

# Village of Altamont

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## Summer Newsletter

### Mayor's Message

Altamont's Board of Trustees is pleased to present its summer newsletter. This issue has information on activities that will occur in the next several months, including an expanded Safety Awareness Day, the popular Farmers' Market and Altamont's ongoing Summer Park Program. The Safety Awareness Day will include, in addition to the materials for children and parents, an archival display of Altamont Fire Department memorabilia.

Once again, I hope you find the newsletter helpful, particularly the activities of the Altamont Village Archives, the summary of the Town of Guilderland services, and the time sensitive calendar information. Remember to check the Village website which includes critical information about Village activities, important meetings, and general facts that may be of use to residents. Check the schedule on the Guilderland

Public Access Channel 17 for viewings of the Altamont Village Board meetings. Feel free to contact me, the staff, or the Village Trustees at the Village Office if you have questions or need information.

Mayor James Gaughan



Maple Avenue Park  
Daffodils

### Altamont Farmers' Market

As summer approaches, the Village of Altamont and the Altamont community are looking forward to a successful third *Farmers' Market* season. As citizens increasingly recognize the importance of buying fresh, nutritious foods and products, the Village is pleased to provide an opportunity for our local farmers and producers to sell their goods. Buying locally grown and produced goods at your local farmers' market also helps to foster social gathering and community spirit while improving Altamont's downtown business and shopping district.

The Altamont Farmers' Market will begin in late June/early July and the market season will run through the fall, (weather permitting).

The Village is pleased to provide an opportunity for residents and friends from outlying communities to come together to shop, dine, and enjoy the summer together in the park and businesses of downtown Altamont. Parking and bathroom facilities are available for the public's comfort.

Watch for updates on the Village website and in the local newspaper.

#### *Inside this issue:*

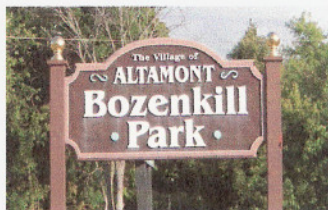
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Farmers Market



## Summer Park Program



*Congratulations  
to all  
2008  
Guilderland  
High  
School  
Seniors*

### SUMMER CAMP

The Bozenkill Summer Camp will begin on July 7th and continue through August 8th for children between the ages of 6 and 14. There is a fee of \$ 35.00 per child per week.

The staff hosts a new theme each week and incorporates that theme into games, arts and crafts and special activities that are sure to delight and entertain campers at every age level.

Week One is for the cook in all of us - PIZZA, PIZZA. What will they do with all the PIZZA? On Week Two kids will get up close and personal to fire trucks, front-end loaders and even police cars during BIG EQUIPMENT & SAFETY week. Then it is time to clown around and create some magic the third week during CIRCUS MAGIC. Campers may learn a few tricks from Magician J. Ernie McHale.

Mystery Alien "BP" invades the park during week four and our SUPER-HEROS must capture him and reclaim their M&M's. The final week of camp features hands on fun and fascination within the WORLD OF SCIENCE. Learn to power a boat with soap is just one of the fun experiments planned for the week. This theme is always a favorite.

### SWIM LESSONS

Swim instructions will begin on June 30. Our

staff will offer 6 lessons for a fee of \$ 20.00. For more information regarding scheduling, please call the Village Offices.

### ADULT WATER AEROBICS:

Vicky Bastian will be back again on Tuesdays and Thursday to host the Adult Water Aerobic Program. The program will run from June 24th until August 14 from 6:15 to 7:15 pm. The fee is \$ 35.00.

Registration forms may be obtained from the Village Offices or our website.

## Library News

The Library has extended it's hours. We are now open 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays, and 9 a.m. to Noon on Saturday. Enjoy the air conditioning while you stock up on your summer reading.

**CHILDREN'S SUMMER READING PROGRAM**  
Buggy about books? Got the reading bug? From cute lady bugs to the nastiest stinkbugs, you can guess the theme this summer. Visit the Library for crafts, stories, movies and more insects than you can swat at.

## Water Restrictions

The Village restricts the use of water from May 15 through September 15 of each year.

Irrigation by hand, that is the use of a garden hose held in one's hands, remains unrestricted for the hours 7 am to 9 am and 7 pm to 9 pm on all days (gardens).

Water customers are allowed

unrestricted use of water (lawn sprinklers, etc) during the hours of 7 am to 9 am and 7 pm to 9 pm using the odd/even house number system. Unnumbered houses/businesses use even days.

Fines—\$ 25.00 first offense  
\$ 100.00 subsequent offenses

## Safety Awareness Day

The Altamont Police Department will host the 2nd Annual Safety Awareness Day on Saturday, June 7th, from 10 am to 2 pm. Children can enjoy the fire and rescue vehicles, police displays as well as participate in the bike rodeo. The day will also feature an impaired driving exhibit, child ID's and free computer software for parents for regulating internet use at home. Four bicycles will be given out as door prizes and complimentary food and refreshments will be served.



## Village Property Taxes

Property Taxes are levied June 1, 2008 and payable without penalty, to Catherine Hasbrouck, Village Treasurer by June 30.

The Village Office ac-

cepts payment Monday through Friday from 9 am to noon and 1 pm to 4 pm.

Payment must be made in full by cash, check or money order.

Village Property Taxes not paid by November 1 of each year are relieved on to the January County Tax bill.

Taxes in escrow accounts will be paid by your mortgage company or bank.

Please notify the Village if you no longer maintain an escrow account.

## What Town of Guilderland Offers Village Residents

A number of services are available to Village resident through the Town of Guilderland. The Guilderland Town Hall is located at 5209 Western Turnpike (Route 20). The offices are open 9 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday and can be reached by calling 356-1980. Additional information is available through the town website:

[townofguilderland.org](http://townofguilderland.org)

### TAX ASSESSOR:

Property Assessment  
Grievance  
Tax Exemption  
STAR

### TOWN & SCHOOL TAXES:

Village Residents may pay both the Town/County taxes and the Guilderland School taxes at Town Hall.

### PERMITS AND LICENSES:

The Town Clerk offers the following:

- Marriage licenses
- Handicap Parking permits
- Certificate of Residence
- Dog licenses
- Hunting or Fishing licenses
- Town Park permit

### TOWN TRANSFER STATION:

Village Residents are entitled to use the Town Transfer Station in accordance with Town of Guilderland Recycling Law. The facility is located at 6363 French's Mill Rd in Guilderland Center. Hazardous Waste disposal dates are scheduled bi-annually. Required permits and user fees are available at Transfer Station or Town Hall. Contact 861-6776 for more information.

## SUMMER SAFETY TIPS

1. Watch for children at play
2. Encourage use of helmets and other safety gear when bike riding and skateboarding
3. Check fence and ladder around your swimming pool regularly
4. Check on your elderly neighbors during extreme heat
5. Provide water & shelter for pets during extreme heat

## Altamont Archives Temporarily Closed

The Village of Altamont Archives will be closed from June 1–September 1, 2008 for the examination and assessment of all records, objects and artifacts. This procedure will contribute to the conservation and preservation of the Archives for future generations.

If there is an urgent need to access the Archives premises for a specific research purpose, we will make every attempt to accommodate the request. Please submit your request in writing to: Village of Altamont Archives, PO Box 643, Altamont, NY 12009. If you have questions or



need information related to historical matters, please contact the Village Historian Alice Begley at 861-8554 on Wednesdays, 10 am to 2 pm.



## IMPORTANT DATES

### JUNE

6/1 – Village Property Tax

6/1 – Registration for Summer Programs at Bozenkill Park

6/3 – Village Board Meeting

6/7 – 2nd Annual Safety Awareness Day – Altamont Police Dept

6/7 – Guildershaven Fundraiser Book Sale & BBQ at Orsini Park

6/20 – Altamont Free Library Chicken BBQ at Orsini Park

### JULY

7/1 – Village Board Meeting

7/4 – Independence Day – Office Closed

7/12 – WGNA Countryfest

7/20 – Altamont Community Traditions Picnic – Bozenkill Park

### AUGUST

8/5 – No Village Board Meeting

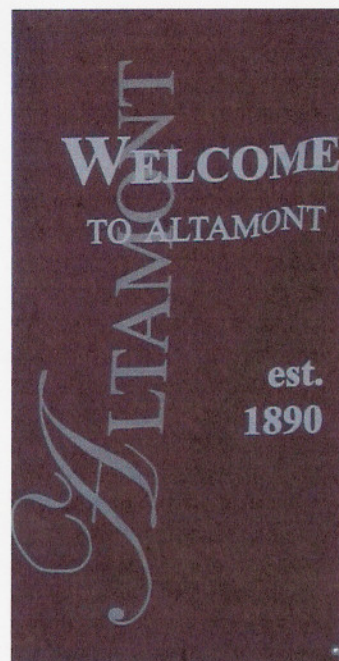
8/12 – 17 Altamont Fair

8/23 – Altamont 5k Run Bozenkill Park

### SEPTEMBER

9/1 – Labor Day – Office Closed

9/2 – Village Board Meeting



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