#### February 2015

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#### Building Department News

Glenn Hebert has been appointed the Village of Altamont Building Inspector / Zoning Administrator.

Mr. Hebert is available by appointment at this time and can be reached at 772-9006. Building Permits, Variance, Special Use Permits and Other forms are available for download at the Village website.

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# Village of Altamont Winter

## 2015 Newsletter

#### **Archives and Museum**

In the fall of 2014, following the Altamont High School Alumni Association dissolution, the archives collection received a number of important gifts of papers, high school photographs and scrapbook from individual alums. In addition, the Association itself recognized the importance of the archives as the repository for its historical records, documents, photographs, artifacts and ephemera in providing a gift to the Archives, which enabled new shelving and archival storage materials to be purchased. Virginia Ucci, an alum, will be assisting processing donations. She will also continue to

maintain the current names and addresses of the graduates

Bob Quackenbush, Barbara Weeks Howell and Betty Spadaro made gifts of athletic letters, scrapbooks, photographs, school program brochures and other documentation. Selections from these donation will be on exhibit in our museum's *Hallway Gallery* in April through June 2015.



Bobby Sall 1908-1974

and a Village Justice will be conducted. The term of office for each position is four years. If you are unable to vote due to vacation, illness or other commitment, absentee ballot racing. Ed's mother, along with other Altamont families, boarded the drivers who came to Altamont to race at the track in the fairgrounds. Additional racing material, programs and vintage racing newspapers were a gift of Cindy and Jack Pollard. An exhibition entitled: SPEED! Dirt Track Racing at the Alta-

applications are available at the Village Hall. Application deadlines vary, please call the Village Clerk for more information.

mont Fairgrounds will be

held July through September

2015.

## pm. Election of 2 Trustees commitment, absen

Residents may register to vote in the upcoming Village Election on Saturday, March 7, 2015 at the Village Hall between noon and 5 pm.

**Village Election** 

Village Election will be held

on Wednesday, March 18,

2015 at 115 Main Street in

the Community Room. Polls will be open from noon to 9

Residents may contact the Albany County Board of Elections at 487-5060 to verify their current registration status at any time.





AHS Production of "Red Candles" A 1946 Operetta in Two Acts

The Archives are also the

grateful recipient of three

scrapbooks donated by Edwin

(Ed) Bradt detailing Ed's long

love affair with Dirt Track

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#### From the Desk of Police Chief Todd Pucci

Once again, the winter months are upon us, so I'd like to take this opportunity to remind our residents about the winter street parking regulations between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 7:00 am, between November 1st and May 1st.

During this period, the Police Department will often issue warning tickets to vehicles in violation as a reminder of the Village Code. Unfortunately, if there is a pending snow storm or a declared winter emergency, vehicles in violation will be issued parking citations and will be towed to allow for proper plowing. Please be considerate, and thank you for your compliance. Your cooperation will allow for easier snow removal and safer streets for all of us.



#### From the Desk of Jeff Moller, Superintendent Public Works

The Department of Public Works staff work diligently to clear sidewalks of snow, however, under NYS and Village Code it is the responsibility of the homeowner to keep sidewalks free of snow and ice.

Mr. Moller requests that the

residents also keep sidewalks clear of debris such as newspapers, trash containers and other foreign objects that can be hazardous to both the equipment and workers.

Snow banks can create hazards for both children and drivers.

Children tend to climb and play near snow banks and may accidently fall into roadways.

Snow banks may also create slight line issues entering and exiting driveways, so drivers should use caution.

### **Spring Water Flushing**

The Village of Altamont will start hydrant flushing on Monday, March 30th. Flushing will occur between the hours of 8:30 am to 3:00 pm Monday through Friday. During the cycle, residents

may experience discoloration in their water. Residents should check their water prior to doing laundry. For additional information, contact the Village offices.

#### **Spring Brush Pick-Up**

Brush and leaf collection will start on Monday, March 30th. Leaves must be in biodegradable paper bags. Bags must be closed and sealed. Please do not include bottles, cans or any foreign refuse in the bags as it could be hazardous to the equipment and the workers.

Brush and branches must be no larger than 2" in diameter, bundled in twine, and no longer than 4' in length. Bags and brush should not be placed on pavement or in ditches as they could inhibit the flow of storm water.

### **Summer Employment Opportunities**

The Village of Altamont is accepting applications for seasonal part time employment at Bozenkill Park and in Public Works. The positions available include Lifeguards, Booth Attendants,

Camp Counselors, and Laborers. Call the Village offices at 861-8554 for an application or visit our website at altamontvillage.org.

#### **Library Announces New Director**

On Jan 1st, Joseph Burke became the new director of the Altamont Free Library. Please join the Library Board in welcoming Joe to his new position and to our Altamont community.



#### Altamont Free Library Gala

The Eighth Annual Altamont Free Library Gala will be held February 7th, 2015 in the Altamont Village Community This year the theme for the evening will be Black, White and Read All Over. The festivities will be begin at 5 pm with hors devours and time to mingle and talk with friends. All through the night you will be able to view and bid on silent auction items as well as preview live auction items. A wonderful dinner will once again be prepared by Elegant Touch catering with amazing desserts prepared by local bakers.

Please make plans to join us. Get your tickets early as this event sells out each year.

For more information visit the Library online at AltamontfreeLibrary.org or call

861-7239.

Tickets are \$ 50 a person and may be purchased at the Library



#### 2015 AFD LINE OFFICERS Chief

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2nd Asst. Chief Kyle Haines

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#### Village of Altamont Storm Water Program

As of March 7, 2014, the Village of Altamont received Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) permit coverage from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. The MS4 permit is focused on eliminating pollutants from storm water and keeping storm water runoff from our waterways. As part of the permit the Department of Public Works is developing and implementing a program to comply with the MS4 permit and help to protect these waterways from various pollutants.

Throughout the Village there are small streams which flow into reservoirs that are sources for drinking water. These streams will eventually flow into the Hudson River. Along the way, the water flow comes into contact with many living species. There are many pollutants found in storm water and storm water runoff which can cause harm to all users of the waterways, including the animals and plant species that live along these waterways. The MS4 permit and Federal Clean Water Act has tasked us to help protect these waterways from pollutants found in storm water.

We urge every citizen to get involved and help protect our local streams, reservoirs, ponds, and wetlands from pollutants that can harm the users of these waterways and provide a clean environment in which all life forms can live.

Please refer to the village website (www.altamontvillage.org) or visit our Facebook page to track the progress of the Department of Public Works as the storm water program is being developed and implemented. The website will also provide additional information about the program.

In addition to the information contained on the website and Facebook page, we have provided an email hotline for citizens to provide comments and suggestions about the program. You are also welcome to share the ways you have helped in keeping our waterways pollutant free!

Questions or Concerns? Please feel free to contact us at our hotline: Altamontstormwater@gmail or visit our Facebook page at Village of Altamont Stormwater Education.

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#### **CALENDAR**

FEBRUARY		APRIL		MAY	
Village Board Meeting	2/3	Water and Sewer Bills mailed	4/1	Water Restrictions Begin	5/1
I Love My Library Gala	2/7	Village Organizational Meeting And Budget Hearing	4/7	Winter Parking Restrictions	5/1
Village Offices Closed	2/16	And Dudget Hearing		End	
President's Day		Village Board Meeting	4/7	Annual Water Report	5/1
		ACT Green & Clean Day	4/25	Released	
MARCH				AES Village Wide Garage Sale	5/3
Village Board Meeting	3/3		- 67	Village Board Meeting	5/5
Budget Workshops	TBD		180	Memorial Day Parade	5/17
Voter Registration Day	3/7			Village Offices Closed	5/25
Daylight Savings Time Begins	3/8			Memorial Day	
Election Day	3/18				
Water Flushing Begins	3/30			Altamont Archives and M	luseum
Spring Brush Pick-up Begins	3/30			Visit us on Facebook	