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Village of Altamont Newsletter

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ARCHIVE AND MUSEUM NEWS



Village Celebrated 125 years in 2015

The next exhibition curated for the Hallway Gallery (February/ March) is entitled "Recent Gifts to the Museum Collections", an exhibition which will showcase the generosity of Altamont residents who have donated to the collections. It is sponsored by Thomas M. Sands, an annual donor to the

Roger Keenholts Fund, which supports these activities, as well as the conservation of the collections.

In addition to the exhibition activities, archive volunteers will be researching historic sites in the village, assembling text and images which will be used in a priority project of the Mayor, to create a permanent "Museum in the Streets" walking tour of the village such as can be seen throughout New England in historic villages such as Altamont.

Money Clip/ Calendar Altamont Hardware A.R. Crabill, Prop.

Gift of Vall Pulliam



VILLAGE ELECTION REGISTRATION DAY

Residents may register to vote in the upcoming Village Election on Saturday, March 5, 2016 at the Village Hall between Noon and 5 pm.

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



SPECIAL VILLAGE ELECTION

A Special Village Election will be held on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 115 Main Street in the Community Room. Polls will be open from noon to 9 pm. Election of one Trustee and one Village Justice will be conducted. This is a special election to fill unexpired vacancies within the Village government because of recent resignations. The Trustee term is for three years and the Village Justice term is for one year. If you are unable to vote due to vacation, illness, or other commitment, absentee ballot applications are available at the Village Hall. Application deadlines vary, please call the Village Clerk at 861-8554 (x10) for more information.

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 issue warning tickets to vehicles in violation of the Village Code. 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.



Orsini Park in the winter

"Snowflakes are
one of nature's
most fragile things,
but just look what
they can co when
they stick
together"

- Vista M. Kelly

FROM THE DESK OF JEFF MOLLER, SUPERINTENDENT OF 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.

Superintendent of Public

Works Jeff 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 sight line issues entering and exiting driveway, so drivers should use caution.

STORMWATER EDUCATION



Have you seen this stencil in your neighborhood? It is a reminder to our community that each catch basin leads to streams that ultimately end in the Hudson River. Protecting our streams from potential poll-

ution not only benefits our village, but also our neighbors down stream. Many of our rural communities rely on upstream communities to protect the water ways, because they are a source of drinking water

for many families, provide habitats for wildlife and are used for many recreational activities. To learn more visit us on Facebook at Village of Altamont Stormwater Education.

NEW TRUSTEE APPOINTED

At the November 4, 2015 meeting of the Village Board, Nicholas Fahrenkopf was appointed as a Trustee effective December 1st to March 2016 when a special election will be held for this position and for Village Justice. He holds a Doctorate in nanoscale engineering

and is currently employed at the SUNY Polytechnic Institute. Outside of work, he volunteers with the Ronald McDonald House and serves on the Board of Directors for Altamont Community Tradition. Mr. Fahrenkopf served on the Alternative Uses of Space Task Force for the Guil-

derland School District and supported the continuation of the Altamont Elementary School. He resides in the Village with his wife, Katie, their newborn daughter Adelaide and their two dogs Teddy and Zelda.



AFD ANNUAL FIREMEN'S BALL 2016

The Annual Firemen's Ball will be held on Saturday, March 5, 2016. This year the membership has chosen to go traditional, bringing in a live band. There will be no dinner served, just a night of dancing and socializing with neighbors and friends!

Tickets are \$ 25.00 a person and include hot and cold finger foods, draft beer, wine, soda and bottled water. Guests may bring their own beverages. Doors open at 7:30 pm

for cocktail hour with light music.

At 8:30 pm we will be drawing the winner of the "VACATION FOR TWO" Yankee Trails gift card. A second drawing will be made for a Yankee Trails day trip for two to Quincy Market, Boston. (Day trip donated by Yankee Trails)

At 9 pm, the house will rock with all the great dancing tunes performed live by WIDE AWAKE! You can check out the band at: www.facebook.com/thewideawakeband.

2016 AFD LINE OFFICERS

Chief Paul Miller

Assistant Chief Kyle Haines

Captain Thomas Tubbs

1st Lt. Laura Tubbs

2nd Lt. Larry Grant

2nd Lt. Nick Carducci

2nd Lt. Susan Olivares

Captain Fire Police Tom Persons

CIVIL OFFICERS

President Todd Kedik

Secretary Jane Huggins

Treasurer Kelly Best

Sergeant-at-Arms Joe Dover

Chaplin Larry Grant

THREE CHEERS FOR 100 YEARS!

The Altamont Free Library is inviting everyone to come celebrate. They are hosting the 9th Annual I Love My Library Gala and auction. This year their special theme is "Three Cheers for 100 Years" celebrating the library's formal charter in 1916. Can you imagine for 100 years The Little Library that Can has been the center of Altamont and the surrounding area! All proceeds from the gala are used to help continue their mission. This is their major fundraiser and the Library welcomes your partnership in making this possible.

This year's Gala will be held on Saturday, February 6th, from 5 pm to 9:30 pm at the Altamont Community Room in the Village Hall. Elegant Touch will cater a delicious dinner and desserts from the community's best bakers will be featured as well. Throughout the evening there will be many chances to bid on a wide variety of "silent auction" items and our live auction will feature some special items.

The Library is still accepting donations for either auction. If you would like to donate please contact the Library at 861-7239. All donations are tax deductible.

So, mark your calendars and plan to attend and kick off the Library's 100th year. Be on the lookout for more specifics at the Library, in their weekly column published in the Altamont Enterprise and on their website.

SPRING



WATER FLUSHING

The Village of Altamont will be hydrant flushing on Monday, March 21st. Flushing will occur between the hours of 8:30 am and 3 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 Superintendent of Public Works at the Village offices.

Brush and leaf collection wor will start on Monday, March bra 28th. Leaves must be in that biodegradable paper bags. dled Bags must be closed and that

BRUSH

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 longer 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.

PICK-UP

Village of Altamont PO Box 643 Altamont, NY 12009 FORWARDING SERVICE REQUESTED

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CALENDAR

<u>JANUARY</u>		MARCH		MAY	
Village Office Closed New Years Day	1/1	Village Board Meeting	3/1	Water Restrictions Begin	5/1
		Annual Firemen's Ball	3/5	Winter Parking Restrictions	5/1
Village Board Meeting	1/5	Village Voter Registration	3/5	End	
Village Office Closed Martin Luther King Day	1/18	Day Daylight Savings Begins	3/13	Annual Water Report Released	5/1
FEBRUARY		Village Election	3/15	Village Board Meeting	5/3
Village Board Meeting	2/2	Water Main Flushing Begins	3/21	AES PTA Village wide Garage Sale	5/7
Library Gala	2/6	Spring Brush Pick-up Begins	3/28	C	5 /2 2
Village Office Closed Presidents Day	2/15	<u>APRIL</u>		Memorial Day Parade	5/22
	2/13	Water & Sewer Bills Mailed	4/1	Village Office Closed Memorial Day	5/30
Village Budget Workshop Dates will be posted on the Village Website in		Village Organizational Meeting 4/5 And Budget Hearing		<u>JUNE</u>	
early February 2016.		Village Board Meeting	4/5	Property Tax Bills Mailed	6/1
Visit us at altamontvillage.org		ACT Green & Clean	4/23	Village Board Meeting	6/7