interested in volunteering as a driver for our senior citizens..

Additional Important Phone Numbers:

- Department of Aging 518-447-7179
- HEAP: 518-447-2551



## You're Invited!

Hilltown Seniors of the Town of Berne have scheduled a trip which we will open up to the public...if you want to join us, here is the info:

THEN IN **SEPTEMBER 17-21** off to **Niagara Falls/Toronto**... 4 nights lodging, 8 meals, guided tours of the Falls and Toronto, a journey to the Falls on a Hornblower Niagara Cruise, gaming at Fallsview Casino, a visit to Niagara-on-the-Lake and Queen Victoria Park, a visit to Casa Loma (Canada's most magnificent castle)

Cost: \$450 per double for members/\$475 per double for non-members

**IMPORTANT!!!!** You must have a NYS enhanced driver's license or passport to cross the border into Canada

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Contact Shirley Slingerland if interested at 518-797-3467. Questions? Call Shirley!

JOIN US FOR THESE TWO FUN-FILLED TRIPS!



*Grist Mill Snow—2011*

### **Rensselaerville Historical Society News**

The Rensselaerville Historical Society is announcing its 3<sup>rd</sup> Art Show. We are looking for artists with a Rensselaerville connection to participate. If you are an artist or know of an artist who is no longer alive or has moved away, we are now creating our artist list for this year's show. The Historical Society is looking for a variety of art work including paintings, drawings, sculptures, photographs, carvings or other media. The show will be in the Grist Mill on Main Street in Rensselaerville for two weeks in mid-July. Since there is limited space, we are now collecting names of interested artists on a first come basis. In the spring, we will get back to you with more information. Please email the RHS with the artist's name/and your name if you are the contact person for a deceased artist, email address, mailing address, telephone number, media of art work to [rensselaervillehistoricalsoc@gmail.com](mailto:rensselaervillehistoricalsoc@gmail.com) or mail it to RHS, PO Box 8, Rensselaerville, New York 12147. Any questions may also be emailed to the above address.



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For more information about what is happening at the Carey Institute for Global good, read the recent February E-Newsletter by visiting the website at [www.careyinstitute.org](http://www.careyinstitute.org).



**63 Huyck Rd, Rensselaerville, NY 12147**  
**(518) 797-5100**

**Hours: Wednesdays 4-10pm/Sundays 12-6pm**

### Events:

- Rensselaerville Ride August 19<sup>th</sup> 7am-4pm - <https://www.facebook.com/events/1749505931804714/>



**BLOOD DRIVES**

**Wednesday, June 6, 2018**

**Berne Knox Westerlo High School**

1738 Helderberg Trail  
Berne, NY 12023

8.4 mi | 08:00 AM - 01:00 PM

**More Details**

Power Red Blood

**Thursday, June 7, 2018**

**Cairo-Durham Elementary School**

424 Main Street  
Cairo, NY 12413

8.1 mi | 02:00 PM - 06:00 PM

**More Details**

Blood Power Red



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YOGA: Tue. & Thu. 9-10:15 am  
PILATES: Wed. 5:45-6:15 pm & Sat. 9-10 am

Classes Open to All at Conkling Hall in Rensselaerville

Sarah Nelson Weiss, CYT  
savitrisarah@gmail.com, 518.817.8720

Fees: Wed Pilates—\$7.00  
All Others—\$12.00  
10 Classes—\$100.00



**PLANNING & ZONING BOARD SECRETARY**

The Town of Rensselaerville is seeking letters of interest to fill the position of Planning & Zoning Board Secretary.

Applicants must be a resident of the Town. Applicants will be responsible for scheduling meetings, recording minutes, and tracking processes of all matters before the Planning & Zoning Boards. Applicants must have good inter-personal skills and be knowledgeable in Micro-Soft [sic] Office. Attention to detail a must. Hours are Thursday evenings and occasional regular business hours as needed.

Letters of interest should be addressed to the Town of Rensselaerville Town Clerk  
87 Barger Road, Medusa, NY 12120  
And must be submitted no later than June 6, 2018.

**SOLAR ENERGY COMMITTEE**

The Town of Rensselaerville is seeking letters of interest from members of the community who would be interested in serving on a Solar Energy Committee. The purpose of the committee is to amend the Town's current zoning law to include solar energy policies. Two individuals will be selected to serve on the committee.

Letters of interest should be addressed to the Town of Rensselaerville Town Clerk  
87 Barger Road, Medusa, NY 12120  
and submitted no later than June 12, 2018

**On the Calendar**

|         |           |                                                                       |                       |
|---------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| June 3  | 10:00 am  | Medusa United Church of Christ Services                               | Medusa                |
| June 3  | 11:00 am  | Trinity Episcopal Church Sunday Services                              | Rensselaerville       |
| June 3  | 1-3pm     | Open House: 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration<br>Ruth & Tom Snyder | Tri-Village Firehouse |
| June 10 | 10:00 am  | Medusa United Church of Christ Services                               | Medusa                |
| June 10 | 11:00 am  | Trinity Episcopal Church Sunday Services                              | Rensselaerville       |
| June 12 | 12 noon   | Seniors meeting & luncheon<br>Dues are due.                           | Tri-Village Firehouse |
| June 12 | 7:00 pm   | Town Board Work Meeting                                               | Town Hall             |
| June 14 |           | <b>FLAG DAY</b>                                                       |                       |
| June 14 |           | Senior's trip to Log Cabin in Massschusetts for Lobster Fest          |                       |
| June 14 | 6:45 pm   | Public Hearing: Local Law on Weight Limits for Town<br>Roads          | Town Hall             |
| June 14 | 7:00 pm   | Town Board Regular Meeting                                            | Town Hall             |
| June 17 |           | <b>FATHER'S DAY</b>                                                   |                       |
| June 17 | 10:00 am  | Medusa United Church of Christ Services                               | Medusa                |
| June 17 | 11:00 am  | Trinity Episcopal Church Sunday Services                              | Rensselaerville       |
| June 24 | 10:00 am  | Medusa United Church of Christ Services                               | Medusa                |
| June 24 | 11:00 am  | Trinity Episcopal Church Sunday Services                              | Rensselaerville       |
| June 26 | noon-9 pm | <b>FEDERAL PRIMARY ELECTIONS</b>                                      |                       |

**Looking Ahead:**

|           |         |                             |                           |
|-----------|---------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| July 10   | 12 noon | Senior's meeting & luncheon | Rensselaerville Firehouse |
| August 14 |         | Senior's Picnic             | Westerlo Town Park        |

For trips contact Janet Nelson @ 797-3963 or Ruth Snyder @ 239-4376

Please get events to Bill Moore...

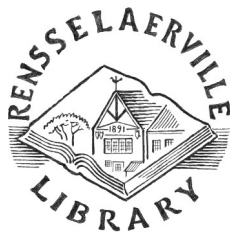
by phone – 239-4843;

by e-mail – [whmoore44@yahoo.com](mailto:whmoore44@yahoo.com); or

by mail to: 11 CR 351, Medusa, NY 12120.



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Lee Ackerman-Sawyer  
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*The Rensselaerville Library works to preserve a comfortable historical gathering place that is open, free and inviting to all of the residents of the 5 hamlets and environs. We strive to awaken and promote a life-long love of reading and learning by fostering personal connections and providing access to a stimulating variety of texts, technology and programming.*

The Rensselaerville Library is a 501c3 non-profit organization and donations are tax deductible as allowed by law.

## Rensselaerville Library Schedule of Events June through September 2018

All events are at the Library unless noted. Events subject to change, please check our online calendar.

### June

5 – 4pm – **Teen Boot Camp** with Nancy Dyer: Test stress? Learn how to stay calm and in charge no matter what's going on around you. And how to instantaneously feel good about yourself.

6 – 3:30 & 6pm – **Kids Father's Day Craft**: Father's day is coming up! Come and make something special for Dad!

6 – 4:30pm – **StoryTime**: stories, music and movement activities for parents/caregivers and children. This early literacy program is aimed at developing and reinforcing the skills that children need to be successful learners.

10 – 2-4:30pm – **Rensselaerville Town Picnic**: Elsbree Park Preston Hollow

12 – 4pm – **Teen Boot Camp** with Nancy Dyer: Test stress? Learn how to stay calm and in charge no matter what's going on around you. And how to instantaneously feel good about yourself.

12 – 7pm – **Poetry Group**: Bring your poem! Receive feedback from fellow poets or just share your words.

13 – 3:30 & 6pm – **Study Help**: Sometimes students need a little help or reassurance just before their Regents or RCT exams. We offer study help, assistance with accessing Regents study sites, and a positive, reassuring environment for students who just need to review their material 'one more time'.

13 – 4:30pm – **StoryTime**: stories, music and movement activities for parents/caregivers and children. This early literacy program is aimed at developing and reinforcing the skills that children need to be successful learners.

13 – 5:30pm – **Kids Read with Lefty**, the TDI Therapy Dog, in a relaxed, friendly atmosphere. Children choose what they would like to read to Lefty. Teens before your exams relax with Lefty for emotional support and stress relief. These programs have been found to improve children's self-esteem, and increase their enjoyment of and interest in reading.

14 – 7pm – **Writing Group**: Writers of all interests, backgrounds, and abilities are welcome.

16 – **Summer Reading Program begins** – Register and set your goals.

16 – 9am – **Ramble Trail Run/Walk Fundraiser** : Join us for a trail run and walk to raise funds for the Huyck Preserve and the Rensselaerville Library! For more information visit [www.rensselaervillelibrary.org/ramble.html](http://www.rensselaervillelibrary.org/ramble.html)

19 – 7pm – **Library Board of Trustees Meeting** –public welcome

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19 – 6pm – **Study Help:** Sometimes students need a little help or reassurance just before their Regents or RCT exams. We offer study help, assistance with accessing Regents study sites, and a positive, reassuring environment for students who just need to review their material 'one more time'.

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20 – 4:30pm – **StoryTime:** stories, music and movement activities for parents/caregivers and children. This early literacy program is aimed at developing and reinforcing the skills that children need to be successful learners.

26 – 6:30pm – **Family Program:** Design and make your own Domino Game - and then play the game of dominos!

26 – 7pm – **Poetry Group:** Bring your poem! Receive feedback from fellow poets or just share your words.

27 – 10am – **Kid's Movie Morning - Coco:** Rated: PG, Length: 1:45, Description: Aspiring musician Miguel, confronted with his family's ancestral ban on music, enters the Land of the Dead to find his great-great-grandfather, a legendary singer.

27 – 4:30pm – **StoryTime:** stories, music and movement activities for parents/caregivers and children. This early literacy program is aimed at developing and reinforcing the skills that children need to be successful learners.

27 – 6pm – **Music Make & Play Tambourines:** Kids make your own Tambourines from 6 to 6:30pm. Community members are invited to come and share their music with kids and other community members. Everyone is welcome to come on down to the craft room for a relaxing evening of sharing music and fellowship!

28 – 6:30pm – **Adult Movie Night - Greatest Showman:** Rated: PG, Length: 1:45, Description: Celebrates the birth of show business, and tells of a visionary who rose from nothing to create a spectacle that became a worldwide sensation.

## July

3 – 6:30pm – **Family Program:** Playing with slime is a great sensory and relaxation activity - and an excellent way to explore scientific concepts of states of matter. We do not use borax in our slimes - these activities are safe for a variety of ages, and fun for everyone from toddlers through adults!

**4 – The Library is Closed. Have a Safe and Happy July 4<sup>th</sup>.**

10 – 6:30pm – **Family Program:** Kinetic sticks and chain reactions, STEM concepts of gravity, force, and momentum are the focus as kids set up a course of ramps, pendulums, and hammers for a ball to reach a goal box. Using Kinetic Sticks, create a chain reaction!

10 – 7pm – **Poetry Group:** Bring your poem! Receive feedback from fellow poets or just share your words.

11 – 4:30pm – **StoryTime @ Lake Myosotis picnic area:** stories, music and movement activities for parents/caregivers and children. This early literacy program is aimed at developing and reinforcing the skills that children need to be successful learners. Bad weather we will meet in the Library.

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11 – 6pm – **Music Make and Play Tubaphones:** Kids make your own Tubaphones from 6 to 6:30pm. Community members are invited to come and share their music with kids and other community members. Everyone is welcome to come on down to the craft room for a relaxing evening of sharing music and fellowship!

13 – 7pm – **Living a Life of Balance: Ayurveda 101** with Emileigh Tanner. Ayurveda is a time-honored health and healing system providing tools to balance one's mind. Come learn more about this ancient medical system.

17 – 6:30pm – **Pet Care with Eileen DePaula:** Do have a pet? Hope to get one? Come meet some pets and learn how to care for them! Eileen DePaula is from Cornell Cooperative Extension 4H program.

17 – 7pm – **Library Board of Trustees Meeting** – public welcome

18 – 10am – **Kid's Movie Morning - Early Man:** Rated: PG, Length: 1:29, Description: Set at the dawn of time, when prehistoric creatures and woolly mammoths roamed the earth, Early Man tells the story of Dug, along with sidekick Hog nob as they unite his tribe against a mighty enemy Lord Nooth and his Bronze Age City to save their home.

18 – 4:30pm – **StoryTime:** stories, music and movement activities for parents/caregivers and children. This early literacy program is aimed at developing and reinforcing the skills that children need to be successful learners.

18 – 6pm – **Music Make & Play Percussion** Kids make your own Percussion from 6 to 6:30pm. Community members are invited to come and share their music with kids and other community members. Everyone is welcome to come on down to the craft room for a relaxing evening of sharing music and fellowship!

24 – 6:30pm – **Family Program:** What is Geology? What is a mineral? How are rocks formed? What about crystals? Find out - and have some fun while you learn!

24 – 7pm – **Poetry Group:** Bring your poem! Receive feedback from fellow poets or just share your words.

25 – 4:30pm – **StoryTime @ Lake Myosotis picnic area:** stories, music and movement activities for parents/caregivers and children. This early literacy program is aimed at developing and reinforcing the skills that children need to be successful learners. Bad weather we will meet in the Library.

25 – 6pm – **Music Make & Play Rainsticks:** Kids make your own Rainsticks from 6 to 6:30pm. Community members are invited to come and share their music with kids and other community members. Everyone is welcome to come on down to the craft room for a relaxing evening of sharing music and fellowship!

26 – 6:30pm – **Adult Movie Night - Love, Simon:** Rated: PG-13, Length: 1:50, Description: Simon Spier keeps a huge secret from his family, his friends, and all of his classmates: he's gay. When that secret is threatened, Simon must face everyone and come to terms with his identity.

27 – 7:00pm – **Author Talk – Helen Benedict** discusses her new book *Wolf Season* set locally.

31 – 6:30pm – **Family Program Papercrafts:** There are all sorts of three dimensional model templates available - from the simple to the extremely complex. Want to make a scary mask? A cute animal? Decorations? Anime figures? Find out where you can get free templates, and try your hand at construction.

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### August

1 – 3:30pm – **Family Program:** Pig Out on **Reading with Daisy and Farmer Minor**. The famous pot belly pig Daisy will be visiting the Library to share her favorite books. Make sure to bring a camera for a photo.

1 – 5:30pm – **Music:** Community members are invited to come and share their music with kids and other community members. Everyone is welcome to come on down to the craft room for a relaxing evening of sharing music and fellowship!

4 – **Summer Reading Program ends** – Be sure to stop in and collect your books.

4 – 6-10pm – **Midway to Mardi Gras** fundraiser: A Main Street Block Party for all ages with parade, music, pig roast and buffet. Ticket prices and more information can be found at [www.rensselaervillelibrary.org/mardi-gras.html](http://www.rensselaervillelibrary.org/mardi-gras.html)

7 – 6:30pm – **Family Program:** Paper Mache is fun and easy to do! Get creative with newspaper, flour, and water! What will you make?

8 – 4:30pm – **StoryTime:** stories, music and movement activities for parents/caregivers and children. This early literacy program is aimed at developing and reinforcing the skills that children need to be successful learners.

8 – 6pm – **Music Make & Take Maracas:** Kids make your own Maracas from 6 to 6:30pm. Community members are invited to come and share their music with kids and other community members. Everyone is welcome to come on down to the craft room for a relaxing evening of sharing music and fellowship!

14 – 6:30pm – **Family Program Robots:** Does your child like Robots? These three 'code and go' kits help kids to learn about how robots and coding work - and have a lot of fun doing it!

14– 7pm – **Poetry Group:** Bring your poem! Receive feedback from fellow poets or just share your words.

15 – 10am – **Kid's Movie Morning – Tuttle Tale:** Rated: PG, Length: 1:34, Description: Inspired by events that took place at the George C. McGough Nature Park in Largo, Florida - the story of JR the OWL as witnessed and told by the nature park's first inhabitants, 'THE TURTLES'. The turtles, HANK, RAFI and GOLIATH, and their community live in a beautiful pond with nice clean water, lots of food and are witnesses to all the events of the park as they get ready for another busy summer camp season, never suspecting what is about to happen at the park and to themselves.

15 – 4:30pm – **StoryTime @ Lake Myosotis picnic area:** stories, music and movement activities for parents/caregivers and children. This early literacy program is aimed at developing and reinforcing the skills that children need to be successful learners. Bad weather we will meet in the Library.

15 – 6pm – **Music Make & Play Kalimbas:** Kids make your own Kalimbas from 6 to 6:30pm. Community members are invited to come and share their music with kids and other community members. Everyone is welcome to come on down to the craft room for a relaxing evening of sharing music and fellowship!

21 – 6:30pm – **Family Program:** Build and play with KEVA planks! KEVA Planks let you tap into your inner artist, architect, inventor, engineer while having fun! Come build and explore!

21 – 7pm – **Library Board of Trustees Meeting** – public welcome

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22 – 4:30pm – **StoryTime:** stories, music and movement activities for parents/caregivers and children. This early literacy program is aimed at developing and reinforcing the skills that children need to be successful learners.

22 – 6pm – **Music Make & Play Pan Pipes:** Kids make your own Pan Pipes from 6 to 6:30pm. Community members are invited to come and share their music with kids and other community members. Everyone is welcome to come on down to the craft room for a relaxing evening of sharing music and fellowship!

28 – 6:30pm – **Family Program:** Play one of our board games - or make your own!

28– 7pm – **Poetry Group** – Bring your poem! Receive feedback from fellow poets or just share your words.

29 – 4:30pm – **StoryTime @ Lake Myosotis picnic area:** stories, music and movement activities for parents/caregivers and children. This early literacy program is aimed at developing and reinforcing the skills that children need to be successful learners. Bad weather we will meet in the Library.

29 – 6pm – **Music Make & Play Whistle:** Kids make your own Whistle from 6 to 6:30pm. Community members are invited to come and share their music with kids and other community members. Everyone is welcome to come on down to the craft room for a relaxing evening of sharing music and fellowship!

30 – 6:30pm – **Adult Movie Night - Lady Bird:** Rated: R, Length: 1:34, Description: In 2002, an artistically inclined seventeen-year-old girl comes of age in Sacramento, California.

**Fine Amnesty August 25 through September 1, does not include lost or missing items.**

## September

1 – 4-7pm – **Annual Lawn Party** fundraiser: 1440 County Route 351, \$20 tickets at the gate. More information at [www.rensselaervillelibrary.org/lawn-party.html](http://www.rensselaervillelibrary.org/lawn-party.html)

5 – 4:30pm – **StoryTime:** stories, music and movement activities for parents/caregivers and children. This early literacy program is aimed at developing and reinforcing the skills that children need to be successful learners.

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18 – 7pm – **Annual Meeting of the Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting to follow** – public welcome

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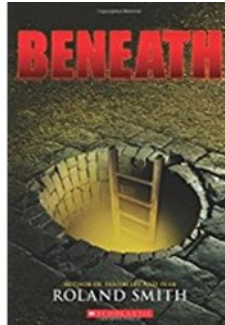
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Teens look for this Summer's Read It Forward Book *Beneath*. Share it with your friends, no need to return it to the Library.

Read the Book, Fill out the Survey and you might win a prize!

## MUSEUM PASSES

**Check the following passes out with your Library Card.**

**Don't forget to show your card at the Via Aquarium for a \$2.00 Discount.**

**The Albany Institute of History and Art** located on Washington Ave in Albany. The Library offers two museum passes for free admission for a family and a 10% discount at the museum shop. The museum has a number of exhibitions and programs.

The Clark Art Institute in Williamstown, MA. The Library offers a free museum pass for two adult admissions July through October. Opened to the public in 1955, the Clark has become one of the most beloved and respected art museums in the world, known for its intimate galleries and stunning natural environment. It also houses research and academic programs, including a major art history library, and is a leading international center for research and discussion on the nature of art and art history.

**Iroquois Indian Museum** in Howes Cave on Caverns Rd. The Library offers a museum pass for free admission for two adults and children under 18. The pass provides admission to the museum and the nature trail through the 45 acre Nature Park. The pass can't be used for special events or festivals.

**The Old Stone Fort Museum Complex** located in Schoharie also houses the Schoharie County Historical Society and Research Library. The Library offers three free museum passes for two adults and two children now through October. Passes can't be used for special events. Visitors learn about the first Dutch and German settlers in the Schoharie Valley and their Indian neighbors. Artifacts date back to the early 1700s.

**USS Slater** berthed on the Hudson River in Albany. The Library offers a free museum Family Pass for two adults and two children. Open for Tours: April through November. During World War II, 563 Destroyer Escorts battled Nazi U-boats on the North Atlantic protecting convoys of men and material. In the Pacific they stood in line to defend naval task forces from Japanese submarines and Kamikaze air attacks. The American Legion Clarke White Post #589 provided the support to obtain the pass.

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**GO FISH!**  
Fishing Rod Lending Program

- Use your library card to borrow a fishing rod!
- Extra hooks and bobbers are provided with each rod.
- Never been fishing? No problem! Instructions on casting a fishing rod are included. We'll also throw in some information on local fishing spots.
- Need bait? Worms can be purchased at many bait shops, gas stations and Stewart's Shops®.
- Poles may be loaned out for 7 days and can be renewed once.
- Everyone over the age of 16 must possess a valid NYS Freshwater Fishing License. (Sold at most sporting goods stores, town clerks offices, DEC offices, over the phone or online by visiting [www.dec.ny.gov](http://www.dec.ny.gov).)



Program presented by Rensselaerville Library in partnership with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation



Don't forget to download your summer reading with the **Overdrive App**. No late fees and available 24/7 with your library card. Visit <http://digitalcollection.uhls.org>

Or  
Use the **Flipster App** to view a variety of magazines digitally.

**HOURS**  
Tuesday & Wednesday  
10-12 and 3-9pm  
Thursday & Friday  
4-9pm  
Saturday  
9-1pm  
Sunday & Monday  
Closed



# Rensselaerville Library AWESOME TEEN

*end of school year*

## BOOT CAMP

~~May 29, 2018~~

June 5, 2018 & June 12, 2018

At 4:00 pm



Are you freaked out about exams? Want to take it down a notch?  
Get motivated? Get organized?

Come learn some tools that can change your life forever  
(yes, you have to practice them but)...

Learn how to stay calm and in charge no matter what's going on  
around you. And how to instantaneously feel good about yourself.

Want to psyche yourself up to really study; to feel at total ease  
when taking a test...

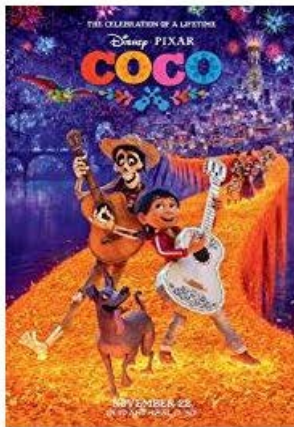
Can't sleep at night? Anxious...even learn to meditate...



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Nancy Dyer, former  
coach and Yoga  
Instructor, sales person  
and marketing  
executive leads Teen  
Boot Camp on taking  
charge of your life fast.

# Rensselaerville Library Summer 2018 Movies



Wednesday, June 27 at 10 am

## Coco

Rated: PG

Length: 1:45

Aspiring musician Miguel, confronted with his family's ancestral ban on music, enters the Land of the Dead to find his great-great-grandfather, a legendary singer.

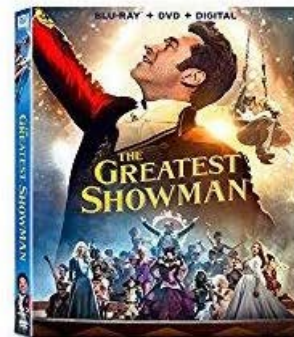
Thursday, June 28 at 6:30 pm

## Greatest Showman

Rated: PG

Length: 1:45

Celebrates the birth of show business, and tells of a visionary who rose from nothing to create a spectacle that became a worldwide sensation.



Wednesday, July 18 at 10am

## Early Man

Rated: PG

Length: 1:29



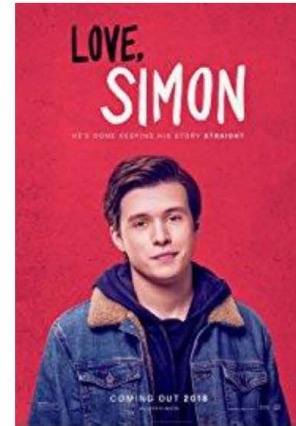
Set at the dawn of time, when prehistoric creatures and woolly mammoths roamed the earth, Early Man tells the story of Dug, along with sidekick Hog nob as they unite his tribe against a mighty enemy Lord Nooth and his Bronze Age City to save their home.

## Thursday, July 26 at 6:30pm Love, Simon

Rated: PG-13

Length: 1:50

Simon Spier keeps a huge secret from his family, his friends, and all of his classmates: he's gay. When that secret is threatened, Simon must face everyone and come to terms with his identity.



## Wednesday, August 15 at 10:00am Turtle Tale

Rated: PG

Length: 1:34



Inspired by events that took place at the George C. McGough Nature Park in Largo, Florida - the story of JR the OWL as witnessed and told by the nature park's first inhabitants, 'THE TURTLES'. The turtles, HANK, RAFI and GOLIATH, and their community live in a beautiful pond with nice clean water, lots of food and are witnesses to all the events of the park as they get ready

for another busy summer camp season, never suspecting what is about to happen at the park and to themselves.

## Thursday, August 30 at 6:30pm Lady Bird

Rated: R

Length: 1:34

In 2002, an artistically inclined seventeen-year-old girl comes of age in Sacramento, California.



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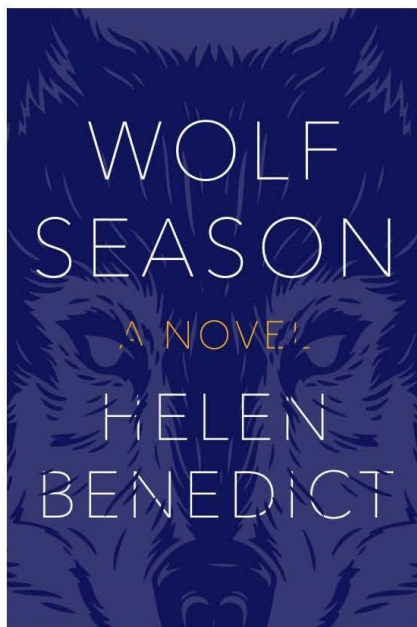
# Rensselaerville Library

## Author Reading

With **Helen Benedict**

Friday, July 27, 2018

@ 7:00 pm



After a hurricane devastates a small town in upstate NY, the lives of three women and their young children are irrevocably changed. Rin, an Iraq War veteran, tries to protect her blind daughter and the three wolves under her care. Naema, a widowed doctor who fled Iraq with her wounded son, faces life-threatening injuries. Beth, who is raising a troubled son, waits out her marine husband's deployment in Afghanistan, equally afraid of him coming home and of him never returning at all. As they struggle to maintain their humanity and find hope, their war-torn lives collide in a way that will affect their entire community.

### Featured:

Woodstock Book Talk podcast

<http://woodstockbooktalk.com/episode-182-april-1-2018>

Lit Hub article about Catskill Literature <https://lithub.com/is-there-such-a-thing-as-catskills-lit/>

Wolf Season was also reviewed by Chronogram.

**Helen Benedict**, a professor at Columbia University, is the author of seven novels, including the just published *Wolf Season*, which Elissa Schappell wrote should be “required reading” and which received a starred review in the *Library Journal*; and *Sand Queen*, named a “Best Contemporary War Novel” by *Publishers Weekly* and reviewed by *The Boston Globe* as “*The Things They Carried* for women.” A recipient of both the Ida B. Wells Award for Bravery in Journalism and the James Aronson Award for Social Justice Journalism for her exposure of sexual predation in the military, Benedict is also the author of five works of nonfiction, such as the award-winning, *The Lonely Soldier: The Private War of Women at War Serving in Iraq*, and a widely-performed play, *The Lonely Soldier Monologues*. Her writings inspired a class action suit against the Pentagon on behalf of those sexually assaulted in the military and the 2012 Oscar-nominated documentary, *The Invisible War*. For more information, visit [www.helenbenedict.com](http://www.helenbenedict.com).



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## Library News

### Middleburgh Library

We are not doing Storytime on Tuesdays, or Storytime with Miss Doreen on Wednesday's, as we get ready for our Summer Reading Programs.

Also, no Wednesday Matinees till Fall. Enjoy your Summer. See you in October.

**6/1, 15 - 10:00 to 12:00 - Home Educators of Schoharie County** - HEGS (Home Educators Group of Schoharie County) is a group of homeschooling families with a wide variety of backgrounds, approaches to education, and religious affiliations. We exist to provide secular support for homeschooling families, offer information about homeschooling, and to allow for sharing of educational opportunities. We hope to increase public awareness, acceptance, and support of home education in Schoharie County.

**6/2 - 11:00 AM - Lyme Disease & Other Tick-borne Diseases** - The ticks that transmit Lyme disease may also transmit other tick-borne diseases. Come and learn about Lyme disease, as well as other tick-borne diseases, so you are prepared to enjoy the great outdoors more safely. Marilyn Wyman works at Cornell Cooperative Extension on natural resource issues. **Registration is required.**

**6/2 - 1:00 PM - Herbs that Delighted the Victorians** - Herbalist and author, Betty Pillsbury, will discuss the herbs that Victorians grew in their gardens and how they were used in cooking and in the household and the folklore behind them! **Registration is required.** A \$5.00 donation at the door is suggested. **This program is at the Dr. Best House & Medical Exhibit, 1568 Clauverwie, Middleburgh.**

**6/2 - 3:00-10:00 PM - Board Games for Adults** - Come and join the fun playing board games.

**6/5, 12, 19, - 1:00 - Mahjong Mania** - Every Tuesday afternoon at 1:00 a spirited group of people get together in the Community Room to play Mahjong. Don't know how to play? No problem! They will teach you how. No registration required.

**6/5, 12, 19, 26 - 5:15 PM - Insight Meditation** - What do you want most deeply? Seeing your life calmly and clearly helps answer this. Insight Meditation is a simple way to steady your mind, stop wandering in day-dreams, and end the suffering of troubling thoughts. Our group is a place to sit quietly in safety, supported by others; to allow understanding and compassion to arise; to encourage loving-kindness and patience. We welcome those with no experience to advanced mediators', teens to seniors. give it a try. No registration is required. There is no fee. All are welcome.

**6/7, 14, 21, 28 - 7:00 PM - Knitting Circle** - These friendly ladies (men are welcome, but we haven't seen any yet!) knit and crochet, embroider and quilt, and more. You can learn a new skill here or share your own special talents with others- or just craft in the company of friends. Drop in anytime! No registration is required.

**6/9 - 11:00 to 1:00 PM - Mother/Daughter Flower Fairy Tea** - Victorian children believed the Fairy Realm held its annual merriment and mischief in June on Midsummer's Eve. Join us for a special celebration of the fairy magic in our first ever Mother/Daughter Flower Fairy Tea. After tea, look for signs of fairy revelry in a scavenger hunt around the lawn, play with bubbles, and have a tour of the house if you like. Fairy wings and elves, often in the guise of boys, are also welcome!

**Menu:** Tea & juice, Assorted Muffins & Scones, Finger Sandwiches, Quiche, Salad, Fruit Fairy Wands & Cookies.

When you purchase tickets, please purchase only for the guests sitting at your table. There are only eight tables available for each seating. Thank you! **This program is at the Dr. Best House & Medical Exhibit, 1568 Clauverwie, Middleburgh.**

**6/11 - 1:00 PM - Monday Musings: Living a Life of Balance: Ayurveda 101** - Ayurveda, literally translating to the science of life and living, is a time-honored health and healing system providing tools to balance



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one's mind, body, soul and senses through simple dietary and lifestyle approaches. Curious how you can attain health and well being while being fully self-empowered and living in accordance to nature? In this hour-long discussion, we will unveil the mystery of this ancient medical system and learn the basics to start living a life of balance. **Registration is required.**

**6/11 - 6:30 PM - Library Board of Trustees Meeting** - Public is welcome.

**6/14 - 7:00 PM - Concert - Josh White Jr.** - Josh White, Jr., became a 'hit' literally over night at the age of four, by performing with his legendary father JOSH WHITE one night at New York's famed "Café Society" night club (America's first integrated nightclub). For the next five years, Josh, Jr. performed with his father from New York to Boston to Philadelphia. In 1949, Josh, Jr. landed his first role on Broadway, and as Josh says, "It was type casting..." he played his father's son in *How Long Til Summer?* with Dorothy Gish and Don Hanmer. While continuing a solo acting career, Josh went on to perform and record with his father for the next seventeen years on radio, television, Broadway, concert halls and nightclubs around the world. *A \$10.00 donation is suggested. Tickets are available at the door.*

**Please use back entrance.**

*This event is made possible in part with public funds from the Decentralization Program and the NYS Council on the Arts, administered by the Community Arts Grant Program by the Greene County Council on the Arts.*

**6/18 -2:00 PM - Color Me Calm Adult Coloring Club** - Do you need a relaxing activity to melt away stress? Join our **Color Me Calm Adult Coloring Club!** This program allows adults to create wonderful pictures and offers a fun and unique way to unwind and express creativity. Plus, it can actually lower stress! *Please note that this is not a structured program. Drop-in and color at your leisure. Materials will be provided. No registration required.*

**6/19 - 7:00 PM - Book Discussion - "My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry" by Fredrik Backman**, author of "A Man Called Ove". Elsa is seven years old and different. Her grandmother is seventy-seven years old and crazy—as in standing-on-the-balcony-firing-paintball-guns-at-strangers crazy. She is also Elsa's best, and only, friend. At night Elsa takes refuge in her grandmother's stories, in the Land-of-Almost-Awake and the Kingdom of Miamas, where everybody is different and nobody needs to be normal. This book discussion will be facilitated by Susan Oringal.

*This program series is made possible by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature. Sponsored by the Mohawk Valley Library System and participating member libraries.*

**6/23 - 6/30 - "Libraries Rock" - Summer Reading Program Registration.** Registration will be held in the Community Room. Be sure to sign your child up for some great and fun programs.

**6/30 - 2:00 PM - Cooking by the Vegan Book - (Book to be announced)** - The Middleburgh Library presents its monthly book club, "Cooking by the Vegan Book." We pick the cookbook, you pick and make the recipe!

How the cookbook club works; Every month, a cookbook will be selected and will be at the circulation desk, for you to look at and we will print up the recipe of your choice.

Sign up online or at the circulation desk, let us know what you're cooking so we don't have duplicates.

**Registration is required**

**Not all of programs have been scheduled at time of printing. Please check our Calendar on our website at [www.middleburghlibrary.info](http://www.middleburghlibrary.info) for future programs.**

**Library News**

**Greenville Library**

**Toddler Time**

The library's Toddler Program is held on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:00 – 9:45 & 10:00 – 10:45 for Infants, Toddlers & Preschoolers.

The program helps to foster early literacy development and play skills. Children and their parents enjoy stories, games, singing, marching and socializing. They can also choose books to take home and enjoy during the week. The instructor is Devon Balta. **For a full listing of the Toddler Time Program see the link below.**

- if Greenville Schools are closed, running on a 1 or 2 hour delay, we will not meet.
- The following Tuesday and Friday dates in red are the days we will be meeting.

**Please remember we follow the Greenville School District calendar If Greenville Schools are closed due to weather or running on a 2 hour delay, we will not meet.**

| June 2018 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 17        | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24        | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
|           |    |    |    |    |    |    |

**Health & Safety Policy:** Please do not bring your child to group if he/she has been ill with fever, vomiting, diarrhea, flu like symptoms, pink eye, unexplained rash or skin infection, croup, any childhood contagious diseases. Children should not attend if they have exhibited any of the symptoms within 24 hrs of group. Children must be fever free without the use of Tylenol or Motrin for 24 hrs prior to coming to group. THANK YOU!!

***Beginner Ballet at the Library***

**Instructor: Madeline Balta**

Come join Miss Madeline for beginner ballet classes! This class is for 1st-6th grade children. Each student should wear a leotard or shorts (no jeans) and each must bring ballet slippers or socks. Madeline is currently a senior academy student at the School of the Albany Berkshire Ballet and has also taught at Redemption Dance Institute. No experience needed. **Just Drop In!**

**Classes will be held in the large community room on the following dates:**

**June 5      From 3:00 – 4:00 PM**



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#### Greenville Local History Group

Don Teator, Town Historian, invites the public to attend the Greenville Local History Group meetings held in the libraries large community room the second Monday of the month, April thru November, at 7:30.

The Greenville Local History Group newsletter can be found at <http://www.dteator.com/qlhg/qlhg.htm>

The Town of Greenville Historian's holdings are listed in a nearly 50 page long Word document (as of May 2012). Click [Historian's files](#) to download. For further information, contact Historian Don Teator ([dteator@gmail.com](mailto:dteator@gmail.com)).

The Boarding Houses / Resorts of the Greenville, Greene County, NY Area is another document that Don has made available to the public. The purpose is to document the boarding house era establishments, give locations, supply additional information and indicate their fate. <http://www.dteator.com/>

The Greenville Public Library will be holding Drawing Classes for teenagers (13) through adults under the direction of renowned artist, Stanley Maltzman. This class will be held in the Community Room from 7:00 – 9:30 PM, June 4, 5, 7 & 8.

Registration is necessary and can be done at the library in person, or by calling 966-8205. There is no fee and classes are open to everyone. A supply list is available at the library. This class is made possible with funds from the Friends of the Library.



#### Yoga/Meditation Class

Instructor for this class, Bruce Hilliger, has been studying and practicing many styles of Yoga since 1968. He teaches a form called Ananta Yoga, a combination of meditation and yoga postures. This yoga is filled with slow and sustained poses that help both stretch and loosen tightness in the body and facilitates easy breathing and meditation. This class is meant for people of all types of body descriptions, the young and old, and varying degrees of physical health. Some restrictions are there

though. Contact Bruce if you have any questions please. Call the Greenville Library at 518-966-8205 or stop in to register.

**June 12, 19, 26      July 10, 17,      7:00-8:30**

**Sponsored by the Greenville Public Library  
The class will be held at the SRV Retreat Center.**



# SAVE THE DATE

## ANNUAL PICNIC

**DATE:** SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 2018

**TIME:** 12 NOON - 4 PM - FOOD SERVED 12-3

**PLACE:** PAAC - POLISH AMERICAN CITIZENS CLUB  
110 COMMERCE AVENUE ALBANY, NEW YORK 12206

**MENU:** HOT DOGS, HAMBURGER, CHICKEN WINGS, SAUSAGE AND PEPPERS, FRENCH FRIES, CHOWDER, CORN ON THE COB, POTATO & PASTA SALADS, BEER AND SODA INCLUDED, SURPRISE DESSERTS

**COST:** Adult Ticket - \$25.00 \$30 (at door)

Children (ages 6-12) ticket - \$10.00

Children (5 and under) - FREE

*For Tickets contact your Town Leaders or Ward Leaders*

➤ JEFF PINE 518-239-4335 ←

**QUESTIONS:** CALL:  
ALBANY COUNTY DEMOCRATIC  
COMMITTEE OFFICE 438-8282

OR COME IN:

MONDAY-SATURDAY 10:00 TO 1:00  
10 COLVIN AVENUE SUITE 101



THE 1ST ANNUAL  
Hilltowns Community Resource Center  
**GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**JULY 15, 2018**

**Lunch at Noon / Shotgun Start at 1pm**  
**Thunderhart Gold Club, Freehold NY**

**\$110 TICKET INCLUDES:**

**18 HOLES OF GOLF • GOLF CART • LUNCH •  
PUTTING CONTEST • PRIZES • DINNER**



Hosted by [Hilltowns Community Resource Center](#) and [Catholic Charities Tri-County Services](#)

Sunday, July 15, 2018

12 noon - 7 PM

Thunderhart Golf Club at Sunny Hill  
2740 Route 67, Freehold, New York 12431

Men's, Women's and Senior's tees for this four person scramble format tournament. Participation is limited to 112 contestants so be sure to register early.

Register:

Kevin Smith, [Thunderhart Golf Course at Sunny Hill](#)  
(518) 859-7669 or [shgolfclubhouse@yahoo.com](mailto:shgolfclubhouse@yahoo.com)

All proceeds benefit [Catholic Charities Tri-County Services Hilltowns Community Resource Center](#) in Westerlo NY. Serving those in need in the communities of Berne, Knox, Westerlo and Rensselaerville since 1981.

Lunch at Noon

Shotgun Start at 1pm...

## Happy Father's Day



## Convenience vs Privacy: The Facebook Situation

Jas Dhaliwal, 21 March 2018

Here are 4 tips to protect your data from being shared on Facebook.

Everyone's favorite social media site is currently the subject of hot debate, and we're here to keep you grounded amidst the madness. First, let's talk about what happened. Back in 2014, a quiz made the rounds on Facebook. 270,000 users took the quiz, which harvested data not just about them, but also their friends. As a result, the quiz aggregated the private info of 50 million Facebook users. All that data was then allegedly sold to the Trump presidential campaign.

Was that illegal? Possibly. Was your own data compromised? Possibly. Do you need to join the pan-icking mob and **#deletefacebook** from your life? That's probably more of a personal question, but answering from a sheer security perspective, no, you do not.

Facebook has come to define a new age of communication and staying in touch. **You should feel free to continue using it, but take a moment to safeguard your privacy.** The tools are there. Because many may not take the time to tinker under the hood of their account, we'll point out some of the bigger privacy controls at your disposal.

### 1. Remove old Facebook apps

Odds are, you've accumulated a load of apps over the years, many of which you've probably forgotten about. Lose the dead weight. Get rid of all the apps you don't use anymore and especially those you don't recognize. Here's how:

Log into your Facebook account

From the dropdown menu in the upper right corner, select **Settings**

From the left margin, select **Apps**

Hover over every app you want to delete, and tap the **X**

### 2. Turn the platform off

Yes, it can be convenient to use your Facebook login credentials across multiple websites, but this is a great security risk. (Remember, you want to use different usernames and passwords for every account you have.) Using one account across so many sites gives anyone who hacks into that account a full detailed profile of who you are. If you choose to go this route, remember you will no longer be able to login using your Facebook credentials anymore for other sites. To turn off the Facebook platform, go to the **Apps** page described above, and follow these steps:

Under **Apps, Websites and Plugins**, tap **Edit**

Tap **Disable Platform**

### 3. Control what others can access of yours

If your info is visible to others on Facebook, they can share that info in other apps, games, and websites. There are over a dozen categories of your personal info that can be shared (bio, birthday, location, interests, etc.), but you have the ability to keep that data from being spread. Once again on the **Apps** page, follow this direction:

Under **Apps Others Use**, tap **Edit**

Uncheck all the categories you do not want shared with other apps and sites (If you are reading this, you probably want to deselect all...but it's completely up to you.)

### 4. Beware of surveys and quizzes

Remember, when you complete a survey or quiz from your Facebook account, you're opening a door-

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way between the company who created it and all the data in your profile. While you're taking that survey, the company has temporary access to all your information. Sure, it can be fun to learn which Hogwarts house would be yours, but at the cost of privacy, it's probably best to avoid the clickbait.

As always, stay mindful of what you share and what you accept on Facebook. There's no reason you can't benefit from the networking and connection tool it is — just use the protection tools that are already available. You can clamp down on your privacy, and still find that there's a lot about Facebook to "like."

Source: [https://blog.avast.com/convenience-vs.-privacy-the-facebook-situation-avast?et\\_cid=125765&et rid=97889308&mailing=con oo pc paac sec all 2018 q2 bojj news04&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=sfmc&utm\\_campaign=con oo pc paac sec all 2018 q2 bojj news04&utm\\_content=](https://blog.avast.com/convenience-vs.-privacy-the-facebook-situation-avast?et_cid=125765&et rid=97889308&mailing=con oo pc paac sec all 2018 q2 bojj news04&utm_medium=email&utm_source=sfmc&utm_campaign=con oo pc paac sec all 2018 q2 bojj news04&utm_content=)



## Ride For My Bride



### Fight Like A Girl

*KO Against Ovarian Cancer*

*Help David Oliver Jr raise money for his wife*

*June 3rd, 2018*

Bike Run 12-2pm

Buffet Dinner 2pm

\$20/ Buffet Dinner & event

\$30/Bike Run, Buffet Dinner, event

& T-Shirt (While supplies last)

Event will include a Chinese Auction, Fun & Games in the pub, and a Ride in  
Bike show

At The Blackthorne Resort 348 Sunside Road East Durham, NY 12423



**LEGAL NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town Board of the Town of Rensselaerville has introduced proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2018 which would permit the imposition of temporary weight restrictions for certain vehicles traveling on Town highways.

The Town Board will hold a Public Hearing on the proposed law on June 14, 2018 at 6:45 pm at the Town of Rensselaerville Town Hall, 87 Barger Road, Medusa, NY, at which time and place all those wishing to comment will be provided with the full opportunity to be heard. Communications in writing in relation thereto may be filed with the Town Clerk's Office or at such hearing. A copy of the proposed local law is available for inspection in the Town Clerk's Office or may be viewed online at

[www.rensselaerville.com](http://www.rensselaerville.com).

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD

Dated: May 10, 2018  
Victoria H. Kraker  
Town Clerk

**FEDERAL PRIMARY ELECTION****June 26, 2018****12 noon - 9 PM at your designated polling place****US Senator****US Congressional Representative**





## Save the Date

### THE TOWN OF RENSSELAERVILLE TOWN COUNCIL

IN CONJUNCTION WITH AND SUPPORTED BY ORGANIZATIONS, BUSINESSES  
& RESIDENTS OF OUR TOWNSHIP,  
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO

## A TOWN-WIDE PICNIC

(A CELEBRATION OF OUR LOCAL HAMLETS)

**WHEN:** SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2018  
2 PM to 4:30 PM

**WHERE:** THE Bayard Elsbree Park, Rt 145, Preston Hollow

**WHY:** TO BRING OUR 5 HAMLETS TOGETHER TO SHARE A MEAL AND  
BUILD COMMUNITY SPIRIT!

- There will be lots of good food to enjoy including hamburgers and hot dogs. Condiments, rolls, paper goods, plastic ware, iced tea, lemonade, and water will be provided.
- If your last name begins with A through M please bring a salad of any kind to share.
- If your last name begins with N through Z please bring a dessert of any kind to share.
- Activities include: a playground for young children, horseshoes, possibly a clown, coin search, and more.
- Take time to browse the information tables of some organizations and businesses throughout the Township.
- Visit with our Fire Departments, the Ambulance, and Albany County Sheriff's Office and K9 Unit.
- Music by DJ Richard Tollner.

*There will be a ceremony to honor our service members  
at 3:30 PM around the flag area in the park*

## We Hope To See You There!



## Rensselaerville Ramble Trail Run & Walk

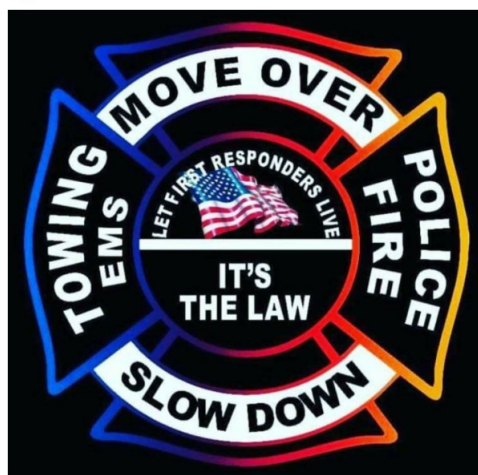


**Race Date:** 06/16/2018 09:00 (Saturday)

**Categories:** 2 Mile Turtle Trot  
5 Mile Salamander Scamper  
8 Mile Rabbit Run  
600 meter Wood Duck Dash  
2 Mile Turtle Trot - TEAM  
5 Mile Salamander Scamper - TEAM  
8 Mile Rabbit Run - TEAM

Join us for a 2, 5, or 8 mile trail run/walk on the beautiful E.N. Huyck Preserve trails in the historic village of Rensselaerville, NY. Participants will see a historic race track, vernal ponds, a large lake, and waterfalls as they traverse the grassy and single-track woodlands trail. All proceeds will go to the E.N. Huyck Preserve and Rensselaerville Library.

**Registration:** <https://www.raceentry.com/races/rensselaerville-ramble-trail-run-and-walk/2018/register>



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