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## Wastewater Treatment Plant & Department of Public Works

Steve Farrell, WWTP Chief Operator & Deputy DPW Supt.

### DID YOU KNOW?

The Village of Scottsville shares services and equipment with other villages and towns. Some of these include street sweeping, usage of sewer flushers, and road maintenance. By doing so, the Village is able to have use of all these amenities without the high cost of purchasing and maintaining the equipment thus saving you, the taxpayer, money.

As you have probably noticed, the **Highway Department** has their new automated garbage truck on the road and all is going well so far. We ask that you please have your garbage curbside by 7:00 AM as well as follow the new garbage policy. Oiling and stoning of various roads and the sidewalk project on Beckwith and Browns Avenues has begun. The DPW has also been busy trimming trees, working on the drainage system, sign repair and replacement, park maintenance, and our normal daily operations.

The **Waste Water Treatment Plant** has been working on updating our equipment and soon will have an energy audit for cost savings. Inflow and infiltration work is to begin on sewer lines in the Village and the DPW-WWTP building are in the process of being painted. All in all it's been a busy summer.

### "Doing our Part in Scottsville" More Ways to Go Green

Recently the Wheatland-Chili High School Honor Society teamed up with Aveda, a beauty product supply company, to recycle bottle caps that Aveda, in turn, has made into new caps and containers for use with their products. We would like to see this program expanded throughout the Village and have designated the Village Office and DPW as drop locations for this cause. Please join us in this worthwhile campaign by bringing your **clean** bottle caps to one of these locations. The following information was taken directly from Aveda's web site "The program accepts caps that are rigid polypropylene plastic, sometimes noted with a 5 in the chasing arrows recycling symbol. This includes caps that twist on with a threaded neck such as caps on shampoo, water, soda, milk and other beverage bottles, flip top caps on tubes and food product bottles (such as ketchup and mayonnaise), laundry detergents and some jar lids such as peanut butter. Excluded from collection are pharmaceutical and non rigid lids such as yogurt lids, tub lids (margarine, cottage cheese), and screw on lids that are not rigid. (For more info, go to [www.aveda.com/caps](http://www.aveda.com/caps)).

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**GREEN TIP:** Brown paper brush and leaf bags are biodegradable and can be purchased at Ace Hardware, Target, Lowes and other home and garden stores. The DPW will pick up brown bags left curbside.

### Village Forestry Plan



One need only drive through the Village to appreciate the beauty of tree-lined streets. However, trees provide more than aesthetic appeal. There are many environmental and historic benefits to maintaining a community's tree system. To ensure that the Village has a comprehensive forestry plan that is ecologically and historically appropriate, Village officials, DPW staff, a local Eagle Scout candidate, and village residents have begun working together as a Forestry Management Committee to review current maintenance procedures, schedule a tree inventory (to be conducted by an independent arborist), and revise the current tree policy.

The committee invites interested residents to take part in this important process. A report about the committee's progress will be presented at the Village Board meeting on Tuesday, October 13, at 6:30 PM. For information about upcoming committee meetings, please call Trustee Elizabeth Murray at 889-3875.

### Village Hires New Communications Director

In July 2009, Scottsville resident Edie Cornish was hired for the part-time position of Communications Director for the Village of Scottsville. This position entails promoting the Village by creating and implementing a clear, consistent system of communication to the public relative to Village operations, upcoming events, and community assets. Edie brings with her many years experience designing, creating and writing various forms of communication such as newsletters, presentations, brochures, and news articles. Please help in welcoming Edie to this valuable position.



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*Message from the Mayor...* **Michael F. Souers**



As 2009 starts to wind down, I'd like to review some projects we've been working on. First, please join me in welcoming Elizabeth Murray to the Village Board and Edie Cornish as our new Communications Director. Their introductions and profiles are included in this newsletter. We also have to thank former Trustee Chuck Bryant for his service to the Village and dedication to Historic Preservation. Chuck worked successfully in guiding the Village to Certified Local Government status. This enables the Village to deem properties Historically Significant, and help those property owners gain Historic Preservation grant monies. Chuck will remain active on the CLG Board.

Our Main Street Study yielded some important preservation results as well. The Village board has enacted a Business District Site Plan Review. We have also written Design Guidelines to help guide Business and Property owners during their renovation and construction process.

Long range, we are investigating a conversion of the WWTP to a County Pump Station. Last fall, the project as structured, proved too costly for Village taxpayers, nearly doubling the annual sewer rates. With the help of our County Legislature, Jeff Adair, the Village, Town, and County started looking at ways to alternately fund the project. The Village, now lead agent, has submitted a grant/low interest loan application to the Rural Development Agency (USDA). We are expecting a determination by the end of 2009. This determination will outline grant and low interest loans available for the project. When we have this information, the Village Board will schedule Public Information meetings to review the project and the costs associated with both a Pump Station project, and the alternative of keeping our present WWTP operational.

Thank you all for helping to make Scottsville a Village we love to live in, raise our families, and are always proud to call home.

**Village Board Appoints New Trustee**

Elizabeth Murray was appointed to the Village Board in May 2009. Prior to that, Murray served as Communications Director for the Village of Scottsville from 2006 – 2008. As Village Trustee, Murray is liaison to the Town of Wheatland Economic Development Commission, Greater Wheatland Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Main St. Planning Committee.



Since moving to Scottsville in 2001, Murray has been an active member of the community. She is a proud member of the Greater Wheatland Area Chamber of Commerce, Wheatland Earth Institute, Wheatland No. 4 Schoolhouse Committee, St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Wheatland-Chili PTA, and an honorary member of the Scottsville Rotary Club.

Elaine M. Driscoll  
 Village Clerk

**Scottsville Village Clerk's Office**

Julie A. Kuhn  
 Deputy Clerk

The Village of Scottsville is constantly implementing ways to make our Village a better place to live. The following listing includes benefits which should be helpful to residents. Our Office at 22 Main Street is open from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Monday thru Friday.

The Village Clerk's Office is the best resource for information about Village operation, local services, businesses and activities and it's functions include:

- ◆ Village Tax collection
- ◆ Tax searches
- ◆ Sewer Service Charge billing and collection
- ◆ Issues Johnson Park Pavilion rental permits
- ◆ Maintains all Village records, laws and ordinances
- ◆ Issues Peddlers Permits inside Village limits
- ◆ Arranges for rental of a Village truck for Brush/debris removal
- ◆ Arranges for lease of one extra Garbage/Trash toter per household
- ◆ Welcomes applications for Community Watch Volunteer
- ◆ Prepares the annual Recycle Calendar
- ◆ Schedules all Village meetings and records official minutes for the Village Board, Fire Commissioners and Planning/Zoning Board
- ◆ Provides Public Information in accordance with New York State
- ◆ Freedom of Information Law
- ◆ Organizes Village Elections
- ◆ Sells stickers for extra trash pick-up
- ◆ Arranges for Leaf Mulch/Wood Chips delivery
- ◆ Sends out information packets to new homeowners

As always, the Village Office Staff will be happy to answer any questions you have, or will direct you to the proper person for the information. You can call us at 889-6050, email us at [scottsville@scottsvillenyny.org](mailto:scottsville@scottsvillenyny.org), or fax us at 889-2505. We hope your Fall & Winter seasons are pleasant ones!



As many of you may be aware, for almost three years the Village has been working side by side with officials from the Town of Wheatland, W-C Schools, and Monroe County in the area of emergency preparedness. We have accomplished several key projects including updating the Village/Town Emergency Management plan, setting up communication systems so all entities involved in emergency response can effectively communicate, and planning for extended operations with limited assistance from outside of our jurisdictions.

While most of the media hype surrounding the H1N1 virus has subsided, the threat of the virus coming back stronger in the fall is still a real concern. Historically, we are overdue for a pandemic type event. The WHO (World Health Organization) has declared a global pandemic is underway. This action was a result of the wide-spread nature of the virus, not the severity of the virus.

Local planning for this event is well underway with several key players, including contingency planning for limited operations in all levels of government, Point of Dispensation (P.O.D.) activation, and local emergency medical services being overwhelmed.

You can do several things to keep you and your family healthy. **Stay informed.** We recommend the Centers for Disease Control Website at : [www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu) and the World Health Organization website: [www.who.int](http://www.who.int).

Influenza is thought to **spread mainly person-to-person** through coughing or sneezing of infected people. Some helpful tips:

- Take everyday actions to stay healthy.
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.
- Stay home if you get sick. CDC recommends that you stay home from work or school and limit contact with others to keep from infecting them.
- **Follow public health advice** regarding school closures, avoiding crowds and other social distancing measures.
- Find healthy ways to **deal with stress and anxiety.**

### Main Street Improvement Committee

In early May, the Main Street Committee hosted a special information session designed exclusively for the major stakeholders in Scottsville's Central Business District. At the meeting, participants learned about the recently completed *Main Street Improvement Study*, Phase II of the study (implementation of recommendations), grant prospects, protecting property value through the Maintenance Code, loan programs at Chase Bank, and partnership opportunities.

This summer, the committee has met on a monthly basis and continues working on initiatives that strive to improve the aesthetic and economic potential of the business corridor. Per community input from the improvement study, the committee recently completed the first phase of beautification at the "triangle" (intersection of Routes 251 and 383) with the installation of landscaping. During the fall and winter months, the committee will work on plans for attracting and retaining businesses, investigate grant opportunities, and prepare for Spring 2010 streetscape improvements.

The Main Street Committee is open to all residents and business owners. For more information about the committee and upcoming meetings, please contact Trustee Elizabeth Murray at 889-3875.

It has been quiet over the summer months. Since the spring newsletter was issued, the fire department did receive the state grant monies requested to pay for the Jaws of Life, so we were able to make that purchase. We also received a \$1,000 matching grant from the NYSDEC, which will be used to finish our grass fire truck that the members themselves refurbished.

Over the fall and winter we will be looking into refurbishing our 1990 Pierce 3000 gallon pumper tanker. It will be more cost effective to refurbish this truck as opposed to buying new one.

Looking ahead, the Fire Department, in conjunction with the Scottsville Lions Club, will be hosting the Christmas Parade on Dec 11th.

If any resident has any questions or concerns you may email the fire department at [scottsvillefire@rochester.rr.com](mailto:scottsvillefire@rochester.rr.com).

### Village of Scottsville Meeting Dates

In compliance with Article 7 of the Public Officers Law relating to Open Meetings, be advised that, at the First Official Meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Scottsville, it was determined that the regular meetings of the Fire Commissioners and Village Board will be held on the second Tuesday of each month. Fire Commissioners meeting beginning at 6:00 P.M. and the Board of Trustees meeting beginning at 6:30 P.M. The upcoming dates for 2009-2010 are listed below:

October 13, 2009	January 12, 2010
November 10, 2009	February 8, 2010
December 8, 2009	March 8, 2010

**Zoning Board:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month on an as needed basis, beginning at 6:45 P.M.

**Planning Board:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month beginning at 7:00 P.M.

*Both Boards have a minimum of one month application deadline.*

**For more information about meetings, please call 889-6050.**

### From the Treasurer... Beverly A. Martin

I am now entering my second year as Treasurer for the Village of Scottsville. The past year has flown by and, with the teamwork of Village officials and department heads, a workable 2009-2010 budget was adopted and the tax rate per thousand of assessed valuation remains \$4.93, which is unchanged from the prior year's budget.

The annual financial report for the Village for fiscal year ended 5/31/09, was successfully completed, and submitted to NYS on 7/7/09. Once again, the financial state of the Village is positive due to the strong foresight and planning for future expenditures that was well established in prior years.

#### 2009 Funds awarded to the Village include:

\$ 8,158	State "CHIPS" program for road repair
\$ 8,433	State DEC Recycling Grant for new Leaf Vac and Blue box's
\$21,298	State Parks for Johnson Park Pavilion, roof and rest rooms
\$11,843	Monroe County Community Block Grant for Johnson Park Driveway repaving
\$50,000	Monroe County Community Block Grant for Sanitary Sewer repair along Browns Ave.
\$7,398	State GIS grant, for mapping utilities in Village and Town
\$15,000	Assemblyperson Susan John for computer equipment and gaming in the Senior Center
\$20,000	State Senator James Alessi, for new "Jaws of Life" extrication equipment for the Fire Department

## October

### 43rd Annual Used Book Sale — Scottsville Free Library, 22 Main St.

Oct 15: 5-8:30 PM Friends of the Library night! Join!	Oct 18: 12-5 PM Half Price Day
Oct 16: 10 AM-8:30 PM Best Selection	Oct 19: 1-8:30 PM Bag of Books \$2
Oct 17: 10 AM-5 PM Best Selection	Oct 20: 10-8:30 PM Bag of Books \$2
	Oct 21: 1-7 PM All books Free

Sat., Oct 10: Roast Beef Dinner, American Legion, 5 to 7 pm, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Rolls, Beverage. Family Style, All you can eat. \$9.00 adults, \$5.00 children under 12. Pre-sale \$8.00 adults.

Thurs., Oct 22: 7 pm, Wheatland Historical Association, Donovan Shilling will give a **presentation** on the "**Rochester Transportation Heritage**" at Grace Episcopal Church.

## November

Tues., Nov 3: **Election Day Chicken Barbeque**, Lion's Club, 3:30pm, held in the American Legion parking lot. Reserve yours with Lion Paul 889-4629

Wed., Nov 11: American Legion, Remember your veterans on **Veterans Day**. Tell a VET "Thanks".

Fri., Nov 20: **Turkey Party**, American Legion, 7 pm till gone. Turkeys, Beef Loin, Shrimp, Food Baskets, 50-50, Door Prizes

Sat. & Sun., Nov 21-22: **Holiday Sale** 9am –2pm and 10am-2pm respectively, Sage Marlowe House

## December

The Sons of the American Legion will be donating funds to local charities and Wegman's gift cards to local families in need at the end of the year

Sun., Dec 6: **Senior Christmas Party**, Scottsville Fire Corp. Rec Hall, 6pm, Make your reservation with Lion Gerard at 889-2233

Fri., Dec 11: **Parade of Lights**, Scottsville Fire Department, Lions Club, Girl Scout and Boy Scout floats 6pm. Secure your float with Lion Mitch 503-6960

**January:** Happy New Year!

## February

Tues., Feb 2: **Ground Hog Day Dinner**, Scottsville Lions, Scottsville Rotary and WCHS Interact Club, 5:30pm at WC High School, Eat in or take out, Call Lion Mitch 503-6960 for our ticket today!

Sat., Feb 20: **Snow Volleyball**, at Johnson park, Scottsville Lions and Dirty Dave's, Time TBA, Sign up Dirty Dave's this winter or Call Lion Mitch 503-6960

Sat., Feb 27: **Spaghetti Dinner** at WC High School, Time TBA

## March

Fri., March 12: **March Meat Madness**, 7 pm, American Legion Auxiliary meat raffle, beef loins, pork loins, surf & turf, ham, shrimp and much more

Sun., March 28: **Pancake Breakfast**, Lions and International Club held at the American Legion, Time TBA, Reserve your flapjacks with Lion Paul 889-4629

## Wheatland Historical Association... Dick Stryker, Director of Publicity

The Wheatland Historical Association awarded two \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors from Wheatland Chili and Caledonia Mumford High. The recipient from Caledonia Mumford was Lamont Thompson, who will be studying geology and archaeology. The Wheatland Chili recipient was Tyler Merritt, who will be studying architecture.

The Wheatland Historical Association is very committed to furthering the historical education of the community. This summer, the Historical Association sent three students to classes at the Genesee Country Village & Museum this summer. Monika Rabjohn attended *Learning & Leisure*, Luke Nolan took *School of the Soldier*, and Alexandra "Sasha" Flint took *Trades of the 19th Century*.

## Scottsville Lions Club... Mitch Clancy, President

The Scottsville Lions Club strives to improve and enrich our community by "serving" others. Lions Club International is the largest service organization in the world and serves as the "Knights against Blindness" since our goal has been to raise sight awareness and provide services to those in need.

Within Scottsville, we support and work with: the Boy and Girl Scout Troops, the Senior Center, all school programs including the booster groups and Sports Night Award Program, the SFD, Scottsville Fire Prevention Program, Wheatland Historical Assoc., and hospice programs. We also operate a medical loan closet, Leader Dog programs, and provide food baskets for families in need. We are always looking for new projects to assist with and for new members that want to help make a difference. To find out how you and your family can help please call Lion Ruth at 746-3049, [ruthiethompson@rochester.rr.com](mailto:ruthiethompson@rochester.rr.com). Together we can serve our community!

## Scottsville Rotary... Diana Balch, Secretary

Scottsville Rotary meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month for fellowship and interesting and informational programs dealing with topics of local and global importance. Membership reflects a wide cross section of community representation. Rotarians plan and carry out a remarkable variety of humanitarian, educational, and cultural exchange programs that touch people's lives in their local communities and our world community. We meet at 6:00PM at the Genesee Country Inn, 948 George Street, Mumford. [www.scottsvill Rotary.org](http://www.scottsvill Rotary.org)

## Wheatland No. 4 Schoolhouse... Chris Chamot, Chairperson

The Wheatland No. 4 one room schoolhouse, located on the T.J. Connor Elementary campus, is a unique asset in our community and allows visitors to take a look at learning environments in the early 1900s. Our dedicated volunteers are knowledgeable about the history of the schoolhouse, and the programs we offer are available not only to Wheatland-Chili students but scouts as well. The current scouting program introduces girl scouts to local history while fulfilling their requirements for the Local Lore badge. This program is also being expanded to include cub scouts in pursuit of their scholar pin.

Our school house has received innumerable hours of volunteer craftsmanship including two Eagle Scout community service projects from Troop 372. Wheatland No. 4 hosts open houses during the summer, so watch for signs out front before the open house. Private tours are also available. To become a supporting member of the schoolhouse or arrange for a tour, please contact the Wheatland-Chili District Office at 889-6247.

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