

Newsletter
July 2024

Fall Brush Collection: The Village crew will be picking up brush, leaves, and yard debris starting **Tuesday, October 1st until Wednesday, November 13th.** **Please Do Not** put brush out after **Wednesday, November 13th.** As of that date, once the crew cleans up a street, they will not go back to pick up additional brush or leaves until the spring. Also, please remember this is brush and leaf pick up only. If you mix plastic, lumber, cement blocks, trees, etc. with your leaves and brush, the crew will not sort it or pick it up. **Do not pile brush or leaves in the street.** This impedes the flow of water and causes our storm drains to become plugged. Please keep your yard debris between the curb and the sidewalk or at the outer edge of your lawn. **Please keep limbs no longer than 5 feet in length.** If you do not abide by these guidelines, it will not be picked up. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Spaman at 315-528-2377.

Trash: Trash needs to be put out by **7:00 am**, Monday morning. If you need to put your trash out prior to Monday morning, please put it in a container with a lid to avoid animals getting into the bags. **Please put trash out weekly.** **At this time of year, the crew is dealing with maggots and other unpleasant critters so please don't let it accumulate for several weeks.** **Once they have passed your home, our DPW crew will not go back to pick up bags left out later in the day.** Trash should be in a **CLEAR** bag (**BLACK BAGS ARE UNACCEPTABLE AND WILL NO LONGER BE PICKED UP**) with a **yellow** or **green** tag on it. If you mix trash with the recyclables, they will not be picked up. Trash and recyclable bags must weigh **no more than 25 lbs. per bag.** Tags can be obtained at **Stewart's, Heuvelton Farm Center,** and the **Village Office.**

Recyclables: ****Reminder - You no longer need to sort your recyclables.** Plastic, Metal and Paper can be put in the same container. Put in a clear bag with an **orange** recycle tag on it or we encourage you to help our environment by putting your recyclables in a bin for pickup each week. The bin need not be lined with a plastic bag. **Recycling stickers can be placed on an item at the top of the inside of the container.** The crew will simply empty the container and leave it at the curb.

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Day of Week</u>	<u>Holiday Date</u>	<u>Trash Pickup Date</u>
Labor Day	Monday	9/02/2024	Tuesday, 9/03/2024
Columbus Day	Monday	10/14/2024	Tuesday, 10/15/2024

The Village Office and the DPW will be closed on the Monday listed above, in observance of the Holiday.

Water Chestnuts: We are working with the Town of Oswegatchie in their efforts to mitigate the water chestnut problem. The Town has a cutter and puller and our crew is helping with the hauling and disposal of the weeds. We are a long way from eradicating the problem, but at least we have made a good start!

Comprehensive Plan: The next meeting for the Village will be held on Wednesday, September 4th at 6:30pm at Pickens Hall. All residents are encouraged to attend to share their ideas regarding shaping our village's future. So far, a diverse group has attended the planning sessions lending some great thoughts and perspectives. The final document should be completed by the County Planning Department sometime this fall and will be available on the Village website.

Boat Launch: The Village is in the process of applying for grant funding for improvements at the Boat Launch including the repair of the actual launch, the addition of a handicapped accessible fishing pier/kayak launch and restroom facilities at the pavilion. Fingers crossed! Stay tuned.

Homeowners: If you have bushes or trees near the sidewalks, please keep them trimmed and clear from the sidewalks for the safety of pedestrians and snow removal equipment.

Contact Information: If your contact information has changed, please inform the Village Office to update the information. (Mailing address/telephone number/email address). Also, if you are selling your property, please let the Village Office know who the new owners are.

Landlords/Tenants: Our quarterly Newsletter is available on the Village website or call our office @ 315-344-2214 to be added to our mailing list. Also, if you have added a rental unit or business to your property, you are required to notify the village office and the Town of Oswegatchie Code Enforcement Officer.

The Village Board meets every second Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you have any questions, please call the office at 315-344-2214.

LABOR DAY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
(ALL EVENTS ARE TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE)
Check for Updates on Labor Day Facebook Page

Friday, Aug. 30:

Block Party – 5-8 pm, music by Janie Trudell
Games, Petting Zoo, PTA Cake Walk, Face Painters
Dance at AmVets – Small Town Ramblers 8 pm – midnight

Saturday, Aug. 31:

Fishing Derby – 7 am
Fun Run – 7 am Registration, 8 am start time
Canoe Race – 9 am Registration Front St., Rensselaer Falls, Start times 10 am and 10:10 am
Craft Show @ Fire Hall – 9 am- 2 pm - food provided by Hillbilly's Street Dogs and the Lemon Drop
Amazing Race – Registration at 9:30 am, Race time – 10 am–11:30 at HCS - \$5 per person - Prizes
Baby Contest – 10 am Sponsored by the Heuvelton Lions @ St. Raphael's lawn
Grace Point Church– 10am- 2pm - hotdogs, water, chips, soda, bounce houses, games
Quilts, Crochet and Knitting Display – 10am – 3 pm at Pickens Hall
Bingo 11:30am - Ages 5 and up @ Meadowview?
Inflatables at the Boat Launch – 1-5 pm
Kids' Games, Snow Cones and Cotton Candy, Face Painters - @ Boat Launch
Tug-o-War – Registration 1:30pm - Tug at 2 pm
Junior Tug – Directly following Tug-o-War
Hula Hoop Lessons by Circus Performers – 2 -3 pm sponsored by HHA
HVFD Concert – Common Revolution
Fireworks

Sunday, September 1:

Parade @ 1pm
AmVets Chicken BBQ – following parade
Lisbon Street Following the Parade:
Circus Performers
Big Wheel Races
Sack Races