

October 2011

Halloween Celebration

The Village of Altamont, Altamont Fire Department and the Ladies Auxiliary will host "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" presented by the Puppet People. The program is free and will be held in the Village Community Room on Friday, October 28 at 7:00 pm.

This masterful marionette

show is a thrilling comic rendition of Washington Irving's # 1 haunting tale, focusing on themes of bullies, jealousy and superstition. This show features hand crafted marionettes, two life sized puppets, special lighting, smoke effects, and both classical and traditional folk music.

Popcorn and juice will be provided during the show and each child will receive a goodie bag after the show. This program is sponsored in part by NYS Office of Children and Family Services and the 1st National Bank of Scotia.

Complete list of upcoming community events and Village Board Calendar for October, November, December 2011 and January 2012 are listed on page 4.

The Brew Ha-Ha Comedy Showcase

The Altamont Fire Department will hold it's 3rd annual Night of Comedy on Saturday, October 15, 2011.

Greg Aidala will again host the Night of Comedy. The comedian Andy Pitz will be featured. He has appeared on "The Late Show with David Letterman" and "The Late, Late Show with Craig Ferguson". Mr. Pitz will be joined by

other up-and-coming comedians for a night of laughter.

This event is intended for adults.

The showcase will be held at the Village Community Room located at 115 Main Street, Altamont. Doors open at 7:00 pm and the show begins at 8:00 pm.

Ticket prices are

\$ 25.00 each and include beer, wine, soda and snacks. Tables of ten may be reserved in advance if accompanied by payment in full. Tickets may be purchased in advance by contacting Mark Wertman at 861-5758, Kelly Best at 861-8554 ext 13, or the Altamont Fire House on Monday evenings at 861-8171.

Mayor

James M. Gaughan

Trustees

William F. Aylward
Kerry Dineen
Christine Marshall
Dean Whalen



Andy Pitz



Greg Aidala



News from the Village Archives and Museum

The fall season in the archives and museum has started with the September 25th opening of a new exhibition in the Village Hallway Gallery. **Then and Now: Images of Altamont's Past and Present.** The exhibition includes vintage photographs of selected business establishments and current photographs of the exact sites as they appear today. Pictured is the historic location (now the site of the Home Front Café) which was where the commercial business district of Knowersville began, following the 1863 completion of the railroad line and its depot. The coming of the railroad line led to an influx of new residents and as the population grew and the summer

vacation clientele arrived by train, the need for more access to services and products became crucial. The next business to open on the site, ca. 1880, was the L.F. Fowler's Oyster House (and tavern). Shortly after the J.F. Mynderse General Store and Dry Goods replaced Becker & Hilton, to be followed by the F&W.S. Pitts Grocery Store.

These and other stories and images will be on view in the Archives and Museum Hallway Exhibition Gallery through December. The digital scans of the vintage photographs and the stunning color digital images used in the exhibition are the work of archives volunteer, Ron Ginsburg. The well-researched written text for each image is the work of

another archives volunteer, Keith Lee.

Sponsors for both the exhibit and the public programs include:

SEFCU; Altamont Community Tradition (ACT); Home Front Café; Sundown Lawn and Landscaping; Private Donors



Home Front Cafe



F & W.S. Pitts Grocery Store

Archives and Museum Volunteers Needed

Connie Rue of Brandle Road recently joined the volunteer staff of the archives. Welcome Connie!

We are still in need of additional volunteer researchers who have computer skills and like detective work. There are many interesting areas for research about objects in our collections; early settlers; and the general his-

tory of the village. In particular we need research done on our farm families, as we have very little information on these important people who helped develop and sustain our region. A volunteer experience in interpreting Deeds and Documents is also desired, as well as data entry volunteers.

Gifts & Donations

The Archives of Arthur B. Gregg (1888-1984): numerous documents: **Gift of Carol Dubrin**

Altamont Ephemera: **Gift of Beatrice and William Smith**

Altamont Fair Driving Park Posters ca. 1954, Papers of Benjamin Raymond, MD: **Gift of Cindy Pollard**

2011 Dell Computer: **Gift of Thomas M. Sands**

1949 Altamont High School Class Pin and Altamont High School Band Pin: **Gift of Vaughn Lainhart Nevin, PhD. '49**

Altamont High School (1901-1955) - issues Altamontonian 1951-52: **Gift of Russell Peck**

\$ 5.00 Bill (framed). Issued by the First National Bank of Altamont, September 2, 1910: **On extended loan by the Pollard Family**



Altamont Free Library finds a temporary home

The Altamont Free Library will open on Monday, October 3rd, at its temporary location in the Masonic Temple on Maple Avenue. The Library will stay at this location until the work at the Train Station is complete. Flooding in the Library's Key Bank location from Tropical Storm Irene made the move necessary.

The Library Staff will move a limited collection to the Masonic Temple and will continue to offer a full range of services including storytime, book clubs,

kids programs, and availability of public computers.

The Altamont Free Library is in the process of remodeling the Train Station. The Library hopes to expedite the work and move into its new home this winter.



Altamont Seniors October Trip

On Wednesday, October 26, 2011 the Altamont Seniors are taking 'A Slice of Brooklyn Pizza Tour'. The 4 1/2 hour guided bus tour will visit a number of parks and beaches including a stop at Coney Island Boardwalk.

The tour will stop for Pizza at Grimaldi's Under the Brooklyn Bridge and at L&B Spumoni Gardens in Bensonhurst. Seniors will receive 2 slices of pizza each and a soda at both locations.

The tour will also highlight

famous Brooklyn movie locations from Saturday Night Fever, Goodfellas, Scent of a Woman, Annie Hall and more.

The Trip departs from St. Lucy's Parish Center at 7 am and will arrive back to Altamont at approximately 8 pm. Tickets are \$ 60.00 a person.

For more information on this trip or future Altamont Seniors trips, please contact Jean Owens at 861-5516 or Kathy Adams at 861-6258.

Parking Regulation Changes

After a public hearing at the September Village Board meeting, the Village Board adopted new parking regulations within the Business District. Parking at the Main Street municipal lot (next to the train station) and the Maple Avenue small municipal lot (corner of Maple and Main) will be two hour parking with no overnight parking allowed. The large

municipal lot on Maple Avenue (behind the Enterprise) is unlimited day-time parking and includes overnight parking for area tenants. Winter parking regulations prohibit parking on the streets between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 7:00 am, beginning November 1st and ending May 1st.

Yard Waste Collection

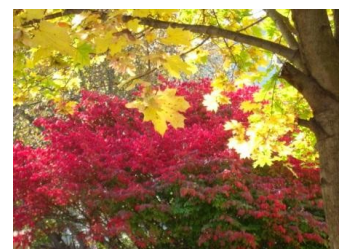
Yard waste collection will begin on Monday, October 3 and continue through Thursday, November 30. The Village will vacuum leaves on Tuesdays and Fridays, weather permitting. If using bags, they must be biodegradable, closed and sealed. Brush

and branches, no longer than 2" diameter, must be bundled with twine, a maximum of 4 feet in length and must be able to be lifted to the truck by one man. These items will be collected on Wednesdays.

Fall Water Main Flushing

Water main flushing will begin Monday, October 3 and will continue through Friday, October 28. Flushing will occur Mondays through Fridays between 8:30 am and 3 pm. During the cycle you may experience discoloration coming from your faucets. Please check your water for discoloration before

doing laundry. For additional information, or if discoloration persists, please contact the village offices at 861-8554.



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Calendar

October		November		ACT Victorian Holidays	12/10-11
Art in the Park	10/1	Board Meeting	11/1	Various locations	
Orsini Park		Village Community Room			
Chicken BBQ	10/1	Daylight Savings Time	11/6	Christmas	12/26
American Legion		Ends		Village Office Closed	
Board Meeting	10/4	All You Can Eat Breakfast	11/6	January	
Village Community Room		American Legion		New Years Holiday	1/2
Chicken & Biscuit Dinner	10/8	General Election Day	11/8	Village Office Closed	
Boyd Hilton VFW		Village Community Room		Board Meeting	1/3
Columbus Day	10/10	Veterans' Day	11/11	Village Community Room	
Village Office Closed		Village Office Closed		Martin Luther King Jr. Day	1/16
Comedy Night	10/15	Thanksgiving Holiday	11/24-25	Village Office Closed	
Altamont Fire Department		Village Office Closed		February	
Senior Citizen Trip	10/26	December		Board Meeting	2/7
Brooklyn Pizza Tour		Board Meeting	12/6	Village Community Room	
Children's Halloween	10/28	Village Community Room		President's Day	2/20
Celebration				Village Office Closed	
Village Community Room					

For more information and up to date details on events visit
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