



# Schuyler Town Newsletter

TOWN OF SCHUYLER, HERKIMER COUNTY, NEW YORK

APRIL 2024

## Birthday Cake of the Month!!



Join us in celebrating Schuyler Birthdays!

Each month, submitted names will be drawn for a Birthday Cake.

Please submit April Birthdays (name, date of birthday, and phone number) by April 15th to:

[birthdays@townofschuyler.org](mailto:birthdays@townofschuyler.org)  
or drop form off (see page 2) at the Town Office (no phone calls please)



The Presidential Primary Day is  
April 2, 2024

Polls Open from 6 A.M. to 9 P.M.

Vote at Schuyler Town Hall  
2090 State Route 5

## -Town Dumpster -

Saturday, April 20: 8 A.M.- 4 P.M.  
Sunday, April 21 8 A.M.- Noon

### Items Accepted:

(Limited to (1) Pickup Truck Load (4 cubic yd.)

- Green Waste (Brush, Grass, Leaves)
- White Goods & Metals (Household Appliances)
- Stuffed Furniture, Mattresses, Rugs
- Batteries

### Items Not Accepted:

- Construction & Demolition Materials
- Chemicals, Oil, Toxic Containers
- Large Tires (over 16"); Tractor Tires
- Household Garbage
- Paint Cans
- Recyclables



### Additional Charge:

- Car Tires up to 16 " - \$6 each
- Car Tires up to 16" with Rims - \$9 each

Permits available from the Town Clerk's Office for \$10/yr.  
Proof of Town Residency (valid driver's license) Required

*A Schuyler Spectacular*  
*April 5th's event*



**SOLD OUT**

Thank you for your support!!



## March Birthday of the Month

Congratulations to Jean F. Smith, whose Birthday is March 14th!



### Schuyler Birthday Form

Birthday Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted By: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please drop off at Schuyler Town Office or e-mail to Birthdays@townofschuyler.org by the 15th of the month.

Thank you to Jayme Moore of *Moore Please Bakery* for this month's cake

## Submitted March Birthdays - Happy Birthday Everyone!

Carter Goodchild	March 4	Rose Marie Caldwell	March 5
Linda Amendolare	March 7	Natasha Savard	March 9
Harlow Marrero	March 10	Stephen Goodchild	March 11
Richard Finster - 75 years young!	March 11	Michael Vincent Sportello	March 15
Isabella Occhipinti	March 19	Baby Mikayla	March 20
Arabella Tripoli	March 23	Mary Haman	March 26
Justin D. Elwell, TH.D	March 28		

### East Schuyler Methodist Church

Sunday Mass is at 9:30 A.M.

118 Church Road in Schuyler

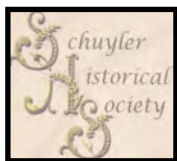


### West Schuyler Methodist Church

Sunday Mass is at 10 A.M.

297 Wood Lane in Schuyler





## TOWN OF SCHUYLER HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Historical Society Meetings on Saturdays from 10 A.M. - 12 P.M. at Town Hall

April 13  
May 11  
July 13  
September 14  
November 9

The Exhibit Room is open to the public on Wednesdays from 10 A.M. - 12 P.M.  
Beginning April 10 through November 13

New Members are always welcome! Please consider joining us for our meetings.

**\*\* Please consider joining us for our meetings and/or to view the Exhibit Room \*\***



### Reflective 911 Mailbox Markers

Available for \$10, with installation available through the Schuyler Volunteer Fire Company if desired.

Prominently display your address in the event of an emergency.

Order forms are available at the Town Clerk's Office and are also included in the annual fundraiser envelope.





**Schuyler Volunteer Fire Company**  
120 Newport Road • Utica, NY 13502  
*Proudly Providing Emergency Services Since 1949*



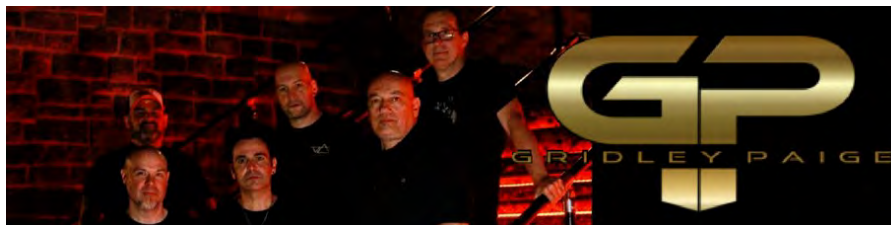
Reminder:

**The New York State Burn Ban is in Effect March 16 through May 14**

Please Do Your Part



**Mark Your Calendars!!!**



**This year's Car and Corn Show will be held on Saturday, August 10, 2024  
and will feature musical guest Gridley Paige!!**



301 North Washington Street, Herkimer, NY  
Phone 315-867-1176

**2024 Rabies Vaccination Schedule**

Thursday, April 11th 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Ohio Community Rec Center 140 Nellis Road, Ohio
Thursday, May 2nd 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Dolgeville Fire Department 20 South Helmer Ave., Dolgeville
Thursday, May 16th 5:00 - 6:30 P.M.	Old Forge Library 220 Crosby Blvd., Old Forge
Thursday, June 6th 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Norway Community Center 3114 Military Road, Norway
Wednesday, June 26th 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Ilion-Frankfort VFW Pavilion 4274 Acme Road, Frankfort
Thursday, July 18th 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Danube Town Garage 438 Creek Road, Little Falls
Thursday, August 22nd 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Salisbury Fire Department 2549 State Route 29, Salisbury Center
Thursday, September 12th 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Cedarville Fire Department 960 State Route 51, Cedarville
Thursday, October 3rd 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Little Falls Town Garage 478 Flint Ave. Ext., Little Falls
Saturday, November 16th 10:00 - Noon	East Herkimer Fire Department 193 Main Road, East Herkimer

- All cats, dogs, and ferrets three months or older must be vaccinated, even if they stay indoors.
- Every dog and cat needs two rabies vaccinations, one year apart, then once every three years.
- Bring proof of the pet's vaccination history to receive a three year certificate.
- Ferrets must be vaccinated every year.
- Dogs should be on a leash. Cats and ferrets should be in a carrier or pillowcase.
- No vet exams will be given.
- Owners are responsible for cleaning up after their animals. Supplies are provided.
- A \$5.00 donation per pet is suggested to defray costs.

**Walk-In and Pre-Registration available for all clinics**

**Pre-register for faster service at 315-867-1176; will end at noon the day before clinic**





## The Town of Schuyler Joins the Mohawk Valley Hometown Heroes Banner Program

This is a 3 year program. The banners have a 'life expectancy' of 5-8 years, depending on weather conditions. The banners will be given to the purchasers after 3 years. Each municipality can determine if they want to leave the banners up year round, or put them up before Memorial Day and take them down after Veterans Day. Each municipality will hang, maintain, and take down the banners.

While each municipality will need to have hardware to hang the banners, Tim Riecker of Emergency Preparedness Solutions, LLC has generously offered to pay for the hardware to hang the banners (\$70 for a single and \$120 for a double). Thank you, Tim and Emergency Preparedness Solutions!

The committee has established a website ([mohawkvalleyhometownheroes.com](http://mohawkvalleyhometownheroes.com)) and has a P.O. Box where submissions can be made.

The HTH committee will accept submissions through the website and P.O. Box, organize the files and locations and submit them all for printing. The banners will be shipped directly to the Town Hall.

The cost of the banners will be \$150 for 2024. Below is an example from 2022. The banner will name each location.





## Mohawk Valley Hometown Hero Program

The Hometown Hero Banner Committee is currently taking applications for Military Hometown Hero Banners. The program provides a decorative 30" X 60" street banner to honor those who are currently or have previously served. The banners will be displayed for 3 years from Memorial Day to Veterans Day. *To qualify for this program, the individual being honored must have served in one of the United States Armed Forces. First priority will be given to Veterans from the Mohawk Valley (Born, Raised, or Resided), then veterans from outside of the greater Mohawk Valley. Please print and complete this form and send it along with photo and check made out to Oneida Chapter NSDAR for \$150 to:*

Program Coordinator  
Mohak Valley Hometown Heroes  
P.O. Box 855  
New Hartford, NY 13413

Veteran Profile

Town of Schuyler

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Service **OR** War Served: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor & Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Status (KIA/POW/MIA)(Optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Photo can be submitted either by mail or digitally. If there are concerns over a treasured picture, please contact us for more information and help. Please do NOT fold the picture. For more information see [mohawkvalleyhometownheroes.com](http://mohawkvalleyhometownheroes.com) or [mohawkvalleyhth@gmail.com](mailto:mohawkvalleyhth@gmail.com). Please call Tom Buono at 315-790-1402 with any questions.

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**Planning Board Meeting - March 6, 2024**

**\*\* Planning Board Minutes Being Provided as Courtesy - Not Officially Approved \*\***

**Planning Board Members Present:**

Chairman Victor Costanza, Vice Chairman David Fusillo, Dale Dodge, Jean Finster, Daniel Tripoli, and Alternate Member Catherine Nimey. Absent was Michael Ritter and James Digristina.

**Also Present Were:**

Richard Finster, Codes Officer Philip Green, Councilman Joseph Juliano, Joe DiNardo, and Supervisor Anthony Lucenti.

Chairman Costanza called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and led the people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**SEQR Process/Training:**

Chairman Victor Costanza reminded the Board of the SEQR process of which secretary Dingman had provided handouts to all Board members.

Catherine Nimey inquired as to the 4-hour required training and if the SEQR process could be a part of this. Secretary Dingman will look into available training.

**Minutes of February 7 and February 15, 2024:**

Motion by Dale Dodge, second by Dave Fusillo to approve the February 7, 2024 minutes with the correction that Victor Costanza was absent from this meeting. All in favor.

Motion by Dale Dodge, second by Jean Finster that the minutes of the February 15, 2024 meeting be approved. All in favor.

**Old Business:**

Chairman Costanza gave an update as to the status of the ADK Convenience Store project in the Schuyler Business Park.

Supervisor Lucenti reminded everyone about the Schuyler Extravaganza community dinner coming up on April 5th. As of the close of business 103 tickets had been sold, and March 29th is the deadline to purchase tickets.

There being no additional business, a motion to close the Planning Board meeting was made by Catherine Nimey and seconded by Jean Finster; all in favor.

*Submitted by Jeffery Dingman  
Planning Board Secretary*



**Town Board Meeting - March 13, 2024**

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**Council Members Present:**

Supervisor Anthony Lucenti, Councilwoman Bette Szesny, Councilmen Rodney Dodge, Joe Juliano, and Eric Kane.

**Also Present Were:**

Town Clerk Barbara J. Boulia, Superintendent of Highways Philip Johnson, Assessor George Haskell, Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green, and Clerk to Supervisor Jeffery Dingman. Town Residents present were: Richard and Jean Finster, Donald Haman, Lonnie and Samantha Etter, Isabella Brown, Dale Dodge, Tom Tripoli, Connie Ambrose, and several school students.

Supervisor Lucenti led the assembled people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and a moment of silence for A.J. Smullen and Steven DiMeo.

**Minutes of January 25th and February 14th, 2024:**

Motion by Juliano, second by Kane that the minutes be approved as printed; all in favor.

**Pay Bills:**

Motion by Kane, second by Juliano that the bills for the past month be paid as presented; all in favor.

**Assessor Report by George Haskell:**

Supervisor Lucenti said Assessor George Haskell will not be here tonight.

**Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green:**

Permits are coming in slowly.

**Supervisor Report:**

Resolution for NYS Retirement Re: Standard Workday

Supervisor Lucenti said we need a resolution regarding the record of activities for NYS Retirement.

Motion by Szesny, second by Kane that the Town of Schuyler pass a resolution regarding the Standard Work Day for Elected and Appointed Officials; all in favor.

BRIC Grant Application

Supervisor Lucenti said he spoke to Kristen Campbell and she has sent the application in for the BRIC Grant.

Speed Control Signs - Grants Available

Supervisor Lucenti said there are grants available for speed control signs and he asked the Town Board if Schuyler should apply for a grant. He was advised to go ahead.

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Policy for Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals Alternates

Supervisor Lucenti said there is a new policy in effect that supersedes the current policy.

The Planning Board will have 7 seated members and the Zoning Board of Appeals will operate with 5 seated members.

He said once the Chairperson calls the roll and there is a vacancy, an alternate, if present, will be seated and the alternate will remain seated for the entire meeting. If an alternate is seated and a regular member arrives late, after rollcall, that regular member will not be seated with the Board and will have no voting rights for that meeting. The Town Board's intention is that the Planning Board will have 7 members present (quorum would be 4 members). The ZBA will have 5 members present (quorum would be 3 members).

Motion by Dodge, second by Juliano to adopt the above policy; all in favor.

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**Highway Superintendent Report by Philip Johnson:**

Green Waste Update

Several residents expressed their concerns regarding green waste pickup. Superintendent of Highways said he has three full-time employees and one part-time person who does the mowing.

Sewer Road Inspection

Superintendent of Highways Philip Johnson said he checked out the road and everything is in good shape considering the amount of rain we had.

New Snow Plow

Superintendent of Highways Phil Johnson said he would like to buy a 2025 Western Star plow truck; he said the cost is \$190,000.00.

Motion by Dodge, second by Juliano authorizing the purchase of cab and chassis for \$190,000.00; all in favor.

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**Highway Superintendent Report by Philip Johnson cont'd.:**

New Loader

Superintendent of Highways Phil Johnson said he would also like to buy a new John Deere loader; all in favor.

Phil Johnson said he will sell the 2016 Chevy pickup on Auctions International, and the money from that will make the last payment on the John Deere loader which will be traded in.

**Water Board Report by Bette Szesny:**

Councilwoman Bette Szesny said there is a problem with an apartment building in Utica. She said the owners of the property have not paid the water bills and there is a possibility that the water may be shut off.

**Planning Board Report by Jeff Dingman:**

Planning Board Secretary Jeff Dingman said there is a meeting with Herkimer County IDA and the DOT.

Zoning Board of Appeals - Appointment of New Alternate, Cosmo Pellegrino.

**Resident Comment:**

Harry Robbins said there is an election on April 2, 2024 for presidential primary and the general primary election is on June 25, 2024.

Chris Proulx said she would like more stop signs on Wood Lane and Graham Road.

Chris Proulx also commented that they took a walk through Heritage Acres off of Cosby Manor Road and there are a lot of potholes, etc. Codes Enforcement Officer Phil Green said he will check into it.

She also mentioned the Schuyler Historical Society will be putting up the photos and they will be ready before the next Town Board meeting.

Resident Tom Tripoli asked about the Boralex and Town Park solar farm mailings. He was informed that the Town paid for two mailings and Boralex paid for the rest.

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

*Barbara J. Boulia  
Town Clerk*

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UTICA, NY


**Town and Court Clerk's Hours**  
Monday - Friday 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.  
Mondays - 5:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.  
  
Town Clerk: 315-733-7458  
  
Court Clerk: 315-733-1093



**Town Highway Department**  
  
Philip Johnson, Highway  
Superintendent  
  
Highway Garage: 315-733-7617  
Cell Phone: 315-240-1485  
highway@townofschuyler.org

**West Schuyler  
Cemetery  
Burial Plots  
Available**  
  
For further  
information and  
current pricing, please  
call Earl Haman:  
  
315-733-2920  
  


**Town Assessor - George Haskell**  
  
Please call for an appointment  
  
315-733-7458 ext. 225

**Codes Enforcement Officer**  
  
Call Before Starting  
ANY Building Project  
  
Philip Green:  
315-534-2232 (cell)

**East Schuyler Miller Cemetery  
Burial Sites Available**  
  
Winter Special until May 2024: Second Site Purchase for half-price: \$400  
Please contact Harry Robbins, President: 315-269-0861  
  


  
**JOHN A. LAPOLLA  
SCHUYLER VFW POST #8728  
240 Wood Lane, Schuyler  
Michael Collver, Commander**  
  
  
Social Hour at the VFW are held Fridays beginning at 3 P.M.!!  
**Please Note: Closed on Friday, April 5, 2024**  
  
Contact Gail Lesniak Moore for Facility Rentals: 315-794-5713