



# Newark Valley News

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*"News from Your Town"*

## MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERVISOR'S DESK

We are heading into fall which is a beautiful season, but one of the most difficult here at the Town Hall. It is the start of our budget process for the next fiscal year.

The state has determined that the allowable increase in the property tax levy is about 1.5%. This is going to be a tough year to maintain this goal. The town had a tough winter season and some unexpected costly equipment breakdowns. We will be looking at various ways to provide the necessary services and reduce costs.

I would also like to welcome a couple of new faces here at the Town. We recently appointed Tim Dalton to fill the vacant seat on the Town Board opened by the untimely passing of Councilman Donald Thomas.

We also recently appointed a new Dog Control Officer to take over dog control and census duties. Denise Liske will be handling these duties now.

Stuart Yetter, Jr., Supervisor



## TOWN CLERK'S CORNER

**Hours - Monday thru Thursday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Closed Fridays.**

### HUNTING & FISHING LICENSES

The State has a new system in place. It is much slower than the previous system, your patience will be greatly appreciated when you come in to get your license.

### DOG LICENSES

The Town of Newark Valley requires you to license **all** dog(s). If you own a dog and live in the Town or Village of Newark Valley, your dog must have a license. In order to get a dog license, you must have a current Rabies Certificate and the appropriate fee amount (\$7.50 for spayed/neutered dog, \$15.50 for an unaltered dog). If your dog has been spayed or neutered, please provide a certificate, so you can get a discounted license fee. You can mail the information with a check or money order to us or stop by in person.

The license has to be renewed every year. Please make sure you provide your rabies certificate if the old one has expired, neutered certificate (if applicable) and sign the license. You can renew by mail. Just send everything in that is required, including your payment and we will send your license and certificates back to you.

If you no longer have a dog, please contact this office to update our records. Your cooperation is vital in keeping our records current.

(You can get a one, two, or three year license. License cannot exceed rabies certificate).

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## *Get to know your Officials!*

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### Supervisor -

Stuart Yetter, Jr.

Office: 642-8746

Can be reached during  
daytime hours at

642-8084

[nvsupervisor@stny.rr.com](mailto:nvsupervisor@stny.rr.com)

### Town Board Members -

Joseph Tomazin

Daniel Cheresnowski

Ron Graham

Tim Dalton

### Court Officials -

Justice Todd Smith

Justice John Schaffer

Clerk Yvonne Tuetken

642-5278

[nvcourt@stny.rr.com](mailto:nvcourt@stny.rr.com)

### Dog Control Officer -

Denise Liske

642-3287

### Code Enforcement Officer -

Tom Larson

[nvcode@stny.rr.com](mailto:nvcode@stny.rr.com)

### Fire Marshal -

Dennis Liebe

[nvfiremarshal@stny.rr.com](mailto:nvfiremarshal@stny.rr.com)

642-3617

### Highway Supt. -

Charles Meade

642-9927

[nvhgwydept@stny.rr.com](mailto:nvhgwydept@stny.rr.com)

## **HANDICAP PARKING**

If you need a handicap parking tag, you need to get a form from us, or your doctor's office, have the doctor fill it out, (both of you need to sign and date it) and bring it into our office along with your driver's license. We will then fill the request from the application. There is no cost to you. You must live in Newark Valley to have this office issue you one. If you live in Newark Valley, you must get your tag here in Newark Valley.

## **MARRIAGE LICENSES**

Getting married? If you plan to get a marriage license from us, please note the following:

License Fee is \$40.00, payable by check or cash.

1. Both Bride and Groom must be present at time of the application.
2. Proof of identity (driver's license, non driver's license)
3. Certified Birth Certificate for proof of birth, name and age.
4. Certified Divorce decrees from all previous marriages.
5. There is a 24 hour waiting period between the purchase of the license and the wedding ceremony.
6. The license is valid for only 60 days.

The license has to be filed where it is purchased, not where the marriage takes place.

You may apply for a marriage license in any town or city office in New York State. If you choose to apply in Newark Valley, you must arrive one hour prior to this office closing.

If you have any questions, please call the office at 642-8746.

Barb Mock, Town Clerk

## **DOG DATA**

Hello Dog Owners:

Please get your dog's license renewed the month it is due. Always provide water and shade all day for your outside dogs. Also, remember your dog must be on a leash when it is not on your own property. A dog should be loved and cared for daily, they are a part of your family, please treat them as such.

Sue Stevens, DCO

## **FIRE MARSHAL FACTS**

### **Fall season safety tips**

As the air turns cooler and leaves drop from the trees, it's important to keep a few important safety tips in mind. With proper precautions and safety awareness, your family can enjoy that crisp autumn whether while avoiding some of dangers that come with the season.

If you have not had your chimney swept in recent memory this is a good time to have a professional chimney sweep take care of this for you and your family. They key benefit will be to help insure that harmful carbon monoxide is safely removed from the home, but it will also help with the home heating bill. While you're at it, have your oil burner service and cleaned for peak efficiency additional cost saving alone with the safety benefits.

When using an electric heater, make sure it is (UL) listed and never use an extension cords because it might overheat and cause a fire, and never, ever cover the cord with a throw rug or anything else since this will also lead to overheating.

Dennis Liebe, Town Fire Marshal

## HIGHWAY HAPPINGS

I hope everybody got everything done that they wanted this summer! Here at the Highway all projects are complete and we started doing all gravel roads. The grader has lost reverse and 2 forward gears, but we hope to be back on the road soon. Also after the Bridge inspections this year, the beams on Ketchumville Road Bridge (Wilson Creek Side) didn't pass due to beam loss (salt corrosion). All beams will be changed with our men and Tioga County Bridge Maintenance Man. The bridge will be closed in September, but I don't know yet when because the beams have to be made. New York State D.O.T. stated that an engineer has to certify the beam size to be the same as or greater than to carry the weight going over the bridge. The last report I have, this bridge was built in the 1950's. We changed the deck once in the 1990's. We have a lot to do and a short time to get there! The detour route will be Dalton Hill and Lamb Road. I will put this in the Binghamton Press, Owego Penny saver, Tioga County Courier and various radio stations a few days before this happens. If you have any questions please call me at the Highway Garage @ 642-9927. Also remember School is starting and so is the fog! Please slow down and start earlier for work. BE SAFE!!

Charles Meade, Highway Superintendent

## NV FIRE DEPARTMENT

Come join the Newark Valley Fire Department for its Annual Open House Saturday October 11<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 3pm. Come and take a tour of the fire station.

Get an up-close look at the fire trucks. Also, help put out the fire in Bernie the Clown's house. There will be lots of goodies at the fire prevention booth like coloring books, free smoke detectors and Carbon Monoxide alarms. And you can try on the firefighters gear. Also, there will be a fire extinguisher demonstrations/ training. When you come, check out the 100 year old fire truck.

Doug's Fish Fry will be there and the Newark Valley auxiliary will have a bake sale.



## HISTORIAN CORNER

Newark Valley Days were a great success!! The weather cooperated to the fullest!!

We enjoyed another parade with the antique cars and the five seniors over 90 who rode in the cars. They had a great time and the parade was exceptional. Thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Klingsmith for arranging the cars and the drivers. Also, thanks to Varina, Buzz, Barbara, Darlene and Beatrice for being such good sports and riding in the parade!

On July 12, the Fire Department had a 100th birthday party for the antique truck that we have. It has quite a history!! And it is still running! Thanks to Deputy Schneider for all the research she did and the displays she had. As a result of all her efforts she created a history of the truck and it is now at our office.

I understand the Stimming display at the Depot is going well. The Stimming family was kind enough to send us some additional pictures to add to the display. Thank you.

We need your input. We have a request for any information you might have on horseshoes (the game not horses.) Perhaps you have heard your grandparents or a friend speak of the game. We are looking for a time frame?? Please give me a call at home 642-3361 or at the office on Wednesdays from 2-4 at 642-8705.

I have spent some time recently reflecting on being a historian. Twenty years ago I agreed to fill in as the Town Historian. Little did I know that it's a task that is never finished! Joan Shaver kept me on task and still does. Now we have deputies keeping busy researching, answering requests, creating displays and preserving the things that we have been entrusted with. Thanks to the Bushnell family, we were blessed with Lena's 70 years of local history. I hate to think of what it would have been like without it.

We look forward to the Apple Festival in October.

We expect to have a war memorial display at the Veteran's Day dinner that the NV Historical Society will be sponsoring on November 11th at the NV Fire Station.

FYI-Thanks to all veterans, we now have over 600 names on file (service records). It's not too late to fill out a card and be added to the file.

We have cards available at the office.

Shirley Callahan, Historian



# **NEWARK VALLEY'S 35TH ANNUAL APPLE FESTIVAL**

Newark Valley's 35th Annual Apple Festival

October 4 & 5, 10AM-5PM at 1800's Bement-Billings Farmstead Museum

9241 State Route 38, Newark Valley, NY 13811

Join us for family fun at our area's only living history museum: great food, music, contra dancing, apple everything, gift shop, kids' activities, horse & wagon, crafters. Costumed demonstrators: open hearth cooking, cider press, blacksmith, soap, candles, spinning, weaving, black powder shooting, and more!

\$6 adults; \$4 students & senior citizens; \$18 family rate; children 5 & under are free

Newark Valley Historical Society

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## CODE COMMENTS

Building permits are very beneficial to you and your community.

By reading this you've already taken the first step toward increasing the investment value of your construction project and guarding against a lawsuit or injury. You'll be surprised at how easy the whole process is. By working with expert code officials, you will benefit from their knowledge of building codes to ensure your construction project is built right, safe, and will last.

### WHAT'S A BUILDING PERMIT?

A building permit gives you legal permission to start construction of a building project in accordance with approved drawings and specifications.

### WHEN DO YOU NEED A PERMIT?

The best way to find out if you need a permit is to call your local building department. Discuss your plans with the code official before beginning construction to determine whether you need a permit. Even if a permit is not needed, the code official will answer construction questions and may provide valuable advice.

### WHEN WILL MOST PEOPLE NEED A PERMIT?

- New buildings
- Additions (bedrooms, family rooms, etc.)
- Residential work (decks, garages, fireplaces, pools, saunas, larger sheds, roofs, etc.)
- Change of occupancy (from home to business)
- Electrical systems
- Plumbing systems
- HVAC (heating, ventilating, and air-conditioning)

Your home or business is an investment. If your construction project does not comply with the codes adopted by your community, the value of your investment could be reduced. Property insurers may not cover work done without permits and inspections.

If you decide to sell a home or building that has had modifications without a permit, you may be required to tear down the addition, leave it unoccupied, or make costly repairs. A property owner who can show that code requirements were strictly and consistently met—as demonstrated by a code official's carefully maintained records—has a strong ally if something happens to trigger a potentially destructive lawsuit. Your permit also allows the code official to protect the public by reducing the potential hazards of unsafe construction and ensuring public health, safety, and welfare. By following code guidelines, the completed project will meet minimum standards of safety and will be less likely to cause injury to you, your family, your friends, or future owners. ([www.townofnewarkvalley.com](http://www.townofnewarkvalley.com))

Tom Larson , CEO



## *Officials cont.*

Town Historian -

Shirley Callahan

Deputy Historians -

Joan Shaver

Ginny Mullen

Marty Schneider

Nellie Snapp

Gwen Stephens

Nancy Hess

Jerry Marsh

642-8705

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reached at home

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Town Clerk/Tax Collector -

Barb Mock – 642-8746

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Assessor - Doug Barton

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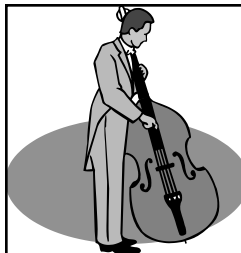
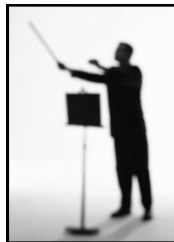
These are your local officials. We are all here to serve the needs of the Taxpayers. Please don't hesitate to call us for help or to offer suggestions to improve "Your" local government.

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## COMMUNITY NEWS



### Tenth Annual Community Concert for Scholarships

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 25, 2014, at 7:00 p.m., for the Tenth Annual Newark Valley alumni Community Concert for Scholarships. The entire public is invited to come to the Jewel Griffith Auditorium at the Newark Valley High School and enjoy an uplifting evening of great entertainment featuring talented alumni musical artists.



Jerry Marsh

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**Town Board Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7PM.

**Town Planning Board Meetings:** 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30 PM.

**Town Court:** 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 7PM. 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6PM.

**Town Clerk:** Monday thru Thursday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Closed Friday

**Town Assessor:** Mondays 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

**Town Hall Receptionist:** Monday through Friday 10 AM to 1 PM.  
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