

RUSH TOWN NEWS

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Dear Residents:



RUSH to participate in GREATER ROCHESTER AREA CLEAN-UP

The Town of Rush would like to invite town residents to participate in our third annual **"SPRING CLEAN-UP" on Saturday, April 21, 2007 at 9:00 AM.** This event is part of the Earth Day Greater Rochester Area Clean-up sponsored by Delta Laboratories, Inc., Rochester area Friendly's Restaurants, and Waste Management, Inc., and other local groups.

The Rush Spring Clean-up is being coordinated by Hans Schmitthener and Boy Scout Troop 334. Residents in the Town of Rush including families and youth groups, along with the Boy Scouts will be removing unsightly litter from our beautiful roads and parks. This will be followed by a get-together with pizza from Montesano's, snacks and drinks for lunch.

If you would like to join your neighbors in this annual tradition, or make a donation of supplies, snacks or drinks - contact Hans at zschmitt@rochester.rr.com or call 533-2060.

A sign-up sheet will also be available with information at the Town Library. **We will meet at the Town Hall Parking Lot on April 21 at 9:00 a.m. but late-comers are also welcome to join in up to 10:00 a.m.** Everyone who participates will receive a treat donated by Friendly's to a free sundae!

FIRE MARSHAL SERVICE

We have contracted with the Town of Henrietta to have them provide Fire Marshal Service for the year 2007. Both towns will monitor this closely during the year with the expectation that we will continue beyond 2007. We will realize a small savings but more importantly we expect quicker response time as they have a larger staff. This inter-municipal cooperation should result in a win-win for both towns.

HEALTH INSURANCE COST

In 2005, a thorough study of Health Care Plans was made by our Finance Director, Don

Reynolds, with the goal to reduce cost to the Town while still providing adequate Health Care to our full-time employees. As a result of this study, we made major changes to our Health Plan effective January 1, 2006, as follows: (1) Change to Blue Choice Value Plan. This plan had the same coverage as the previous plan but would require employees to pay a higher co-pay. (2) Require all employees and retirees to share in the plan cost (Town pays 90%, employees pay 10%) and also share in future increases in the same ratio. Previously, employees hired prior to January 1, 1997, were not required to contribute to the plan cost. **As a result of the changes made, the savings to the Town for 2006 was \$65,000.**

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLANNING

Monroe County hosted an exercise called PODEX (Point of Dispensing Exercise) on March 27 at the Dome Arena to simulate their response to a pandemic flu outbreak. As stated in my previous newsletters, the goal is to be able to administer vaccine and/or dispense medication to the entire county within a 48 hours period. We observed this exercise which will assist us as we continue to develop a plan for our Sector of the County (Rush, Mendon, Honeoye Falls). For more information, visit www.monroecounty.gov.

ADOPTED LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTIONS - Association of Towns

In my last newsletter, I had listed 14 resolutions that were proposed to the Resolutions Committee of the New York State Association of Towns. The Official Delegates to the 2007 Business Session **adopted** the following 16 Resolutions. They are related to issues that the Towns of New York State have determined to be most in need of legislative consideration. These were sent to: the Governor of the State of New York, The Members of the New York State Assembly and Senate, the Heads of the several State

Departments, Divisions and other agencies of New York State Government and Members of the United States Congress.

Resolution No.1: Increase in Justice Court Funding - Resolved, that the Association of Towns requests legislative action to increase GML, §99-1 reimbursement fees to assist local taxpayers in funding justice court operational expenses.

Resolution No. 2: School Funding Reform – Resolved, that the Association of Towns calls upon the Governor, the New York State Legislature, and other State officials to develop a solution that will provide adequate State funding for public education thereby lessening or eliminating dependence on local real property taxes without reducing funding to other local governments and local government programs; and BE IT FURTHER Resolved, that the Association of Towns calls upon our State leaders to eliminate costly unfunded mandates, which increase the cost of providing a public education, and which further strain the real property tax base.

Resolution No. 3: Mandate Relief - Resolved, that the Association of Towns calls upon the Governor and Legislature to repeal costly unfunded mandates on local governments, such as those identified above, or alternatively, to reform these mandates by: 1) raising the project cost thresholds before WICKS would be applicable; 2) reforming prevailing wages; and 3) including the ability to pay, without raising taxes, as a priority consideration for binding arbitration panels.

Resolution No. 4: Reform Real Property Tax Exemptions - Resolved, that the Association of Towns supports legislative initiatives that would NOT eliminate exemptions, but rather place the burden of qualifying for a tax exemption on the organization claiming tax exempt status, and require such organizations to prove by clear and convincing evidence to local assessors that the property is used exclusively for exempt purposes.

Resolution No. 5: Reform Condominium Assessments - Resolved, that the Association of Towns again calls upon the Legislature and the Governor to repeal real Property Law, §339-y so as to provide equal treatment for all types of residential housing and to prevent the continuing abuses of §339-y as described above.

Resolution No. 6: Special Franchise Assessment Litigation Charge-Backs - Resolved, that the Association of Towns shall support legislation (e.g. S.1373/A.6667 (2006) amending the Real Property Tax Law that would require the State to bear the costs associated with the review of special franchise assessments by the Office of Real Property Services.

Resolution No. 7: – Fair Assistance in Relief – Resolved, that the Association of Towns hereby requests the passage of legislation to provide for an amendment to the New York State Tax Law in order to provide a personal income tax credit equal in amount to the cost of real property taxes paid by a victim of a natural disaster whose property was rendered uninhabitable or commercially unusable as those terms are defined by law after the taxable status date.

Resolution No. 8: Efficient Highway Administration - Resolved, that the Association of Towns calls upon the Governor and Legislature to continue their support of the Consolidated Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) and to explore every way possible to increase highway aid; and BE IT FURTHER

Resolved, that the Association of Towns calls upon the Governor and Legislature to enact appropriate enabling authority for Local Road Classification as recommended by the NYS Local Road Classification Task Force which will permit local governments to objectively reduce to more appropriate levels, the costs of maintenance and repair of such low volume roads.

Resolution No. 9: Preserve Local Cable Franchising Authority, Franchise Fees and Public Rights-of-Way Management. Resolved, that the Association of Towns calls upon the State and Federal Government to preserve local franchising authority, to preserve New York State Constitutional authority to manage locally owned public rights-of-way in the best interest of the public, and to preserve the taxpayer's authority to receive a fair and reasonable compensation (franchise fee) for the use of publicly owned rights-of-way.

Resolution No. 10: Pension Relief. Resolved, that the New York State Association of Towns calls upon the Governor, the New York State Legislature and the State Comptroller to establish a task force to evaluate the current

pension program in order to make recommendations that will stabilize and lower employer (taxpayer) contributions for current members and lessen employer contributions for future members.

Resolution No. 11: GML 207-c Disability Benefits for Law Enforcement. Resolved that the New York State Association of Towns supports legislation to amend General Municipal Law, §207-c to require that disability retirement benefits be extended to any law enforcement officer who has been receiving GML, §207-c benefit for a period of 36 months without the ability to return to work.

Resolution No. 12: Preserve Local Control over Active and Retiree Health Insurance Benefits. Resolved, that the Association of Towns is opposed to any State (e.g. A9722/S6397 (2006)) which would affect a local government's control over the provision of health care benefits to its active or retired officers and employees.

Resolution No. 13: Speed Limits on Town Roads. Resolved, that the Association of Towns urges the Legislature and Governor to extend to all towns the option - through adoption of a local law - to assume responsibility and authority to set speed limits on town roads within their respective jurisdictions, within the limits as defined in §1662-a of the Vehicle & Traffic Law, and so long as those roads have been functionally classified by the Department of Transportation as local roads.

Resolution No. 14: ATV Use of Town Roads. Resolved, that the Association of Towns supports an amendment to Vehicle and Traffic Law §2405 that would allow municipalities, by local option, to designate their respective public highways, and/or portions thereof, as open for travel by ATVs in order to gain access to areas or trails adjacent to such highways, and that deletes the requirements requirement that such use only be allowed when "*it is otherwise impossible for ATVs to gain access to areas or trails adjacent to the highway.*"

Resolution No. 15: Fund the Unfunded MS4 Mandate - Resolved, that the guarantee that the program is implemented and enforced uniformly throughout the State, the Association of Towns calls for fully funding the development, implementation and enforcement of this program.

Resolution No. 16: Publication of Legal Notices in Community Newspapers.

Resolved that the Association of Towns calls upon the Governor and the Legislature to amend the General Construction Law to allow papers, which do not charge for the paper, but with an established and large circulation, to be considered newspapers in certain instances, to permit towns and other local governments to place the legal notices in the local publications which may reach a larger audience and/or be less expensive to publish.

Sincerely,

William R. Udicious

Highway Department

*Submitted by: Steve King, Superintendent
Mon. - Fri. 7:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Transfer Station Open:
April 21 - November 4: Sat. 9-5, Sun. 12-4
Phone: 533-1770*

RESIDENTIAL BRUSH PICKUP

The Town of Rush Highway Department will be conducting its annual brush pickup for our town residents commencing April 30, 2007 and running to May 4, 2007.

The roadside brush collection will be a one-week program and all brush should be out and **ready for collection by April 29th.**

We will begin on East River Road and will be working eastward.

Guidelines:

- 2 Truckloads (10 wheeler) per Household
- Residential pickup only
- All brush shall be no longer than 10 ft. in length
- All brush shall be placed 6 - 8 feet from edge of roadside
- Brush shall be placed parallel to the road
- Brush must be neatly piled
- *Do not place brush under any overhead wires, if possible.*
- *Do not place brush over any water or gas service shut-offs.*

Restrictions:

- No Stumps, Lumber, Trash, Leaves, or Manmade articles.
- Brush and limb wood only.
- Brush cut by residents only, NO CONTRACTORS

**ONCE A ROAD OR STREET
IS COMPLETED
THERE WILL BE NO RETURN TRIPS**

Please contact the Rush Highway Dept. with any questions or concerns @ 533-1770, between 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Stonybrook Road Transfer Station

Hours of operation at the Stonybrook Road Transfer Station will be on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Sundays 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Opening April 21st and closing on November 4th.

Town residences wishing to use a private contractor may pick-up a “Hauling/Usage Statement” at the Town Hall. While obtaining resident’s permission, this form will identify the person or company hauling the material to the site, on your behalf. This form will be required at the site and is only good for that day.

If you have a special project planned and need to use the transfer station during the week, contact the Highway Dept. at 533-1770 at least one day in advance.

Lawn Damage

Due to this past winter, the highway department will be repairing all lawns damaged by our plowing operations. Residents who have used stakes or markers during the winter months at the edge of their properties should have them removed by April 16th.

When these stakes are used next season, please put them at least 3-4 feet off the edge of pavement so the plow operators will have room to clear the streets.

If there are any questions or special needs, please contact the highway department @533-1770.

***Code Enforcement Officer
/Building Inspector***

*Submitted by: Gerald Kusse, CEO
Phone: 533-9114
Pager: 463-7099*

Mon. 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., Thurs. 4p.m. - 6 p.m.



Now that we see the signs of spring approaching, and knowing we will be spending more time outside, I would like to remind residents of the following zoning laws. These three laws just happen to have the most frequent violations I've had to enforce.

Building Permits are required in the Town of Rush. Basically, any kind of structure you may want to build will require a permit. **Sheds, additions, fences, towers, swimming pools, etc., all require a permit to erect.** If you are unsure, the best thing to do is to call to confirm the need for a permit for your project before you start. Permit applications are available daily at the town clerk's counter. Completed applications are processed by the Code Enforcement Officer. **Be aware that it has become common practice for attorneys, banks, insurance companies, etc. to ask for building records before a property can transfer to a new owner.** If an official permit record of your project is not on file, the closing could be postponed. Or worse yet, the addition may have to be removed.

Storing Unlicensed Vehicles in the open is a violation. You should be aware also that it is unlawful to store unlicensed vehicles outside on your property. You can store as many as you would like in a building, but **none outside.**

Open Burning is a Violation. Open burning is a practice that many residents become involved with at spring cleanup time. **However, open burning is unlawful and could result in a hefty fine being levied against a repeat violator.** All residents should be aware that any open burns (camp fires, trash fires, bon fires, etc.) are prohibited. **Some conditions may allow an open burn permit to be issued, but not many.** If you intend to ask for a permit to burn, please call

at least one day in advance. **Please do not wait until after you've struck the match.** A violation of any of the above may require your attendance in court. I hope that will not be necessary for any resident.

In the next newsletter I will address more of the most common violations in the category of property maintenance.

Library News

Submitted by: Kirsten Flass, Director
Mon., Wed., Fri. 1 PM – 8 PM,
Tues., Thurs. 11 AM – 8 PM,
Saturdays 10 AM – 2 PM (Sept. – May)
Phone: 533-1370, Fax: 533-1546
www.libraryweb.org/rush

Dear Neighbors,
I hope you are enjoying this warmer spring weather. Here at the library we are all feeling much more energetic and inspired, planning new events and the forthcoming summer reading program; we hope this newsletter inspires you to join us for a program in the next couple of months. There's always more to learn at your library!

The attendance at our third annual Wine Tasting Benefit was marvelous. Thank you to all of you who attended or made a donation in lieu of attendance; this year we more than doubled our net proceeds from last year, and are ever closer to reaching our goal of creating a reading garden for all to enjoy. Special thanks are owed to the Library Board of Trustees, Heather Iannone, The Wildwood Country Club, Women for NYS Wines, and the Rush-Henrietta String Orchestra, as well as our many, many sponsors for creating such a gracious evening. For a complete list of our sponsors, see pages 8 and 9.

I'd also like to take a moment to thank a dedicated group of people who help make the library run smoothly by *volunteering their time here on a regular basis...* we appreciate your commitment!

Barbara Burkhardt (data entry and assorted office tasks), Jack Burkhardt (extreme makeover-fish tank edition, plus ongoing fish care); Cathy McGinnis (Book Nook organization

and book mending); Mary Chatt (shelving); Ali Dobbertin (shelving); Heather Iannone (Friends Chair and Wine-Tasting auction & publicity coordinator); Meg Kinnally (book processing & shelving).

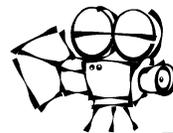
Last month I attended Library Lobby Day in Albany, along with other staff & board of trustee members from the Monroe County Library System, by taking a chartered bus downstate to meet with our local legislators. I helped deliver the petitions that were signed by patrons here in Rush, and by other county residents, as we endeavored to remind Governor Spitzer and the Legislature of the important roles of public, school and academic libraries as they formulated the state budget. Funding from the state has been essentially flat for all libraries since 1999; it's not keeping up with inflation and the rising costs of utilities, books and supplies. We all need to do our part to remind those who fund libraries just how important libraries are to us and our communities...be sure to voice your opinion!

Looking forward to seeing you,
Kirsten Flass

Upcoming Programs at the Rush Public Library for
April and May 2007
Submitted by
Joan Celentano
Children's and Adult Services

Upcoming Events for APRIL:
Teen Night is Friday April 6th, 6:30-8PM. It's game night, back by popular demand... "Killer Bunnies", "Honey Do You Love Me", and more. Bring a friend for snacks and fun.

Babysitters Training Class for children ages 11 and up will be held on **Tuesday, April 10th from 9:30AM-3:30PM.** This program will be provided by E.P.I.C. Trainings (Red Cross Certified Instructors) and the cost is \$40.00, payable upon registration. Children are asked to bring a bagged lunch - refrigeration is available.



Spring Recess Movie: "Charlotte's Web" on **Wednesday, April 11th from 1:30-3:30PM** and **also** on **Thursday, April 12th from Noon-**

2:00PM. Enjoy E.B. White's classic tale of Fern and her pet pig, Wilbur, and a very special spider. This **G-Rated** movie is for children ages 5 and up. ***Due to space restrictions, parents who wish to stay with their children during the movie must be registered for a seat.*** Call or visit the Library to register. Popcorn and sodas will be available, and donations are appreciated.

Crafters Corner for Adults with Heather Iannone. **Microscope Slide Pendant Class** has been re-scheduled for **Thursday evening, April 12th from 6:30-8:00PM.** If you have previously registered you do not need to do so again. There are a few spots remaining for those who would like to join us. We will be making a vintage-style necklace with a chain and the cost of materials is \$8.00. Space is limited and registration is required. A sample of this necklace is on view at the Library.

Teen Book Club will be **Friday, April 13th, 6:30-8:00 PM.** We are reading **Magic Kingdom For Sale...Sold!** by Terry Brooks. "An ordinary guy accidentally ends up as King in a magic land he purchased...but there were a few details he forgot to mention!" Copies are available to borrow at the circulation desk. Join us for pizza & fun discussion!

E.P.I.C. Trainings "When an emergency strikes, every second counts. Knowing what to do can mean the difference between life and death." Join us for...

Adult Certification CPR Training on **Wednesday, April 18th from 6:00-9:00PM** **Adult Certification First Aid Training** on **Thursday, April 19th from 6:00-9:00PM.**



Let the American Red Cross Certified Instructors help prepare your employees, coaches, scouts, caregivers and you! The cost for each program is \$20.00 each, payable upon registration. Space is limited and registration is required.

Rush Readers' Book Club will meet on **Thursday, April 26th & May 3rd, 7- 9:00 PM.** (Choose the best night for you.) We'll be discussing **Death of an Ordinary Man** by Glen Duncan. "A dead man hovers over his own funeral, getting to know the living as he has never known them before. But where is his daughter, and who are the two strangers at the funeral?" Read the book and find out! **Join us for discussion and fabulous**

homemade desserts donated by Girl Scout Troop 117. Copies are available to borrow at the circulation desk. Space is limited and registration is required.

Stories around the Campfire for Boys will resume on **Tuesday evenings, April 24th and May 1st from 7:00-8:00PM.** This program is for boys ages 6-10 and includes stories, games, snacks and a good time! Space is limited and registration is required.

Upcoming Events for MAY:

Movie Matinee for Senior Citizens on **Thursday afternoon May 3rd from 1:00-3:30PM.** Join us for "**Roman Holiday**" and see Audrey Hepburn's Oscar-winning performance in her first starring role. "Hepburn plays a modern day princess who explores Rome on her own as she rebels against her royal obligations. There she meets American newspaper man (Gregory Peck) who is seeking an exclusive story and pretends to be ignorant of her true identity." **Coffee and refreshments will be available.** Space is limited and registration is required. **Note:** If you have never been to the Rush Library for a movie before, we think you will be pleasantly surprised by our "theatre quality" screen and surround-sound.

Teen Night = Murder Mystery Night on **Friday, May 4th from 5:30-8:00PM** (*note earlier start time!) Follow the clues and try to solve the mystery. Or maybe YOU are the killer?? Attendance is limited. **You must pre-register by April 20th to attend.**

American Girl Club for children ages 6-10 resumes on Tuesdays in May. Join us as we enter the world of **Samantha- 1904** (voted as our most popular girl!) on three Tuesdays: **May 8th, 15th and 22nd.** Come to our *afternoon* session from **3:30-4:30PM** **OR** our *evening* session from **7:00-8:00PM- both sessions are exactly the same; choose the one that fits your schedule.** Space is limited and registration is required.

Funky Fun Craft Night is for kids ages 11-14 who would like a place to come and be creative with their friends. Join us on Thursday evening, **May 10th from 6:30-8:00PM.** We will be creating bottle cap jewelry and a fun "funky" T-shirt.* **Be sure to bring a T-shirt with you.** Space is limited and registration is required.

Teen Book Club will meet on **Friday, May 11th** from **6:30-8:00PM**. This month is "Teen's Choice"...please bring a couple of favorite books to share with the rest of the club. Soda & Montesano's pizza will be provided!

No More Cavities -Learn the secrets to better oral health with Dr. Ellie Phillips, D.D.S. on **Thursday evening, May 17th** from **7:00-8:00PM**. This is an informational night for parents, adults and teens to learn the natural way to protect your teeth. Space is limited and registration is required.

7th Annual Ladies' Tea Party to benefit the 2007 Summer Reading Program for Teens. Join us for a lovely afternoon of conversation, sweet and savory delights and, of course, tea on **Saturday, May 19th** from **2:00-4:00PM**. The cost of this event is \$10.00 per person. Wear your finest hat and bring your own china teacup if you like. Be sure to tell your friends and neighbors if you have attended this event before. Space is limited and registration is required.

Friends of the Rush Library will meet on Monday, May 21st from 7-8:00PM to discuss the June book sale and other fundraising and advocacy efforts. All are welcome! Call Heather Iannone at 359-9914 for more details.

Rush Readers' Book Club will meet on **Thursday, May 24th & May 31st, 7-9:00 PM**. (Choose the best night for you.) We'll be discussing the classic novel, The Catcher in the Rye. "Ever since it was first published in 1951, this novel has been the coming-of-age story against which all others are judged. Read and cherished by generations, the story of Holden Caulfield is truly one of America's literary treasures." **Come for dialogue plus homemade dessert provided generously by Girl Scout Troop 117**. Space is limited and registration is required.

Star Wars Party! Children of all ages, plus parents and caregivers are welcome to join us for the **30th Anniversary of "Star Wars"** on **Friday evening, May 25th** from **6:00-8:00PM**. Come dressed as your favorite Star Wars character and you may win a prize for the best costume. Join us for 30th Anniversary cake, face-painting and surprises. "May the Force Be With You!"

The Rush Public Library is a participant of the **Building Bridges Project: Librarians Reaching Youth with Disabilities**. This project aims to

promote lifelong Library use, develop and modify programs to accommodate youth up to age 21 and to offer up-to-date information to all family members. To learn more go to www.libraryweb.org.

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING

WINE TASTING SPONSORS: ?Chase's Florist
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Dentistry/Dr. Diane Evans, DDS ?Dorschel
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Estate Services ?Joelle's Hair Design/Looks By
Laura ?Lavender Moon Herb Farm ?Marketview
Liquor ?Mendon Village Quilt Shop ?Montesano
Pizza ?Onnie's Closet ?Pharoh's Hairum ?Phillips
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Center ?Radison Airport ?Rush Family Medicine
?Southern Meadows Golf ?SPS Medical Supply
?Wegmans Markets ?Wildwood Country Club
?Wolcott Contracting & Consulting Inc. ?Women
for NYS Wine ?The Write Book Shop

Assessor's Office

*Submitted by: Rufus Falk, Assessor
533-2330*

Tues. 12 noon - 4 PM; Thurs. 8 AM - 6 PM

rufus@townofrush.com or

Deb Curran, Clerk

Mon. - Thurs. 10:30 AM - 2:15 PM

deb@townofrush.com

In early April, the Assessment Office will be mailing out a "Change of Assessment Notice" to all parcel owners in Rush. Approximately 95% of these notices will show no change of assessment for the 2007 roll year. The remaining 5% will be parcels that have been split or merged, new home constructions or other smaller projects with appropriate assessment changes.

These Notices are a requirement of New York State's Annual Reassessment Program and are called "Impact" Notices. They will show an estimated change in the town portion of a property's tax burden between 2006 and 2007. Again, the vast majority of these notices will show no change in assessed value and little or no change in the estimated town tax for 2006 and 2007. If you have any questions pertaining to the notice, feel free to call our office at 533-2330.

Recreation Department

Submitted by: Patricia Stephens, Supervisor
Mon., Wed. 9:15 AM -3:30PM
Fridays 9:00 AM-3:30 PM
Phone: 533-2340
pat@townofrush.com

“ABC” America’s Boating Course

This course is run by the United States Coast Guard. The class will be held Saturday, April 28th from 9AM - 5PM at Roth Middle School in Room #119. The cost is \$30.00 per person/resident and \$35.00 non-resident. You can sign up for this class, and pick up the study book beginning March 29th.

SPRING FOOTBALL CAMPS

The Rush Recreation Department will be offering the first ever Rush Spring Football Camps at the Monica Leary Elementary School gym. Marcus Robinson a Rush Recreation staff member will be teaching the camps. Marcus has a great deal of experience in the game of football. The Spring Camps will be 6 weeks on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Registration began January 8th 2007. There will be the fundamentals of football along with playing and having football games. These camps are FLAG football camps. The classes are as follows:

8-9 yr olds April 17th-May 22nd
Tuesdays 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

10-12 year olds April 19th -May 24th
Thursdays 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

13-14 year olds April 21-May 26th
Saturdays 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Cost is \$45.00 resident
\$50.00 non-resident

Sign up at the Rush Town Hall, 5977 East Henrietta Road, Rush, NY 14543 or you can send in a payment payable to the Rush Town Clerk. Please indicate with your check the following: the child’s name, age, parent/guardians name and phone number, and state the check is for the “Spring Football Camp”. The parent or guardian will need to sign a form the first session of the camp.

Weather permitting the participants will play outside. Please send weather appropriate clothes, the participants may bring cleats (NO medal).

Cancellations due to weather are announced by the school district.

MEN’S BASKETBALL PROGRAM

The Town of Rush Men’s 55 year old or older Basketball program is seeking more players for their game! They play on Wednesday evenings from 7-9 PM at the Monica Leary Gym. Please call Dick Wallace at 334-8202 for more information.

2007 RUSH FISHING DERBY

The 2nd Annual Fishing Derby will take place on June 23rd from 9-3PM. Anyone of any age can fish on the side of Honeoye Creek. No canoes please. There is a small fee of \$5.00 per family (resident) \$10.00 non-resident to participate. There will be prizes again this year! You can register at the Rush Town Hall, or send payment to Rush Town Clerk’s office, 5977 East Henrietta Road, Rush, NY 14543. Please indicate name, address, and telephone number and indicate payment is for the Fishing Derby. You can fish behind the Rush Town Hall and at Veterans Park.



DATE CHANGE~RUSH FALL FESTIVAL

The date of the Rush Fall Festival has been changed to **Saturday, September 22nd 2007, from 10 AM – 4 PM**. Anyone who would like to volunteer at the Rush Fall Festival, please contact Pat Stephens at 533-2340. Our community event keeps growing and volunteers are greatly appreciated!!! We need your help in the following areas: ?Set up and take down of bails of hay, pumpkins ?measuring for craft vendors areas ?setting up tarps (weather permitting) and fencing for pony rides ?volunteer coordinator ?face painting ?pumpkins painting ?coordinator for vendor’s arrival

Town of Rush Summer Camp **7-10 year olds**

The sign up for the Town of Rush Summer Camp for 7-10 years olds will begin on Wednesday, May 30th. Rush residents will have an opportunity to sign their child up for this

camp until June 8th and then the camp is open to the public.

This Summer Camp is for 7 - 10 year old children. Over the past 5 years this camp has been a great success. The children have done different activities such as arts and crafts, performed a play, had an art show, did a talent show, and went swimming at Sperry High school, but most of all had fun. This non-sports oriented camp was development with the 40 developmental assets as a guide. Some of the assets are incorporated into the camp, as well as goals established for the camp. There will be a pre-test and a post test for the parents to determine whether the camp has made a difference in their children.

The camp will be held at the Monica Leary School gymnasium. Four staff members will be assisting a maximum of 25 children. The camp is held on Wednesdays and Fridays with the children ending their day Friday swimming at the Sperry High School pool. This camp is free.

The dates and times are as follows:
July 11th- August 10th - 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

An application must be filled out at the Rush Town Clerk's office. The camp will include ongoing projects the children will be doing everyday together. It is *extremely important* that the children attend all of the camp days unless they are ill. If you are planning a vacation during camp please do not sign your child up.

If you have any questions about this summer camp or any of the other recreation programs please call Pat at 533-2340.

Drama Summer Camp

Drama Kids International and the Rush Recreation Dept. are teaming up to offer a "Summer Camp Drama Kids" program at the Rush Methodist Church (instructors will meet the participants at the entrance). Campers will explore all aspects of theater from acting and directing, to set design, and more. Our campers will bring the house down during their end of Camp DKI Playhouse Presentation, performing a play their team creates.

The camp is for ages 6-11 years old. Daily: July 23rd-July 27th 9:00AM-12:00PM.

The cost is \$100.00 for Rush resident cost includes a t-shirt. Non-resident fee is \$105.00 also includes a t-shirt.

Registration begins April 1st. There is a minimum of 15 students and a maximum of 40 students.

Please sign your child up at the Rush Town Hall Clerk's office. You can call the Recreation Supervisor at 533-2340 or Pamela Spiteri Director of Drama Kids International at 586-3830 if you like more information about the camp.

RUSH BASKETBALL PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN AGES 7-10 YEARS OLD

Back by popular demand!!!!

The Town of Rush Recreation Department and Marcus Robinson will be having a Basketball Camp at the Monica Leary School Gym for six weeks on Wednesdays beginning April 18th May 23rd from 6:00PM-7:30PM. Children (7-10 years old) will be learning basic to advanced skills in basketball along with team building basketball ethics. The cost is \$60.00 Resident/ \$65.00 Non-resident. You can sign your child up at the Rush Town Clerks office, or send payment to: "Town of Rush Town Clerk", 5977 East Henrietta Rd. Rush NY 14543, please indicate the payment is for the "Basketball program". Please send with the payment the players name, address, phone number, and age.

Rush Fire District Fire Department & Rush Ambulance

*Submitted by: Robert Faugh, Fire Commissioner
Phone: 533-2058, www.RushFD.ORG*



OPEN BURNING: Spring is here. **IT IS ILLEGAL TO BURN ANYTHING WITHOUT THE FIRE MARSHAL'S PERMISSION!**

If you burn you could get arrested and/or be liable for any others property that you damage. Even with permission you must follow the rules. If your fire gets away and damages another's property it is 4th degree arson - a felony!

Our insurance carrier has a two page "get ready for spring" guide with safety

information. Go to www.vfis.com for this valuable information.

The fire commissioners and Fire Chief met with a representative of the Henrietta Fire Marshal's office at our last meeting. The town has contracted them to take care of the fire code and other related activities. They want to work with the residents of Rush and will answer any questions you may have. Contact them via the Town Hall at 533-1312. There are new codes in effect for all of NYS and before you get into trouble give them a call.

FIRE DEPARTMENT & AMBULANCE:

FUND DRIVE: In 2006 your volunteers responded to an emergency call every 23 hours. They donated over 7,000 hours to provide service, attend meetings, attended training and drills, raise funds and maintain buildings and equipment with only ONE goal and that is to provide the best service we can for you and your family. We are 100% volunteer, NO ONE GETS PAID! We have one of the last free ambulance services in the county and cover 99.5% of our calls!

You should receive the annual fund drive letter for the AMBULANCE and FIRE DEPARTMENT operation in the first week in April. We would appreciate your quick response to this annual appeal. We will not be going door to door this year. If you give via United Way and chose the Rush FD please let us know. *If you do not select us, we do not receive any United Way donations! 90% of the Ambulance operation and 100% of the cost of new ambulances (7 since 1939) came from fund drive money.*

Other vehicles such the three Rescue trucks, two brush/utility trucks, ATV, Boat and trailer were purchased with fund drive money, memorial donations and carnival profit. Other items such as several AEDs, "Jaws of Life", water rescue, portable radios, pagers, thermal imaging camera, airbag system and other expensive items were bought with money from these funds.

We also use fund drive money for our complete scouting, fire prevention programs, training and seminars. No fund drive money is used for our few social events. Very few Fire Depts. or Ambulance services can say that! We

are very proud and thankful to the Rush residents who support us with donations. **WE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION!**

PAST OFFICERS BANQUET: was held at the RIT center - 90 members and guests attended. Past Captain Luther Keyes was recognized for his past line officers duties. Richard Wheeler was recognized for his 33 years as a director. The "distinguished service award" was presented to "Red" Bayer. The RFD Ladies auxiliary presented the department a check for \$3,000 for the firefighters to up grade our extrication equipment in the future.

EXPLORERS SCOUTS: We are looking for new explorers. We recently had three new members sign up. It is not all work and no play; they learn CPR and how to respond in emergency situations along with social events. If you have a boy or girl 14 or older who maybe interested call Royer Pfersick at 533-9123.

LADIES AUXILIARY: Applications for the "Betty Wilkins Memorial Scholarship" to provide assistance for a Rush student are available at the R-H school guidance office or by contacting Paula Anderson at 533-2187.

	<p>Rush Senior Citizens Submitted by: <i>Harriet Cook</i> Secretary</p>
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On March 13th, we traveled to Angelica, New York for an "all you can eat" pancake breakfast at the Maple Tree Inn. Delicious! We were invited by the Sperry Players to attend a dinner and sneak preview of Guys and Dolls on March 28th.

Upcoming events: April 10th we will be attending Club 86 in Geneva for lunch and to hear Cahal Dunn, a famous Irish entertainer. May 11th will bring us to our much anticipated "Mystery Trip". Our next meeting will be at 12 noon on April 12th at the Rush Fire House, 1971 Rush Mendon road. Anyone 55 years or older is welcome to join us.

Rush Town Hall General Information

Main #533-1312

Fax #533-9346

Officials		Telephone	Office Hours
Assessor:	Rufus Falk	533-2330	Tues. 12:00 Noon – 4:00 PM and Thurs. 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Assessor's Clerk:	Deb Curran	533-2330	Mon. - Thurs. 10:30 AM – 2:15 PM
Budget Officer:	Don Reynolds	533-9142	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
Bldg. Inspector/ Code Enforcement:	Gerald Kusse	533-9114	Mon. 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Thurs. 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM Pager: 463-7099
Fire Marshal:	Chris Roth Town of Henrietta		Pager: 463-7065 Work: 359-7065
Historian:	Dave Oliver	533-1312	Fridays 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM or by appointment
Highway Superintendent:	Steve King	533-1770	Monday – Friday 7:00 AM – 3:30 PM
Library Director:	Kirsten Flass	533-1370	Mon., Wed., Fri. 1:00 PM–8:00 PM, Tues., Thurs., 11:00 AM-8:00 PM Saturdays 11 AM – 2 PM Internet: www.libraryweb.org
Recreation Supervisor:	Patricia Stephens	533-2340	Mon., Wed., Fri. 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM e-mail: pat@townofrush.com
Supervisor:	Bill Udicious	533-9058	Monday – Friday
Supervisor's Secretary:	Pamela Bucci	533-1312	Mon. – Thurs. 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Town Clerk:	Linda Henry	533-1312	Mon. – Fri. 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM and Thurs. 8:30 AM - 6:00 PM
Deputy Town Clerk	Darlene Pilarski	533-1312	Mon. – Fri. 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
Town Council:	Thomas Doupe Lisa Sluberski Donald Knab Richard Anderson	533-1312 533-1312 533-1312 533-1312	Town Board meetings are held on the 2 nd and 4 th Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM unless otherwise specified in the <i>Henrietta Post</i> .
Town Court:	Judge Paula Anderson	533-1130	Mon. – Fri. 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM Court Hearings: Mondays 5:00 PM
Court Clerks:	Judge Henry Kirch Kathie Schneider Sally Newell		

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<u>Other Important Information and Dates:</u> Good Friday Easter Earth Day Spring Clean-Up in Rush	Town Hall Closed 9 AM @ Town Hall parking lot - (refer to Page 1 for information)	Friday, April 6 th Sunday, 8 th Saturday, 21 st



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<u>Other Important Information and Dates:</u> Mother's Day Armed Forces Day Memorial Day	Town Hall Closed	Sunday - 13 th Saturday - 19 th Monday - 28 th

For legal notices and meeting agendas, refer to The Henrietta Post, The Sentinel, and our website at www.townofrush.com or contact the Town Clerk's Office at 533-1312.