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is updated daily with
events and news.

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Upcoming Events

- Greenfield Townwide Garage Sale is 9/7 and 9/8, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. It is sponsored by TOG Baptist Church and Lions Club.
- TOG Social Hour Sept.
 28 at Fossil Stone
 Vineyard & Winery, 5-8
 p.m.
- Sign up for Rec youth soccer and tennis.
 Registration closes on 9/15.
- Historical Society, covered dish dinner &
 Meeting, 9/17 at 6
 p.m. Bring a dish to
 pass and your place
 setting. Program features "Vischer Ferry, A
 Forgotten Crossroads"
 film.
- TOG Fall Festival Oct. 20 1-5 p.m.

Greenfield:
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Town of Greenfield News

Updates from Town Hall, September 2024

Greenfield, N.Y. includes residents in Greenfield Center, Porter Corners, Middle Grove, Lake Desolation and Maple Ave.

TOG Community Social Hour Scheduled for 9/28

Consider joining us at the next TOG social hour at Fossil Stone Vineyard & Winery on Sept. 28 from 5 to 8 p.m. Food trucks will be onsite for dining. Enjoy a TOG Fall Sangria special and corn hole. Beer, wine, hard seltzers and nonalcoholic drinks will be sold. Fossil Stone opened in September of 2023 and recently has been holding events at its beautiful 140acre farm and vineyard location and rustic tasting house. The address is 331 Grange Rd. No sign up required! See you there.



This TOG social hour will take place Sept. 28 from 5-8 p.m. at Fossil Stone Vineyards at 331 Grange Rd.

Ladies Learn Golf at Lesson & Lunch Tee Party



This fun event features golf tips for all levels of golfers, a fun lunch and the opportunity to play a round of golf. From left to right: Residents Diana Juracka, Jill Blackman, Susie Dumelin and Bekah Bobeldyk.

Rec Program Registration Links at greenfieldny.org

This popular program is back for a third and final time until spring on Sept. 22 at Brookhaven Golf Course. Ladies, this is for you!

Bring your family and friends to enjoy one hour of golf instruction (rotate between greens and driving range) followed by a special lunch at The View. After lunch, you are welcome to play a few holes of golf, or a whole round if you wish!

Cost: \$60 for residents, including lunch and a ticket for a beverage of your choice. Nonresidents pay \$70. Starts at 11:45 a.m.





Two Employees Reach Milestones

Two amazing TOG employees have reached career milestones at Town Hall. We are so proud of Lorraine Fiorino, our assessor, who has been at the town for 25 years, and Channon Emigh, our dog control officer & parks maintenance employee, who has been with us for 20! They both will receive this special pin, which will be engraved with their years of service.



Calling All OCTOGENERIANS

Do you know any TOG residents who will be celebrating their 100^{th} birthday? Don't forget to let us know so we can honor them properly! Call Town Hall at 518-893-7432 so we can join in on the celebration.

Project Offers Town Financial Incentive

If you've noticed a lot of construction along the railroads in the Clinton, Denton and Daniels Road area, we have some answers for you.

Champlain Hudson Power Express is building a 339mile power transmission line from Hydro-Quebec in Canada to New York City for clean energy transmission. This renewable hydropower energy will be built underground through the waterways, along railroads, roads and both public and private land. In Greenfield, the route crosses only in the area mentioned above in the "right of way" along the train tracks. The work in Greenfield began around June of 2024 and is expected to continue through January of 2025. Work includes clearing of trees, constructing the utility trench to place the cables in, and a process known as Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) that allows the cable to go deeper underground to avoid obstacles.

CHPE has asked for permission from each and every town and private land owner involved. In Greenfield, CHPE entered agreements with landowners to use two private parcels, securing permanent and temporary easements by mutual agreement in March of 2023. If you have not been contacted by CHPE, the



The clearing of land adjacent to the train tracks is to make room for the CHPE power line.

project will not impact your private property.

Greenfield's Town Board approved to support this project by resolution on Sept. 10, 2020. The town entered a road use agreement that was signed Feb. 8, 2024, detailing the parameters for the work that crosses the affected Denton Road.

The energy will be delivered to a converter station in Astoria Queens, N.Y. and will benefit Con Edison customers. According to CHPE's Director of Stakeholder Engagement Andrew Rush, there will be significant economic and environmental benefit for every community along the project's path.

In addition to hiring local contractors, like MJ Engineering in Clifton Park, CHPE has arranged a substantial payment revenue to the town, Saratoga County and the Saratoga Springs School District during the 40 to 60-year operating life of the project. More than \$126 million dollars will be paid to

Saratoga County, and the county will distribute approximately \$5 million in funds to each of the impacted communities, including Greenfield.

CHPE also has a community engagement fund to support local initiatives. In Greenfield, officials are still working out what this project will include. The plans should be solidified by September. One thing being considered, according to Supervisor Kevin Veitch, is a project to run electric in Brookhaven Park, which will allow us to finish plans for development of a bathroom and renovated pavilion at that site. Stay tuned to hear more.

"We recognize that our work does cause some amount of inconvenience to those living near the sites, such as tree removal and traffic delays," Rush said. "We look to minimize the impacts to the resident the best we can." (cont'd next page, right column)



Greenfield TO-GO QUICK MEAL / DESSERT DIRECTORY



Fierro's Pizzeria (pizza, wings, Italian entrees and desserts) Menu at www.fierrospizzera.com. 518-893-3333

Grandma Apple's Cheesecakes (specialty cheesecakes) Follow on Facebook. 518-368-6091

Our Daily Bread 518 (fresh baked items, bagels, rolls and more) Menu is on Facebook. 518-368-9839

Post Pizza (breakfast sandwiches, pizza and salads) Menu at postpizzaandmore.com. 518-450-1210

Saratoga Grazing Co. (artisan charcuterie boards) Order on Insta or Facebook saratogagrazingco

Stewart's Shops (breakfast and lunch hot sandwiches, soups, ice cream) stewartsshops.com

The View Restaurant (entrees, apps and sandwiches) Menu at theviewatbrookhaven.com. 518-893-7458

Tinney's Tavern (wood-fired pizza, wings house-smoked meats) Order online at tinneystavern.com. 518-450-1066

Triangle Diner (breakfast & lunch specials only) Menu is on Facebook. 518-583-6368

Warren's Ice Cream & Restaurant (burgers, sides, apps) Weekends only. Menu is on Facebook. 518-893-5076

Did we miss an option for TO-GO? Email us at info @greenfieldny.org and we'll be sure to add it next time.

Support the TOG.





Did you know that Cornell Cooperative Ext. holds free car seat fitting stations and appointments upon request? Low-income residents can apply for free seats.

If you cannot afford a car seat, apply for one. To qualify you must:

- Be a resident of Saratoga County with limited income/resources
- Be referred by a social service agency

Funded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration & the NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee To process for the low-income seat distribution program, or for more information call:

Cynthia Dort, Occupant Protection Educator at 518-885-8995

Food Pantry Seeking Donations

More residents than ever before are using the weekly Greenfield Food Pantry, sponsored by St. Joseph's Church. Resident Heidi Lampert and her team of helpers began running the pantry after long-time volunteer Patty Schwartzbeck handed over its reigns. Lampert coordinates the food purchase, most of which comes from the Regional Food Bank in Latham, N.Y.; the food donations; and the staffing for each Wednesday's 1:30-3:30 p.m. event at the Community Center.

Volunteer Mike Ruhm and the pantry's financial coordinator Debi Ficaretta have been actively seeking grants to help with the purchase of food. In recent months the pantry has received \$2,500 from Stewart's Shops' "Holiday Match" program and \$5,000 from the Hawley Foundation for Children. The Saratoga County **Board of Supervisors** recently donated \$2,000 to the Regional Food Bank to use at its Greenfield Food Pantry. More donations have come from the Baptist Church, Greenfield Volunteer Fire Co. #1, Charles R. Wood Foundation, Ballston Spa National Bank, Ancient Order of Hiberians, and numerous private family donors.

To use the food pantry, residents are asked to supply proof of address in the Town of Greenfield and the number of household residents.



To donate, scan and select Adopt a program and enter TOG Food Pantry 1110F under Partner Agency.

Ficaretta said the best way one can help is by donating financially because more food can be purchased at less cost from the Regional Food Bank. The organization recently set up a QR code above. Gift cards are also appreciated as donations to the Food Pantry.



Seniors Club Reaching New Heights

If you have a senior in your life, please spread the word about our Greenfield Seniors Club. This club posts all kinds of gatherings each month on the town website under Community. Our volunteer organizers tell us they have a record 60 members who enjoy the social gatherings each month.

Financial Incentive (cont'd)

If you have concerns about anything related to this project, Rush said residents can call the CHPE hotline at 800-991-CHPE (2473) or email <u>publicout-reach@chpexpress.com</u>.

Veitch said this project will allow us to fund upgrades to our public infrastructure with little impact to our tax base. One such project in consideration is a new community center adjacent to Greenfield Town Hall.

New Law to Protect Property Owners from Squatters

Have you heard of squatters? Squatters are individuals or groups who take up residence on a property without the owner's permission. Especially if you do not reside at your property or do not carefully monitor structures on your property, this can become a legal issue.

Many states and communities have enacted laws to protect residents from squatters having legal rights to your property. Greenfield residents are protected under an "Unlawful Intruder Law"

that was passed in the May 21, 2024 meeting of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors.

"The Saratoga County Board of Supervisors have taken a proactive approach to protect property owners from being unlawfully invaded and occupied," said Saratoga County Board of Supervisors Chairman Phil Barrett (Clifton Park) in a recent news release. "The new legislation is clear, concise, easily enforceable, does not pre-empt New York State Law and is supported by

court decisions. Someone who unlawfully enters a home in the first instance will never acquire tenant rights."

Barrett also stated the issue of squatters assuming control of private property is growing in New York and other areas of the country. A copy of the law is available at the County's website, www.saratogacountyny.go v/departments/board-of-supervisors/local-law/.



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Preventing Deed Theft

Deed theft, property fraud or house-stealing, is when someone forges your identity and transfers your property into their name.

The Saratoga County Clerk's office offers a free service to help protect yourself against this fraud.

Sign up on the Saratoga County website at: www.saratogacountyny.g ov/departments/countyclerk/property-fraudalert/.

You will receive a notification any time documents are recorded under your name at the county clerk's office. This fraud alert system will keep you on top of any changes involving your name and property.

Clean Up, Inside & Out At Townwide Cleanup Day: Sept. 20, 21 and 22

One of the most popular municipal-sponsored events is this one, because we like to clean up our property in the TOG.

What do you need to do? Stop by Town Hall to pick up a resident card.

Gather up your junk. Clean up inside and outside your property.

Between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m. on the Cleanup Days, drive it to the Town Highway Garage, 409 Bockes Rd. Our friendly Highway team will help you unload.



Beautiful sunflowers line the Town Hall property. Thank you to our Building & Grounds crew!

Accept: household items, furniture, light

scrap metal, paint cans (empty, clean & dry), computers and electronics.

Do NOT Accept: household trash or lawn debris. No construction debris, tires or hazardous waste.