

TOWN OF LOCKPORT

Spring 2009 Edition

Spring has finally Sprung!

Wow, what a long winter we just had, anyway spring is finally here, hurray!

I would like to personally thank our highway crews for keeping our roads plowed over this past winter. At no time in recent memory have we had such a sustained period of poor weather conditions. Your highway crews were out daily and throughout each night while we all slept peacefully in our beds to keep our roads in great condition.

TOWN UPDATES:

FEMA flood map updates

The Town is working with our engineer to review the data we received from FEMA to increase the size of our floodplain. FEMA studied three major areas within the Town of Lockport. Tonawanda Creek, Donner Creek and Wicks Road areas.

FEMA is utilizing a new computer model along with Lidar mapping technology (airplane gathered

data) to create what they believe is a more accurate map predicting future flooding events within the Town of Lockport.

- We disagree with these findings.
- We are protesting the findings.
- We are working with effected homeowners to try and get them removed from the floodplain.

If you would like an update on this issue, please contact the supervisor's office at 478-0601.

Drainage

The Town of Lockport Drainage Coordinator Lew Hagen has submitted a proposal to improve drainage in the Town for 2009. Included in the plan are changes to the Royal Parkway Pond area as well as other Town ditches. We will continue to improve area drainage over the next couple of years.

Economy

The Town of Lockport Board and I continue to monitor our financial situation closely. We have already identified several areas where our income will be

cut over this next year. It is more important than ever that we find ways to save money. Rest assured that we will do everything possible to keep our cost of operations low.

Coordinator of Economic Development

As many of you know, the Town hired David Kinyon to be our new coordinator of economic development this year. David has been very busy meeting with various business leaders and government officials to bring new jobs and development to our Town.

We are creating new programs and incentives to enhance our recruitment process. When the economy improves we will be ahead of our competition for new jobs and development.

PARK IMPROVEMENTS:

William & Celeste Lytle Park

The Town of Lockport added over 100 acres of parkland in December. William Lytle donated the land behind the Niagara County Fair Ground to be a per-

manent nature park. The Town's immediate plan is to create a walking trail connecting the John B. Austin Nature Park on Slayton-Settlement Road to the William Lytle Park and the Erie Canal towpath.

Day Road Park

Day Road park soccer fields will continue to grow and mature this season. There will be no organized play on the field this season. We will be monitoring the fields, seeding and fertilizing them for use in the 2010 calendar year.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you have about the Town of Lockport. I can be reached at 478-0600. Thank you for your kind words of support and encouragement. Enjoy the great spring weather!

Sincerely,

Marc R. Smith
Supervisor – Town of Lockport



**Town Newsletter Now Posted
on www.elockport.com!**

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Wm. Keith McNall – 16th Leg. Dist. 434-8070
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Anthony Nemi – 15th Leg. Dist. 434-0133

POLICE

Emergency 911
New York State Police 434-5588
Niagara County Sheriff's Dept. 438-3393

Office Hours

Town Hall, Town Court,
Building & Assessing Department

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday -Friday

Offices Closed

Memorial Day - May 25th
Independence Day - July 3th

Town Board Meetings

7:30 pm the First Wednesday of each month at the
Town Hall, 6560 Dysinger Road

January 7th	July 1st
February 4th	August 5th
March 4th	September 2nd
April 8th*	October 7th
May 6th	November 4th
June 3rd	December 2nd

* April meeting is the Second Wednesday of the month

**TOWNWIDE
GARAGE SALE
JUNE 5-7**

**NO PRIOR REGISTRATION IS
REQUIRED AND THE TOWN WILL
ADVERTISE THIS EVENT LOCALLY!**

Free Movie Night
The Tale of Despereaux



Town Hall Complex, 6560 Dysinger Road
enjoy the sounds of The Federation of Musician's
at 7:30 p.m. before showtime.

Free Pop & Popcorn bring lawn chairs & blankets
RAIN OR SHINE

Town Highway Department



2009 Brush Schedule

The Town Highway Department only picks up brush three times a year: Spring, Summer and Fall.

ROAD NORTH OF & INCLUDING LINCOLN AVE. & HINMAN ROAD, WILL BEGIN APRIL 20, JUNE 29 & SEPT. 28.

ROAD SOUTH OF LINCOLN AVE. & HINMAN ROAD, WILL BEGIN APRIL 27, JULY 6 & OCT. 5.

- Brush **must** be out **before 7 a.m.** Monday morning of scheduled pick up.
- The Highway Department will not pick up brush from cleared lots, roots, stumps or limbs larger than 8 inches in diameter. Brush must be piled neatly, with cut end to the road.
- There will be no return trips to pick up brush. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!**

REFUSE COLLECTION RULES AND PREPARATION GUIDE



REFUSE COLLECTION

WM will collect a **total of six (6)** 30-gallon regulation garbage cans or 30-gallon plastic bags. Each container **MUST** weigh less than 60 pounds. **No paper bags, cardboard boxes or any other non-regulation container will be permitted.** All refuse and recycling **MUST** be curbside by 6 a.m. on your collection day.

APPLIANCES/BULKY ITEM

WM will collect one large bulky item or one large appliance per week, per residence. Place the large bulky item or appliance at the curb on the same day as your refuse collection and it will be collected the following day. Bulky items included; furniture, carpet (must be cut in less than 4 ft. in width, rolled, tied and weighing less than 60 pounds) mattress, box spring, etc. Appliances include; stove, refrigerator, freezer, hot water tank, etc.

ITEMS NOT PERMITTED

Tires, construction and demolition debris, pathological wastes, pesticides, oils/oil barrels, paste board barrels, warm/hot ashes, 55-gallon drums, solvents, flammable materials, asbestos board, pool chemicals, automobile batteries or parts, suspicious waste, or any other waste required by law to be disposed of at a hazardous waste facility.

MISCELLANEOUS PREPARATION

Water based paint cans - must be dried up. Brush - no more than four inch (4") in diameter, no longer than four feet (4'), tied in bundles no larger than eighteen inches (18") in diameter.

Please note that the town of Lockport highway department collects brush three (3) times per year, spring, summer and fall. Please refer to spring newsletter for schedule dates.

EXCESS REFUSE

Residents with excess refuse due to flooding, moving in or out of residence, household cleaning or remodeling project should consider the following:

- Stickers may be purchased through Town Clerk's Office or WM at a cost of \$12 for 12 stickers or \$24 for 24 stickers for each additional 30-gallon plastic bag over the 6-unit limit.
- To rent a roll off container (dumpster), contact WM (800) 422-4040 for information or Town of Lockport Highway at 439-9522

The Town of Lockport will make no special arrangements with WM for excess collection.

Holiday Schedule:

The regular collection schedule will be followed on all holidays EXCEPT those listed below:
May 25, 2009, Memorial Day
 No Collection,
 One day later all week.
July 2009 NO DISRUPTION OF SERVICE







TOWN OF LOCKPORT GUIDE TO RECYCLING



MATERIALS

INSTRUCTIONS

ITEMS NOT RECYCLABLE

<p>NEWSPAPER, MAGAZINES & CATALOGS</p>  <p>Newspaper Magazines Catalogs Phone Boos</p>	<p>Place in paper bag or on bottom of recycling bin</p>	<p>DO NOT RECYCLE</p> <p>Napkins, tissue paper, paper towels, wax paper, wrapping paper. ANY FOOD SOILED PAPER DO NOT USE STRING OR PLASTIC BAGS</p>
<p>CORRUGATED CARDBOARD</p>  <p>Recycle all brown corrugated cardboard, brown paper bags. Box board (shoe boxes, gift boxes, cereal boxes, cake mix, macaroni)</p>	<p>No need to remove staples, tape or labels</p>	<p>DO NOT RECYCLE</p> <p>Waxed corrugated, cardboard lined with foam, cores from carpet rolls or any items made of laminated sheets of paper or cardboard. No cardboard contaminated with food NO PIZZA BOXES NO BEER OR POP CASES NO FROZEN FOOD BOXES</p>
<p>GLASS BOTTLES</p>  <p>All clear, green and brown food and beverage containers.</p>	<p>Rinse thoroughly & drain</p>	<p>DO NOT RECYCLE</p> <p>Ceramic bottles and other ceramic items, flower pots, crystal, light bulbs, mirror and window glass, heat resistant ovenware, hypodermic syringes, eyeglasses</p>
<p>METAL CANS</p>  <p>All metal food and beverage containers (cans), metal lids, closure caps, aluminum pie tins.</p>	<p>Rinse thoroughly & drain, aerosol cans MUST be empty.</p>	<p>DO NOT RECYCLE</p> <p>Propane cylinders, silverware, metal and cardboard containers (frozen juice or motor oil), small appliances, metal cookware, paint cans, aluminum foil, scrap metal or hypodermic needles.</p> <p>DO NOT INCLUDE ANY TYPE OF BATTERY.</p>
<p>PLASTIC</p>  <p>Narrow & Wide-mouth 1 - 7</p>	<p>Plastics 1 - 7 accepted, rinse & drain thoroughly, also include wide mouth containers (tub butter, cottage cheese, yogurt, whip topping containers)</p>	<p>DO NOT RECYCLE</p> <p>Anti-freeze or motor oil containers, furniture, plastic bags, tableware, medicine bottles. Plexiglas, fast food containers, snack bags and Tupperware (because of residue), toys, chairs, bubble wrap, furniture, bubble wrap, packing peanuts.</p>
<p>MILK CARTONS JUICE CARTONS DRINK BOXES</p>  <p>Gable top beverages, containers including those with plastic spouts.</p>	<p>Rinse thoroughly & drain</p>	<p>DO NOT RECYCLE</p> <p>NO STRAWS NO INDIVIDUAL DRINK POUCHES</p>

*****IMPORTANT NO PLASTIC BAGS, NO STRING*****

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR RECYCLING BIN IS VISIBLE FOR COLLECTION.

MOVING? REMEMBER: THE BIN STAYS WITH THE HOUSE.

FOR CUSTOMER SERVICE, PLEASE CALL: **WASTE MANAGEMENT AT 716-496-5000 OR THE TOWN OF LOCKPORT HIGHWAY DEPT. AT 716-439-9522.**

Town Recreation Department

2009 Summer Swim Lessons



Lessons will be held at the Briarwood Pool & Tennis Club at the end of Willow and Briarwood Drive.

Session 1 - June 29th - July 17th
10:00, 10:45 & 11:30 a.m.

Session 2 - July 20th - Aug. 7th
9:00, 10:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Session 3 - Aug. 10th - Aug. 21st
9:00, 10:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Sat. Sessions - July 11th - Aug. 22st
9:00 & 10:00 a.m.

All sessions last 45 minutes.

Swimming lessons are available this summer for children who live in the **Town of Lockport.**

Eligibility Requirements:

Any Town of Lockport child between 5 & 18 years old. Must be at least 36 inches high at the shoulder. *(Please, no exceptions!)*

Please sign up from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Town Clerk's Office before Wednesday, June 24 and pay \$30.00 per child. Limit one session per child. Lesson times will be assigned at this time, first come, first serve.

2009 BRIARWOOD TOWN SWIM LESSONS REGISTRATION FORM

Child(ren's) Name & Age

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Address: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name: _____

Emergency Phone Numbers: Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Number Enrolled: _____ X \$30 = _____ Cash _____ Check# _____ Session _____

Signature of Parent / Guardian: _____

Briarwood Pool & Tennis Club is responsible for administering & staffing this program.

Town of Lockport Residents can sign up at the Town of Lockport Hall starting June 1st for swim lessons.

Rusty Joints Water Exercise

with renowned YMCA Aquatic Director and Instructor DarceeRay Hughes:
This is a fun way to keep those joints healthy with reduced stress. Darcee has a way to make you move to the music. Payment Due June 1st, 2009.

July 7th thru August 13th Tuesday and Thursday nights 7-8 p.m.

\$100.00 per person NON-YMCA/Briarwood members

\$60.00 per person for YMCA/Briarwood members

Town of Lockport residents with proof receive \$10.00 off regular price.



\$10.00 OFF REGULAR PRICE

for Town of Lockport residents with proof of residency. Please bring this coupon with you when you sign up for class.

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Town Recreation Department

Town of Lockport Outstanding Youth Award

This award is offered to a graduating high school Senior who resides in the Town of Lockport. The award includes a \$500 scholarship, a recognition plaque and a proclamation from the Town. Fill out the application below or pick one up at the Town Clerk's office from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. **Completed applications must be returned to the Town Clerk's office by April 27, 2009, attention Recreation Commission.** All information will be kept confidential.

For High School seniors who are Town of Lockport residents ONLY!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Phone Number: _____

Date Submitted: _____ Name of School: _____

1.) **Scholastic Achievement** (list any honors or awards) _____

2.) **Leadership/Extracurricular Activities:** _____

3.) **Community Service (Clubs, churches, charities, etc.):** _____

4.) **Essay: Attach an essay of no more than two typed pages describing how the above categories have contributed to the person you are and the person you hope to become.**

For more information, contact Chairwoman Jeanine Shaw at 433-7876 or Dolores Cushman at 433-8093. Additional applications are available at the Town Clerk's office.

Town Recreation Department



Call 438-1130 or visit www.lockportpalacetheatre.com for details

CURTAIN UP PRODUCTIONS

and the Palace Theatre present



April 3 & 4 @ 7:30 p.m. • April 5 @ 3:00 p.m.
 Tickets \$15.00 Adults and \$13 Seniors and children under 10. Group rates available. (order your tickets now)

SEASON 2009-2010 ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERT

Friday May 1 @ 7:30pm



SAVE \$2.00 ON ALL PALACE THEATRE EVENTS!



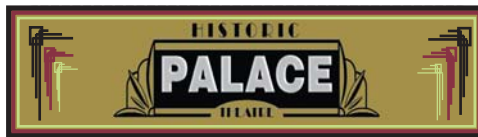
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SAVE 75¢ ON ANY ONE CONCESSION ITEM



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Lock Into History at the ERIE CANAL DISCOVERY CENTER 24 Church St.



See the 20 x 30 foot Raphael Beck Erie Canal Mural. Learn the history of the Erie Canal. Interactive, multi-media facility. Hear the stories of the Canawalers.

439-0431

Open Daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 1- Oct. 31
 Regular Admission: \$6 for adults; \$3 for children



Community



NIAGARA COUNTY NEW YORK

60 years of age. There is card playing and bingo for everyone's enjoyment and all are invited. Anyone interested should call 438-9089 by 10:00 a.m. Wednesday.

The Rapids Road Senior Citizens Club meets at the Rapids Fire Hall, 7195 Plank Road off Rapids which is a site for nutrition for the Niagara County Office of the Aging. Lunch is served there every Thursday at 11:45 a.m. at a cost of \$2.50 for those 60 and over and \$3.50 for those under

60 years of age. There is card playing and bingo for everyone's enjoyment and all are invited. Anyone interested should call 438-9089 by 10:00 a.m. Wednesday.

ALL TOWN RESIDENTS YOU ARE INVITED TO LEARN ABOUT A RESOURCE FOR ADULTS OF ALL AGES

-right here in your own community!

- Date:** June 17, 2009
- Time:** 3:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.
- Place:** Lockport Town Hall
6560 Dysinger Road
Lockport, NY 14094
- What:** The Dale Association



We hope you will join us to find out how. The Dale Association can enrich your life. Please see how the Town sponsored Dale Association fits into your life.

Town Clerk's Office



Driver Safety Program

Instructions for the Mature Driver
Eight hours of Classroom Instructions



- Safety tips
- Safe following distance
- Right-of-Way situations
- Left turn rules
- Temperature conditions of icy roads
- Defensive driving tips
- Parking lot danger spots
- Medications that may cause problems
- How to handle adverse driving conditions
- Many other preventative measures

Insurance deductions may apply!

Two, 4-hour sessions over 2 days
Thursday, May 14, 2009,
& Thursday, May 21, 2009
5 - 9 PM

Lockport Town Hall
Limited to 30 (min. 18)
\$12.00 AARP Members
\$14.00 Non-members
with registration form

Registration closes May 7, 2009

THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS

Return enrollment application to:
Lockport Town Clerk - AARP Driver Safety
6560 Dysinger Road, Lockport, NY 14094

Please enroll me/ us in the AARP Driver Safety Program on May 14 & May 21, 2009
Enclosed is a check/money order **Made Payable to: "AARP"** (No Cash Please)

AARP Member Number _____

Name: Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms. _____

Street: _____

Lockport, NY 14094 Phone: (716) _____

Rabies Immunization Clinics Scheduled

The Niagara County Department of Health, in cooperation with the county Veterinary Society, offers five Rabies Immunization Clinics this year. By law, all dogs, cats and domesticated ferrets over 4 months old must have a current vaccination. Call the Niagara County Health Department at 439-7511 for further information. For directions to the clinics, call the individual sites.

Saturday, May 16 ~ 2 to 4 p.m.

Cornell Cooperative Extension
4487 Lake Ave., Town of Lockport
433-8839

Saturday, June 6 ~ 2 to 4 p.m.

Hyde Park Oasis/Centennial Pavilion (behind Ice Arena)
911 Robbins Dr., Niagara Falls
286-4956

Tuesday, August 11 ~ 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Town of Lewiston Highway Garage
1445 Swann Rd., Town of Lewiston
754-8218

Saturday, Sept. 12 ~ 2 to 4 p.m.

Cornell Cooperative Extension
4487 Lake Ave., Town of Lockport
433-8839

Saturday, Dec. 5 ~ 2 to 4 p.m.

North Tonawanda Public Works Department
758 Erie Ave., North Tonawanda
695-8685

*Flu shots will also be available at this clinic

Town of Lockport
6560 Dysinger Road
Lockport, NY 14094-7970

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Recreation

Lockport Locks & Erie Canal Cruises Lockport Canalside Banquet Center



210-228 Market St.,
Lockport NY
(716) 433-6155
www.lockportlocks.com

Cruises run from
May - Oct. 11, 2009

Adults \$11.50 with
Coupon
Children (4-10 yrs.)
\$6.50 with Coupon

Reservations suggested.

Lockport Locks
& Canal Cruises

**\$3.50 OFF
ADULT**

EXPIRES 10/11/09



Lockport Locks
& Canal Cruises

**\$2.00 OFF
CHILD**

EXPIRES 10/11/09



Lockport Locks
& Canal Cruises

**\$3.50 OFF
ADULT**

EXPIRES 10/11/09



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& Canal Cruises

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CHILD**

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Town Assessment & Building Departments

ANNUAL RE-ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

The Town of Lockport continues its annual re-assessment program to maintain a level of 100% of the market value. All properties in the Town are analyzed. Any changes will be determined by recent sale information showing an increase or decrease in value. We often call to verify the condition of the property at the time of sale. Your cooperation is appreciated.

“Change of Assessment Notices” are mailed on or about May 1st. Any changes to the property, including additions, garages, pole barns or demolitions of structures may affect the assessments. Please call ahead for an appointment. Formal challenges to the assessments are scheduled for the Board of Assessment Review, Tuesday, May 26, 2009.

VISIT THE TOWN WEBSITE

The Town of Lockport has an informative website at, www.lockport.com. Roll over “Town” at the top of the home page, then click on “assessment”. On this page, you can view and print exemptions forms and other related information. You can also access the assessment roll on the website by clicking “online assessment information”. Address or Section, Block & Lot Number can be used to search properties and a list of comparable sales can be retrieved. On the “assessment forms” page, there is also a link to the New York State Office of Real Property Services. Please note, the New York State Office of Real Property

Services will NOT be printing the booklet, “How to File a Review of Your Assessment”. The internet will be the only source for this booklet again this year.

SCHOLARSHIP

The Niagara County Assessors’ Association is sponsoring a scholarship to any County resident who is a graduating senior from a Niagara County high school and plans to attend college within New York State in the fall of 2009.

The cash ward of \$1,000 may only be used toward the recipient’s bona find costs of attending college.

The scholarship will be based on Citizenship, Scholastic Achievement, and career goals.

Applications may be picked up at your school guidance office, your local assessor’s office or by writing to:
Scholarship Committee
Niagara County Assessors’ Association
C/O: Michael Hartman
8942 Ridge Rd.
Gasport Rd.
Gasport, NY 14067
Completed applications must be postmarked by April 30, 2009. The award will be announced in May.

