

Town of Skaneateles

A NEWSLETTER
FOR
THE RESIDENTS
OF THE
TOWN OF
SKANEATELES

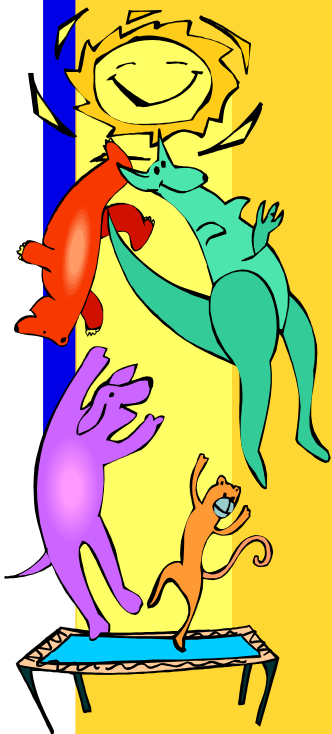
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Animal Control

Matt Olszewski, Animal Control Officer

Let me tell you I have been doing this animal control stuff for the town for over twenty years and I still don't have half of the insight that many callers have. So the following stories are true but the names were omitted to protect the innocent. (The names were really omitted because I don't think they would pass by the eagle eyes of the newsletter editor)

There I was sitting in my mom's kitchen on a Sunday morning visit having a cup of coffee. The town phone rings and I race to answer it. A very concerned caller had just picked up a dog near the road on Route 20. I asked for a description of the dog. Now the answer to that question is normally a physical description.... Breed, color, presence of a collar..... No the answer I received was much deeper. I was told the dog was "lost, scared, starving and afraid". That information does not help me much. I asked several more questions and finally got the caller to tell me that the dog actually had a dog license tag. The caller wanted me to come and get the dog. I looked up the license number and discovered that the dog was picked up in front of its home.

The caller insisted that I come pick up the dog since she had things to do. I advised her there is no leash law in the town and since she stole it she should return the dog where she found it. Then there was the call from a camp owner who discovered a family of raccoons living under her camp. She gave me the address and I did not recognize the location. She then confessed that the property was in the Town of Niles. Not to be deterred, the next day I arrived home and posted on my door was a note about a family of nesting raccoons, and a phone number. I called and surprise surprise it was the previous days caller. I wonder if she thought they moved the town line. Then it got real tricky. She had her husband call. I wonder if they thought they could fool me.

How about the call from the young gentleman who wanted to know how to get a license for a couple of baby foxes. He told me that he was going to adopt a couple of red foxes from a breeder. I told him that they are wildlife and that I didn't think he was allowed to possess them. He responded, "so there is no town permit?" To which I told him "no not that I'm aware of" but, that he

really needed to contact The NY Department of Conservation for clarification. We know babies are cute. Baby raccoons are cute, kittens, puppies, little duckies they are all cute. I suppose baby foxes are cute. I question the intellect of someone who wants to adopt wildlife as a pet. I wonder if he is aware that the baby foxes are going to grow up and turn into adult foxes.

Some other highlights::

- ♦ Fox seen near nature trail. Ran off when approached.
- ♦ Baby squirrel in yard, "too young to be out and about".
- ♦ Opossum seen in field.
- ♦ Fox in hedgerow.
- ♦ Raccoon in tree.
- ♦ Squirrel at bird feeder.
- ♦ Snapping turtle at school.
- ♦ Dog near road.

Sometimes we are called and we are unable to do take any action, because of legal restrictions.. For example the above mentioned snapping turtle at the school. We have a state

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Taverns of Skaneateles

By: Beth Batlle, Town Historian

Taverns in the early days were an important part of a community. Weary travelers looked to them as a place where they could receive a meal and as place to rest their tired heads. Farmers and townspeople alike would gather at the nearby tavern and, over a glass of ale, learn of the news outside the community or discuss farming, business, politics or religion. Or maybe they would just relax while playing a game of checkers. The harshness of life in those days could be softened by a drink at the tavern

A glowing fire in the fireplace made the tavern especially inviting in the winter time. And tavern keepers were expected to keep a good supply of grease or tar on hand, along with a large jack which would allow patrons to raise their wagons and grease the wheels.

There were many taverns in Skaneateles, the first in 1795. A militia captain by the name of Welsh built a log tavern approximately where the Savings Bank stands today, at the corner of East Genesee Street and State Street. Several years later he added a two-story frame addition to the west side. Still later another addition was built to accommodate the travelers horses.

In 1806 John Briggs built a tavern near the lake shore at the corner of West Genesee Street and West Lake Street. It later was turned into a home, and eventually was torn down to make room Shotwell Memorial Park.

In 1807 Isaac Sherwood built the original tavern where the Sherwood Inn stands today. This was the headquarters for his stage coach business. The original building was torn down and replaced by the building which has changed over the years into the Inn we know today.

In the early days of Skaneateles, the making and selling of whiskey was considered to be an honest undertaking. It was thought to be out of character for a person to get drunk. Every respectable man kept some on hand for friends when they called for a business or social visit. Winston Day was the first distiller of liquor in this area. Others such as Hezekiah Earll in Hart Lot, Colonel Daniel Earll and son, Abijah, in Willow Glen.

At one time Deacon David Hall operated a distillery on the east side of the inlet at the head of the lake. His barrels of whiskey and wines came down the lake to the village by schooner.

The schooner would stop at Apple-tree Point or Carpenter's Point, where casks of whiskey were added to the shipment. This whiskey came from John Carpenter's distillery which he operated at the brink of Carpenter's Falls from 1825 to about 1875, in the town of New Hope. The barrels of whiskey were carried down to the dock by way of "Jug Path." (People would climb that very same hill, carrying their jugs in anticipation of filling them at the distillery, thus the name.)

The Earll brothers, Julius and George profited greatly when in 1860-61 Congress decided to place a tax of \$2 on every gallon of distilled spirits manufactured after the first day of July. They ran their distillery day and night without stopping. By the last day of June they had accumulated a large supply of whiskey. Then they shut the distillery down.



On July 1, with the newly imposed tax, the price of whiskey rose by two dollars. But as the Earll brother's whiskey had been produced prior to the deadline, there was no tax on their product. Thus they collected \$2 on every gallon of whiskey they sold, netting the brothers thousands of dollars.

Don't Forget to Visit the Skaneateles
Historical Society Museum at
The Creamery
28 Hannum Street

Hours:
January - April Friday 1-4
May - June Fri. & Sat. 1-4
July - August Fri., Sat. & Sun 1-4
September - October Fri. & Sat. 1-4
November - Thanksgiving Fri. 1-4

Thanksgiving - Christmas
Fri., Sat. & Sun 1-4

From the Town Clerk's Office

Janet L. Aaron, Town Clerk

E-ZPass

Now Available at the Town Clerk's Office

E-ZPasses can now be purchased at the Town Clerk's Office. The cost is \$25. Save time and 5% on your Thruway tolls plus discounts on other roadways. The E-ZPass tag is valid in 15 states. For additional information go to

www.e-zpassny.com



Hunting & Fishing Licenses



The 2013-2014 Sportsman Licenses may be purchased at the Town Clerk's Office beginning August 12, 2013. Deer Management Permits (DMPs) may be applied for between August 12 - October 1, 2013.

Dog Licenses: Don't forget.....ALL dogs living in the Town and Village of Skaneateles must be licensed. Licenses may be purchased at the Town Clerk's Office

ELECTION DATES:

PRIMARY ELECTION - SEPTEMBER 10, 2013 *POLLS OPEN AT 12 NOON and CLOSE AT 9 P.M.*

GENERAL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 5, 2013 *POLLS OPEN AT 6 A.M. and CLOSE AT 9 P.M.*

To register to Vote by Mail - www.ongov.net/elections/documents/voteform.pdf

August 16 - Last day to postmark an application to be eligible to vote in the Primary Election

October 11 - Last day to postmark an application to be eligible to vote in the General Election

To register to vote in New York State you must:

- ◆ Be a U.S. Citizen
- ◆ Be 18 years old by the date of the general, primary or other election in which you want to vote
- ◆ Live at your present address at least 30 days before an election
- ◆ Not be in jail or on parole for a felony conviction
- ◆ Not claim the right to vote elsewhere

Voter Registration Forms are available at the Town Clerk's Office. You may also register in person at the Board of Elections. Please feel free to call the Town Clerk's office if you need a registration form mailed to you. More information can be obtained by calling the Onondaga County Board of Elections at 435-8683

Applications for Absentee Ballots are available at the Town Clerks Office or at the Onondaga County Board of Elections. You may also download a PDF version of the Onondaga County Absentee Ballot Application Form by going to: www.ongov.net/elections/documents/Absentee8400.pdf

College Students, remember to fill out your absentee ballot application before you head off to college this year.

SAVES Ambulance

By: Jerry Schinaman



SAVES continues to make CPR/AED classes available to the community. Classes are held on the third Saturday of the month at SAVES. Classes start at 8:00 AM and there is a \$50.00 charge. Classes are currently scheduled for August 17 and September 21. Special classes can be arranged for groups or businesses. In the past few months classes were held for the Borodino/Spafford Fire Depts., the Skaneateles School System and Beautiful Smiles Dental Office. First Aid classes were also held for 15 students. Call SAVES, 685-5217, for more information. We are always looking for new members. No previous experience is necessary and SAVES provides training. Barbara Bonocore, Linda Tran and Anthony Militello all achieved EMT certification in the past month. Michael Speck, an EMT, has been welcomed as a new member. An important consideration when responding to calls for assistance is crew safety. Earlier this year operational members received training in handling unruly patients and hostile environments. Tech-

niques for responding to attacks from both patients and bystanders were demonstrated and practiced. The busy summer season is now in full swing and the number of calls is increasing. During the last quarter SAVES crews responded to over 150 calls. Earlier this year SAVES was visited by a Paramedic from Australia. One of the differences noted by the visitor was SAVES paramedics are able to provide more intense care than in her home country. Another significant difference is the quality and scope of equipment available to SAVES practitioners. The equipment mentioned in the previous paragraph represents a significant financial investment considering SAVES equips two ambulances and a squad with identical equipment. A large portion of the capital used to purchase equipment is derived from proceeds of the annual "Fun in the Sun" raffle. In the next few weeks many residents will be receiving a mailing describing the prizes and materials to request tickets. Tickets can also be obtained at the

SAVES building located at 77 Fennell Street, or by calling 685-5212 or 685-5217. The \$5000.00 grand prize drawing is scheduled for September 1, 2013 at 8:30 PM in the Allyn Arena. Additional prizes include 10 dinner cruises and 15 gift certificates to local restaurants. Remember SAVES is a 24 hour per day and seven days per week operation. If you are in need of medical assistance call 911 to get an ambulance started in your direction. Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

SAVES is a 501c3 not for profit organization, independently operated. Contributions are tax deductible. We want to remind all members of the community to call 911 in an emergency. Calls to SAVES only slow down our response time.

Monthly Town Hall Meetings and Court:

Town Board	7:00 p.m.	3 rd Thursday – July & August
Town Board	7:00 p.m.	1 st and 3 rd Thursdays – September - December
Town Court	7:00 p.m.	Every Wednesday (no court on a 5 th Wednesday)
Planning Board	7:30 p.m.	3 rd Tuesday
Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 p.m.	1 st Tuesday

From the Assessor's Office

By: Ron Miller

BASIC STAR PROGRAM: As you all have heard those receiving the Basic STAR in 2013 will need to apply directly with the New York State Department of Taxation in order to receive this exemption for 2014. REMEMBER this only applies to those receiving the Basic STAR and not those who received the Enhanced STAR in 2013.

The following is what I know at this time:

- They will be mailing out the Basic STAR re-registration forms sometime in September/October. There will be a unique STAR identifier on these forms.
- The form will instruct you to go on-line where you will have to answer a few short questions. In addition, there will be a phone number to call for those without internet access. NO paper applications will be accepted.
- There will be 2 reminder letters to those who have not applied by certain dates and within 45 days of notifying the Assessor's office to remove the exemption, they will send a removal letter to the property owner.
- The Assessor's office will receive a list of those who did not apply sometime in February and will remove those from the 2014 assessment roll.
- Should the State deny the exemption there is nothing the Assessor or Board of Assessment can do to grant it. The property owner must deal with the State.

There are still a great number of issues outstanding and as I find out more I will attempt to keep everyone informed by the Town newsletter or in the Skaneateles Press and Journal. In addition, the following new penalties, sanctions and fees have been enacted:

- Penalties for intentionally providing misinformation to an assessor will increase from \$100 to as much as \$2,500.
- The number of years for which a taxpayer must repay inappropriate STAR benefits will increase from three to as many as six years
- Taxpayers whose STAR exemption is revoked will be unable to receive the exemption for six years after the revocation
- An additional \$500 processing fee will be imposed whenever an inappropriate exemption granted after April 1, 2013 is revoked.

ENHANCED STAR PROGRAM

This program will continue as it has in the past. This office will mail Enhanced STAR exemption renewal forms out once the State has revised the forms for 2014. It is anticipated this will be sometime in mid-September or early October. One change in 2014 will be the maximum income limit will be increase from \$79,050 to \$81,900.

ADDRESS CHANGES

Please notify this office, in writing, if you have a new mailing address where tax bills and correspondence from this office needs to be sent.

Animal Control Continued...

issued Nuisance Wildlife Control Operator license. This license sets the rules on what kind of animals we can deal with. It allows us to trap and remove some animals and prohibits the handling of others. It allows us to remove a nuisance animal if it "destroys property or poses a threat to public health". Example a raccoon is tearing into your garbage destroying the bag. We could trap and remove the raccoon. Of course I would recommend that you put your trash in a trash can, but who am I. Now the snapping turtle is one of the species that we are prohibited from handling. If it is a matter of public safety the

police should be notified. The police were on the scene and I advised them to keep people away. A snapping turtle is not an aggressive animal. I have never heard of one chasing a jogger or taking down a bicyclist. Perhaps the one at the school was a teenage mutant ninja turtle.

Lets enjoy wildlife. Be safe and keep your distance.

Please don't steal someones dog because you think it looks lost.

Finally thank you for the calls. Without them I wouldn't have anything to write about in the newsletter. I guess I wouldn't have a job either.

Matt Olszewski

To Contact Animal Control

Please Call:

Matthew Olszewski 315-575-3463

Town Hall 315-685-3473



LAKER TRANSPORTATION PROJECT, INC.
PO Box 644
SKANEATELES, NY 13152
PHONE: 315-685-3030

Laker Limo “always” needs more Volunteers

The Laker Transportation Project is a non-profit transportation provider for senior and disabled residents of Skaneateles. Familiarly it is known in the community as “Laker Limo”. Requiring only that reservations be made two days in advance, Laker Limo provides daily door-to-door transportation weekdays from 9:00-5:00. To make a reservation for transportation, simply call the reservation voicemail system 685-3030. The reservation request must include name, address, phone no., destination address, and appointment time.

The project is made possible by a team of approximately 70 trained volunteers that rotate their donated time monthly to man either a 10-seat shuttle bus with two wheelchair lockdown stations or a 6-seat mini van. Volunteers donate one day a month. A schedule is made up quarterly, so volunteers know well in advance their days of service. With both a driver and escort on board during all trips, riders can be comfortable during transportation with conversation and, if necessary, can be physically assisted during arrival and departure. Volunteers are always needed. Anyone interested in lending a helping hand should call Laker Limo voicemail, 685-3030, and a representative will respond.

For more information on how to utilize this community resource, call 685-3030. Request a brochure detailing weekly destination schedule, registration form, or menu and ordering instructions be sent to you by leaving your name, address, and phone number on the voice mail system. A representative will accommodate your needs.

Discover the” Laker Limo”, it can take you to the brave new worlds outside your window.

Pantry News

By Judy Gelston

Our community continues to amaze us with the wonderful generosity shown in support of the Postal Workers’ Food Drive in May. This year the support was even larger than in the past. The seven Morning Rotary members worked three hours shelving all that was received. Thank you to our mail carriers who transported all of it to us.

The Pantry’s fiscal year ended as of June 30th. We served 34,895 meals to 4,369 individuals. These figures have stayed pretty much the same as last year. We did purchase 12,000 pounds of food from the Food Bank of Central New York. Through the Food Bank we enjoy a 185% rate of return on each dollar spent.

As this is the beginning of a new year we do require proof of residency in the Town, Village and Skaneateles School District. This proof is in the form of mail sent to the clients’ home. Our location is at the School Districts Bus Garage right off Route 20.

Hours of operation are:

Tuesdays 10:00a.m. - 11:00a.m.

Thursdays 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.



A Report From Station 54

1st Assistant Chief Dan Evans



At this time, 500 of the 1,000 tickets for the “High Stakes” raffle have been sold. Tickets for the new “High Stakes” raffle are still available from any firefighter or online at www.skanevfd.com. \$100 drawings began in April and this month’s \$100 “High Stakes” winners are: 23, 277, 356 and 712. Congratulations to July’s winners! Please be advised the monthly drawings will continue until the final raffle drawings to be held on Saturday August 3, 2013

As for Labor Day, it is time to reserve a place in the grand parade. This year’s grand parade is scheduled for Sunday September 1st at 4:00 p.m. If you or your organization is interested entering a float, an antique car or antique tractor in this year’s parade please send an email with the following information: individual or organization name, street address, contact person and contact phone number to Paul Jones, Parade Chairperson at jones@mclclurgteam.com and a parade representative will respond to your email.

Children’s pushball will be held on Saturday August 31st beginning at 4:00 p.m., followed by adult community member pushball. The 5th Annual Community Bucket Brigade will be held Sunday evening and again this year there are three categories for participants: children, adults and emergency services. If you would like to register for pushball or the bucket brigade, please send your request to sfdparade@hotmail.com.

The dedicated members of the Skaneateles Fire Department continue to respond when called upon. Below is a summary of alarms since the spring newsletter:

April 2013

Fire: 12
Rescue: 5
EMS: 7 (SFD responds when SAVES is on another call)
Water Rescue: 1
Mutual Aid: 10 (SFD responds to another fire district)
Total # of calls for April: 35
Total Personnel Hours for April: 304.2

May 2013

Fire: 15
Rescue: 4
EMS: 3 (SFD responds when SAVES is on another call)
Water Rescue: 1
Mutual Aid: 8 (SFD responds to another fire district)
Total # of calls for May: 31
Total Personnel Hours for May: 311.8

June 2013

Fire: 12
Rescue: 5
EMS: 10 (SFD responds when SAVES is on another call)
Water Rescue: 0
Mutual Aid: 7 (SFD responds to another fire district)
Total # of calls for June: 34
Total Personnel Hours for June: 121.1

Total # of calls for 2013: 174
Total Personnel Hours for 2013: 5420.1

At the present time, the Skaneateles Fire Department is composed of 100 members of the local community who are dedicated to the safety and well-being of those visiting and residing within the Skaneateles Fire District. In an effort to offer the best services possible, the SFD is continually looking for interested individuals 17 years of age and older to become a valued asset of the Skaneateles Fire Department. If you are interested in becoming a member or are just curious about what we have to offer, stop by the firehouse at 77 West Genesee Street on Monday nights at 7:00 p.m., give us a call at 685-3496 or visit www.skanevfd.com for more information.

**The Skaneateles Fire Department...Serving the Skaneateles Community with
Pride, Commitment and Dedication since 1833.**

Parks Department

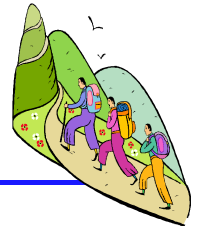
Swimming at Clift Park ends on August 18th. Many thanks to the wonderful lifeguards who kept us safe and cool during this summer. Rafts and buoys will be pulled shortly after closure to make way for the SkanRaces.

Playday! Wow, what a success! Many thanks to the parents for making this program such a success this year. High fives to all the camp counselors lifeguards and campers to making 2013 pretty special! With field trips to Wonderworks and Thunder Island, what could be better? We hope to see you again in 2014 with more fun and adventure.

Although it is still summer, the town will have ice again this year beginning October 14th. If you would like to rent ice, please contact Sue Murphy at 315-727-9320.

Farmers Market

Farmers Market for Thursday goes until October 10th from 3:30 -6:30pm, Saturdays until October 12th, 10:00am – 1:00pm. Please support our local farmers; this has been a tough year and showing our support shows we care too!



Don't forget the hiking trails at the Town of Skaneateles Conservation Areas located on Old Seneca Turnpike , Guppy Falls on Gully Road or the Charlie Major Nature Trail in the Hamlet of Mottville.



Town of Skaneateles Conservation Areas

As you read this we will have completed our 13th Annual Kids Fishing Derby on July 20th. I would expect that this one would be as successful as the previous ones, thanks to our sponsors and all the volunteers that help make it a fun day for the kids. Special thanks to SAVES for their participation by sending a crew up to the pond.

We are looking forward to the annual Welch Allyn Beacon-A Show of Hands Volunteer Day held on July 19th. A large group of volunteers cut brush and weeds, help clear invasives from the pond shore and stain the pavilion.

We added more than 5,000 minnows to the pond this spring which should help keep the larger fish healthy and happy, and work continues by committee members to maintain the trails and lay out some new ones. There are usually one or more vehicles in the parking lots whenever you go by. The area is attracting a large number of people who enjoy the outdoors. If you haven't visited the Skaneateles Conservation Area yet, give it a try.

Summer News from the Skaneateles Outreach Office

Jacque McConnaghy and Pat Snyder, Coordinators

Summer is in full swing and so are some local golfers! We would like to thank Friends of Dave Pirro for the donation of funds raised at the "Captains Hole" at their annual Friends of Dave Pirro Golf Tournament. The money raised will be providing school supplies for students that would have difficulty getting everything they require for the upcoming school year.

We would like to thank the crew from Welch Allyn who came out painted, cleaned and reorganized the Medical Loan Closet for us as part of their Beacon of Quality: A Show Hands 2013 program. The Loan Closet is a very busy place and we are thrilled to have it reorganized making it so accessible to those in the community who need to borrow items.

We have some very "Happy Campers". The Outreach Office was able to send local students to the Town Play-Day program with funds raised from the Red Kettle Drive the Chamber of Commerce coordinates for the Salvation Army. We would like to thank the community for the continued support of this valuable fund.

The Outreach office is available for members of our community who are experiencing difficulties and need help navigating the road ahead. If you are a resident in the Town of Skaneateles or have a child in the Skaneateles School district and find that you are in need of assistance, please contact our office for confidential help, 685-0427.

FISH

FISH is a free service offered residents for medical appointments or shopping and business needs

available weekdays by phoning the FISH line at 685-6679 between 8:00a.m. and 8:30 am on the day of needed service.

Janet Aaron and her staff will take the calls and forward them to the drivers of the day.

We are always in need of new drivers, especially during the winter months when some of our dedicated volunteers go south.

You can help our residents who remain here and can no longer drive they still have nearby medical appointments and other needs in Skaneateles.

Join us! If you can volunteer once in any month of the year, or are interested in how the service works, leave a message at the FISH line, 685-6679, or call Pat Blackwell at 685-0533.

The Town of Skaneateles Transfer Station

Summer time at the Town of Skaneateles Transfer Station is a very busy time.

Here are some reminders to keep our Transfer Station running at it's best:

- Please put all garbage in compactors only
- Big plastic boxes and chairs also go in the scrap wood box, not the compactors. The scrap wood box is located in the lower part of the garbage building, behind the Swap Shop
- Please dispose of **all** scrap wood in the scrap wood box, **not in the brush pile**
- Please break down large cardboard boxes

If you have any question just ask an employee, we are friendly and always willing to help!



Household Hazardous Waste Day

The Town of Skaneateles is sponsoring a Household Hazardous Waste Day in the Fall. Only toxic materials from households within the Town and Village of Skaneateles will be accepted for free through this program.

Business materials do NOT qualify.

A valid Town of Skaneateles Transfer Station Permit is required.

The Household Hazardous Waste event is supported in part by a grant from the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, which helps cover the disposal costs for residents.

Watch for the date and time after Labor Day

Brush and Compost

Make sure that all leaves, plants or any items in a container or bag are emptied, and the bag or container is removed from the brush and compost area.

Hours

Monday – Saturday 7:00a.m. – 2:30p.m.
(Closed all Town Observed Holidays)

Contact us

Town of Skaneateles Transfer Station	(315) 673-4190
Town of Skaneateles Town Hall	(315) 685-3473

Comprehensive Plan Update

Our Comprehensive Plan is the foundation of our Zoning Laws. The Comprehensive Plan is a "living document" of which we are permitted to update and modify based on the goals and values of the community and the legal requirements of our Constitution. Currently the Comprehensive Plan is being reviewed and modified and will soon be presented to the public for review and comment. After which both the Town and Village Boards will vote on approving any changes. We will be placing notices in the local paper once a Public Hearing is scheduled for the Town Board to present the updated Comprehensive Plan to the community for feedback. Please keep your eye on the paper for this notice.

Skaneateles Boat Stewards Help Boaters Protect the Lake (Altered version for the Skaneateles Town Newsletter)

Melani Green Lowry, Water Quality Program Assistant, CCE Onondaga

This summer you may see familiar faces at the boat launches along the lake. College and high school students hailing from Skaneateles are working for the Skaneateles Lake Association as Boat Stewards. Highly visible in their bright green official 'Boat Stewards' T-shirts and hats, they can be found around the lake all summer. From Memorial Day through early September, they will be monitoring boats entering and leaving launches to make sure invasive species aren't transported between lakes.

The Skaneateles Lake Association and Cornell Cooperative Extension of Onondaga County trained the Boat Stewards to recognize the major aquatic invasive species threatening Skaneateles Lake, and the measures that can be taken by

boaters to prevent their introduction to the waters of Skaneateles Lake.

The Stewards' main goal is to offer information and assistance to recreational boaters and fishermen on invasive species, proper boat cleaning, and tips on preventing, recognizing and reporting any aquatic invasives. They will also collect information that could prove helpful to other bodies of water and counties, as well. By compiling data from boaters about previously visited water bodies, they are helping track the spread of invasives, which in turn aides in setting up an early-warning system for other lakes and rivers.

Species of concern in Skaneateles Lake include Asian



clam, hydrilla, Eurasian water milfoil, spiny waterflea, and water chestnut, among others. For more information on aquatic invasive species and what you can do to protect your lake, please contact Cornell Cooperative Extension of Onondaga County at Onondaga@cornell.edu, or by phone at (315)424-9485. You can also find us at the 2013 New York State Fair! Stop by our booth for fun Invasive Species Identification activities, proper tree care, home composting and gardening advice from our Master Gardeners, and more!

Town Hall Closings Through December 2013

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| September 2 nd | Labor Day |
| October 14 th | Columbus Day |
| November 11 th | Veterans Day |
| November 28 th & 29 th | Thanksgiving |
| December 24 th & 25 th | Close at noon on 12/24
all day 12/25 -Christmas |
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Skaneateles, NY 13152
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Town Officials and Contacts

Town Board

Terri Roney, Supervisor
Jim Greenfield, Deputy Supervisor
Nancy Murray, Councilor
Steve McGlynn, Councilor
Rick Keyes, Councilor

Town Clerk-Janet Aaron

Highway Superintendent- Jim Card

Tax Collector-Lori Milne

Justice—Charles Major

Justice—Kathleen Dell

Assessor—Ron Miller

Budget Officer—Bridgett Winkelman

Codes Enforcement Officer—Debbie Williams

Planning Board Chairman—Mark Tucker

Zoning Board Chairman—David Graham

Town Meeting Schedules

Town Board

1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month

At 7:00p.m.

Planning Board

3rd Tuesday of each month

At 7:30 p.m

Zoning Board of Appeals

1st Tuesday of each month

At 7:00 p.m.

Court

Every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

(no Court if there is a fifth Wednesday in the month)