

TOWN OF DEERFIELD



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A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR

Where did summer go?

It seems just like yesterday that the kids were out of school for the summer, family barbeques were heating up and we were all ready for some sun and relaxation. Fast forward and here we are entering the fall and winter seasons. School is back in session so please make sure to keep an eye out for children waiting for the buses and make sure to **obey the rules** for a stopped school bus.

The highway department once again had a very busy road season this year and is in the process of wrapping up a series of projects. We are very pleased with the amount of road repair and reconstruction that occurred this year and we look forward to another successful year next year. The Board will be reviewing the schedule of roads over the course of the winter to ensure we **stay on track**.

The Town is pleased to announce that we will be receiving a \$3,000 grant from the Assembly to assist with **further improvements** within the Town. As previously reported, the Town was also awarded a \$50,000 capital construction grant from the Senate that will be used for much needed repairs to the municipal building parking lot including repaving and lighting.

In closing, please note the following dates:

October 16, 2016 – 9th annual Skeleton Run in the Wilderness Park.

October 17, 2016 – Budget workshop (5:45), Regular meeting (6:30)

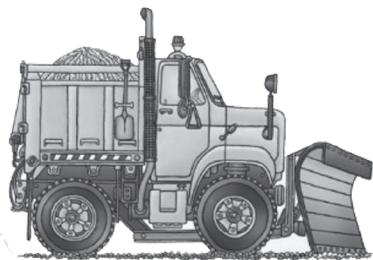
November 14, 2016 – Public hearing on tax levy limitation, public hearing on budget, and public hearing on a proposed zoning change and regular meeting.

Please take the time to attend one of our meetings. Your input is necessary for the success of the town.

Regards,

Scott P. Mahardy
Supervisor

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT



As the summer season comes to an end, The Highway Department hopes everyone had a fun and event filled summer months. The Highway Department had a very

busy year with all the large paving projects we are in the process of completing. This fall if time permits we will be working on installing driveway culverts that some residents have permits for and some normal road maintenance work that needs to be completed.

As our road work progressed this year, residents have asked about why we need to repair the drainage on the streets we are working on. The number one reason asphalt fails is due to poor drainage: the second is sub base material problems and just age. In some of the projects we have worked on over the last few years, the drainage or asphalt has not been properly maintained for twenty plus years. Just a reminder when installing a fence or trees keep in mind the right of way along each property for utility use and drainage. If there

is ever a question about the right of way please call and we will get you the correct footage off the center of the road not all roads are the same.

In past newsletters you have heard me talk about the consent order from DEC and EPA on the repairs to the Oneida County Sewer System. The Town of Deerfield sewer system feeds into the Oneida County system so this makes us part of the consent order, along with other towns and villages. You may have noticed the National Water Main trucks that were around town last year. This company was surveying and taking a video of all the pipe and manholes in town. As of this newsletter, we are waiting for a report as to the repairs we will need to make. Most of the system in town was installed in the early 1970's. The Highway Department is slowly taking on the repairs to the system; we will be repairing some manholes in need of dire repair as soon as possible.

Thank You!

The Highway Department



DATES TO REMEMBER IN 2016:

October

22nd - Last Saturday Trash (Town Garage)



Deerfield Baseball: Competitive Sport, Good Old-Fashioned Fun

By Jozef Malinowski (DeerfieldNY1798@gmail.com)

This past spring, there was a welcome new addition to the Deerfield Wilderness Park. It was the sound of cheering coming from the completely redesigned ball field. Each week dozens of students, parents, grandparents, and friends gathered around the diamond to support our newest athletes and rising stars.

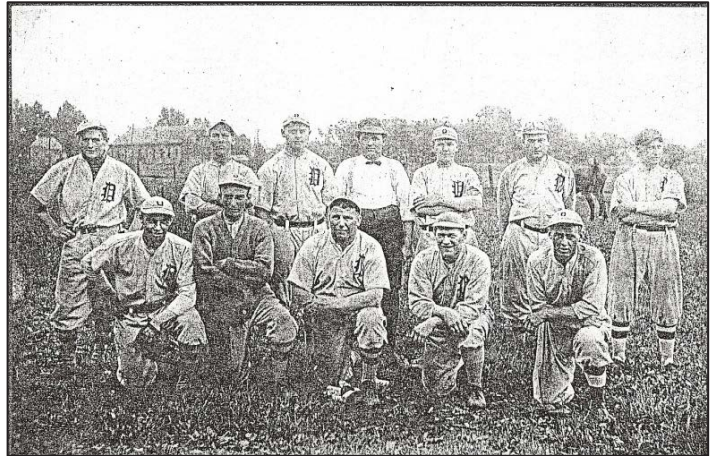


Taking a trip back in time to the early twentieth century, the Deerfield community similarly rallied around its very own baseball teams and the amazing talent they brought. It was America's pastime, and our town came together to watch this beloved sport.

There were multiple Deerfield baseball teams thru the 1920's: the Deerfield Defenders (also referred to as the Deerfield Baseball Team or Deerfield Baseball Club), Deerfield Cubs, Deerfield All-Stars and Deerfield Midgets (grammar school team). The non-school teams typically participated in leagues that were grouped into city, church, industrial and mercantile divisions.

The Deerfield Defenders team was primarily managed by William Breitenstein and was known as a "club to reckon with." In fact, one of the team's greatest victories occurred in a game against the Rusty's and lasted an extensive 18 innings. The team would celebrate the conclusion of each season with a banquet at the Washington Hotel. Multiple notable athletes from the area once played for the Deerfield Defenders.

The Deerfield Cubs were managed by Howard Richardson and won the county championship in 1918. The Deerfield All-Stars were formed in 1921.



Unlike today, where games are scheduled online or through social media, some of the old baseball games were often scheduled by placing a challenge request in the local newspapers, in hopes that the opposing coach would respond by mail or in person. The players were also summoned to report for tryouts, practices and games in the same fashion. On occasion, it was noted that some teams played for a purse, which was typically around \$25.00.



The home games were played at the Deerfield Baseball Park, also known as the Deerfield Park for short. It was located in Deerfield, but later in Utica's Sixteenth Ward after the annexation. In 1922, the park was later named New York Central Athletic Park. For away games, the teams traveled together by trolley to its opponent's home turf and played in communities such as Rome, Clinton, and Ilion.

(Sources: Utica Daily Press, Utica Herald Dispatch, Utica Observer, Utica Morning Telegram)

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

The Town of Deerfield loves to provide community events for her residents. The **Winterfest** and **Summer Hoe Down** are just two events put on by the town, to bring our families together. Both events provide food (pot luck), games, music, and activities. Volunteers put a lot of time and creativity into these events. Your support and attendance is appreciated.

We would like to thank those of you who attended last month's Hoe Down and hope to see you in the winter for our Winterfest. We are always looking for volunteers to join in.

Thank you to D Funk D an outstanding band, who played for us throughout the evening.



TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS:

*Mon, Tues, Wed, and Fri: 8:00am - 4:00pm
Thurs: 8:00am - 6:00pm*

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE HOURS:

*Tuesdays: 5:30pm - 8:30pm
Or by appointment*

The Deerfield Town Board has established the following regular Town Board Meeting dates for 2016.

Monday, October 17th

Monday, November 14th

Monday, December 12th

The regular Town Board meetings are conducted at the Deerfield Municipal Building, 6329 Walker Road, Deerfield, New York and will commence at 6:30PM. Meetings are open to the public and the building is accessible to the handicapped.

IN MEMORY

Donald Key – 1938-2016

Mr. Donald Key passed away in early September. For those that have crossed paths with Don during his many years of service with the Town in his roles as Councilman, Supervisor or Tax Collector, he would always have a story to tell. Don was also a life member of the Deerfield Volunteer Fire Department as well as serving as a Fire Commissioner for many years. We take this opportunity to thank Don for his many years of service and he will be sorely missed.

LOCAL UPCOMING EVENTS



Explore the Historic Rutger Mansions with RIP –
Rome Investigators of the Paranormal

No. 3 Rutger Park, Rutger St. Utica NY, 13501
6:00 pm – 11:30 pm ♦ October 15th 2016

Join us with Special Guests the Rome Investigators of the Paranormal
With less than 100 days away from Halloween it's not too early to get your
scary on. The Landmarks Society of Greater Utica is having the guys and
gals of Rome Investigators of the Paranormal back for another fundraising
event. Keeping with tradition RIP will serve up its own unique blend of
entertainment and paranormal fun. Shaking up the event a little differently

this year RIP will start out with a question and answer session along with
sharing some of the incredible findings they have gotten over the years at
the mansions. They will share stories and welcome yours. Followed up by
some wonderful food! And of course the part everyone always enjoys, the
paranormal investigation. Unlike other events where you are but a mere
spectator, you will dive right into the action with RIP. You will use real ghost
hunting equipment. You will use real ghost hunting techniques. You will be
immersed into all the Rutger Mansions have to offer up. Members of RIP
have recorded the voices of some of the inhabitants of yesteryear by the
name Klaus, Johnny and Milton maybe you can too. The fun starts at 6pm for
the Q&A, storytelling and evidence review. Food and refreshments will be
available at 7:30pm followed by the investigations from 8:30pm to 11pm.
For those wishing to stay RIP will hold a debriefing from 11-11:30pm to
discuss the nights happenings and peoples personal interactions. The date
is Saturday October 15th. The cost is \$40 per ticket with ALL proceeds going
to benefit the Landmarks Society of Greater Utica. Tickets can be purchased
on-line through RIP's website at Caution-**www.romeparanormal.com**
on the special events page. (No physical tickets will be printed, your purchase
will record your name on a master list.)

NOVEMBER 3, 2016 COMMEMORATIVE ORNAMENT RECEPTION

Time: 5pm till 8pm

The Landmarks Society of Greater Utica is
proud to announce their 2016 ornament
'The Fort Schuyler Club'



Light refreshments will be served
courtesy of the Fort Schuyler Club.

Ornament is \$24.00 – Credit cards
accepted. Business casual attire
(no jeans please)

Location: 254 Genesee St. Utica

SENIOR NEWS

The Deerfield Seniors meet **every Thursday at the
Municipal Building at 6329 Walker Road from 9 am
until 4 pm.** On the first Thursday of the month we
have a representative from the Office of the Aging at
the Municipal Building at 1 pm here to answer any
questions or to help with HEAP forms, etc.

We are planning a trip to the Rusty Rail on November
5th and the last trip of the year will be to Seneca

Niagara to see "The Platters" on December 8th.

If you want more information, please
contact **Lura at 724-0658 or
724-0413, ext. 28.**



DEERFIELD YOUTH PROGRAM



Message from our Youth Director

Note: From Youth Director – Karen Day

Thank you to all the families that shared their children with us during the summer months. It was a pleasure working and playing alongside them. We had a great many new younger faces this summer and hope to see their continual participation in our Fall/Winter/Spring Program.

Our Fall/Winter/Spring begins in October and will run through till April, offering outings in local entertainment venues, such as bowling alleys, skating rinks, and much more. Some outings are paid in full by the town for each child; others may be a cost/share rate. We encourage families to come, but most outings children could be dropped off and picked up at the end. Food is not always included at the event, unless it is part of the package, the venue offers. Most venues have snack bars for the children to access, if they have money to pay for it.

So please join us for family fun – In this newsletter you will find the first half of our Fall/Winter/Program, and our Winter Town Newsletter will hold the 2nd half of the program.

Sunday 10/16/16

Deerfield Skeleton Run – ¼ Mile Youth Run – Free to all Deerfield Youth
9 am – sign up in advance or morning of at 8:30 am – Pancake breakfasts available

Sunday 10/23/16

Utica Zoo Visit – Families encouraged - 1pm – 3pm spend an afternoon at the Zoo

Sunday 11/13/10

Candy Bar Bingo – Deerfield Community Room, 6329 Walker Road, Municipal Building
1:30 – 4pm * Bring Friends and families to join in the fun. 1 candy bar per card. 3 card limit.
We will play 12 games – so you will have 12 chances to win.

Saturday 11/26/16

Bowling at Vista Lanes, Oriskany Blvd, Yorkville. Show up at 1pm to get suited up for shoes and choose your favorite ball. We have 2 hours to bowl starting at 1:30 & ending at 3:30. Pizza will be included.

Sunday 12/11/16

Chuck E Cheese – Kmart plaza New Hartford. Drop in between 1:30 and 3:30 for fun and excitement – package includes tokens, 2 slices of pizza and unlimited drink. Children can be dropped off and picked up NO later than 3:30 pm

Sunday 12/18/16

Ice Skating – 4 Mill St, NH Rec Center, New Hartford. Open Skate 2:30 – 5pm. Bring your own skates or we will rent them for you. Snack Bar Available.

2017 to start:

Saturday 1/7/17

Roller Skating – Skate Awhile Rome NY
*Bus transportation provided.
Bus leaves the Trenton Road Firehouse at 12:15 to arrive when Rink opens at 1pm
We will return to the Trenton Road Firehouse approx. 4:30 pm. Families are welcome to drive themselves but must wait until the bus arrives to enter the building.

Sunday 1/22/16

Ice Skating – 4 Mill St, NH Rec Center, New Hartford. Open Skate 2:30 – 5pm. Bring your own skates or we will rent them for you. Snack Bar Available.

**Any Questions or Concerns please contact myself
724-0413 x31 or Paul Zaleski 368 3532**



Whitesboro Central School District's Deerfield School Kindergarten Registration for the 2017-2018 school year will be held from 9am-1:30pm and 2pm-5:30pm on the following date:

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2017

To be eligible to enter kindergarten in September 2017, a child must be 5 years of age **on or before December 1, 2017** and must reside in the Whitesboro Central School District. You must bring: proof of age (birth certificate); and proof of residency: including *three* (3) of the following: National Grid, telephone bill, current NYS driver's license, oil/propane delivery bill, cable bill, insurance bill, and/or paystub. Immunization records must be presented at the time of registration. **If you have a child who will be eligible to enter Kindergarten in September 2017, or know of someone who has a child who will be eligible, please call Deerfield School at 266-3412 for a registration packet to be mailed out to you in January.**

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DEERFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE COMAPNY INC • 2016 EVENT SCHEDULE

Fall Fresh Fish Frydays

October 7, 14,
4-7 PM

Ladies Auxiliary

"Family Style"

Roast Beef Dinner
Saturday, November 5
4-7 PM

Craft Fair

Saturday, November 12 • 9 AM– 4 PM

Takeouts available at all dinners

All events at the Bruce
Yourdon Memorial Hall and
Firefighter's Field

Memorial Hall available
for rent. Leave message at
733-FISH (3474)

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| Deerfield Fire Chief | Brian DeStefanis Jr. 732-2693 |
| Tax Collector | Tracy Jubis 724-0413 x 23 |
| County Legislator | Phillip M. Sacco 796-2034 |
| Dog Control Officer | Jim Griffiths 939-0415 |
| Youth Director | Karen Day 723-4971 |
| Town Historian | Jozef Malinowski 542-3086 |
| Senior Citizen Director | Lura Raymo 724-0658 |
| Zoning Board of Appeals (Chairman) | Lura Raymo 724-0658 |
| Planning Board (Chairman) | Michael Zarnock 734-9764 |
| Assessor | George Haskell 732-1789 |
| Town Justice | Thomas Larkin Jr. 507-3058 |
| Town Justice | Jim Sullivan 507-3058 |
| Deputy Clerk & Deputy Registrar | Karen Day 724-0413 x 31 |
| Town Clerk & Registrar | Tracy Jubis 724-0413 x 23 |
| Councilperson | David Barone 793-0843 |
| Councilperson | Candace Oczkowski 794-4905 |
| Councilperson | Michael Collins 798-9344 |
| Councilperson | Phillip Domser 732-1262 |
| Highway Superintendent | Sam Arcuri, Jr. 826-7014 Work |
| Supervisor | Scott Mahardy 738-0311 |
| Assessor | Extension 21 |
| Building & Codes | Extension 22 |
| Supervisor | Extension 50 |
| Town Clerk | Extension 23 |
| Senior Citizens | Extension 28 |
| Planning Room | Extension 27 |
| Court Room | # 507-3058 Fax # 507-3060 |
| Important Phone Numbers | |
| Deerfield School: | 266-3410 |
| Whitesboro Parkway Sch: | 266-3175 |
| Whitesboro Middle Sch: | 266-3100 |
| Whitesboro High School: | 266-3200 |
| State Police: Business @ | 736-0122 |
| Sheriff's Dept: Business @ | 736-8364 |
| Deerfield Fire Department: | (Business) 732-2693 |
| Whitb. Transportation Dept.: | 768-9740 |
| Poland High School: | 826-7900 |
| Poland Elementary: | 826-7000 |

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