



Schuyler Town Newsletter

TOWN OF SCHUYLER, HERKIMER COUNTY, NEW YORK

SEPTEMBER 2024

Contest!!



Cash Prizes!!

"Pumpkins for Pets" Pumpkin Carving Contest to benefit the Herkimer County Humane Society \$300 in cash prizes

It's simple - here's how it works:

- Carve a pumpkin of your choice
- Take a picture of your carved pumpkin with your pet
- Send your photo submission to schuylerpumpkins@yahoo.com

Your submission will be entered online and the public will have an opportunity to vote for their favorite pumpkin with the winner of the people's choice award announced on Halloween – October 31, 2024

For a complete list of contest rules please visit our Facebook page at "Town of Schuyler"

Deadline for submissions is October 10, 2024





August Birthday of the Month

Congratulations to Milania Brown, whose Birthday is August 16th!



Schuyler Birthday Form

Birthday Person: _____

Birthdate: _____

Submitted By: _____

Phone/E-Mail Address: _____

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

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

Submitted August Birthdays - Happy Birthday Everyone!

Gina Dianotto	August 8	Sandy Bennett	August 8
William Gerstner	August 13	Daniel J. Tripoli, Jr.	August 13
Ray Bennett	August 15	Josh Griffio	August 15
Jill Griffio	August 15	Ethan Pavlus	August 15
Oliver Wisdom	August 16	Kadence Fernalld	August 18
Adam Martinez	August 20	Andrea Spina	August 20
Renee Fisher	August 24	Lorie Sportello	August 25
Dylan Perry	August 26	Dennis Kelly	August 28

East Schuyler Methodist Church

Sunday Mass is at 9:30 A.M.

118 Church Road in Schuyler

West Schuyler Methodist Church

Sunday Mass is at 10 A.M.

297 Wood Lane in Schuyler

*Schuyler has a new Corn King!
Joe Menchetti from the State of Connecticut
4,000 people witnessed him become the new King!*





TOWN OF SCHUYLER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Meetings are held Saturdays from 10 A.M. - 12 P.M. on:
September 14
November 9



The Exhibit Room is open to the public on Wednesdays from 10 A.M. - 12 P.M.

The Schuyler Chronicles

Issue # 4 - September 2024

I hope everyone is enjoying our new series. I know I'm learning a lot from researching all the wonderful items we have on display in the Town of Schuyler Historical Society Exhibit Room. This month's items of interest are moustache cups. These cups were invented between the 1830's - 1860's by an English potter named Harvey Adams. He created a moustache guard which was shaped like a moustache and it reached across the inside rim of the cup leaving an opening under the ledge making it possible for a gentleman to sip his tea while keeping his moustache dry. Why was this an issue? Throughout the Victorian era, gentlemen applied moustache wax to keep them stiff and every hair in place. When drinking hot tea without a moustache guard, the hot tea would melt the wax which would most likely drip into the cup. Drinking tea would also stain the moustache.



Once the cups gained popularity, famous pottery manufacturers such as Royal Crown Derby and Limoges created their own versions. Soon the cups made it to the shores of America. The cups reach the peak of their popularity around the 1890's. By the 1920's and 30's, however, thick and large moustaches were no longer in vogue and sales plummeted.

Moustache cups are highly collectible since it's been almost a century since they were commonplace. The two we have on display in the Town of Schuyler Historical Society Exhibit Room were from the collection of Betty Currier. The next time you see one of these interesting cups in an antique shop or Bouckville, take a second look at them and appreciate the simple genius of an old English potter by the name of Harvey Adams.

Respectfully submitted for your reading pleasure.

Christine Proulx, TOSHS Recording Secretary

Pet Halloween Costume Contest

In addition to the Pumpkin Carving Contest, the Town of Schuyler will be hosting a **live, in-person** Pet Halloween Costume Contest on Sunday, October 20th at 1:00 P.M. at the Schuyler Town Hall. Bring your pet dressed in their best Halloween costume!

Register by e-mail at schuylercarnival@yahoo.com by Tuesday, October 15th. A \$20 registration fee will be due on the day of the event and will be fully donated to the Herkimer County Humane Society.

Celebrity Judge to be announced!!

Prizes for first, second and third place as well as the winning picture in the Newsletter.





Much appreciation to Cosmo Pellegrino and his staff of volunteers, Juliano Farms LLC, and Just Bounce Around LLC for an extremely successful Car and Corn Show Extravaganza! Over 4,000 people attended, and vendors are already reserving space for next year's event due to its success.



Planning Board Meeting - August 7, 2024

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

Planning Board Members Present:

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

Planning Board Meeting - August 7, 2024 cont'd.
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Also Present Were:

Councilmen Rodney Dodge and Joe Juliano, Town Supervisor Anthony Lucenti, Town Attorney Mark Wolber, Codes Enforcement Officer Phil Green, Donald Ehre, Frank Paratore, David Paratore, and Attorney Kathryn Festine.

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

Motion to Approve Minutes:

Motion by Dale Dodge, second by David Fusillo to approve May 29, 2024, June 5, 2024, and June 19, 2024 Planning Board minutes ; all in favor.

Application by Clayton Homes:

Donald Ehre presented an application by Clayton Homes for subdivision of four residential lots which would involve changing zoning from C-H (Commercial-Highway) to R-1 (Residential). Mr. Ehre indicated that the metes and bounds description has been submitted.

Motion to accept project made by Dan Tripoli and second by Dale Dodge; all in favor.

Motion to adopt resolution of intent to act as lead agency made by Catherine Nimey, second by Dave Fusillo; all in favor.

Motion to set public hearing for Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. made by Dale Dodge, second by Dan Tripoli; all in favor.

Motion by Jim Digristina, second by David Fusillo to close the public hearing; all in favor.

Applications by David Paratore and Para-Future Development Corp.:

Applicants David Paratore and Frank Paratore for Para-Future Development Corp. explained the need to have their properties rezoned from Residential (R-2) to Commercial-Highway (C-H).

Motion by Mike Ritter, second by Dan Tripoli to vote for agreeing to C-H (Commercial-Highway). Dale Dodge – No; Jean Finster – Yes, Dave Fusillo – Yes, Catherine Nimey – Yes, Victor Costanza – Yes.

Motion by Dale Dodge, second by Jean Finster to set public hearing for Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at 6:30 P.M.; all in favor.

Moton to Adjourn:

There being no additional business, a motion to adjourn the Planning Board meeting was made at 7:46 P.M. by Davis Fusillo with a second by Dan Tripoli; all in favor.

Jeffery Dingman, Planning Board Secretary



Town Board Meeting - August 14, 2024

** Town Board Minutes Being Provided as Courtesy - Not Officially Approved **

Supervisor Lucenti led the assembled people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed by a moment of silence for Stephan Glenske, who passed away and was a World War II Veteran, who was short three days of his 100th birthday. The Town Board Meeting was then called to order.

Council Members Present:

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

Also Present Were:

Town Clerk Barbara J. Boulia, Superintendent of Highways Philip Johnson, Clerk to Supervisor Jeffery Dingman, Assessor George Haskell, and Codes Enforcement Officer Phil Green. Town Residents present were: Candy Graf, Ray Tiffaney, Clarence H. Caldwell, Dale Dodge, Chris and Rick Proulx, Harry Robbins, Bette Wadman, Helen Bowell, Christine Carino, and Don Haman.

Minutes of July 10, 2024:

Motion by Kane, second by Dodge that the minutes of July 10, 2024 be approved as printed; all in favor.

Pay Bills:

Supervisor Lucenti asked if anyone had questions on the bills.

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

Assessor Report by George Haskell:

Assessor George Haskell said the 2025 STAR must be filed with NYS by March 2025.

Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green:

Codes Officer Philip Green said he has issued 33 permits and has been doing inspections. He said there are seven property maintenance issues.

Car Show Report - Cosmo Pellegrino:

Cosmo Pellegrino said we had 4,000 people attend the Car and Corn Extravaganza. He said we have a new Corn King, Joe Menchetti from the state of Connecticut. He said we profited \$3,155.00. He said it came from the vendors and the 50/50 raffle. He said they will donate \$1,000.00 to the Sacco Memorial Scholarship in Deerfield, \$1,000.00 to Onondaga County fallen officers. He said they were very short-staffed. He said he would like to have \$1,050.00 as a line-item on the budget.

He said they had one resident who was not very happy that lived on Wood Lane. He said they were not happy with the fireworks. He said he heard nothing more about it.

Town Board Meeting - August 14, 2024 cont'd.

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Supervisor's Report:

BRIC-FEMA Grant - What's Next

Supervisor Lucenti said we did not get the BRIC-FEMA grant. He said Christine Campbell told him we lost points because of the income of the area. He said Christine Carino wanted to say a few words, as she was involved in the flooding.

Christine Carino said she is not able to put anything in her building. She said it is very sad that NYS cannot take care of the problems with the flooding. She said she received no coverage from her insurance. She said that area is an eyesore to the Town of Schuyler. Councilman Joe Juliano said that the base of the bridge is loaded and has no place for the water to flow. He said 40 years ago they would clean it out and now they do not. Councilman Rodney Dodge said we should get in touch with Schumer's office, because something has to be done. Superintendent of Highways Phil Johnson said he even called Herkimer County Soil and Water.

Office Building Repair

Supervisor Lucenti said there are a lot of bricks left over. He said he reached out to the owners of the company. Councilman Kane said that amount of bricks was what they had to purchase. Councilman Joe Juliano said he understood that they were to replace from the second window to the first window. Joe Juliano said it is a good patch job and he thinks the price should be rectified.

Herkimer County Animal Shelter Fundraiser

Supervisor Lucenti said we have hooked up with the Herkimer County Humane Society to take care of the dog problems. He said that the Town of Schuyler would be willing to do a fundraiser for the animal shelter and try to raise some money for them. He said this should take place in October this year and we will call it Pumpkins for Puppies. He said Buell Fuel will be opening up their convenience store in the Schuyler Business Park in October and will be selling pumpkins for carving. He said they will match the price for Pumpkins for Puppies. Councilman Joe Juliano said he will also be happy to help the Pumpkins for Puppies fundraiser.

Water Districts - Numerous Meetings Held

Supervisor Lucenti said there have been numerous meetings regarding the water project. He said he and Councilwoman Bette Szesny just went to the Water Board meeting with Pat Becher.

Stormwater Committee Resolution

Supervisor Lucenti said he spoke to Jeff Quakenbush, from Herkimer County Planning Board. He said there are maybe six meetings per year and Jeff sent him a report and they are getting more and more involved. He said there is a cost of \$500.00.

Fire Company 75th Anniversary

Supervisor Lucenti said the Schuyler Fire Company will be having a 75th Anniversary on September 14, 2024. He said he would like to get a plaque for them.



Town Board Meeting - August 14, 2024 cont'd.

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Wood Lane - Need to Expand

Supervisor Lucenti said they are running out of room for the Extravaganza. He said the Town just purchased land from Bob Glenski and it is a corn field. He said the Town should have some of it plowed up and reseeded for the Extravaganza.

M&T Bank - Payee Positive Pay Recommended

Supervisor Lucenti said he and Barb had a meeting with M&T Bank. There is a new program called "Payee Positive Pay". He said what happens is the accountant will send a listing of checks, and M&T Bank will check out accounts. He said he spoke to Mang Insurance and they said it is a good idea.

Highway Superintendent Report by Phil Johnson:

Speed Trailer

Superintendent of Highways Phil Johnson said he had a speed trailer on the end of Mapleton. He said someone trashed the speed trailer and tipped it upside down. He said he now has it working.

Salt Shed

Superintendent of Highways Phil Johnson said the work on the salt shed will begin shortly as the company is finishing up with a job. He also said the new truck should be in by October of 2024.

Water Board Report by Bette Szesny: Not available.

Planning Board Report by Jeff Dingman - Purchase of Online Training and Old Forge Training:

Jeffery Dingman said the Town of Webb has Planning Board training at a cost of \$55.00 per person, plus mileage.

Jeff Dingman said the cost of KnowBe4 security-awareness training for a three-year subscription is \$2,570.50.

Motion by Dodge, second by Kane authorizing the purchase of KnowBe4 security-awareness training for \$2,470.50; all in favor.

Resident Comment:

Harry Robbins from the East Schuyler Cemetery said the volunteers who mow the cemetery are in the 70's. He said they had money in the Treasury and bought mowers. He said he would like a line-item on the Budget for mowing the cemetery.

There being no further business to come before the Town Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

Barbara J. Boulia, Town Clerk

2024 Rabies Vaccination Schedule

Thursday, September 12th 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Cedarville Fire Department 960 State Route 51, Cedarville
Thursday, October 3rd 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Little Falls Town Garage 478 Flint Ave. Ext., Little Falls
Saturday, November 16th 10:00 - Noon	East Herkimer Fire Department 193 Main Road, East Herkimer

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



Walk-In and Pre-Registration available for all clinics
Pre-register for faster service at 315-867-1176; will end at noon the day before clinic

Upcoming Events, Meetings and Public Hearings

Schuyler Volunteer Fire Company, 120 Newport Road

- Sunday, September 8 at 12 P.M.: Fall Chicken BBQ
- Saturday, September 14 at 12 P.M.: Schuyler Fire Company 75th Anniversary Celebration

Planning Board Public Hearings - Wednesday, September 4 beginning at 6 P.M.

- Clayton Homes: Commercial-Highway (C-H) to Residential (R-1)
- David M. Paratore: Commercial Highway (C-H) and Residential (R-2) to C-H
- Para-Future Development: Commercial Highway (C-H) and Residential (R-2) to C-H

Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearings - Thursday, September 5 beginning at 6 P.M.

- Sheila Beach: Build home at 3173 State Route 5
- David M. Paratore: Rent building at 2247 State Route 5 to Tire/Retail Repair Shop

Public Safety Committee Meeting - Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 5:30 P.M.

Town Board Meeting - Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 6 P.M.



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Monday - Friday 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
Mondays - 5:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Town Clerk: 315-733-7458

Court Clerk: 315-733-1093

Town Highway Department

Philip Johnson, Highway
Superintendent

Highway Garage: 315-733-7617
Cell Phone: 315-240-1485
highway@townofschuyler.org

**West Schuyler
Cemetery
Burial Plots
Available**

For further
information and
current pricing, please
call Earl Haman:

315-733-2920



Town Assessor - George Haskell

Available at 5:30 P.M. on September 11

Please call for an appointment
315-733-7458 ext. 225

Codes Enforcement Officer

Call Before Starting
ANY Building Project

Philip Green:
315-534-2232 (cell)

**East Schuyler Miller Cemetery
Burial Sites Available**

For further information and current pricing, please contact Harry Robbins, President:
315-269-0861




JOHN A. LAPOLLA
SCHUYLER VFW POST #8728
240 Wood Lane, Schuyler
Michael Collver, Commander: 315-525-3680


Social Hour at the VFW are held Fridays beginning at 3 P.M.!

For Facility Rentals: 315-733-6609