

Town of Newfane



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News from our Town Supervisor, John Syracuse

Here we are closing in on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and the entire Holiday season. We are working through REDI,REDI,REDI. The REDI Phase One is essentially complete. We should be receiving the 2-stall ADA-compliant restroom within the next few weeks. This structure will replace the formerly existing bathroom in the Ontario Street parking lot.

In the spring, the Town will decide the plantings and landscaping in the islands incorporated within this newly paved and striped lot. Most of the West Beach Berm and Drainage Improvements (REDI Phase 2) construction was completed at the end of October. All the rock for the Berm has been installed along with new storm sewers and pump connections which will allow the Town to quickly drain floodwaters after storm events. During the winter, some movement and settlement will be seen at the Berm. This is expected and will be addressed next spring. In addition, topsoil and seeding will also be added in the spring to complete this project. The anticipated date of completion is June 1st.

Bids for the Inner Harbor Stabilization Project, which we hoped would have been performed along with the Berm construction, were rejected as they came in much higher than the allowable per REDI Commission. We have been lobbying the State for more funding, but we are told there are no additional funds available. In response to this, the Town has been working with our engineers at Wendel to devise an alternative that will fit within the REDI budget. We look to have this project go out for bid toward the end of this year or the beginning of next year.

I have been working with our IT Department (Mark Brown) and our Web Designer (Aaron Deys) over the last few months to recreate and update our Town Website. The Department heads and I are reviewing the first draft of the new look and hope to have this new site available before the end of this year. In other IT news, Mark Brown and I have put the finishing touches on a NYS Cyber Security Grant the Town was awarded in 2018. I am happy to report we received the reimbursement check of \$16,337.00 on 10/31/22.

Mark, our consultant Aaron Deys and I also compiled another Cyber Security Grant which would further enhance our internet protections. On September 29, 2022, we received confirmation we were awarded another \$14,500! In other grant news, I have written a grant to the State's Downtown Revitalization Initiative/NY Forward Program This over 5,500 word grant application was quite detailed. I spent a few weeks visiting and listening to input from our community stakeholders which provided the necessary feedback to develop the best application possible. On October 5th, 2022, Mary Zeller, Karen Young and I presented our proposal to the 9-member Empire State Development Panel. I am extremely proud of our efforts. One of the consultants commented that we had a very strong application. I like our chances. If we are successful, we could see upwards of \$10 million brought to our community for capital projects. We listed 6 projects, The Town Marina was the unanimous first choice, followed by reconstruction and upgrades to the Lakeview Village Shoppes, Olcott Beach Commons (Olcott Gazebo and green space), Olcott Beach Replica Lighthouse and Terraces, Olcott Beach Visitor Center (Caboose) and the creation of a Business and Residential Capital Improvement Program. The award notifications should be coming shortly. Until then, let's keep our fingers crossed!

On behalf of the Town of Newfane, we wish to thank the Newfane Lions Club, their Past President Dana Phillips and current President Scott Killion for the tremendous donation of \$1,500 which will be used to replace 5 trees on Main Street. In addition, the Lions Club partnered with the Newfane Business Association to fund the irrigation system for the Veterans' Memorial Park. The total cost of the irrigation system was \$3050. Councilwoman Neidlinger assisted the Newfane Business Association receive a grant for half the funding, while the Newfane Lions kicked in the other half. Thank you to both groups!

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2737 Main Street
Newfane, NY 14108

*Newfane Light Up Parade information on
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Finally, once again, Santa has asked us here at the Town Hall if we would help him collect letters mailed to him from Newfane children. We let Santa know that we would be happy to help him out. As in past years, children can place their "Letters to Santa" in our Santa drop box located next to the North entrance doors at the Town Hall. This drop box will be clearly marked with a picture of Santa. Santa will start collecting letters from Wednesday November 30th until Friday December 16th. This will allow Santa time to respond to all the kids. Due to time constraints of Santa and his helpers, he asks that only children who reside in the Town of Newfane write to him. In addition, Santa is unable to accept letters from groups such as boy/girl scout troops, school classrooms, etc. Please remember, only one letter per child. BE SURE TO HAVE A RETURN ADDRESS ON THE ENVELOPE so Santa can reply!

Have a safe and joyous Merry Christmas and Happy Holiday

From the desk of Supervisor Syracuse:

If you are replacing your TV, or other electronic items, please remember it's against the law to place these devices curb side. As per NYS Electronic Waste Act: Beginning January 1, 2015, no individual or household shall place or dispose of any electronic waste in any solid waste management facility, or place electronic waste for collection which is intended for disposal at a solid waste management facility or hazardous waste management facility in this state. The Town of Newfane normally has an electronic drop-off held at the Town Highway Garage every spring. You can also take your items to Lockport Recycling in Lockport. If electronic items are placed to the curb, you will receive a notice to properly dispose before the Town will come by and collect. You will be charged for collection and disposal.

HOW IS TRASH AND RECYCLING COLLECTED IN A TOTE/CART-BASED PROGRAM?

Totes/carts are collected using an automated or semi-automated collection device attached to the collection vehicle. Acceptable waste and recycling must fit in your tote/cart with the lid closed. Place at the streets edge the night before or by 6am the day your collection is scheduled.

WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO PLACE MY TOTE/CART FOR COLLECTION?

Place totes/carts a minimum of three (3) feet away from cars, mailboxes and other objects. Handles/wheels should face towards your residence with the lid closed. Totes/carts that do not close risk damaging the lid and hinges by the truck. Place totes/carts at the streets edge either the night before or by 6am the day of collection.

MAY I USE A CAN OR CART NOT PROVIDED BY MY COMMUNITY?
No, **only totes/carts issued by your community will be collected.**

WHAT ITEMS ARE COLLECTED?

Acceptable waste and recycling **must fit in your tote/cart with the lid closed.** Place at the streets edge the night before or by 6am the day your collection is scheduled.

WHAT IF I HAVE TRASH THAT WON'T FIT IN MY FULL TOTE/CART?

If you need more capacity for trash and recycling, contact the Water Department for additional service options. 716-778-8132 extension 6.

WHAT ARE BAG TAGS?

Bag Tag Stickers can be purchased through the Water Department for \$5 each. You are allowed up to 5 tagged bags per week. Bag Tag Stickers can be placed on bags of waste when you have the occasional need for more service capacity (trash tote/cart is full). Bag Tag Stickers are placed on 30-gallon size bags (40 pound weight limit). You will place the bags with pre-purchased Bag Tag Stickers next to your full trash tote/cart and in clear view of the driver. Driver will only collect bags with a sticker. Do not place stickers on trash cans and do not place bags with stickers in trash cans.

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Visit Town of Newfane on Facebook

Town Hall

2737 Main Street
Newfane, NY 14108
Hours 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Monday through Friday

Elected Officials:

TOWN BOARD

Supervisor John Syracuse 778-8531 #3
Councilwoman Laura L. Rutland
Councilwoman Susan Neidlinger
Councilman Richard Coleman
Councilman Troy D. Barnes

Regular Town Board meetings are held at Town Hall on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm

Town Clerk

Mildred M. Kramp
778-8822 #2
Fax 638-4183

Superintendent of Highways

Jon Miller
778-8844

Town Justice

2896 Transit Road
Newfane, NY 14108
Bruce M. Barnes
Scott R. Boudeman
778-9292
Fax 778-5793
Justice Court Office Hours
9:00 to Noon
Monday through Friday

Receiver of Taxes and Assessments

Terri L. Iannucci
778-6052

Assessor: Mary Hastings 778-8827 #4
Building Inspector: Mike Klock 954-2030
Water Superintendent: Mike Mills 778-8587
Waste water Treatment:
Nicholas Irr/ Plant Operator 778-7131
Composting Plant 778-7807
Refuse 1-800-330-7107
Town Marina 778-5462
Water/Sewer Billing 778-8132 #6
Water/Sewer Maintenance 778-8587
Wastewater Treatment Plant 778-7131
Wastewater Treatment Plant Fax 778-6160

Dog Control Officer
Ordinance Enforcement Officer
Jeffrey Newman 807-6270
Ricky Smith, Asst. 523-4019

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Full Page B & W \$300.00
1/2 page B & W \$150.00
1/4 page B & W \$ 80.00
1/8 page B & W \$60.00
Business Card B & W \$35.00

Advertise your Business in our April Newsletter.
Deadline for ads is March 10, 2023. Complete the section below and return with your ad and full payment to:
Town of Newfane, Newsletter Department
2737 Main St., Newfane, NY 14108 or newsletter@townofnewfane.com
Make checks payable to Town of Newfane

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
Ad Size _____ Cost _____

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WHEN ARE LARGE ITEMS COLLECTED?

The Town of Newfane's large item collection is the third **full week of every month**. You get 3 large items on your garbage day during the designated week. Please put your large items out on large item week, not weeks before.

WHAT DO I DO IF MY TOTE/CART IS DAMAGED BY MODERN DISPOSAL?

Please contact the Water Department as soon as possible. We will in turn contact Modern to look at video on the truck to determine where the tote/cart was damaged. This is extremely time sensitive—a date and time must be noted.

From Modern Disposal:

Did you know that November 15th is America Recycles Day? This is a day to recognize the importance of recycling and to further educate and empower Americans to recycle more every day. At Modern's recycling plant, nearly 90,000 tons of recyclables are processed each year. We all play a role in preserving our natural resources and recycling.

As the holiday season approaches and history shows us Americans throw away 25% more trash during the Thanksgiving to New Year's holiday period than any other time of year, here are a few tips for a more sustainable future.

1. Don't automatically run out and buy new wrapping paper; look around your home for wrapping paper you may already have. If new wrapping paper is needed, consider buying a recycled paper option.
2. The fancier the wrapping paper or gift bag, the less recyclable it becomes. Use glitter-free, non-laminated paper and bags that can go into your recycling bin. Cellophane wrapping paper and shiny bows are not recyclable. Save those and reuse for next year.
3. Keep it simple! Use natural brush, twigs and brown paper bags to wrap and decorate gifts.
4. Start saving shipping boxes from online shopping and reuse them to package gifts.
5. Shop sustainably. More brands than ever before are using recycled materials in their products. When shopping for your holiday gifts this season, consider choosing brands that are made with ocean plastic, reused fibers, or recycled paper.
6. Recycle old gadgets. Are you planning on giving or getting a new computer or phone this holiday season? Don't toss out your old model – recycle it responsibly by bringing it to your local electronic recycling drop-off. Many towns and companies host these drop-offs. Best Buy offers electronic and appliance recycling. Check your local Best Buy for more information or visit: <https://www.best-buy.com/site/services/recycling/pcmcat149900050025.c?id=pcm-cat149900050025>. You may even find a local charity that is collecting usable electronics for those in need.
7. Christmas lights are not recyclable. If no longer functioning, please put the string of lights in your trash. Putting the lights in your recycling bin contaminates the recycling process. The strings get caught up in equipment and can cause further challenges.

Recycling is something we can all take part in to make a collective impact. If you are not sure what to recycle, please visit Modern's website for the best items to recycle: <https://www.moderncorporation.com/recycling-center/>

HAS RECYCLING COLLECTION CHANGED?

Acceptable materials for recycling must be placed loose in your recycling tote/cart with the lid closed. For safety reasons, recyclables placed in a bag will be considered waste and will be disposed of.

Cardboard flattened and properly sized should be placed next to your full tote/cart for collection. Cardboard and other acceptable recyclables will be collected **ONLY** if the driver can safely place it back into your tote/cart once its emptied. To ensure collection, flatten and size cardboard so it can fit into your emptied cart with the lid closed. Cardboard stacked on TOP of your tote/cart will not be collected. If additional recycling totes/carts are needed, please contact the Water Department to purchase.

****Cardboard boxes will no longer be collected as trash on your "off" recycling week.**

The town of Newfane encourages everyone to recycle. Modern Disposal gives the Town a commission check for a percentage of our recycling. The more we recycle, the more we are able to mitigate the costs of refuse collection to our residents.

Christmastime at the Van Horn Mansion



The Van Horn Mansion features a growing collection of antique Christmas decorations and old-style displays.

Book Your Private Event!

Decorated for the Christmas Season: Nov. 10 - Jan. 10

The Van Horn Mansion hosts a lovely display of Victorian & Vintage decorations. Enjoy this unique backdrop for your upcoming holiday party! Learn more and book now at: NewfaneHistoricalSociety.com/rent.html

2022 Christmas Tours

Sundays, 1-4pm | Nov. 13, 20, 27, Dec. 11, 18

Explore the decorated Van Horn Mansion while learning the origins of many Christmas traditions. Open to the public, 90-min tours; cost \$5 pp

33rd Carol Sing Open House

Sunday Dec. 4, 1-4pm

Enjoy this free event which showcases the holidays through song, activities, food, light shopping, and special performances. Please bring a food pantry donation.



Visit VanHornMansion.com



**Niagara County
Legislature
14th District
Legislator Shawn Foti**

Happy Holidays! My first year in the Legislature has been busy, stressful, highly educational, rewarding, and humbling. I want to thank the great teamwork inside of county government, along with our partners in town and state government, who all work together to meet the needs of our constituents. We have also engaged our community organizations for feedback and collaboration on how to improve services and where the most significant needs are. I truly enjoy serving the 14th District and I hope that you feel I have represented you all well. After a demanding year, I am looking forward to spending time with my family around the holidays and reflecting on our many blessings. I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable holiday/winter season.

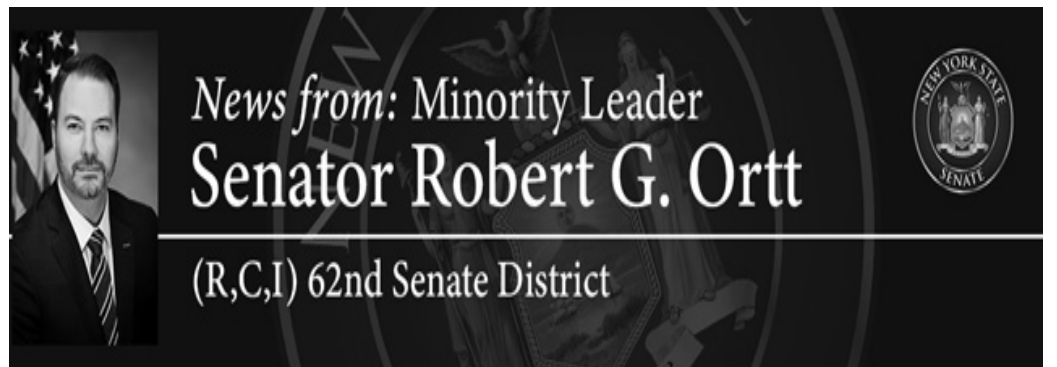
Krull Park:

Our park is going to see a huge improvement project begin in 2023 which will transform the entire north side of the park and provide endless possibilities for the future. In October, the county Department of Public Works (DPW) held a public meeting at the Newfane Community Center to unveil and discuss the “Krull Park Shoreline Wall and Bank Reconstruction” project. This meeting included the engineering team, Newfane Town representatives, and members of the community from many different organizations who will benefit from this enhancement. The project, funded by FEMA, consists of stabilizing the shoreline along the entire length of the park similar to the rock structure below Lakeview Shoppes; building a shoreline walking path at the water edge; adding in a walk path to access the water front from the East parking lot; building a new bandstand/amphitheater for hosting concert type venues; and cleaning up the embankment so it can be used for sitting and viewing the lake. This project will affect festivals and usage of the park during next summer which is why we are starting now distributing information and receiving feedback from those who will be most impacted. Blueprints and renderings will hopefully be available to the public soon so that everyone is informed and excited for the future of our beautiful park.

Niagara County Façade Grant Program:

Early in 2022, the Niagara County Center for Economic Development created the Niagara County Façade Program which utilized \$3 million of ARPA money to provide direct grant funding to our local small businesses in order to improve curb appeal and accessibility for residents. Representatives from the towns joined me on an information blitz, going door to door at our local businesses, to spread the word about this program and make sure people applied for funding. It has been an incredibly successful program county-wide as we received more than 200 applications and leading us to increase the funding to over \$5 million dollars. I am proud to say that within the 14th district, 24 of our local businesses received funding totaling \$527,858. As you drive around town you can already see the improvements at Lake Ontario Motel, Niagara Frontier Equipment Sales, Covey’s Cove, and many others. The county created this program to provide an economic boost to our small business who were hurt during the pandemic, and to help beautify our small town business districts. From what I have seen so far, the program is working as intended.

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Unfortunately, this has been a tumultuous year. Albany politicians have been trying to convince New Yorkers not to believe their own eyes: their TV ads, thought pieces, and press statements have all tried to trick you into believing that they’ve got crime and inflation under control.

New Yorkers know better. They know they are less safe today than they were just a few years ago. They know their hard-earned paycheck is worth less every passing day. They know this because they see it in their local communities and their wallets.

This year in New York State, we have witnessed brave police officers murdered and assaulted; senior citizens, Asian-Americans, and other communities targeted and attacked in broad daylight.

Over the summer, we have also felt the pain of paying close to \$4.50/average for a gallon of gas in New York; utility bills tripling for some customers; and options in the grocery store down while the cost goes up for milk and eggs, all thanks to “supply-chain” issues and inflation.

Unfortunately, this year’s state budget missed the mark in addressing the needs of New Yorkers.

Number One: We needed to fully repeal cashless bail. The latest “tweaks” here and “fixes” by Albany this past year did not accomplish anything of note, and our communities aren’t any safer.

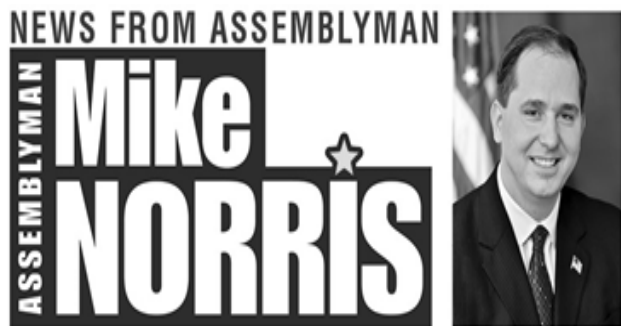
We still need to go back to the drawing board on bail and public safety. To get it right, we need everyone at the table, including law enforcement, and we need to provide our judges with the clear power to keep dangerous criminals off our streets – a power they still do not have. Also, we should’ve made Kendra’s Law permanent and fully fixed New York’s discovery laws. Sadly, Albany is still sending the message with this most recent budget that our prosecutors, our cops, and our entire judicial system will continue to be handcuffed.

Number Two: We should have fully suspended the entire state gas tax – not partial or rebate gimmicks. We could’ve also freed our state energy sector from the constraints of senseless overregulation instead of adding more senseless red tape.

Finally, when it comes to the CLCPA, the Climate Leadership and Community Protections Act, it is clear - my colleague across the aisle, and their proposed plans, are out of touch with middle-class New Yorkers and will be a significant financial burden to our state’s residents. These plans will only result in higher utility costs and a less reliable grid. To lower energy costs, we must cut taxes and regulations.

Two key government responsibilities are to ensure the safety of its people and be good stewards of their tax dollars. Voters elect officials to pursue laws and policies that protect our residents, law-abiding taxpayers, and families. Right now, Albany is not doing that.

New York leaders can and must aggressively reverse course, restore public safety, and fix our state economy. We can’t use \$220 billion taxpayer dollars to spend our way out of this problem. As we head into the holiday season, I wish you and your families a blessed holiday season, and remember, I will continue to be a voice for you in Albany.



NORRIS CALLS ON STATE LABOR COMMISSIONER TO REJECT PLAN TO REDUCE FARM WORKWEEK

This year it's never been more important to support our local farms as the state has approved a new burdensome regulation that could bankrupt our generational family farms once and for all. Shopping local, buying food at your local farmers markets, farm stands and farms, vineyards and wineries will make or break our local agriculture this season so please keep that in mind as you are gathering groceries and preparing for your holidays. Buying local also can save you money, so that's another point to keep in mind as inflation continues to pinch everyone's wallet.

I joined Senator Rob Ortt, Senator George Borrello & members of the New York Farm Bureau to urge the Farm Labor Wage Board in Albany to reject a reduction of the overtime threshold from the current 60 hours to the proposed 40 hours. Farms across the state have been besieged by rising costs in fuel and energy prices, various taxes, and rising labor costs as well as the addition of costly mandates from the state leading many farms, particularly small, family-run farms to close, consolidate or downsize operations. Already a struggling industry, New York's agriculture sector lost more than 2,000 farms in the last decade. This is wholly unacceptable.

Inflation is still forcing families to make tough choices and they are struggling to put food on the table. This is not the time to limit hard work, entrepreneurial spirit and ingenuity by putting farmers and farm workers alike out of business. This issue has been adamantly opposed by farmers and farm workers alike since it was first conceived at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic's food shortages. Farm workers have even testified that if they cannot get the work they need here in New York, they will relocate to states without such burdensome regulations.

Labor Commissioner Roberta Reardon accepted the recommendation of the Farm Laborers Wage Board to lower the current 60-hour overtime threshold on Sept. 30, following nearly two years of deliberation and public feedback. The changes will be phased in over the next decade, dropping four hours every two years with the first adjustment lowering the threshold to 56 hours in 2024.

I opposed the creation of this Board from the beginning and recognized the devastating impact it would have on our agricultural industry. Farm work is unique and unpredictable based upon weather and seasonal conditions. There's the harvest and planting season, both necessitating longer hours and you make hay while the sun shines.

Agriculture remains our number one industry in New York State. Our land and small family farms produce an abundant yield of crops and products, and we are very fortunate here to have such access to them. This is just one of the reasons why Albany needs to stop listening to special interests and start listening to the people. Recently I unveiled by 10-point Inflation Relief Plan, and while we need our leaders in Albany and Washington to provide meaningful relief, we also need them to stop pandering to their campaign donors. We need them to get back to basics.

That's why I am renewing calls for Governor Hochul and our other state leaders to do just that. Get back to the basics that we here in Western New York need most: limited, controlled state spending; investments in much-needed local infrastructure projects to boost our economy and improve public safety; and change the way it does business with serious, top-down reform. I am focused on solutions and how we can solve the problems of our state and set ourselves — and future generations — up for success in the long term.

This year I am happy to sponsor my annual Winter Coat and Clothing Drive to help to keep our neighbors in need warmer this winter. Residents can donate new or gently used winter clothing items to locations around the district. Children's boots are in particularly high demand. Items can be dropped off at any of the following locations around the 144th Assembly District from November 21st until December 19th:

Assemblyman Mike Norris' District Office
8180 Main Street
Clarence, NY 14221

Newfane Town Hall
2737 Main Street
Newfane, NY 14108

Clarence Town Hall
1 Town Place
Clarence, NY 14031

Lockport Town Hall
6560 Dysinger Road
Lockport, NY 14094

Middleport Village Hall
24 Main Street
Middleport, NY 14105

Lockport Municipal Building
One Locks Plaza
Lockport, New York 14094

Wilson Town Hall
375 Lake Street
Wilson, NY 14172

I hope you and your family have a joyous and happy Thanksgiving and as always, please know my staff and I are here for you. Please do not hesitate to call my office at (716) 839-4691 or email me at norrism@nyassembly.gov.

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Infrastructure:
Niagara County DPW had a busy summer working on our roads and will continue to have a busy winter maintaining the roads for our safe travel. I want to thank our DPW team for all of their hard work, especially while dealing with staffing shortages and large cost increases. In Newfane we see newly paved sections of road on Ewings Rd, Ridge Rd, Main St, Lake Rd, and all through the business district of Olcott. A new bridge culvert structure was completed on Wilson-Burt Rd. The new bridge will help improve creek waterflow and also allow for the safe travel of farm equipment and loaded trailers of crops. The previous bridge had deteriorated to the point where farm equipment could not use it. There will be more paving and culvert projects completed in the next few years so I am happy to see investment in our local infrastructure. DPW jobs are available at the county so please consider joining our team and improving your communities.

News from our Niagara County Sheriff's Office:



I want to first remind all of you, your Sheriff's Office is here for you when you need us the most. Keeping our community safe is my top priority and our team always strives to provide the best public safety services to Niagara County. Our communications division is there to answer your 911 call in an emergency, our patrol deputies are ready to respond to your situation and our correctional staff is serving every day behind the walls to keep you safe.

To keep public safety operating at a high standard, we must always be looking forward, updating and upgrading our capabilities to serve you. Over the last several months, construction began on three new emergency communication towers in Wheatfield, Wilson and Barker. These new towers will provide enhanced communications for all of our first responders serving in our county. We hope to see completion of these towers by early next year. We also now feature text to 911 in our communications center.

Those that are unable to dial 911 and speak are provided with the ability to text to initiate help for their emergency. Our emergency dispatchers are now using automated emergency medical dispatch to help provide immediate aid to those calling for an emergency. This system will help save lives of those suffering medical emergencies. Speaking of saving lives, our deputies began carrying Epi-pens earlier this year and immediately we saw the need for this lifesaving tool. Deputies responded to several calls for life-threatening allergic reactions and had the right medical supplies to aid those suffering a medical emergency.

School safety is something that is on the mind of many I speak with. Niagara County parents and residents, like many others, need reassurance that our schools are safe places for their kids to learn. In partnership with our school districts, we were able to add three additional school resource officers to area schools. Wilson, Starpoint and Niagara Charter now have a full-time deputy sheriff school resource officer serving their districts. Newfane and Orleans-Niagara BOCES have had a deputy sheriff assigned to their district for many years now. Other school districts throughout the county have either added or created new school resource officer positions using officers from our partner law enforcement agencies. School safety has been placed front and center with tremendous working relationships between law enforcement and our school districts. The Sheriff's Office has also expanded our access to school district camera systems. In an emergency, our communications center can access cameras to assist response during an emergency. We will continue to work with our schools to make them as safe as possible for our children.

I often say that a community that knows its Sheriff's Office, trusts its law enforcement. I place a strong emphasis on being involved in community events. I want you to know our deputies, dispatchers, correction officers and other staff. We have held, attended or participated in over 400 community events so far this year. These events range from teaching AllStar to our school kids, parades, neighborhood watch meetings, K9 demonstrations, building bridges program, law enforcement explorer program, our monthly LCTV show and so many more. I want you to know our people that serve you every day. I am very proud of our men and women at this office, and I want you to have a chance to meet these all stars.

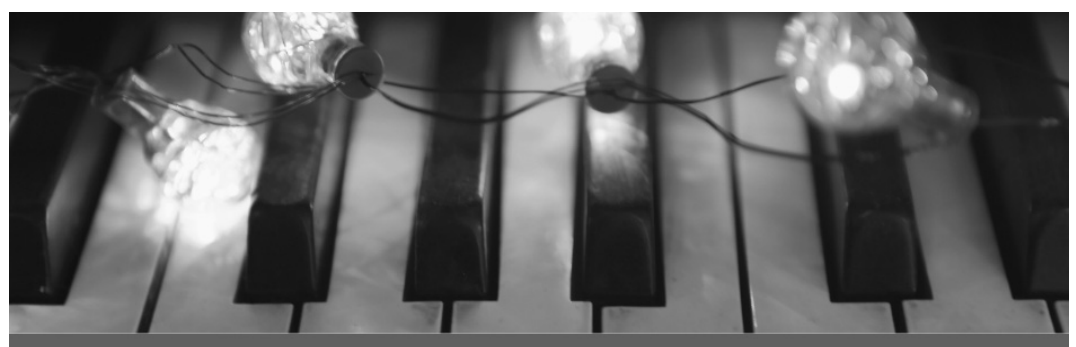
I have to mention that behind the walls of our correctional facility something very special is going on. We are close to graduating our second class of veteran service dogs. Through a partnership with WNY Heroes, Niagara SPCA and other shelters, we are able to train rescue dogs to serve our veterans in need of a service animal. This is a win for our veterans, incarcerated dog trainers and for the dogs. I plan to continue this much needed program for many years to come.

We will continue to move forward to provide you with the best trained and equipped staff to address your public safety needs. Take care and stay safe out there.

Sheriff Michael J. Filicetti



It's not too early to think about summer jobs! The Town of Newfane is looking for lifeguards at Olcott Beach for summer of 2023. Applicants must have lifeguard and waterfront safety certifications. Applications available at the supervisors office at the Town Hall. If you have any questions, please call Laura at 716-807-1104.



CHRISTMAS CONCERT

with Chris Stephens

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9
7:00 PM**

**FREE CONCERT AT
HESS ROAD WESLEYAN CHURCH
2514 HESS ROAD, APPLETON**



The covid pandemic has changed our world for the past two years. It has affected us in our everyday life ,including our jobs, health, schooling and every age is affected. One of the needed support systems was to continue providing food for our needy. That became a challenge for our food pantries in Newfane. They had to make changes within the pantries to secure a safe pantry using social distancing, wearing masks and gloves.

The safety of our clients was very important, but also the safety of our volunteers were at risk as well. There was no doubt within the volunteers to be there and provide food for our clients.They are dedicated to helping our community in the time of need and we say THANK YOU to both food pantries and their volunteers.

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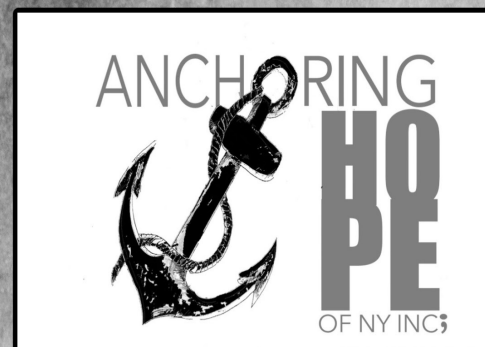
Newfane Community Food pantry
 Located at St. Brendan on the Lake
 3455 Ewings Rd.
 Hours: Tuesday 9:30 – 4 pm
 Call 778-9822 on Tuesdays
 For apt. on that day

NEWFANE MOBILE FOOD TRUCK
 Surplus foods are delivered to the Newfane Town hall
 The fourth Saturday of every month at 9:30 am
 There will be no deliveries in November and December
 We will return in January 2023 - see you then !

The first Baptist Church of Newfane
 Food pantry
 6047 East Avenue
 Phone number - 716-778-9216
 Emergency number - 716-778-5523
 Hours : Wednesday
 1 pm to 7 pm

The Living Nativity

December 2, 3 & 4, 2022, 5:30-8:30 pm
 Held at Grace Bible Church, Newfane.
 Go to: www.gbcnewfane.com to make a reservation. Guests will experience a 30-minute tour portraying the events of the birth, life and death of Jesus Christ. All scenes are outdoors, so please dress appropriately. Hot cocoa and cookies while you wait (packaged to go). Everything is outside and all waiting will be inside heated tents. Please plan to arrive 10 minutes prior to your reservation time. Park at Newfane Town Hall and walk to the church.



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Tax Office Update:

The Niagara County/Town of Newfane tax bills will be mailed at the end of 2022 and are due and payable upon receipt. Please review your bill and if there seems to be a great difference from prior years, compare the items listed to determine where the changes have occurred. Feel free to call our office if more information is necessary.

Are you a NEW PROPERTY OWNER?

Some information you may not be aware of:

- When purchasing a new home the buyer is responsible for property taxes from the time of signing
- Property and school taxes are forward taxes and are usually prorated by the attorney for the buyer at the time of purchase.
- Whether or not a tax bill is provided to the homeowner, it is still the responsibility of the new homeowner to become informed as to what taxes are due, the timeframe they are due in and the payment thereof.
- If a mortgage company holds money in escrow for taxes, it is best to make sure that the mortgage holder is paying the taxes in a timely fashion. If a receipt is not received from my office shortly after the penalty free period is over, the property owner should contact their mortgage company.

For the PROPERTY OWNER who no longer has a mortgage:

- The property owner is now responsible to pay the school and property taxes on their own and by planning ahead for this expense penalties can be avoided.
- School taxes are due in September without penalty and Town and County taxes are due by January 31st without penalty. School taxes unpaid by October 31st will appear on the Town and County bill for the following year and a penalty is included.
- Information is available at the Assessor's Office for the Enhanced Star Program. This reduction is based on income and must be applied for yearly.

The Tax Office staff is always willing to help you and answer your questions.

Terri L. Iannucci
Town of Newfane
Receiver of Taxes

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Assessor: Mary Hastings

NEW HOMEOWNERS/NEW APPLICANTS ONLY!!!

**NEW STAR applicants need to register with the New York State Tax Department for STAR Credit. You will receive a check directly from New York State instead of receiving a school property tax exemption on your school bill. Visit www.tax.ny.gov or call (518) 457-2036.

Enhanced Star Exemption (Current Basic STAR exemption recipients ONLY)

If you are over 65 or turning 65 years of age by December 31, 2023, you may qualify for the Enhanced STAR Exemption if your Adjustable Gross Income for 2021 was \$93,200 or less. This exemption will be applied to the upcoming 2023 assessment roll. To file for this exemption, the following items are needed: (1). Proof of age, (2). A copy of your 2021 Income Tax, (preferably NY State), and (3). Proof of your New York State residency. If you feel you qualify, contact the office no later than March 1, 2023 to file your paperwork. Also, an RP-425-IVP must be submitted when applying for the Enhanced STAR exemption. Failure to do so will result in denial of the Enhanced STAR exemption.

Water and Sewer Department

Maintenance Dept:

With the little bit of mowing season that we have left, please be conscious while mowing around your sewer vent pipes. Should you happen to hit and break your vent pipe please call the Water Billing Office so we can make arrangements to repair and/or replace. These vent pipes should be one-foot above grade. In addition, now that winter is approaching please remember to keep all fire hydrants clear of snow and ice when possible. If you have a hydrant on your property, please take a few extra minutes when shoveling, to clear them for easier access in the event of a fire. We try to keep the hydrants as clear as possible, however the town has over 1000 hydrants to take care of.

Billing Office:

You may notice the medication drop-off receptacle is no longer outside our office. If you have drugs to get rid of, our office has bags for you to put them in and send them through the mail for disposal. If you have more than will fit in our bag, you can go to various pharmacies throughout the area and look for a drop-off there.

Payment Options

1. Cash or Check in office
2. Credit Cards- Online only at www.townofnewfane.com
Service Charge: Over \$85.01 – 2.95% fee
Under \$85.01 - \$2.50 fee
3. Automatic Payment Option (no fee)

There is a night drop box located on the north side of the Town Hall, to the right of the door labeled Night Drop. Payments when dropped go into a secure locked box. Any payments left the evening of due date will be accepted the next morning on time with no late penalties.

Please remember when selling a property, town ordinance requires the installation of a dual check valve and an expansion tank. It is the seller's responsibility to ensure these devices are in place. Call us for an inspection of these devices once they are installed. If you have sewer in your area, a sewer inspection also needs to be completed. The fee for the inspections, including a compliance letter is \$85.00 and will be added to the final water bill. When you are aware of the closing date give our office a call so we may schedule a final read.

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If you have questions concerning any of this information, give our office a call at 716-778-8827 Option 4.

TAXABLE STATUS DATE/EXEMPTION FILING DEADLINE IS MARCH 1.

**ANY CHANGES TO PROPERTY LINES MUST BE APPROVED BY BUILDING DEPARTMENT AND ASSESSOR. SURVEYS ARE REQUIRED.

Building Permits:

Each year we are out getting updated pictures and working on building permits for the next year roll. If you have any questions, give us a call at 778-8827 Option 4.

The Importance of Drainage Management for Agricultural Production

The Town of Newfane is home to a wide range of farms and agri-businesses. Newfane's fertile soils and favorable climatic conditions has led to a vibrant history of crop and livestock production for many generations. Generally ample rainfall and Lake Ontario – moderated climate makes Newfane an ideal setting to grow apples, peaches, vegetables of all sorts, as well as hay and grain crops. While rainfall is a critical component of successful crop production, too much of a good thing can cause major problems. Excess water in the soil during the growing season can lead to poor crop growth or even crop failure. One way to manage the risk of excess water is through the installation of drainage infrastructure. This consists of subsurface drains, often referred to as "tile drainage" as well as surface water drains, such as ditches.

In a typical growing season, there is often excess moisture in the soil during the early spring months. This excess moisture can prevent farmers from performing field work in a timely manner, which can ultimately lead to poor yields due to late planting. To help overcome this problem, many fields in the Town of Newfane have benefiting from the installation of tile drainage systems. Modern tile drainage systems consist of plastic pipes buried about three feet below the surface of the soil. The pipes contain small holes that allow water to enter the pipe. The pipes are carefully installed "on grade" to ensure the water runs downhill, where the pipe empties into a road ditch, creek, stream, pond, etc.

The advent of artificial drainage has greatly improved many of the agricultural areas across the town. Farmers that have invested in drainage systems can often begin field work on their tiled fields one to two weeks prior to untilled fields. Properly drained soils also lead to better yields, partly due to better aeration of the soil. Plant roots need air to properly function, and if the soil is water-logged, crops can suffer and die.

While artificial drainage can greatly improve the productivity of agricultural land, properly flowing creeks and streams are critical to the success of these drainage projects. In order for a field drainage system to function, the pipes need to "outlet" into a nearby ditch or stream. The Town of Newfane has a number of important creeks and streams that provide critical drainage services. These creeks handle surface water run-off after heavy rain events, but they also help remove excess water coming from agricultural fields. Eighteen Mile Creek is the most prominent waterway in Newfane, but other important waterways include Keg Creek in the Northeastern part of town, Hopkins Creek in the west, as well as dozens of smaller tributaries of these main creeks.

Privately installed artificial drainage systems mostly benefit individual landowners, but drainage in general is a critical component of the Town's infrastructure. Properly maintained ditches and creeks help protect homes and businesses from flooding. Newfane has a predominantly flat topography, which makes ditch and creek maintenance all the more critical. Maintenance primarily consists of mowing of the grass, as well as re-digging every so many years to ensure proper grade is maintained. As trees and debris fall into ditches and creeks, blockages need to be removed to ensure dams do not develop.

Proper maintenance of the town's ditches and creeks can help protect property from harmful floods, while also allowing helping support local farms and related agri-businesses.

Olcott Lions Planning 54th Polar Bear 'Swim for Sight'

The 2023 Polar Bear 'Swim for Sight' is Sunday, March 5. Supporters can find information about the Swim at www.swimforsight.com and on the Olcott Polar Bear Swim Facebook page. The Swim for Sight is a fun-day of fundraising that helps Newfane organizations provide health and recreational services in our community. The Swim also aids vision programs and disaster relief through its contributions to the Lions International Foundation. There will be construction along the Krull Park shoreline this winter, but it will not affect the Swim.

The Olcott Lions Club recently awarded Lockport's Jeff Tracy the prestigious Melvin Jones Fellow Award in recognition of his support to the Polar Bear Swim and the Newfane community. Jeff began the Olcott Polar Bear 5K Run more than twenty years ago that has raised funds for the YMCA's Camp Kenan and the Olcott Fire Company. Jeff is pictured here on the Olcott Beach terrace helping with last year's Swim for Sight.



ARE YOU AFFECTED BY SOMEONE ELSE'S ADDICTION?

NAR-ANON OFFERS HOPE

Nar-Anon Family Groups are a worldwide fellowship for those affected by someone else's addiction. As a twelve step program, we offer help by sharing our experience, strength and hope.

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JOIN US FOR SUPPORT AND RECOVERY

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7pm at Save the Michaels House of Hope
81 Walnut Street
Lockport, NY 14094**





Newfane Central School District Aquatic Center

Located at:
2909 Transit Road
Newfane, New York 14108

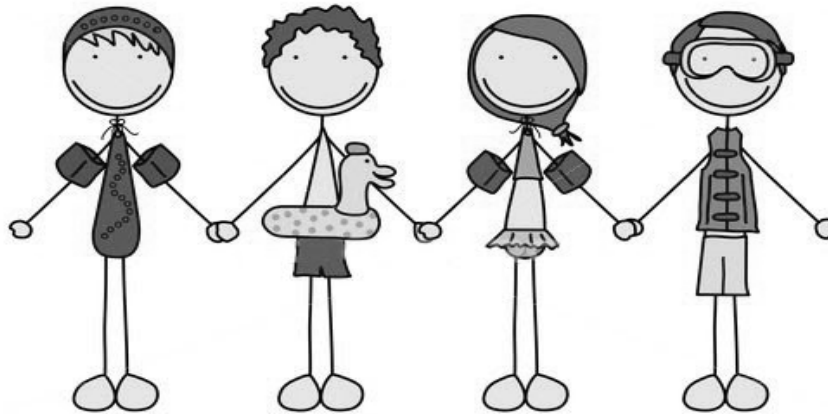
Michael Baumann
Superintendent

Bernadette Seymour
Coordinator of Community Programs

AQUATIC PROGRAMS **Winter/Spring 2022-2023**

(Please check the website for any changes and the pool is closed when school is not in session)

**Lifeguards needed to maintain our community events. Training is available.
Please contact Bernadette for more information.**



PARENT & CHILD AQUATIC PROGRAM

The purpose of this program is to provide an American Red Cross aquatic program for infants or preschoolers (6 months through 3 years) and their parent/guardian that will promote water safety practices, aquatic adjustments and swimming readiness skills. Making it “FUN” and enjoyable in the water with parental involvement. This program is intended to develop in young children a comfort level in and around the water, as well as a readiness for learning to swim. This program is NOT designed to teach children to become accomplished swimmers or even to survive in the water on their own. It will, however, provide you with the necessary knowledge and skills to orient your child to the water and to safely supervise water activities. The emphasis is on the development of a warm and trusting relationship between adults, children, and instructor. The relationship serves as the basis for learning.

Age: 6 months – 3 years

Cost: \$2.00 with adult

Session: Monday's March 13, 2023 through May 22, 2023

Time: 6:30 – 7:00 pm

COMMUNITY and SENIOR CITIZEN SWIM

For our Community members as well as our Senior Citizens: The pool is open on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 6:30 am – 8:45 am for your enjoyment.

Cost: \$2.00

Session: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays ongoing through June 23, 2023

Time: 6:30 am – 8:45 am

LEARN –TO-SWIM PROGRAM

If you have a son or daughter in the Newfane Central School System and would like to sign up for evening swim lessons this program is for them. Enroll them in an American Red Cross “Learn to Swim Program”. This program is divided into seven levels. The prerequisite for each level is successful demonstration of the skills from the preceding level, except for level 1, which has no prerequisite. Our program will offer instruction designed to help swimmers of all ages and abilities develop and refine their skills. We will have an authorized Red Cross Water Safety Instructor teach a variety of strokes, including the front crawl, back crawl, elementary backstroke, breaststroke, side-stroke, and butterfly. They will also introduce a wide range of personal safety skills and possible diving techniques. At more advanced levels, students refine skills, learn the basics of springboard diving, and discover how to incorporate swimming into a lifetime fitness program. This program will fill up quickly so sign up today to ensure a spot.

Age: students in the Newfane School District (students from other districts please contact Mrs. Seymour)

Cost: \$58.00

Session: Wednesdays 9-weeks

January 4, 11, 18 & 25; February 1, 8, 15 & 22; March 1, 2023

Time: 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm Level I & II

7:00 pm – 7:45 pm Levels III, IV, V, VI

Minimum class size: 12 students

EVENING WATER AEROBICS

This one hour, low-impact program run by our own Nancy Phillips, uses water resistance to help strengthen muscles while cushioning the body upon impact. Participants do not need to be able to swim to take the class since they will be moving from a standing position in the shallow end. For ages 21 years or older

Spring Session: Mondays & Wednesdays March 13, 2023 through May 24, 2023

Cost: \$2.00 per class

Time: 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Minimum class size: 9 participants

DAYTIME WATER ARTHRITIS PROGRAM

Low impact program! Join us in our heated pool and take stress off tired joints and muscles. Gentle range of motion exercises. It cannot rid you of the condition, but it can make it more bearable.

Time: 2:15 – 3:00 pm

Winter Session: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays January 4, 2023 through March 24, 2023

Cost: \$2.00 per class

Spring Session: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays April 17, 2023 through June 23, 2023

Cost: \$2.00 per class

Questions?

Contact Mrs. Seymour, Coordinator of Community Programs, at 778-6853 or Bseymour@newfanecentralschools.org



BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Celebrate your child's birthday at the Newfane Aquatic Center!

Parties/events are considered a three-hour block which includes up to two-hours of pool time and an area to decorate for snacks and celebrating in the lobby.

A building request form must be must be filed 4 weeks prior to the event date. A Certificate of Insurance or Release of Liability form must be on file. Please see the website and register your group in the MLSchedules program to get started.

Fees are based on the number of swimmers using the pool. A minimum of two (2) lifeguards is required. Payment must be made prior to event!

PRIVATE PARTIES FOR ORGANIZATION

The Aquatic Center also is available for private organizations... Book a party for your Boy Scout, Girl Scout, 4-H, church or youth group!

NEWFANE AQUATIC PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____ EMAIL _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION _____

COURSE(S) NAME _____

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NEWFANE DISTRICT OFFICE/AQUATICS
6048 GODFREY ROAD
BURT, NEW YORK 14028

**NIAGARA SHORES GARDEN CLUB OF NEWFANE
GREETINGS FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE GARDEN
CLUB!**

We hope that you had a wonderful Summer and beginning of Fall. We had an exceptionally wonderful Summer, many beautiful days and only a few sweltering ones. Our family had out of state company in July and, cudos to Western New York, the family has relocated from Washington State to Williams-ville!

Several of our members invited us to view their gardens and enjoy refreshments in their serene surroundings. My gardens are always full of colorful perennials, day lilies, hardy hibiscus and some annuals. I am always sad to see the first frost blight them, however, I am already looking forward to the first signs of Spring when winter is past. Winter gives us time to rest, reflect, rejuvenate and plan for next Summer.

Niagara Shores is a garden club, but we do more than garden. Our aim is to share knowledge and ideas concerning gardening, hash over problems we may have with certain plants and bring awareness to environmental issues. We invite speakers to our meetings and enjoy making garden themed crafts.

We usually meet at our Home Base (Newfane Community Room), but we also take field trips or meet at member's homes when invited.

We held our September meeting at Newfane Community Room and made a garden light from a glass lamp shade, wire, beads and a solar light.

Our speakers for the October meeting were Ann and Martin Schulze from Schulze Vineyards & Winery. They spoke about the history of their farm and how Martin's family came to own and rebuild the farm and eventually planted grapes. They outlined tending and harvesting the grapes and the winemaking process. We were privileged to taste some of their marvelous wines.

In November we again hosted Hahn's Honey Bees. The couple showed our members how to create beeswax luminaries. It is a fascinating process and we enjoyed creating them. We also poured tea lights to use in the luminaries.

We do not meet in December due to our many busy schedules.

We are working on planning programs for our 2023 meetings. We have been invited to a member's home in January. If you have any suggestions, please contact us.

It is our hope that you might become interested in our club and join us for a meeting. We always welcome new folks and fresh ideas. Our home base is Newfane Community Room, and we meet the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm. Because we do take field trips, it would be best to call for information about a specific monthly meeting.

If you have any questions about our club or a monthly meeting, please contact President, Barb Reabold at 716-778-7198 or Secretary, Nancy Beakman at 716-778-7300.

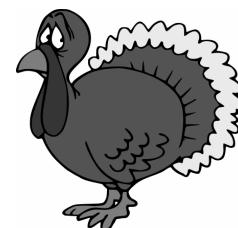
ALWAYS BELIEVE THAT SOMETHING WONDERFUL IS ABOUT TO HAPPEN

WISHING YOU A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON

ANOTHER GROUP PLANTS THE FLOWERS AROUND THE TREES ON MAIN STREET. These folks are a different group than the Niagara Shores Garden Club. However, we do admire their dedication and hard work. Hopefully you noticed how the flowers enhanced the curb appeal of our town. Many thanks for another successful year. They are always looking for volunteers to help with planting, weeding and maintaining the tree plots. Consider joining their group.



TURKEY DINNER



DRIVE THRU ONLY

at the

Newfane Methodist Church

2699 Main Street
Newfane, NY 14108

Saturday March 4, 2023

Serving begins at:
4:30 pm - ?

Menu:

Turkey, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy,
Cranberry Sauce, Vegetable and Cake

Cost- \$12.00

Cash and credit cards accepted



For

Christmas

at the

Newfane United Methodist Church

2699 Main Street, Newfane

Christmas Eve Services – December 24th

4:30 pm- Family/Kid Friendly Worship service

11:00 pm – Family/Candlelight Worship service

Christmas Day – December 25th

10:30 am Worship service

Olcott Fire Company

Chief: Michael Miller

President: Robert Horanburg

The hot summer months have come to an end, autumn is well underway and the Olcott Fire Company is staying very busy! During the months of July, August and September we responded to an exceptionally high amount of calls, approximately three times higher than the norm, putting us well over 100 calls each of those months.

At the time of this printing, we will have already had our Community Kids Halloween Party, and will be getting ready for our Annual Turkey Raffle. Always a very popular event, it will be held Saturday, November 19th, doors open at 6:30pm. Admission is free, as are snacks and refreshments. You can see any Olcott Firefighter for tickets, and some will be available at the door. Everyone is welcome, feel free to bring your own goodies to munch. Many, many side raffles and other prizes, come win your Thanksgiving turkey!

After the holiday hustle, watch our Facebook page for announcements for our Polar Bear 5k Run, and also the Firefighter's Tug-Of-War on Polar Bear Day, where we typically have hot chili and chicken chowder available (all made by Firefighters) on Main Street for those brave enough to venture out for the festivities.

As the holidays draw near and the weather turns colder OFC wants to remind everyone about the importance of winter home safety. A house fire is absolutely devastating, and simple safety measures can help avoid them. Make sure your family has a practiced exit plan, including a meeting place outside of the home, should a fire occur. If you smell or see smoke in your home evacuate immediately and call 911, and never, ever run back inside. Have your furnace and fireplace checked annually by a professional, and make sure your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors have fresh batteries. Keep in mind, these appliances will beep repeatedly at the end of their useful life, which is typically 10 years, and need to be replaced when that time draws near. Its important to not overload your electrical outlets. Discard any frayed or worn extension cords. Space heaters should always be used with caution, away from furniture or curtains. Never leave candles burning unattended, and make sure that you keep your Christmas tree watered if using a live-cut tree. Its a great idea to keep the walk-ways outside of your home shoveled and salted, especially porch stairs, and make sure your mail-carrier can safely get to your mailbox. Inevitably, the first snowy, slippery day will come to our roads, so remember to leave yourself extra time to get to work, increase your stopping distance, and drive with caution in inclement weather. Now is a really good time to check your tires and make sure they are ready to handle the harsh western New York winter weather. Its also a good practice to keep some granola bars, dry socks, a blanket, an extra phone charger and a candle and lighter in your vehicle in the event that you become stuck while traveling and have an extended wait for a tow truck. The Olcott Fire Company wishes good health and safety to all in our community. Remember, we are always looking for new members, stop in and see us any Thursday evening after 6:30pm, let us show you how you can be a part of something bigger, and help those in need!

Hello everyone from Ye Olde Log Cabin in the "Pine Grove"!

We hope you all had a great summer, we sure did at the Cabin! We had many visitors from all over our country and from many other countries too.

Old Olcott Days was a great weekend and we are working on plans for some added attractions for next year. We love seeing everyone, hearing their stories and memories, seeing the items and pictures they like to share with us, and helping them to learn some of our history. We look forward to next year!

Crazy to think but its that time of the year again for another visit from the big guy..... Santa will be at Ye Olde Log Cabin on December 4th from 1-5 pm to visit with the kids and hear their wishes for Christmas. Santa will be giving the kids stockings and we will also have treats and refreshments for them as well. In the spirit of the giving season, we will again be collecting for the Peanut Butter and Jelly Drive. If you are able to donate it would be much appreciated to give a helping hand to someone in need. We will also again be having our basket full of local goodies to raffle off to give us a start on fundraising towards next years Santa at the Cabin. We are still accepting donations towards filling the kids stockings and items for the basket to raffle, if you are interested in donating please contact Stella Wilson at 716-778-9887. Please dress warm as there may be a wait outside to get in the Cabin to see Santa. We look forward to seeing all the smiles on the kids faces and hope to see you there!

As always we are still accepting items to display at the Cabin. They can be on a on loan basis or permanent display. Also anyone interested in volunteering next season, we would love to welcome you to our Cabin family. Contact Stella Wilson at 716-778-9887 for any of the above.

We wish you a very Merry Christmas and the best New Year ever! We look forward to seeing you in 2023 at Ye Olde Log Cabin in "The Pine Grove"!



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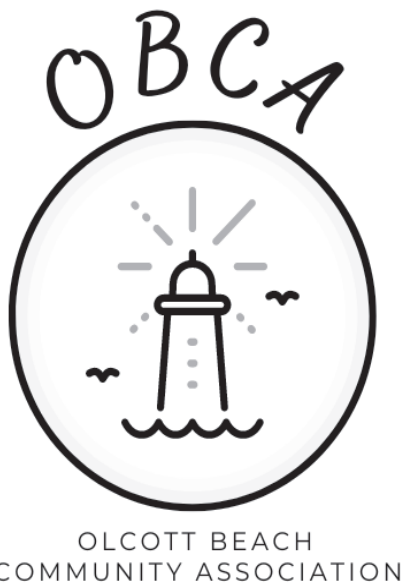
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The Olcott Beach Community Association (OBCA) is a group made up of community members and business owners that meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. We rotate our meeting locations to support a local business each month. There is no fee to join and everyone is welcome at all of our meetings.

We have had such a great year in 2022 thanks to our members and support from the community. Special thank you to the Town of Newfane for partnering with us to receive the Wm. G. Maynes grant to help with repainting the Olcott Beach Replica Lighthouse. It looks great! Also, thank you to Legislator Shawn Foti for securing our organization a grant from the County to help assist with all of our events and projects!

The OBCA is so excited for the coming year and we are already planning our annual events for 2023: Our Super Sunday Car Cruise is scheduled for Sunday, May 28th from 1pm-4pm on Main Street with the first 100 cars receiving a commemorative dash plaque along with a goodie bag from our local businesses.

The weekly Saturday Night Car & Bike Nights will start on Saturday, June 3rd and run all summer until Saturday, August 26th (with the exception of July 8th because of the Pirate Car Show) from 5pm to 8pm on Main Street in Olcott. There is no fee to attend thanks to our many great local sponsors!

Our annual Duck Race will be taking place in the Olcott Harbor on Sunday, June 11th at 2pm. Duck Tickets (\$5 each) will be available from local sellers and our local businesses in the weeks leading up to the race. The money raised from this event helps pay for the 3rd of July Fireworks as well as other OBCA projects.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with our events as well as help with maintaining the flowers along Main Street and at the Olcott Gazebo. We invite anyone interested in volunteering or just interested in receiving the meeting minutes to email us at olcottbeachcommunityassociation@yahoo.com



Newfane Public Library
 2761 Maple Avenue, Newfane, NY 14108
www.newfanepubliclibrary.org
 Phone & Fax (716) 778-9344
 Email: Newfanelibrary@Nioga.org

Library Hours
 Monday- Friday: 10:00 am- 6:00 pm
 Saturday: 10:00 am- 2:00 pm
 (Closed Saturdays in July & August)



Check out what's new at your Newfane Public Library! The little library with BIG ideas! From books to programs, the Newfane Public Library always has something new in store for all ages! Follow us on Facebook or visit us at our NEW website for the most up to date information on upcoming programs and reading incentives.

Here are a few of our upcoming events (please call to register for each event):

Wednesdays: Health Insurance Enrollment, Every Week 1 pm- 3 pm

November

Tuesday Nov. 1st: SNAP Nutrition Education and Cooking Demo at 3:30 pm

Tuesday Nov. 8th: Book Club Meeting at 6 pm

Thursday Nov. 3rd, 10th, & 17th Fall Family Story Time at 6 pm

Wednesday Nov. 30th: Christmas Wreath Classes at 6 pm

December

Thursday Dec. 1st: Holiday Craft Fair: A Christmas Carol

Friday Dec. 2nd: Light Up Newfane Parade

Monday Dec. 5th: Connect Life Bus Blood Donations 2pm - 6pm

Tuesday Dec. 6th: SNAP Nutrition Education and Cooking Demo 3:30 pm

Friday Dec. 9th: Cupcake Decorating with Molly B! at 6 pm

Tuesday Dec. 13th: Book Club Meeting at 6 pm

January

Tuesday Jan 10th: Book Club Meeting at 6 pm

Monday Jan 23rd: Winter Reading Program Begins

Last Week of January: Winter Family Story Time Starts

February

Tuesday Feb 21st: Book Club Meeting at 6 pm

Friday Feb 24th: Winter Reading Program Ends

New Library Cards!

To show how thankful we are for our patrons, we will be waiving the \$1 fee for a library card replacement during the month of November!

Whether you are upgrading to a new card or replacing one you lost, you can pick from our 2 new designs for FREE!

Order Hometown Hero Banners for Newfane Veterans



Newfane will install its popular Hometown Hero banners again in the spring of 2023. The banners are a grateful way to honor our military service members and their impressive appearance showcases our community pride. Families looking to order a banner can do so through the end of February. Those wishing to request a banner for installation next spring can go to the Hometown Heroes link on the Town website, where you can download the application and return it to the Newfane Town Hall, or applications can be picked up at the Town Hall.

The program also partners with the American Legion so you can purchase a memorial brick to be placed in the Veteran's Park. Banners can be ordered for those currently serving, those who previously served and those who are deceased. If your banner was installed in 2022, or if you have already submitted an order for 2023, you do not need to take any action, those banners will be installed prior to Memorial Day.

CHIAVETTA CHICKEN BAR-B-QUE

**Thursday, March 30th
 4:00pm – ?**

at the

Newfane United Methodist Church
 2699 Main Street, Newfane, NY 14108

Take-outs Only Drive thru style

Menu:

**Chicken half
 Potato Salad
 Cole Slaw
 Roll & Butter
 and Dessert**



Order Pre Sale -
 716-778-5274 (Amy)
 BY MARCH 29th

Pre-sale Dinners must be picked
 up by 6:00pm

CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED

HAPPY SPA-LIDAYS

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2022 SUGGESTED SALON PACKAGES

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GEL MANICURE AND CLASSIC PEDICURE
\$74.00
- #2 FROSTY FACIAL
AVEDA RADIANCE FACIAL
\$85.00
- #4 ABOMINABLE SNOWMAN
BUY 2 BROW WAXES & GET THE THIRD ONE FOR FREE
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- #7 DIP INTO CHRISTMAS
DIP NAILS WITH FRENCH MANICURE
\$45.00
- #8 FA LA LA LA LASHES
PURCHASE A FULL SET OF EYELASH EXTENSIONS & RECEIVE YOUR FIRST FILL FOR FREE!
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½ HOUR FACIAL, CLASSIC PEDICURE, GEL MANICURE, HAIRCUT AND STYLE.
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*SCHEDULE YOUR HOLIDAY APPOINTMENTS NOW.

*OPEN MONDAYS.

*OPEN LATE WEDNESDAYS & THURSDAYS.

*CALL OR STOP IN



Polish the Diamond Campaign in Olcott

We need your support!

Restoring an Architectural Gem in Olcott

A community fundraising campaign is being launched to help the Olcott Methodist Church save and restore their beautiful and architecturally significant stained-glass windows. **The Polish the Diamond Campaign** hopes to raise enough money to replace the window coverings with a clear Plexiglass, paint the window trim and power wash the building.

Located at Olcott's Main Street center, the church was built in 1909 and contains brilliantly colored stained-glass windows that feature timeless designs and the names of Olcott's early families.

The windows were covered with protective Plexiglass years ago which is now dulled and discolored and masks the beauty of these magnificently classic displays. Restoration of two of the west side windows at the church has already been completed and can be seen as you drive by the church.

Paul Hartigan, a businessman and the local 'ferris-wheel' operator is organizing the campaign to help the church raise funds to restore more than a dozen stained-glass windows at the church. Paul states, "this church and these beautiful and wonderfully crafted windows are a treasure that everyone in the community should proudly stand to support. Restoring these windows at Olcott's main intersection will do so much to improve the beauty and character of our town."

"The Church is a diamond that just needs a little polish. Please help us 'polish the diamond' and restore and preserve the façade for future generations and help beautify Olcott Beach for the thousands of visitors arriving ever year."

— Parishioner Noel Grundy

Donations can be mailed to:

Olcott United Methodist Church
Polish the Diamond Campaign
PO Box 24 • Olcott, NY 14126



Paul Hartigan

News from Your Superintendent of Schools

The start of a new school year is always a very exciting time here in Newfane, as we welcome our students and staff back from the summer break. This year was especially exciting as we began to see the dramatic impact of the Newfane 2020 capital improvement project at both the high school and the elementary. Along with the roof work that was completed early in the summer, Newfane Elementary School now has a new parking lot, improved HVAC in the Aquatic Center, refurbished student bathrooms in the A and B wings, improved security hardware on all classroom doors, and a reconfigured front entrance to provide greater student and staff security in the building.

Our high school students returned to a dramatically different interior space at Newfane High School this Fall. The entire original building got new wall and ceiling tile as well as upgraded LED lighting throughout. In addition, wall graphics were added throughout the building, celebrating our rich history as both a community and a school district. A brand new state-of-the-art multi media lab was added in the library, and the Main Office was gutted and completely reconfigured to create a much more welcoming and secure entrance to the building.

And of course, in mid-October we were able to cut the ribbon and officially open "Panther Field", our brand new artificial turf, lighted, multisport athletic complex. If you haven't seen the facility yet, please come by and check it out- with this facility, Newfane has set a high standard for all our neighboring districts. We also included brand new tennis and pickleball courts, with lights, completely accessible for the community.

While the work on the capital project will slow down now until the weather breaks in the spring, there is still a good deal of work left to get done next summer. The Newfane Early Childhood Center will see many of the same improvements we saw at the Elementary- new bathrooms, improved security hardware on the classroom doors, and a reconfigured entrance for greater building security. Newfane Middle School will be the bulk of the work, however, next summer. The roof on the main section of the building will be replaced, using historically accurate materials to maintain the historical integrity of the structure. Inside the building, all the original solid wood classroom doors will be refinished and have high security hardware installed on them. The Main Office will also be completely reconfigured to create a secure main entrance to the building. And the auditorium will be gutted; our new performing arts center will feature upgraded lighting, significantly improved acoustics, a new sound system, new seating and carpeting and air conditioning. Behind the middle school, next summer will also see many improvements to our track and field facility. We will be replacing the track and adding new pits for the high and long jumpers, as well as new, safer areas for the discus and shotput throwers.

While the capital project has certainly done much to improve the physical plant in the district, we continue to see dramatic improvements in our academic offerings as well. For the first time in many years, we are offering elective course in Computer Science, Social Studies and English at Newfane High School. We continue to look for opportunities to expand the course offerings for our high schoolers for the coming year as well. And this year we started a brand new Technological Literacy program at Newfane Elementary School. Over the past several years, we have invested heavily in ensuring that both our technological infrastructure and the devices we provide our students are what's necessary for our students to be technologically savvy when they leave us. Now we are going to compliment the devices with specific instruction on how to use it properly, responsibly and to enhance learning.

Now that we are no longer living under the shadow of COVID, we have re-opened the Community Fitness Center at Newfane High School, Monday through Thursday from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. There is no charge to use this facility. And we are offering a full slate of programming at the Aquatics Center as well. Check our district website for details. And please don't hesitate to come out and use the pickleball and tennis courts before the snow flies.

Our students are so fortunate to live in a community like Newfane- a community that supports our educational and extracurricular programs for the kids. On behalf of the Board of Education, the staff and everyone of our students, we thank you, and hope you all have a healthy and safe holiday season. We look forward to seeing you at Light Up Newfane!

Together We Can!

NEWFANE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNOUNCES: Universal Pre-Kindergarten Registration for September 2023

The Newfane Central School District will be registering students to enter pre-kindergarten (UPK) in September 2023. According to UPK regulations, children who will be 4 years old on or before December 1 st , 2023 are eligible to attend Pre-Kindergarten. Students and their parents or legal guardians must live within the Newfane Central School District boundaries. The classes are held at the Newfane Early Childhood Center with busing and meals provided. UPK is an outstanding program designed to prepare all children to learn and grow through play and age-appropriate activities under the guidance of experienced and caring certified teachers. Please call Mrs. Colleen Schultz at 716-778-6351 between 7:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. to receive the necessary paperwork to register your child and reserve a spot for the fall.

NEWFANE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNOUNCES: Kindergarten Registration for September 2023

If you or anybody you know has a child at home who will be turning 5 years old on or before December 1, 2023 who is not already enrolled in Newfane UPK, registration has begun for Kindergarten 2022-2023. Our Kindergarten classes are full day, with busing provided. Kindergarten classes include swim lessons, art, music, digital literacy, and core instruction including reading and math.

Please call Mrs. Colleen Schultz at 716-778-6351 between 7:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. by Friday, April 21, 2022 to receive the necessary paperwork to register your child.



The Newfane Alumni Association has much to be proud of after completing our first full year as an alumni organization. We facilitated numerous class reunions, hosted our second Panther Pretty event, awarded three scholarships to graduating seniors, initiated an Alumni Speakers Series, continued our merchandise sales, and held our first Distinguished Alumni Induction Ceremony.

Our first class of Distinguished Alumni was inducted on October 20, 2022 in a ceremony held at the High School. Inductees were honored for their contributions to their career field and/or community. Each honoree delivered reflective remarks along with thoughtful messages to the student body and celebrated their history as Panthers. The inductees were also recognized at the Homecoming game against a longtime rival, the Wilson Lakemen. Learn more about the inductees and their accomplishments below.

**Dr. Rebecca Liddell Huppi – Class of 1984,
Cancer Research**

Dr. Rebecca Liddell Huppi – Class of 1984, Cancer Research Rebecca Huppi is a cancer research scientist who graduated from Newfane in 1984. She earned her BA in Biology at the State University of New York at Potsdam, NY and her PhD in Developmental Biology, Teratology and Anatomy at Thomas Jefferson University. Undertaking a postdoctoral fellowship at the Kimmel Cancer Center of Thomas Jefferson University, Dr. Huppi received an American Cancer Society Grant to investigate mouse models of developmental and cancer anomalies through mouse positional cloning and transgenic technologies. Dr. Huppi has worked at the National Cancer Institute since 1998. She received a Cancer Research Training Award and, soon after, assumed a Staff Scientist position in the Laboratory of Genetics and performed as an Instructor of Biochemistry for the Foundation for Advanced Education in Sciences (FAES). In 2001, Dr. Huppi joined the Cancer Diagnosis Program as a Program Specialist and continued to serve as Course Coordinator for Biochemistry at FAES. In 2006, she moved to the AIDS Cancer Clinical Program and assumed the role of Program Director of Record for two major NCI HIV Initiatives: The AIDS Malignancy Consortium and the AIDS and Cancer Specimen Resource. Dr. Huppi has received two NIH Director's Awards for her work on the Sexual and Gender Minority Research Coordinating Committee and five NCI Awards of Merit for her work on Women's Health Activities, LMIC HIV/AIDS Malignancy programs, Clinical Trials Stewardship and Affordable Cancer Technologies Research.



**Paul Hobbs – Class of 1971,
Winemaker**

Paul Hobbs is a world-renowned winemaker. In 2013, Forbes Magazine referred to Mr. Hobbs as "The Steve Jobs of Wine". Furthermore, he has been twice named "Wine Personality of the Year" by Robert Parker of The Wine Advocate. Over his 40+ year career, Hobbs has received more than ten 100-point scores across his portfolio—a rare feat that places him in the top echelon of the world's winemakers. Mr. Hobbs graduated from Newfane in 1971, earned his BS in Chemistry from the University of Notre Dame in 1975, and MS in Viticulture & Enology from the University of California, Davis in 1978. Regarded as an international visionary for his accomplishments in the vineyard and winery, Mr. Hobbs combines his childhood roots on the family farm in Western New York with an innovative scientific approach to refine the art of winemaking. He is recognized across the globe for breaking with tradition and forging new paths in the pursuit of excellence; both in stewardship of the land, and the crafting of wines that represent the purist concept of place. He led the way in the early 90's as a pioneer of site-specific, vineyard designate wines. Robert Parker notes that "Paul Hobbs is like a good truffle-hunting dog when it comes to finding great vineyards." In 1979, Paul Hobbs was appointed a member of the inaugural Opus One winemaking team joint venture between California-based Robert Mondavi Winery and Chateau Mouton Rothschild of Bordeaux. Later, a first trip to Argentina in 1988 marked the beginning of what today has become a highly consequential South American winemaking career. Prominently featured in Ian Mount's "The Vineyard at the End of the World: Maverick Winemakers and the Rebirth of Malbec," Hobbs is recognized for his legendary status as the pioneer winemaker who played the leading role in launching the variety's rise to fame. Today, Hobbs is owner and vintner for eight wineries around the world: Paul Hobbs, Crossbarn, and HOBBS (California), Hillick & Hobbs (Finger Lakes, New York), Viña Cobos (Argentina), Crocus (Cahors, France), Yacoubian-Hobbs (Armenia), and Alvaredos-Hobbs (Galicia, Spain).



**Susie Zafrano – Class of 1986,
Special Education Teacher**

Susie Zafrano is a 1986 graduate of Newfane. She has been a teacher for almost 30 years and has spent over 17 years volunteering as a coach for the Special Olympics--taking many teams to competitions while instilling the values of teamwork and having fun--not just winning. Mrs. Zafrano started her career in the inner city of Buffalo working with elementary aged children and has spent the past 22 years teaching at Orleans Niagara BOCES as a teacher of students with special needs. Throughout her career, Mrs. Zafrano worked with student populations that many shy away from; her position requires an incredible amount of patience and heart. Teaching is a tireless and often thankless job, but when hearing Mrs. Zafrano speak of her students, one can tell that she genuinely cares and wants them to succeed, not only in her class, but in life.

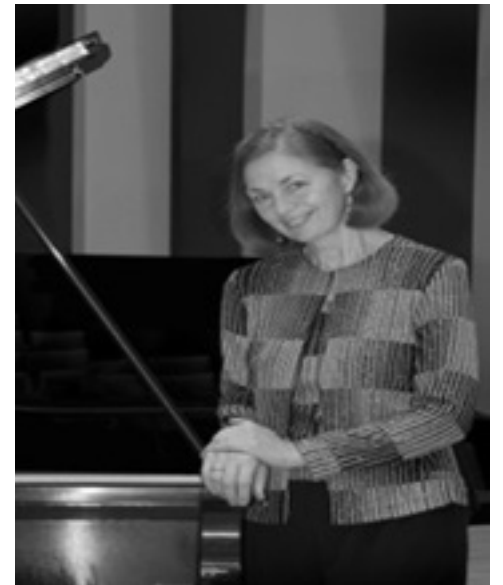


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**Dr. Jean Greig Roberts – Class of 1971,
Musician**

Dr. Jean Greig Roberts pursued her passion for music, which she clearly displayed during her years at Newfane, by playing oboe in the band and accompanying chorus performances by singing and playing the piano. Upon graduating in 1971, Dr. Roberts attended the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, NY. After further music studies, she received a Master of Music degree from the Yale University School of Music and a Doctorate of Musical Arts degree from the University of Texas at Austin. Dr. Roberts served as an assistant professor on the faculty at North Greenville College, SC and as an adjunct music professor at Furman University, SC. Additionally, her experiences included the West Australian Conservatorium of Music in Perth, Australia, Mercer University, GA, Stephen F. Austin State University, TX and Concordia College, MN. She particularly enjoyed collaborating with students and faculty in recitals and performing two-piano concerts with her husband John. Dr. Robert's dedication as a church musician grew significantly during her lifetime, serving as organist/choir director at various churches in her travels. For her, church music was an expression of faith through service, rather than a profession. Dr. Jean Roberts passed away on August 16, 2019.



**Tom Beilein – Class of 1964,
Law Enforcement**

Tom Beilein is a 1964 graduate of Newfane, a Vietnam War Veteran and graduate of Niagara Community College with a 40-year career in law enforcement in the Niagara County Sheriff's Office. Deputy Beilein worked as a corrections officer in the jail and on road patrol, was reassigned to the Criminal Investigation Bureau as a Senior and Chief Investigator, and served as an Inspector for the Criminal Bureau, Welfare Fraud Bureau, Juvenile Aid, and the Drug Task Force. In 1993, he was elected Niagara County Sheriff where he led a 340-member full-service law enforcement agency responsible for public safety in a region of 270 square miles, emergency services, correctional services and civil law enforcement services. Sheriff Beilein was re-elected three times and held the position for 14 years. Tom Beilein was appointed Chairman of the New York State Commission of Corrections, a regulatory agency responsible for overseeing the NYS Prisons, Detention Facilities, and County jails in 2008. Chairman Tom Beilein holds the distinction of being the only former sheriff to serve as the Chair.



**Dr. Brian Hamluk – Class of 1994,
College Administrator**

Brian Hamluk is a 1994 graduate of Newfane who earned his BS in Physical and Health Education from St Bonaventure University, MS in Cultural Foundations of Education from Syracuse University, MA in Education and Human Development from George Washington University, MTA in Sports Administration from George Washington University, Master of Public Policy and Management from the University of Pittsburgh, and Doctorate of Education in Higher Education Administration from George Washington University. Dr. Hamluk is the current Vice President for Student Life at the University at Buffalo and leads the departments, units, programs, and services committed to advancing the university experience for 30,000 students. Under his leadership, Student Life provides students with resources and support needed for academic success, personal growth, career development, leadership, community engagement, and health and wellness. Prior to joining UB, Dr. Hamluk was Associate Dean of Students and Director of Administration at the University of Pittsburgh. He was a key member of the university's Student Affairs Leadership Team and assumed a prominent role in the development of the division's strategic goals and initiatives. Dr. Hamluk has also served in administrative roles at George Washington University and Syracuse University and has worked with students in a variety of settings including Intercollegiate Athletics, Student Development, Alcohol and other Drug Education, and Student Academic Support Services.



It was wonderful to see so many Alumni at the Stadium grand opening and Homecoming games celebrating a new wave of Panther Pride!

Our "Buy a Brick" campaign is underway with more than half of the bricks available outside of Panther field having already been sold. If you haven't heard about this fundraiser yet – please read below for your unique opportunity to be a forever part of Panther culture and history by purchasing an engraved brick.

The Newfane Alumni Association is selling custom engraved bricks to line the walkway of the Alumni Pavilion at Panther Field. What better way to create a long-lasting memory to honor or celebrate someone special, than having their own spot in our Walk of Fame? Whether it's to commemorate friends, family, alumni, current students or faculty, we can help create something special.

Our mission as the Newfane Alumni Association is to create, promote, and foster connections and relationships between alumni, district, and community members. We strive to provide the means for the Newfane community to become more involved with the school district and help create a difference in the lives of current and former students. All proceeds of the brick sales go directly back into the Association to fund grants, scholarships, and help us host our flagship events like Homecoming and Panther Pretty.

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Donor Information:

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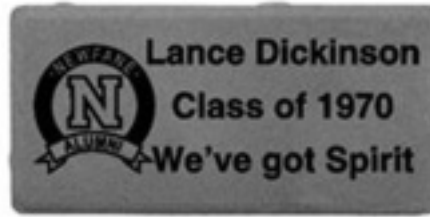
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Donation Amount: \$ _____ (Brick Size) Clip Art Selection: _____

Checks Payable to: **Newfane Alumni Association**

Remit to: **The Newfane Alumni Association, 6273 Charlotteville Road, Newfane, NY 14108**

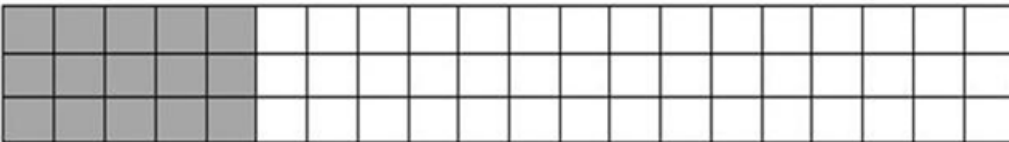
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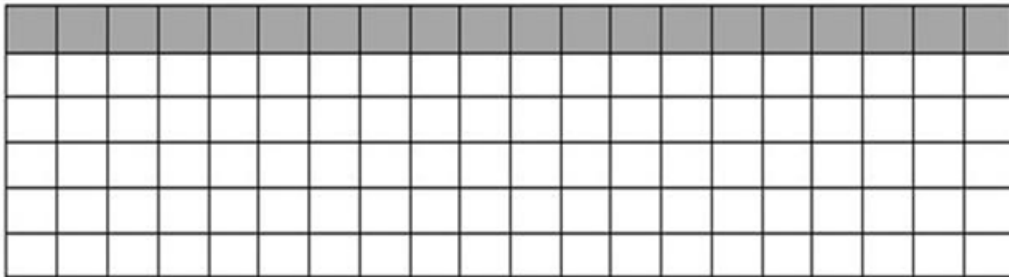
Engraved Bricks/Tiles

Please do not write in shaded area if you are getting clip art

4" x 8" CLIP ART _____



8" x 8" CLIP ART _____



Brick Size	Price Text Only	Price Text and Logo
4" x 8"	\$100 3 lines of text 20 spaces/ characters per line	\$110 3 lines of text 15 spaces/ characters per line
8" x 8"	\$200 6 lines of text 20 spaces/ characters per line	\$210 5 lines of text 20 spaces/ characters per line



What is the NAMI Family Support Group Program?

NAMI Family Support Groups, offered by NAMI Affiliates in communities across the country, are free, confidential and safe groups of families helping other families who live with mental health challenges. In NAMI Family Support Groups, families join a caring group of individuals helping one another by utilizing their collective lived experiences and learned wisdom. Family members can achieve a renewed sense of hope for their loved one living with mental health challenges. Open to WNY families.

For in-person groups, just go to the meeting on the date scheduled at the location. Pre-registration required *only* for online groups. Send request to online@namibuffalony.org



Participant Perspectives

"Before coming to the support group, we had never spoken about mental illness to neighbors, friends and often not even to our relatives."

"NAMI Family Support Group really works and it makes the group experience even better."

"I just attended my first NAMI Family Support Group and the facilitators and the group experience was just the kind of support I was seeking at this time."

DATES/LOCATIONS AS OF JULY 2022

2nd Thur ♦ **ONLINE**, 7-8:30 pm, pre-registration required for online groups
(e-mail a request to attend the group with the date, your name and phone # to online@namibuffalony.org)

Family Support Groups in-person (no pre-registration needed):

- 1st Wed ♦ NIAGARA FALLS Earl W. Brydges Library, 1425 Main St, 2nd flr, 6:30-8 pm
- 3rd Wed ♦ AMHERST St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 4007 Main St, Amherst, rear entrance, 7-8:30 pm
- 3rd Thur ♦ HAMBURG Revive Wesleyan Church, 4999 McKinley Pkwy, Dr 3, Rm 124, 7-8:30 pm
♦ LOCKPORT Save the Michaels of the World, 81 Walnut St, 7-8:30 pm
- 4th Thur ♦ BUFFALO Save the Michaels of the World, 737 Delaware Ave, Ste 100, 6:30-8 pm



NAMI Buffalo & Erie County
National Alliance on Mental Illness
PO Box 146, Buffalo, NY 14223
716-226-6264 (NAMI)
info@namibuffalony.org

About NAMI
NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness. NAMI Buffalo & Erie County is an affiliate of NAMI NYS. NAMI Buffalo & Erie County's dedicated volunteer members and leaders work tirelessly to raise awareness and provide essential education, advocacy and support group programs for people in our WNY community living with mental illness and their loved ones.

Groups made possible in part with generous support from Amherst Central Schools Family Support Center, Revive Wesleyan Church, and Save the Michaels of the World.

Help Renovate the Van Horn Mansion

The Newfane Historical Society is seeking to raise \$35k, in order to Win an additional \$35k!

Earlier this year, the Newfane Historical Society launched the Van Horn Mansion Revitalization Project, a multi-year effort to renovate and modernize the estate. This includes, but is not limited to, updated rental equipment, updated displays, and repairs. The hope is the Van Horn Mansion (a living museum & event center) will become an even greater gem to the Newfane community, boosting tourism and encouraging local pride in our shared history.

Recently the Society was offered a challenge grant to fund a huge portion of the project, and they need your help to win it. If the Society can raise \$35,000 through fundraising, they will win another \$35,000 from a local organization! Earning this grant will put the Van Horn Mansion in great standing just in time for its 200th birthday in 2023. It will be exciting to see all the changes they have planned throughout next year.

Please support this amazing community fundraiser today, and spread the word as they need as much support as possible. Ways you can donate:

- Best Option: Visit VanHornMansion.com and donate using gofundme or PayPal.
- Donate in person at the Van Horn Mansion on Sundays in Nov. and Dec. (visit VanHornMansion.com for the schedule)
- Mail a check (include Rev. Project in the note/ subject line) to: Town of Newfane Historical Society, P.O. Box 115, Newfane, NY 14108

The Van Horn Mansion completed initial construction in 1823 by James Van Horn. The Van Horns hosted the first town meeting in their parlor on April 6, 1824, when Newfane was officially formed. The Van Horn Mansion has gone through various rebuilds throughout its life, the biggest changes happening around 1901 by James' grandson, Burt, who nearly double the home's size, added two skylights and updated the style. Learn more and plan your visit at VanHornMansion.com.

You are invited to join us at the Newfane First Baptist Church at 7:00pm on Christmas Eve for a Candlelight Service celebrating the true Christmas gift, our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ



Christmas Magic Craft Show and More

*Newfane First Baptist Church
6047 East Avenue*

Friday, December 2nd 4:00 – 8:00pm

Shop for gifts from a local vendor *Take a Holiday picture by our Beautiful tree and Fireplace*

Make an ornament

Storytime with one of Santa's helpers

Grab something to eat:

"Walk-A-Bout Chicken & Biscuit Bowl"

"Chili"

Enjoy a cup of "Hot Chocolate"

Stop in, Relax and enjoy the start of the holiday season

*For questions or Vendors – contact Beth Smith (716) 638-1927
or Darlene Carey (716) 238-2602*

News from the Town Clerks' Office
 Mickie Kramp, Town Clerk/Registrar RMC/CMC
 Donna Lakes, Deputy Town Clerk
 Kristina Gifford, Deputy Town Clerk



There is ONE FREE RABIES IMMUNIZATION CLINIC left in the 2022 year. FOR DIRECTIONS call the specific clinic site FOR ANY OTHER CLINIC RELATED QUESTIONS: call 439-7511 APPOINTMENTS FOR RABIES CLINIC ARE NOW MANDATORY AND THE REGISTRATION LINK WILL BE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT WWW.NIAGARACOUNTY.COM/HEALTH THE MONDAY PRECEDING THE CLINIC DATE.

Saturday, December 10 City of North Tonawanda- Public Works Dept.
 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 noon 758 Erie Avenue, City of North Tonawanda
 695-8585

By law, all cats, dogs and domesticated ferrets must have a current rabies vaccination from four (4) months of age and on.

Cats and dogs receiving immunization WITHOUT PROOF of a previous rabies immunization will receive a certificate valid for only one year. Cats and dogs WITH PROOF of a previous rabies immunization will receive a certificate valid for three years. Ferrets must receive vaccinations annually, regardless of previous immunizations.

Ferrets must receive vaccinations annually, regardless of previous immunizations.

Clinics are FREE OF CHARGE to animals owned by Niagara County residents.

ALL ANIMALS must be properly restrained.

Cats and Ferrets must be in a box or carrier. Dogs must be leashed.

The Department does not offer dog or cat vaccinations other than rabies. It is very important for the health and well being of your animal and the other animals attending our rabies clinics, that they have seen a veterinarian and are up to date on all of their immunizations, to include dog parvo virus.

Volunteers are welcomed. Please call 439-7511 if interested.

Veterinary Services provided by the Niagara County Veterinary Society.

REMINDERS:

With the cold winter months upon us, your pets will need a place to keep warm. If your dog is left outside for extended periods of time during the cold weather, hypothermia can set in.

Please make sure that your family pet has proper shelter and fresh water daily as water will freeze during the cold winter months.

ATTENTION DOG OWNERS!!

NEWFANE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
 2737 MAIN STREET
 NEWFANE, NEW YORK 14108

The Town of Newfane will be continuing the mail-in dog enumeration (census) as required by Article 7 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law. Any dog 4 months of age or older must be licensed in the Local Town where they are sheltered. Please fill out the form below and return it with the appropriate documentation:

1. Current rabies certificate from Veterinarian
2. Spayed or neutered certificate from Veterinarian
3. Check payable to Newfane Town Clerk

THE FEES FOR LICENSING PER DOG ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Spayed/neutered \$ 8.50
2. Unspayed/Unneutered \$18.50

An owner or harbinger of a dog found in violation of any of the provisions of this Local Law shall be liable for all damages arising from said violation, and shall be subject to a fine of not less than Twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars.

Please contact the Town Clerk's Office 716-778-8822 #2
 By order of Dog Enforcement and Mickie M. Kramp, Town Clerk
 RMC,CMC

DOG LICENSE APPLICATION FOR UNLICENSED DOGS or OVERDUE LICENSE

List additional dogs on a separate sheet of paper

Owner's Name: _____ Signiture _____
 Address: _____
 Phone Number: _____ Email: _____
 Number of Dogs to be licensed: _____
 Dog's Name: _____ Dog's Breed: _____
 Dog's Age: _____ Dog's Gender: _____
 Spayed/Neutered: Yes ___ No _____
 Dog's Color(s): _____ Tattoos or Markings _____

ATTENTION ALL PET OWNERS: Dogs must be licensed in the Town of Newfane which is followed by a yearly renewal. It is also important to secure the ID tag on your pet's collar. In the event that your pet should wander away, without this means of ID you may not be reunited again, simply because you were not able to be located. If you love your pets, please take this step in ensuring their safe return. Sadly, lost pets are a very common occurrence. Additionally, please be certain that the Town Clerk's office has your "CORRECT TELEPHONE NUMBER" allowing us to contact you. Thank you!

MY PET IS LOST

It is not uncommon for pets to wander off. Please rest assured we make every effort to reunite families with their pets. We encourage you to call Jeff Newman (716) 807-6270 or Rick Smith (716) 523-4019 and let them know your pet is missing. ALSO PLEASE call the Town Clerk's Office (716) 778-8822 #2 and report your missing pet. Placing a post of your lost pet on Facebook does not guarantee that it will be seen by us or Dog Control. Please take the next step and let everyone know.

HOLIDAY HAZARD

The holiday season is a great time for food lovers. The delicious baked goods, chocolate delights and other rich, fatty foods, while not great for your overall health, can actually be detrimental to your pets' wellbeing. Try to keep your pets on their regular diet over the holidays, and encourage your friends and family not to sneak your pets an extra treat. Here is a quick list from the American Kennel Club of some human foods your pets need to avoid. Anything containing grapes, raisins and currants (fruit cake) can potentially cause kidney failure in dogs. Many sugar-free candies and gums contain the alcohol-derived artificial sweetener xylitol. It can cause dangerous drops in blood sugar and liver failure in dogs. Chocolate and cocoa contain theobromine, a compound that gives cocoa its bitter taste, which can be highly toxic in dogs and cats. Ingesting a small amount can cause vomiting and diarrhea, and larger amounts can lead to seizures and heart arrhythmias. Fatty meat scraps have been known to cause inflammation in the pancreas, leading to abdominal pain, diarrhea and vomiting. How about our holiday plants? Poinsettia Plants are very popular at holiday time. Many people believe they are highly toxic to pets, however, while they may cause stomach issues there are 5 popular holiday plants that will certainly cause more discomfort and potential vet bills. The Mistletoe, Holly, Christmas Tree, Lilly and Amaryllis can be extremely hazardous if ingested so please be careful and watch your pets carefully.

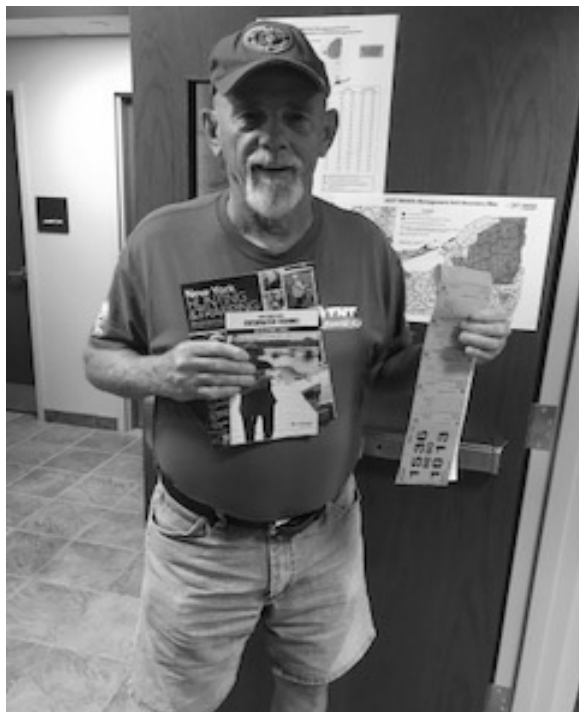
NOTARY PUBLIC SERVICES

We are asking anyone in need of a Notary to please call the Town Hall (716) 778-8822 #2 to check for availability.

HUNTING NEWS

Shoutout to Pete Clark who was our first hunting customer for the season.

LIFETIME LICENSE HOLDERS: Your license privilege tags are sent directly to the last address known by the DEC Fulfillment Center. If you move you must notify the DEC in order for them to correctly mail your license and tags to you. If you have Hunter Education or Bowhunting Education that needs to be added to your account you may edit your profile on-line, bring your original to a DEC License Sales Agent or fax it to (518) 402-9025.



Once the information is in your file the appropriate license or tags will be sent to you from the Fulfillment Center. Do not wait until the beginning of the season to take care of this as it will take approximately ten to fourteen days to receive your tags. IF YOU DID NOT RECEIVE YOUR LIFETIME TAGS it means they are sitting in Albany undeliverable.

We have had several hunters come in because they did not receive their tags. After contacting the DEC we learned that for whatever reason the tags were returned to them and a mail stop order was placed on the account. If you don't receive your tags a simple phone call to the DEC at (518) 402-8843 will get your account corrected and your tags sent.

ASSEMBLYMAN MIKE NORRIS is ready for his annual Winter Clothing Drive and the Newfane Town Hall will once again be a drop off site for your donations. New and/or gently used coats, scarves, hats, mittens/gloves, boots, sweaters and vests would greatly be appreciated. The Winter Clothing Drive will run from November 21st through December 19th.

NIAGARA COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE AGENCY

Veterans are both welcomed and encouraged to call and make an appointment to sit down with a Service Officer to review your benefit entitlements. Things are constantly changing and they are happy to help insure you are receiving all the benefits you are entitled to. You can contact them at (716) 438-4090

MANAGING HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTES: NEVER FLUSH MEDICATIONS!

You may have noticed the medication receptacle is no longer in front of the Water Dept. If you have old medication to dispose of, we now have bags that can be sealed and placed in the mail. You can visit either the Water Dept. or our office for more information.

You may dispose of needles at the Newfane Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center. Please contact them for current days, times and protocols. Needles must be in rigid plastic or glass containers. Two other convenient locations are City of Lockport Police/Locks Plaza and Niagara County Sheriff's Office, 5526 Niagara Street Extension (Jail entrance). For more information about disposing of hazardous waste please visit Niagara County Division of Environmental/Solid Waste at www.rethinkyourwaste.com.

COOKING WITH THE CLERKS

Bacon Blue Cheese Stuffed Mushrooms with Creamy Hot Sauce
Serves: 17-20 stuffed mushrooms

17-20 baby bella mushrooms
8 ounces cream cheese, softened
1 egg yolk
5 ounces blue cheese
1 green onion
4 strips bacon, cooked and crumbled
1 clove garlic, minced
¼ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
2/3 cup chunky blue cheese salad dressing
1/3 cup Frank's Red Hot sauce (use more or less according to your own taste)
Chopped green onion to garnish

Preheat oven to 375 degrees; set out your cream cheese to soften while you prep the mushrooms; remove the stems from all the mushrooms (do this by getting your thumb way down in there and twisting); discard the stems; wash your mushrooms; brush them clean if you like to waste time and/or eat dirt but washing them is a lot faster and won't affect your mushrooms at all; lay the mushroom caps top-down in a 9x13 inch casserole dish; in a medium bowl, beat or stir the cream cheese and egg yolk until it is smooth; add the blue cheese, green onion, crumbled bacon, garlic, salt and pepper, stir to combine; spoon the mixture into each mushroom cap and distribute evenly; in a glass measuring cup, stir together about 2/3 cup blue cheese dressing with 1/3 cup hot sauce (or whatever ratio tastes good to you); drizzle the sauce over the mushrooms; bake at 375 for about 20 minutes or until the tops start to brown

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Attitude is the little thing that makes a big difference.

Roosevelt's Visit to Olcott and Pioneer Picnic Politics
Bill Clark, Town of Newfane Historian

Theodore 'Teddy' Roosevelt's visit to Olcott in 1899 was closely tied to the powerful influence the Niagara County Pioneer's Association wielded in state and western New York politics over its many high-profile decades. Membership in the Pioneer Association consisted of political, business and agricultural leaders from across the region who represented the families that first settled here. The Pioneer's Association was formed in 1877 and held their annual meeting and picnic in the Tenbook pine grove, which is now Krull Park. The yearly picnics were attended by thousands from Batavia, Jamestown, Buffalo and all of Niagara and Orleans counties. The picnics were a festive day-long commemoration that marked the heritage and progress that had come to define life in the Niagara Frontier. A central feature of the gatherings, however, was always the prominent political activity, lobbying, campaigning and speechmaking engaged in by state and local political leaders. One observer noted, "the multitude came to confer on affairs of nation, state and party ... the picnic was a school of politics and progress where the glad hand was freely extended and deals were made and broken." Roosevelt was Governor of New York when he came to Olcott seeking the support of area leaders for the progressive reforms he was advancing against New York's staunch, old guard power brokers. In even more brazen political maneuvering, however, ten years after Roosevelt was here, Republican factions who were at odds over their preferences for governor, congress and the assembly gathered at Olcott in 1909 and crafted what they called the 'Olcott Beach Compact' – a controversial pact that shook the balance of statewide political power and was reported in newspapers from Albany to White Plains and Sag Harbor.

Teddy Roosevelt became active in New York City politics as a young man, was elected to the State Assembly at age 23 and chosen leader of the Assembly in 1883. He was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1884, lost his run to be mayor of New York City, served on the U.S. Civil Service Commission and was President of the New York City Board of Police Commissioners. U.S. President William McKinley named Roosevelt Assistant Secretary of the Navy in 1897, and when the Spanish-American War was declared in 1898, he resigned and organized the 1st Volunteer Cavalry, known as the Rough Riders. Roosevelt's Rough Riders were sent to drive the Spanish out of Cuba where he led the unit's charge up San Juan Hill and the Siege of Santiago. The decisive victories forced Spain from Cuba and Roosevelt was recognized as an American hero with widespread acclaim and popularity as a leader.

State Republican bosses soon tapped Roosevelt to successfully run for Governor of New York in 1899. He proved to be an energetic reformer as Governor, removing corrupt officials and enacting legislation to regulate corporations and the civil service. It is said these actions irked the entrenched New York party bosses so much that they conspired to get rid of him by drafting him as the Republican vice-presidential nominee in 1900 with running mate McKinley. Roosevelt was elected vice-president and in his first year, after McKinley's assassination in Buffalo, Roosevelt was sworn-in as the 26th President of the United States, where his popular mandate would result in his overwhelming reelection.

This photo shows Governor Roosevelt's party arriving at Burt on the New York Central Railroad (commonly called the Hojack) and they were taken by carriage to Olcott. The Burt stop on the east-west NY Central line was referred to as Newfane station at the time, the north-south Lockport-Olcott trolley was under construction when Roosevelt visited and would not open for another year in 1900. Left to right at the Newfane (Burt) station are Richard Crowley of Lockport, Vice-President of the Pioneer Association; New York Governor Theodore Roosevelt; Senator Timothy Ellsworth of Lockport; and Thomas Welch, President of the Pioneer's Association.



16TH ANNUAL
"CANDY CANE LANE"
CRAFT SHOW & SALE
at
Newfane United Methodist Church
2699 Main St., Newfane, N.Y.
on
Friday, December 2nd
4:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
**Come & do some last minute gift shopping,
relax & eat in the cafe,
take home fresh baked goods**
**There will be many crafters participating with
a variety of unique items**



Newfane Highway Department

SNOW REMOVAL AND WINTER PARKING

The Town of Newfane Winter Parking Ordinance states that no vehicle shall be allowed to park on any Town Highway right-of-way between the hours of 2:00AM to 6:00AM from November 15th to April 1st.

The Superintendent of Highways, Jon Miller, shall have the power to cause such removal of all vehicles in violation of this ordinance.

Plowing snow onto public roadways is against the law. Section 1219 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, and section 214 of the Highway Law of New York State specifically prohibits the placing or leaving of snow, ice or other substance upon any highway (this includes pavement, shoulders, and ditches). Over the past few years, the practice of plowing or depositing snow from private driveways or private property upon the highway has increased significantly. This practice is taking place even after roadways have been cleared and snow pushed back behind the shoulders by Highway Agencies.

This practice is against the law and serious accidents could result from snow being plowed onto the highway. All those responsible for plowing or depositing snow upon the highway may be liable for a fine up to \$1,000 per day, per occurrence for each day the situation remains uncorrected. Police Agencies will be notified of all occurrences with the intent that summonses be issued to all those responsible.

During and after significant snowstorms, Highway Agencies receive phone calls regarding damage to mailboxes caused by snowplows or from the force of snow being thrown by the plows. If such damage is caused during snow removal, it is not done intentionally.

There is no statutory or legal authority which grants a property owner along a public highway the right to place a mailbox in a highway right-of-way. The owner must have a mailbox in the right-of-way by law for mail delivery, which may give the owner an informal license. However, this does not give the owner any legal rights in the highway when needed for highway purposes. When the necessity of keeping the highway open conflicts with the individual's reception of mail, the latter must stand aside. In certain instances, the owner may even be compelled to remove the box under Highway Law #319.

From all of us here at the Highway Department, may you and all your family have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!

Marina/Fish Park

After another busy year at the Marina, it is closed for the season. Fish Park is now open and is busy with many fishermen, including children with their parents, as well as those just walking down to see the action and beautiful scenery.

We are in the process of making some improvements at the Marina, as long as weather permits. Currently we are replacing some worn out dock boards.

We look forward to seeing you next year at the Marina. We will be opening the first Saturday in April 2023. Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!



NOTICE

Effective May 1, 2021 the following rules will be enforced for the town wide brush Pick-up:

- All branches MUST be piled as neatly as possible with ALL CUT ENDS FACING the road and NO LONGER than 10 ft long.
- **Tree removal companies are responsible to remove ALL of their own debris. *******
- We will NOT pick up large STUMPS.
- We will not pick up leaves or yard rubbish, etc.
- A maximum amount of 2 tandem truck loads will be picked up at a time at any one residence.
- We will NOT pick up branches in front of wooded lots that are being cleared.
- We will NOT be responsible for any damages to anything that is under the pile of brush that we cannot see. Large piles are picked up with large machinery.
- If you have any questions, please contact the Highway Department at 778-8844 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Monday- Thursday.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Jon Miller
Highway Superintendent

Do you need help paying your water/sewer bill?

Made available through the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance, the Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) helps low income households pay the cost of water and sewer services. The program can assist households who have past due bills (arrears) for water and/or sewer services.

Benefits

LIHWAP is a benefit based on the actual amount of water and /or sewer arrears, up to a maximum of \$2,500 per water or sewer provider, or \$5,000 if water and sewer services are combined, per applicant household. Benefits are paid directly to the household's water and/or sewer vendor(s).

Eligibility:

Eligibility and benefits are based on:

- Income
- Household Size
- Amount owed to water and/or sewer provider(s) For more information about this program, call the NYS LIHWAP Call Center at 1-833-690-0208

MILLER HOSE FIRE COMPANY

Fire Chief Jason Coleman
President James Enderton

Once again, the winter heating season has arrived. Fire Chief Jason Coleman would like to remind everyone that may be heating their residence by burning wood, pellets, propane or natural gas, to check that their chimney or exhaust ducts are not blocked, damaged or have a buildup of creosote. Buildup of drifting snow around vents can also be a problem during snowstorms. When using utility heaters for added warmth, ensure that the surrounding area of the unit is free from clutter and unit is in good working condition. Do not connect heaters to underrated extension cords as they are not designed to handle the voltage required for the efficient use of the heater. If you have installed battery dependent smoke detectors, now may be the time to change out the old battery with a new one and test the system.

With the winter months and what comes with them while traveling, it is recommended that you maintain a Winter Survival Kit in your car or truck in case you become stranded. A blanket, a small shovel (for clearing snow buildup around the car's exhaust pipe), mobile cell phone/charger along with energy bars are some items to be considered in the kit. Above all, always be aware of your surroundings, location and visible landmarks to aid agencies to locate you if needed. Also, always try to maintain at least a half tank of fuel in your vehicle or now with EV vehicles becoming more in use, a full charge. Above all, drive to the conditions of the road and weather.

Year to date, Miller Hose has responded to approximately 570 EMS medical emergency calls in conjunction with 160 fire, accidents, mutual aid and related service calls.

Miller Hose members would like to thank all those that contributed to our Boot Drive that was conducted this fall during the Newfane Historical Society's Apple Harvest Day Festival. Funds collected will go to maintain or purchase new equipment for fire company personnel.


Chairman Dave Hoffman and his committee reported on another very successful Gun and Cash Raffle held this past September. A total of 30 prizes were awarded to happy winners. Many side raffles were also held during the day. Food was also provided to those in attendance. The committee would like to thank all those that purchased tickets to make this a very successful event.

Under the direction of MHC 3rd Assistant Chief Megan Snyder, the Miller Hose, Olcott and Wrights Corners Fire companies conducted 3 days of Fire Prevention instructions to the students of grades K-3 of the Newfane Elementary School. The first day of instruction was for the Kindergarten classes where they were shown a video on fire prevention and learned the technique of Stop-Drop and Roll. Then they got to ride in the fire trucks and had hands on with a fire hose directing water on a house prop.

The second day was for 1st and 2nd graders. They were shown the operation of Wrights Corners Aerial truck, Olcott's Rescue truck and Miller Hose's Engine 5. Then they went inside where they were instructed on how to call for help using the 911 telephone number. Their instructions also included what to do in case of a fire in their home. On the 3rd day, the 3rd grade was also shown the operations of Olcott's Rescue truck, Wrights Corners Aerial and Miller Hose's Ambulance. They were then shown with the use of the Fire Prevention Sprinkler trailer, what a stove and oven fire is and how to safely extinguish it. Also, a demonstration was done to show how a fire can spread from a garbage can to curtains and other items in a room. All fire personnel involved in the three days of instruction agreed that it was also fun interacting with the kids.

The fire personnel then returned to the Miller Hose fire hall for the dedication of the Town of Newfane Fire Prevention Trailer. Town of Newfane Supervisor John Syracuse formally dedicated the trailer and Fire Prevention Program in honor of Past Chief William 'Bill' Krauss (deceased), who for many years served on the Fire Prevention Bureau and Fire Advisory Board. Bill had also been instrumental in the establishment of the early Fire Explorer Posts that has become the present-day Junior Firefighters Organization. Mrs. Joan Krauss was in attendance for the dedication. She in turn, donated the many books of Newfane and surrounding areas fire related history that Bill had amassed over his 55 years of fire service. The collection will be placed in the Company's History cabinets for all to review.

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Newfane Business Association Presents

NEWFANE LIGHT UP PARADE

DECEMBER 2nd, 2022 6PM

Main Street from Second street to East ave

SPONSORED BY ONTARIO SHORES FCU, NEWFANE LIONS CLUB, NEWFANE MUSIC, AVANT REALTY, ST ANDREWS, HIBBARD INSURANCE, MILLER HOSE FD, SWIFT SOUND PRODUCTION, NORTH SHORE INSURANCE AND THE CODA CORPORATION





Light Up Newfane

MAIN STREET
FRIDAY, DEC 2ND

Schedule Of Events

- 4-8 Candy Cane Lane Methodist church
- 4-8 Mistletoe Market Community center
- 3-9 ornament painting Imagine That
- 4-8 Spin Art Wahi studio
- 5-6 /7-8 Carriage rides Gazebo
- 6pm Parade Main St
- 7 lighting of tree Gazebo
- 6-8 Hot chocolate & cookies Gazebo
- 7 Meet Santa Gazebo Area
- Living Nativity Grace Bible Church



Newfane Bussines Association

Abe's On Main, Asha's Farm Sanctuary, Artisan Alley, Avant Realty, Bittner Singer Orchards, Black Willow Winery, Blush Photography, Buzyniski Electric, Cafora's Pizzeria, Challenge Island, Chateau Niagara Winery, Clydes Feed & Animal Center, Creative Customwear, Creekside Income Tax LLC, Swift Sound Productions, E & L Repair, Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, First Baptist Church, Flint Brothers Hardware Inc., Grace Bible Church, Hibbard Insurance Agency, Hollys Dollys Daycare, Howell Motors Ford, Lake Ontario Motel & Inn, Little Lamb Crochet, Live Edge Brewing Company, Mark's Pizzeria, Mariner's Landing, Miller Hose Fire Co Inc., NCCC Small Business Development Center, Newfane Alumni Association, Newfane Auto Repair LLC, Newfane Central School District, Newfane Music, Newfane PTSA, Newfane Dental PC, Newfane Family Chiropractic, Newfane Public Library, Newfane United Methodist Church, Niagara Fresh Fruit Co. , a division of Bucolo Cold Storage, Inc., Niagara Implement, Inc. , North Shores Niagara LLC, Olcott Beach Carousel Park, Inc, Olcott Yacht Club, Ontario Shores Federal Credit Union, Open Air Bar, Dr Fredrick Piwko, POW Collision CARSTAR, Rainbow of Help, Inc., Red Leaf Milling Company, LLC, Root 78 Hair Studio and Spa, Russell Farms, Inc., Rutland Corwin Funeral Home, Inc, Schulze Vineyards & Winery, St Andrew's Community Store, St. Andrews Episcopel Church, Town of Newfane Historical Society, Voelpel Farms Inc., WAHI Studios Inc, Web Essentials, Wilson's Pizza, Wright's Corners Wine & Spirit, WNY Auto Supply NAPA

Bussiness Association meets 3rd Tuesday of the month
<https://newfanebusiness.com>

The Newfane Business Association would like to thank our sponsors for this year's Parade. Ontario Shores Federal Credit union, Swift Sound Production, Avant Realty, Hibbard Insurance, St Andrews Church, Newfane Music, The Coda Corporation, North Shore Insurance, Newfane Lions and Miller Hose Vol Fire Dept. We want to thank all of the volunteers, judges and participants for this years Parade.

The Newfane Business association officers are President Pastor Kim Smith, Vice President Paul Leader Treasurer Susan Neidlinger, Secretary Cindy Harrington. The Newfane Business Association meets the Third Tuesday of every month at the Community Center at 830 am. To become a member go to <https://newfanebusiness.com>

Dedication of the new Fire Prevention Trailer



Miller Hose continued...

Miller Hose in partnership with the Adams Fire Company of North Tonawanda, Barker Fire Department and Hartland Fire Company participated in a fund-raising endeavor by the Love Always Equine Sanctuary. It consists of a calendar for 2023 featuring photos of members of the four fire companies and their interaction with the 8 horses under the care of the sanctuary. This inaugural calendar is titled, 'HORSES and HOSES'. The calendar can be purchased for \$10 or 3 calendars for \$25. Contact a MHC member or call the firehall at 716-778-7544 (leave message) for calendar. Calendars are also available at the Newfane Town Hall. The sanctuary is located at 2305 Carmen Rd. Barker, NY where care is given to the 8 featured horses, 3 donkeys, 4 goats, 2 bunnies and 3 barn cats residing there. Proceeds from the sale of the calendars will go towards the care and wellbeing of the animals. Contact the sanctuary at 716-491-3121.

During the month of December, the fire company will be accepting nominations for officers for Miller Hose that will lead the company in 2023. Voting for those nominated will be held on the 1st Sunday of January 2023 at the monthly meeting. The formal installation of officers elected will be at the annual installation banquet, January 26, 2023.

To counteract the winter doldrums, set aside the date of February 25, 2023. Miller Hose will be holding its Annual Meat Raffle. Doors will open at the firehall at 6pm and the raffle will start at 7pm. Snacks and drink will be available. Presale tickets for meat prizes will also become available from any member of the company.

Spring of 2023, on April 22nd our annual \$10000 Cash Raffle will be held at the firehall. Many cash prizes will be awarded that includes the \$10000, \$3000, \$2000, \$1000 and \$500 top prizes. Only 360 tickets will be offered for a \$100 donation. Planning is underway for the serving and drink for the ticket holders. A basket raffle is also being considered as an added event. If anyone would care to donate a basket for the raffle, please call 716-778-7544 (leave a message if no one answers) or contact any member of Miller Hose. Raffle tickets can be obtained from any MHC member.

Applications for membership in the role of EMS, Fire or Administration positions are available at the hall on Thursday drill nights or from any member of the company. Applications to join the Junior Firefighters are also available.

All the members of Miller Hose Company want to wish all a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy and Safe New Year in 2023.



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January

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Martin Luther King Jr. Day						
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