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SEWER PLANT PROJECT COMPLETE

The sewer plant project, mandated by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and under construction since June 2012, is scheduled for completion in October 2013. The DEC has monitored the operation of Altamont's Wastewater treatment plant for many years, and mandated that improvements be made.

The improvement project will replace the aged plant with one that has new and modern equipment that meets DEC's discharge mandates, and one that meets the needs of the Village for many years. The cost of the project is \$ 3.5 million and financed by low

interest loans under the Clean Water State Revolving Fund.

All users of the Village sewer system will pay for the cost of the project spread over 30 years. The capital charge, beginning in the Fall of 2013, is estimated to be \$ 90 annually which means \$ 45 per current billing period, approximately 25 cents a day per sewer unit.

Although no one welcomes an increase in user fees, it is necessary because of the legal mandate from the DEC to remedy treatment deficiencies. To ignore the mandate would result in severe penalties, including possible closure of the

treatment facility and additional fines from DEC. The new plant will deliver efficient, dependable, and well-run water and sewage treatment critical to a community's quality of life.

The Altamont Board has discussed the project monthly for several years. It has been reported periodically in the local media.

If you have any questions regarding the project, contact the Village Office, view Board meetings on the public access channel or attend monthly Board meetings.

Save the Date
ACT Victorian
Holidays
December
14th and 15th

HALLOWEEN PARADE

The members of the Altamont Fire Department and the Ladies Auxiliary will host a Halloween Parade on Thursday, October 31st. Children of all ages are invited to participate. The Parade will start at the Fire House at 6 pm and continue along Main Street to Orsini Park. Children will be

greeted by Mac "N" Tosh the Clown. The Ladies Auxiliary will distribute safety glow sticks and goody bags. This parade is sponsored in part by the 1st National Bank of Scotia and the Albany County District Attorney's Office. The Altamont Police wish to remind motorists to drive with caution while children are trick or treating.

ROUTE 156 CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

NYS Department of Transportation has confirmed with Mayor James M. Gaughan that Altamont Blvd (Route 156) will be resurfaced this fall. The project is slated to begin on Monday, September 30th.

The resurfacing process will consist of removal and recycling of the concrete. Once this is completed, a final

layer of asphalt will be laid over the recycled materials.

The road will be open for local residents. Residents should expect delays and one lane traffic. To avoid the construction zone, the Village encourages residents to use Brandle Road, off of Main Street, as a connector between Route 146 and Route 156.

NEWS FROM ALTAMONT ARCHIVES AND MUSEUM

The summer season was a busy one for the volunteers in the Archives and Museum. Keith C. Lee, Connie Rue, Ron Ginsburg and others have been hard at work on the manuscript for the forthcoming book on the Village, scanning hundreds of vintage photographs and researching the history for each image. The book (scheduled to be published by Arcadia Press in the Spring 2014) is authored by Keith C. Lee and entitled: *Under the Helleberg: ALTAMONT, NY*. The timeframe of the seven chapters in the book begins with the coming of the earliest of settlers, the establishment of West Guilderland, which becomes Knowersville, then Altamont, and continues to the period when “the

winds of war” are beginning to be felt in America, in the late 1930’s.

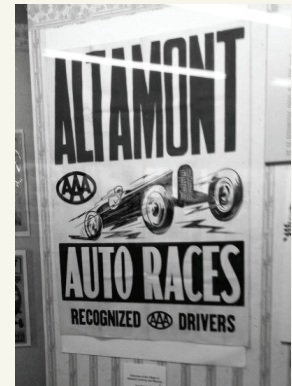
Ideas for the promotion of the book and organizations willing to promote its sale are welcome to join the us. All sales profits will be donated to the **Roger Keenholts Fund**, a tax exempt fund established following the death of this beloved village historian. The fund supports the Archives and Museum collections, their restoration and preservation.

In August, we were delighted to be invited by Patricia Canady, Superintendent of Altamont Fair Museum Buildings, to curate an exhibition from the archives collection for an available exhibit space during fair week. It gave us the opportunity to in-

form more people about the collections we care for in the archives. We decided to focus on the collection of racing posters and photographs in our collection, mostly gifts of Jack and Cindy Pollard.



The Iddings Special designed by Roy Richter (1916-1983) illustrates how good a car Richter built, it was stretched for the '48 Indy 500 and rookie Lee Wallard piloted it to a 7th place finish, and set the lap speed for the race. Following the deaths of several friends in auto race competitions, Richter moved away from design-



Poster advertising Auto Races displayed at 2103 Altamont Fair

ing Bell Safety Helmets. For the full story on Lee Wallard, his 1951 Indy 500 win, and his tragic death, follow the story on the Altamont Archives and Museum Facebook Page. Come and see the latest Hallway Gallery Exhibition: [Persuasive Images: Vintage Advertising](#) in Altamont.. The last day of the exhibit is Friday, October 18th.



Anthony Diana

WELCOME NEW DPW STAFF

In April, the Village Board appointed Anthony Diana to the position of Laborer. He graduated from Hudson Valley Community College and possesses an electrical and mechanical background. Mr. Diana also has experience in general maintenance. The laborer position had become vacant in March. With the promotion of Jeffrey Moller

to Superintendent of Public Works and Larry Adams to Assistant Superintendent earlier this year, a second laborer position became vacant. In June, Nicholas Sala was appointed by the Village Board to the laborer position. Mr. Sala graduated from the College of Saint Rose. He has experience as a heavy equipment op-

erator as well as working knowledge of landscaping and maintenance.



Nicholas Sala

NIGHT OF COMEDY

The Altamont Fire Department will hold its 5th annual Night of Comedy on Saturday, November 9, 2013. The Brew Ha-Ha Comedy Showcase will be hosted by Greg Aidala. This year's showcase will feature Joe DeVito. He has ap-

peared on Comedy Central, NBC's Last Comic Standing and the Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson.

This event is intended for adult audiences.

The showcase will be held in the Village Community Room located at 115 Main

Street, Altamont. The doors will open at 7:00 pm and the show will begin at 8:00 pm.

Ticket prices are \$ 25 each and include soda, wine, beer and finger foods. 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 at the Altamont Fire house on Monday evenings after 6:30 pm.

STAR PROGRAM

All current homeowners must now register to receive the basic STAR property tax exemption in the year 2014 and thereafter. Senior Citizens receiving Enhanced STAR do not have to register.

Registration may be done online at www.tax.ny.gov or by telephone 518-457-2036. The registration deadline is December 31, 2013. New homeowners should file Form RP-425

(available online at www.tax.ny.gov) with the Town of Guilderland Assessors Office. All inquiries should be directed to NYS Tax Department at 518-457-2036



Joe DeVito

FALL YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Yard waste collection will begin on Tuesday, October 15th and continue through Friday, November 29th. The Village will vacuum leaves on Tuesdays and Fridays, weather permitting. If using bags, the bags must be biodegradable, closed and sealed.

Brush and branches, no wider than 2" in 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 person. These items will be picked up on Wednesdays.

UNPAID 2013 VILLAGE PROPERTY TAX

Village Property Taxes not paid by November 1, 2013 will be relieved to Albany County Department of Finance. All payments of the arrears are to be made to Albany County Depart-

ment of Finance, 112 State Street, Room 800, Albany, NY 12207. Property Owners should telephone 447-7062 for the current amount due.

FALL WATER FLUSHING

Water main flushing will begin on Monday, October 7th and will continue through Friday, October 25th. Flushing will occur Mondays through Fridays between 8:30 am and 3:30 pm. During the cycle you may experience discolora-

tion 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.

WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS



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Please take notice that the Village of Altamont 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.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER

Village Board Meeting	10/01
Art Show in Orsini Park	10/12
Village Park Facilities Close	10/13
Columbus Day	10/14
Village Office Closed	
Halloween	10/31

NOVEMBER

Daylight Savings Time End	11/03
General Election	11/05
Community Room	
Village Board Meeting	11/06
AFD Comedy Night	11/09
Veteran's Day	11/11
Village Office Closed	
Thanksgiving Holiday	11/28
Village Office Closed	-11/29

DECEMBER

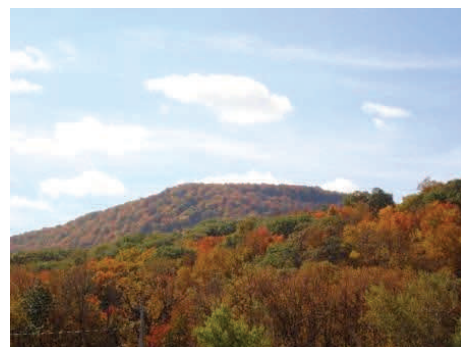
Library Lights in the Park	12/01
Village Board Meeting	12/03
ACT Victorian Holidays Wine Cheese Reception	12/14
ACT Victorian Holidays House Tours and Activities	12/15
Christmas Day	12/25
Village Office Closed	

JANUARY

New Years Day	01/01
Village Office Closed	
Village Board Meeting	01/07
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	01/20
Village Office Closed	

FEBRUARY

Village Board Meeting	02/04
Altamont Free Library Gala	02/08
Presidents Day	02/17
Village Office Closed	



Helderberg Escarpment