

Village of Fayetteville

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Village Meetings

Board of Trustees meet on
the 2nd and 4th
Monday
Of each month at the
Village Hall
At 7:30 pm

NEWS FROM MAYOR OLSON

This newsletter starts the fourth year of distributing this great communication tool. I would like to thank all the Trustees and the many volunteers who have handed out close to 30,000 newsletters. To all the residents, thank you for making Fayetteville your home.

In addition to the newsletter, please keep an eye on our website, www.fayettevilleny.gov, for current events, in the upcoming months, throughout the Village.



First, I would like to wish everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year, and thank those who were able to attend Marty Lynch's retirement open house. Marty enjoyed seeing the many friends and associates he has met throughout his thirty-year career with the village.

Welcome to our new Code Enforcement Officer, Richard Green. The Village of Fayetteville has entered an inter-municipal agreement with the Village of Minoa and has cancelled their contract with the Town of Manlius. With the help of the Mayors and Board of Trustees, from Minoa and Fayetteville, a full-time position was created to meet the needs of both Villages. Richard has settled in nicely, and is working on many projects to help maintain the quality of life we enjoy in Fayetteville.

We are in the process of putting together the 2008/09 Village Budget. This process takes several weeks and I hope to be able to announce the preliminary spending in the next newsletter. For the past four years we have been able to hold the line on tax increases, and this year I hope to keep spending in line and once again hold the tax rate at its current level of \$6.75 per thousand.

In this newsletter we have a guest columnist, newly elected Town Supervisor Mark Tetley. Supervisor Tetley has met with the Mayors of the three Villages to discuss ways we can work together more effectively, and to research better ways to provide the services our residents need while keeping an eye on each and every tax dollar that is spent. The next meeting will be schedule for early February. Keep your eyes open for more guest speakers from State and County Government, as well as our school district, in future newsletters.

The Village of Fayetteville had a very successful 2007. The Senior Center and the Recreation Commission are seeing more participation in their activities; the Library continues to grow and enhance the programs they offer, our Department of Public Works is consistently keeping the Village clean and looking pristine; and the Fire Department continues to respond to a record number of calls. Thank you to all our employees and volunteers, keep up the great work.

The Comprehensive plan is coming along well and will put together a road map for our future. Our goal is to have this completed in the spring of 2008. I'm confident that this plan will maintain everything that makes Fayetteville such a special place to live.

As always, please feel free to call, or e-mail, me with any comment or concerns. I look forward to hearing from you.

NEWS FROM THE MAYOR OLSON

2007 Highlights & Recap

Pandemic committee report and response plan
Ledyard Falls Re-Zoning & Approval
Applied for EPA Grant for \$250,000 for DOT Property & **Received Grant**
Applied for Community Development Grant \$10,500 & **Received Grant**
Amended Chapter 52 Games of Chance for Wortley Foundation & Senior Center
Front Yard Parking Local Law Adopted
Created Flexible Spending Accounts for our Employees
NYCOM Tour of Fayetteville in Spring for Economic Development
Raised Veterans Exemptions from \$180k to \$240k
Hired Barton & Loguidice for SPDES
Completed and Approved SPDES Plan from the State
Applied for Traffic Safety Grant \$3500 & **Received Grant**
Budget Passed with spending decrease & Tax Rate \$6.75
Increased Senior Citizens & Disabled persons real property tax exemptions to \$26,000
Received Window Replacement Grant for Firehouse of **\$14,000**
Received **\$20,000** Grant for Beard Park Sidewalk & Symphony Concert
Sponsored the 10k race with Syracuse Chargers & Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce
Held Second Annual Fayetteville Festival in Beard Park
Received new Ladder Truck (Truck 20)
Finished South Manlius St. Sidewalk Project
Re-Paved Carriage Hill & Southfield Drive Neighborhoods
Installed Flexi Pave at Beard Park
Hired Engineer to Study Water Problems at Elm Street & Collin Ave
Installed Speed Bumps at Audubon & Mott Road
Marty Lynch Announced Retirement
Hired New Clerk Treasurer Lorie Corsette
Hired EDR to Update Zoning Map
Comprehensive Committee had (2) workshops and village wide survey
Hired Richard Greene as Code Enforcement Officer
Ratified new 4 Year Agreement with the fireman's union
New Artwork Project in Village Hall

Top 10 Goals 2008

1. Continue to Offer Quality Services that Enhance the Lives of all Residents
2. DOT (Fayette Park) Start Construction
3. Walk ability & Sidewalk Projects:
Sheffield Lane Route 5 to Briarbrook Rt. 257 Cammot to Barker Brooklea Drive Salt Springs Road
4. Clerk Treasurer New Software & Audit Financials & Insurance
5. Codes Office Start Up & Re-Format Fire Inspection Program
6. Review Staffing in all Departments
7. Review Co-Operative Efforts with all Villages & Town
Trash Collection
Fire Services
Recreation
Insurance
8. Expand Cultural Events (Festival & Symphony)
9. Maintain Stable Budget & Fully Fund Reserves
10. Implement Comprehensive Plan & Design Guidelines Recommendations

Trustee Kinsella

SENIOR CENTER
Karen FitzGibbons, Director
637-9025

The center offers trips, activities, speakers, and a homemade lunch daily for Seniors. The membership fee is \$12, but non-members are always welcome.

Important dates and activities:

55 Alive Defensive Driving Classes:

Tuesday and Wednesday, February 1st & 2nd, and March 4th & 5th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Call the center for reservations.

Mayor's Turkey Dinner

Sunday, March 2, 2008 at 12:00 noon. Cost is \$10.00 per person
Make reservations by Wednesday, February 27th.

Trip to Historic Utica

Tuesday, March 11th. Call for further information.

The Senior Center has a beautiful hall which the Community can rent for private events. The hall can seat up to 89 people.

Spring cleaning? Donations are being accepted now for this year's **Grandma's Attic and Bake Sale**. We are also looking for a volunteer coordinator to help organize this year's sale. If you like to "garage sale" this might be a fun volunteer opportunity. Please call the center if you can help.

Watch your mail in early March for the Senior Center's annual appeal letter. Your donations help us to continue our outreach to seniors in our Community.

RECREATION COMMITTEE
Jan Rybinski, Director
637-4715

Plans are underway for spring and summer programs offered through the Fayetteville Recreation Committee. Have you ever considered teaching a class or maybe starting a program? If this has "crossed your mind", I'd love to talk to you! Please contact Jan.

Looking ahead, here are some important recreation dates:

Beginning March 24th, I will be accepting applications for summer playground counselors. If you are at least 16 years old and interested in working with children, this job is for you! Applications can be picked up at the Village Hall, or downloaded from our website at fayettevilleny.gov, and interviews will begin in April.

Saturday, April 26th is the date for our Annual Bike and Blade Sale!

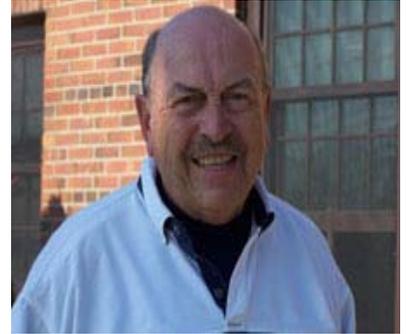
April 28 – May 9th is set aside for village residents looking to register for all summer programs offered by the Fayetteville Recreation Committee. Flyers will be distributed to schools in April.

Thank you for your continued support. I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you:

To all our committees and various board members for their continuous efforts and energy in providing programs and solving problems; To the Fire Chiefs and the Volunteer Fire Persons who spend countless hours to protect our residents;

To the DPW, office staff, firefighters/paramedics, and crossing guards who are always ready to assist with any problems that may arise.



We appreciate all of these people who are major factors in enhancing the quality of life that we enjoy in our village.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR RECENTLY RETIRED VILLAGE CLERK, MARTY LYNCH, AND THANKS TO MARTY FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF SERVICE. WELCOME LORIE, MARTY'S REPLACEMENT.

FAYETTEVILLE FREE LIBRARY
Susan Considine, Executive Director
637-6374

There are always events and activities happening at the Library. Information about these programs is available on the web and in brochures at the front desk. The exhibits include The Fayetteville Room, The Motto Music Collection and The Stickley Museum.

Winter Break Events include:

Tuesday, February 19th, 2:00 p.m., Camping at the Library
Wednesday, February 20th, 10:30 a.m., Peep and the Big Wide World

Thursday, February 20, 10:30 a.m., Singer Tom Sieling
For complete information about these events, call the library.

Saturday, February 9th, Special Family Programs:
Preschool Informational Fair 10:00a.m. – noon
Musical Family Storytime at 11:00 a.m.

Thursdays February 7th - March 6th, 10:30 a.m., Computer Classes
Includes, Google, Office Overview, MySpace and Basic World

Sunday Musicales, March 9th, 2:00 p.m., Johnstorn School of Irish Dance

Sunday, April 27th, 2:00 p.m., September Trio
SAVE THE DATE...A NOVEL AFFAIR

April 4th, 7 – 11p.m., a festive evening to support the Fayetteville Free Library

Gourmet Food Stations; beer, wine, punch;
Live Music and Silent Auction
Reservations are necessary.

Trustee Small



Another New Year is well under way and “Old Man Winter” has given us a break! The DPW continues its development, implementation and use of the liquid brine to keep our roads free of ice and snow. This reduces the amount of salt/sand used on our Streets. Using this system has set an example for New York State and other communities; and the DPW is currently

working with the State and other communities on their implementation and use. The liquid brine is effective, environmentally friendly and cuts the cost of Spring clean-up dramatically. Remember when shoveling, blowing or plowing snow from your driveways or sidewalks do not place it in the street.

The Tree Commission received trees this past Fall and planting was completed by our DPW. This Spring all who received new trees are encouraged to help them get-off to a great start and keep them healthy. During dry spells in Spring, Summer and Fall water the tree and while mowing and trimming make sure you don't get too close and damage the bark. While mulching is good around the base of a tree, it is also very important not to mound the mulch up around the trunk, it should appear that there is a ring around the base when done properly. The Commission works hard year-round in trimming and maintaining the Street trees we enjoy in our Village.

I have been working with the Comprehensive Plan Committee this past year. A public meeting was held January 24th updating the community on our progress. The process began with hiring a professional, EDR, to assist the committee to develop the Plan. A survey was distributed to the residents of Fayetteville for input and two public meetings were held for public input and participation. There is a link on the Village Website where you may find more information. The Committee will have a draft proposal this Spring and another public meeting will be held. Following any revisions, the Village will adopt the Plan. The Village's last Master Plan was adopted in 1980.

Enjoy the remainder of Winter!

Trustee Coleman

Think Spring, it is about 6 weeks away!!

First of all, I would like to introduce you to the village's new Code Enforcement Officer, Richard Greene. On January 2, 2008, the Village of Fayetteville entered into an agreement with the Village of Minoa for shared services of Code Enforcement. You can contact Mr. Greene by calling the Village Office at 637-9864 or via e-mail rgreene@fayettevilleny.gov. The Village contracted with the Town for several years as a way to save tax dollars, but unfortunately, many of our codes were not being enforced. Because our emphasis is on enforcement, the Village has taken back the Code Enforcement responsibilities from the Town.



The Village of Fayetteville has recently revised the "No Parking in the Front Yard" Local Law to include the grass area between the sidewalk and the street edge or curb. This revised law is in effect throughout the year and will be enforced by both the Town of Manlius Police Department and the Code Enforcement Office. Please do not park in this area. However, parking in this area is more of a problem during the winter months because of parking restrictions. Please remember that there is no parking on Village streets over night from November 1st – April 1st. Let's help to keep Fayetteville's grassy areas green.

Reminder: It is very important for all residents to make sure their house numbers are on their homes. In the event of an emergency without house numbers, it will take emergency personnel longer to find you.

Trustee Randall



Attention motorists:

There are a few crosswalks in the Village in which adults and children use. Please take care to yield to those crossing the street.

Some of the crosswalks in the Village are:

- E. Genesee Street (near Hess Mart)
- Salt Springs Street (near IC Church)
- South Manlius Street (near Wellwood Middle School)

NYS Vehicle & Traffic Law states

§1151. Pedestrians' right of way in crosswalks.

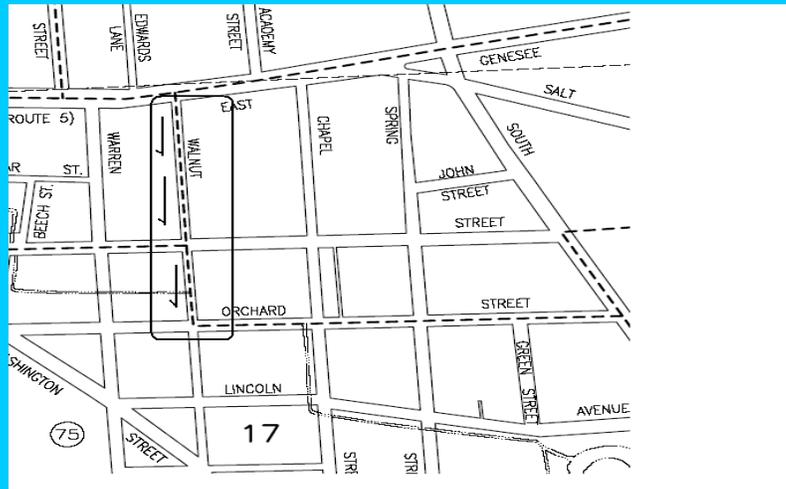
(a) When traffic-control signals are not in place or not in operation the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right of way, slowing down or stopping if need be to so yield, to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within a crosswalk on the roadway upon which the vehicle is traveling, except that any pedestrian crossing a roadway at a point where a pedestrian tunnel or overpass has been provided shall yield the right of way to all vehicles.

(b) No pedestrian shall suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close that it is impractical for the driver to yield.

(c) Whenever any vehicle is stopped at a marked crosswalk or at any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, the driver of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall not overtake and pass such stopped vehicle.

FYI

Last month the village board passed a law: Local Law #1 of 2008 amending Section 173-1 of the Code of the Village of Fayetteville regarding one-way streets. This law designates Walnut Street from East Genesee Street to Orchard Street as one way in a southerly direction.



From the Office of Supervisor Tetley

Dear Fayetteville residents,

Thank you, Mayor Olson, for the opportunity to say hello and wish all of you a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year.

It has been a very exciting and challenging month at my job as your new Town Supervisor. My predecessor left a very capable staff for me to rely on and they have been nothing short of remarkable in their dedication and hard work. A special thanks to Town Manager, Jennie Stowell, in particular.



The 3 village mayors and I have been meeting already, and have had positive conversations about the relationship between the Town and the Villages. We all see opportunities for sharing services and working together to provide all our residents with the most effective and efficient local government possible.

2008 will bring many challenges, and I look forward to working with everyone to make our town an even better place to live.

Thanks again,

Mark Tetley



CHILD SAFETY SEAT CHECK EVENT

**Saturday, February 16, 2008
10:00AM-12:00Noon**

**Hosted by: Fayetteville Fire Department &
SAFE KIDS Greater Syracuse Coalition**

At

**Fayetteville Fire Department
425 E Genesee St., Fayetteville**

Certified technicians will be on-hand to check car seats/booster seats and instruct caregivers on correct use. Caregivers will demonstrate their new installation skills.

"Love Them, Hug Them, Boost & Buckle Them"

For more information, call
Onondaga County Traffic Safety Program: 435-3280

OTHER DAYS...OTHER WAYS BARBARA RIVETTE, VILLAGE HISTORIAN

Some newer residents say that the weather isn't too bad; it's just that people talk about it all the time. Here are some items from newspapers of earlier days...

...Snow fell in this vicinity on the Sabbath (6th) to a depth of 10 or 12 inches. Sleighs are running briskly. December 10, 1840

...Snow is about two feet six inches deep in this vicinity. Monday it was 4 below zero. January 7, 1841

...It was impossible for will Monk's state to get through the snow drifts this afternoon and he was obliged to return to Manlius. December 27, 1894

...All fears of a water famine in the Village of Fayetteville were finally at an end. The springs fed by melting snow had replenished the reservoir (on Duguid Road) and the water reached the overflow point every morning. February 20, 1914

...Citizens are digging our after a 24-ionch snowfall as road crews work day and night plowing snow. Five Fayetteville men who went to Minoa Monday night to bowl were stranded. Two walked four miles to their homes and three stayed at the Minoa Hotel. March 3, 1922

...While autos are laid up for the winter, the earnings of the Syracuse and Suburban trolley line showed a 7.3 increase form January to February. March 3, 1933