

## Schuyler Town Newsletter

TOWN OF SCHUYLER, HERKIMER COUNTY, NEW YORK

**MAY 2025** 

#### **Birthday Cake of the Month!!**



Join us in celebrating Schuyler Birthdays!

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

Please submit Birthdays (name, date of birthday, photo, and phone number) by the 15th of each month to:

birthdays@townofschuylerny.gov or drop form off (see page 2) at Town Office (no phone calls please)

## Burn Ban in Effect through May 14th!!



## **Town Supervisor Ron Beach**

Office Hours: Wednesdays 4:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.



## **Mother's Day Breakfast Cancelled**

Due to unforeseen circumstances, The Schuyler Volunteer Fire Company's Mother's Day breakfast will be cancelled.

### Change in Website and E-Mail

There has been movement to have municipalities change to a .gov address as it provides a higher level of security and authenticity because .gov domains are exclusively reserved for U.S. government organizations.

The Town's website can now be found at www.townofschuylerny.gov so please begin accessing this new site. The old .org website will provide a link to the new website for only a short time.

Following in line with the website change, town e-mail addresses have also changed to conform to the new standard. The beginning name remains intact; however, the domain section replaces townofschuyler.org with townofschuylerny.gov.

Please take note of the addition of 'ny' to the addresses.







## **April Birthday of the Month**

Congratulations to Bentley DeMarco, whose 1st Birthday is April 22nd!!





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Birthday Person:
Birthdate: ————
Submitted By: —
Phone/E-Mail Address:

Schuyler Birthday Form

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

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

## Submitted April Birthdays - Happy Birthday Everyone!

Madison Goodchild	April 2	Jeffery Dingman	April 3
Angela Vivlamore	April 20	Bentley DeMarco	April 22
Tyler Sportello	April 23	Adelina McQuay	April 23
Rocco Zangrilli	April 27	Parker Sanderson	April 28
James Nessia	April 29	Linda Betrus	April 30

## **East Schuyler Methodist Church**

Sunday Service is at 9:30 A.M. 118 Church Road in Schuyler



## **West Schuyler Methodist Church**

Sunday Service is at 10 A.M. 297 Wood Lane in Schuyler





#### TOWN OF SCHUYLER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## The Schupler Chronicles

Issue # 11 - May 2025



Chesed Shel Emet—Hebrew for a true loving kindness
'When you do something for someone that can never be repaid. Like cleaning the graves of the dead.

That is a true and loving kindness." Mitch Albom from <u>The Little Liar</u>

Many people visit cemeteries in May to plant flowers, place flags, and clean their loved ones' headstones. Early last summer the TOS Historical Society had the opportunity to meet with Wendy Ladd Weeks, a former Schuyler resident. Wendy is a member of a professional headstone cleaning association, and she taught our group the proper way to clean headstones that were in great need.

First let me list the DON'Ts. DON'T use Windex. It can seriously dull the shine of granite and cause pitting in the stone. DON'T use bleach. It will quickly erode the sealant and can result in unsightly staining. DON'T use disinfecting wipes. They contain high levels of citric acid which is bad for the sealant. DON'T use cleaning agents that contain lemon or ammonia. Both can break down the sealant and eat away the granite. DON'T use cleaners with vinegar. Vinegar can etch and dull the headstone. DON'T use any abrasive cleaning agents such as Comet cleanser. They will scratch and age the stone before it's time. DON'T use a pressure washer. The harsh pressure will speed up erosion. DON'T clean other families' headstones without their permission.

So, if you can't use these cleaning agents, what can you safely use? You can use a cleaner that you would use for your granite kitchen countertop. You can also contact a local headstone company to ask for their advice. Better yet, you will find many approved products online. One of the most common is D/2. But whatever brand you buy you can follow these instructions: With a hard, sharp plastic puddy knife, first scrape off the lichen or moss. If there are engravings (letters, numbers, designs), use a plastic crevice cleaning tool. A hard toothbrush also helps. You can use a stiff household cleaning brush—but not a metal-bristled one. Once you scrape off as much lichen and dirt as you can, apply the cleaner until everything is saturated. Cover with a large plastic bag. At this point you can start cleaning another stone. If you are cleaning only one, take a 15–20-minute walk around the cemetery and you may be surprised at some of the interesting history you can find. When you return, remove the bag and scrape off the dirt and lichen with your plastic tools and brushes. Rinse with plenty of water. If you still notice residual dirt and lichen repeat the process.



Plastic puddy knife



Plastic crevice cleaning tool

You can now stand back and admire how beautiful the stones look. No one may ever notice but YOU will know. Now you can see why in Hebrew there is an actual phrase for headstone cleaning. It really is a true loving kindness.

Submitted for your reading pleasure, Christine Proulx TOS Historical Society Recording Secretary





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

#### **2025 Rabies Vaccination Schedule**

Thursday, May 1st 5:00 - 6:30 P.M.	Dolgeville Fire Department 20 South Helmer Ave., Dolgeville	
Thursday, May 15th 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Old Forge Library 220 Crosby Blvd., Old Forge	
Wednesday, June 5th 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Norway Community Center 3114 Military Road, Norway	
Thursday, June 25th 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Ilion-Frankfort VFW Pavilion 4274 Acme Road, Frankfort	
Thursday, July 17th 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Danube Town Garage 438 Creek Road, Little Falls	
Thursday, August 21st 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Salisbury Fire Department 2549 State Route 29, Salisbury Center	
Thursday, September 11th 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Cedarville Fire Department 960 State Route 51, Cedarville	
Thursday, October 2nd 5:30 - 7:00 P.M.	Little Falls Town Garage 478 Flint Ave. Ext., Little Falls	
Saturday, November 15th 10:00 - Noon East Herkimer Fire Department 193 Main Road, East Herkimer		

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

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

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



## In Memory of Robert H. Wasyleski



The Town of Schuyler wishes to express their deepest sympathies to the family of Robert H. 'Bob' Wasyleski, who passed away on April 15th at the age of 66. Robert was a dedicated member of the Schuyler Volunteer Fire Company, a member of the Schuyler Zoning of Appeals, and past member of the Schuyler Recreation Committee. His commitment and enthusiasm will be greatly missed.

## **Herkimer County Sales Tax**



A reminder when purchasing big ticket items such as motor vehicles, boats, etc. to be sure that the appropriate sales tax is being charged. Oneida County sales tax is currently 8.75%, while Herkimer County sales tax is 8.25%.

Not only will this save a significant amount of money for large purchases, it will ensure that your sales tax revenue is applied to and stays in your county.



## **Summer Youth Employment Program Now Accepting Applications**





Anthony Lucenti, County Legislator

The Youth Summer Employment Program will begin accepting applications on April 24, 2025. The program will run for 7 weeks, starting June 30 and running through August 15, and is for youth aged 16 to 20. The youth must turn 16 no later than July 7, due to NYS labor laws, and the start date for many of the sites. They can work for a total of 112 hours at \$14.50/hour over the 7 weeks, which averages 16 hours a week, but depending on their site supervisor, they could work more hours in a week and be done earlier. They just can't go over 112 hours. The job sites are all non-profit, community sites such as parks, playgrounds, DPW's, libraries, etc. We maintain a list in our office and try to match the youth with a site that is close to their home, and something they are interested in.

Each Legislator receives 14 "slots" for youth within their district. Youth may e-mail Jeffery Dingman at webmaster@townofschuylerny.gov to request an application packet.

Also, please be aware that Herkimer County offers a bus program for those youth employed at Old Forge area businesses. The bus will run daily from June 11 through Labor Day and offers four pick-up points: Herkimer, Middleville, Newport, and Poland. Youth must get their own job in the Old Forge area, and then must come into the Youth Bureau for a bus pass and also to obtain a Sheriff's ID. Some businesses in that area may hire youth as young as 14, which may be a good option for those youth too young to participate in the Summer Employment program.

If you have additional questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Youth Bureau at 315-867-1213.

We look forward to working with you on behalf of our youth!

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## SCHUYLER CAR & CORN



EXTRAVAGANZA

## **CAR SHOW**

282 Wood Ln. Schuyler, NY

## **3PM TO DUSK**

\$10.00 MIN DONATION

ALL PROCEEDS DONATED TO CHARITY

HOSTED BY DJ JACK CLARK

**ALL CARS WELCOME** 

REGISTRATION TENT UPON ARRIVAL

#### TROPHIES FOR:

BEST IN SHOW + \$100 CASH PRIZE

PEOPLE'S CHOICE + \$50 CASH PRIZE

PEER JUDGED TOP 30

BEST PAINT

LOUDEST EXHAUST

DASH PLAQUES FOR FIRST 100 CARS

FREE GIVE-AWAYS TO ALL REGISTERED CARS

DOOR PRIZES

50/50

# GRIDLEY PAIGE

HOT AIR BALLOON RIDES

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VENDORS

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## Planning Board Meeting - April 2, 2025

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

#### **Planning Board Members Present:**

Vice Chairman David Fusillo, Michael Ritter, Dale Dodge, Jim Digristina, and Alternate Member Catherine Nimey. Absent was Chairman Victor Costanza.

#### **Also Present Were:**

Town Supervisor Ronald Beach, Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green, and Planning Board Secretary Jeffery Dingman.

Vice Chairman Fusillo 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 Dodge, second by Digristina to approve the March 5, 2025 Planning Board minutes; all in favor.

#### Moton to Adjourn:

There being no additional business, a motion to adjourn the Planning Board meeting was made at 6:05 P.M. by Nimey, second by Tripoli; all in favor.

#### **Training Workshop:**

At this time, the Board conducted a two-hour training workshop in which printed versions of the Zoning Ordinance were discussed.

Jeffery P. Dingman, Planning Board Secretary

## **Town Board Meeting - April 9, 2025**

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

#### **Council Members Present:**

Supervisor Ronald Beach, Jr.., Councilwoman Bette Szesny, Councilmen Rodney Dodge, Joe Juliano, and Eric Kane.

#### **Also Present Were:**

Town Clerk Barbara J. Boulia, Superintendent of Highways Philip Johnson, Clerk to Supervisor Jeffery Dingman, C2AE Representatives Barry Viggiano and Mike Jantz. Town Residents: Clarence Caldwell, Sarah Collignon, Donald Haman, Ruby Beach, and Harry Robbins.

Supervisor Beach opened the meeting at 6:00 P.M. and led the assembled people in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### Town Board Meeting - April 9, 2025 cont'd.

#### Minutes of March 12, 2025:

Motion by Szesny, second by Kane that the minutes of March 12, 2025 be approved as printed; all in favor.

#### **Pay Bills:**

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

#### **Codes Enforcement Officer Report by Philip Green:**

Codes Enforcement Officer Philip Green said he has issued eleven permits and a couple Certificates of Occupancy (CO's)

#### **Assessor Report:**

Supervisor Beach said Dan Maxwell left a written report. He said the assessor file is now housed on the Herkimer County server. He said all the exemptions have been collected and processed. He said all the permits have been reviewed and assessed. He said there were four new businesses in the Business Park, three of which will be PILOTs (Payment in Lieu of Taxes). The dates for the Tentative Roll will be May 1, 2025.

#### **C2AE** Report on West Schuyler Water District:

Barry Vigiano from C2AE said they are still waiting for USDA and NYS Department of Health approvals. He said they should be sending it out for bid by late April. Construction should start by Fall of 2025.

#### **Highway Report:**

Supervisor Beach said Phil Johnson could not be here. He is going to put the Ford on Auctions International.

#### **Supervisor's Report:**

#### Town Park

Supervisor Beach said he spoke to Mike Keefe and there are repairs that need to be done at the Town Park. The park fence is in need of repairs due to four-wheeler damage and there is a broken picnic table at the lower end of the park. Supervisor Beach set an inspection date for the park of April 15, 2025.

#### New Fiber Optic Cable Installed

Supervisor Beach said new fiber optic cable will be installed on Monday. He also said the new telephone and Internet installation will be done by Northland Communications on April 30, 2025.

#### Wood Lane Park Grant Update

Supervisor Beach said Sunshine Jenkins will visit the Wood Lane Park in early May.



## Town Board Meeting - April 9, 2025 cont'd.

#### New Dog Ordinance in Effect Re: Barking Dogs

Supervisor Beach said we have an Amendment to Local Law #4 filed on 12/29/2010. He said this is in regards to any dog which continually barks for over 15 minutes, and barking can be heard by other residents.

1st Violation: Dog control officer will issue a written warning.

2nd Violation: The owner will receive an appearance ticket to Town of Schuyler Court, who will

impose a fine of not less than \$100.00; nor more than \$200.00.

3rd Violation: The owner will be imposed a fine of not less than \$200.00 nor more than \$400.00.

4th Violation: The owner shall remove the dog from the Town of Schuyler within 30 days, or dog

control officer shall remove the dog.

Motion by Juliano, second by Szesny authorizing the Amendment to Local Law dated December 29, 2010; all in favor.

#### Planning Board Report

See Planning Board minutes.

#### **Public Comment**

Harry Robbins said to put a copy of the Barking Dog Amendment in the Newsletter.

#### **Motion to Close:**

Motion by Juliano, second by Szesny to close the Town Board Meeting; all in favor.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was closed at 6:45 P.M.

Barbara J. Boulia, Town Clerk



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



Are you a Veteran of a Foreign War? Bring us your DD214 and your 1st year's Membership is on us! Great friendly atmosphere to chill out and have some good fun conversation.

#### **Attention Corn Hole Players**

Is your league looking for somewhere to play? Look no further than the Schuyler VFW! NEVER a rain date - our pavilion is big enough to play under! Call 315-733-6609 and ask for Robyn for details

#### Local Law No. 2025-

A LOCAL TO SUPPLEMENT THE EXISTING LAW ENTITLED "DOG LICENSING AND CONTROL FOR THE TOWN OF SCHUYLER" known as Local Law #4 of the year 2010.

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Schuyler New York as follows:

Article 1 - Statement of Authority.

This local law is enacted pursuant to Article 7 of the Agriculture and Markets Law of New York State.

Article 2 - Statement of Purpose and Findings.

The Town Board for the Town of Schuyler hereby finds that barking dogs may cause a disturbance to Town residents and if allowed to continue in an unreasonable volume and for an unreasonable period of time.

The current law does not address this issue. A law should be enacted to address this situation.

#### Article 3 - Barking Dogs

- A. No dog, as that term is defined herein, shall be permitted to bark for an unreasonable time at an unreasonable volume.
- B. Any dog which barks continually for 15 minutes and which barking can be heard from 300 feet away shall be deemed an unreasonable period of time and an unreasonable volume, and shall be in violation of this local law.

#### Article 4 - Violations

- A. For the first violation the animal control officer shall issue a written warning to the owner of the dog.
- B. For any subsequent violations by the same owner or person in control, within 18 months, for any dog, the owner or person in control shall be served with an appearance ticket returnable before the Town Court.
  - C. For the first violation the Court shall impose a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$200.
- D. For the second violation, within 18 months of the previous incident violation, the Court shall impose a fine of not less than \$200 nor more than \$400.
  - E. For the third violation, within 18 months of the second violation, the dog's license shall be revoked.

The owner shall remove the dog from the Town of Schuyler within 30 days or the animal control officer shall remove the dog.

F. Dog owners continue to be subject to all state laws.

#### Article 5 - Effective Date

This law shall take effect 30 days after its enactment. Local Law #4 of the year 2010.



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#### **Town and Court Clerk's Hours**

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

Town Clerk: 315-733-7458

Court Clerk: 315-733-1093

#### **Town Highway Department**

Philip Johnson, Highway Superintendent

Highway Garage: 315-733-7617 Cell Phone: 315-240-1485 highway@townofschuylerny.gov

#### **Town Assessor**

Dan Maxwell: 315-733-7458 ext. 225

Office Hours Tuesdays 11 A.M. - 1 P.M.

#### **Codes Enforcement Officer**

Call Before Starting ANY Building Project

Philip Green: 315-868-7553

# West Schuyler Cemetery Burial Plots Available

For further information and current pricing, please call Earl Haman at 315-733-2920



## **East Schuyler Miller Cemetery**Burial Sites Available

For further information and current pricing, please contact:

Harry Robbins, President at 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

