

Village Connection

Village of Central Square April-May-June-2015

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Mayor's Message

Dear Neighbors,

As we put one of the coldest winters on record behind us, we anticipate a busy spring. I would like to thank our residents for assisting our DPW and Fire Department this winter by clearing fire hydrants. This is vital in keeping our community safe. It was a season such as this that defines us as a community. Strong and united.

The winter conditions took a toll on the local roads, sidewalks and underground utilities. As the thaw continues, we will be further assessing the damage. Street sweeping and leaf and brush pick up will begin in mid-April-weather conditions permitting.

As always, I encourage residents to maintain and take pride in their homes and neighborhoods. This adds to the overall quality of life in our village.

When ground conditions allow, work will begin soon on a columbarium in our cemetery. This will be a nice addition and one of the few locations in Oswego County.

Furthermore, please take the time to fill in the survey provided by the SUNY Environmental Science and Forestry Faculty. This survey is important for us to look at how we can enhance our parks, roads, safety and impact on the local economy. Students will use the information provided and conduct a study on our village during the Fall 2015 semester.

Finally, be sure to join us for our Memorial Day Parade and services. It is great time to participate in a local event, meet some of our local heroes and thank a vet!

Think Spring and warmer weather! Sincerely yours, Mayor Kenneth Sherman

Acreege For Sale (2 Properties)

#1. 595 S. Main Asking Price \$29,900. On Rt.11 in Village next to Village of Central Square Sign, across from Divine Mercy Parish Center. MLS #S318470. About 1 acre (.81) zoned commercial.

#2. 18.46 lot is assessed at \$49,400. The asking price is \$17,900. The address of this lot is County Route 12, but also has entry from Aqua Way. Aqua Way is where the access to the property is as well as power lines and hook in for sewer. Taxes are \$1850 and MLS Number is S302110. Part of the property is wetland. Zoned residential.

If interested please contact Renee Kennedy at 796-3658 Realty USA.com for more information.



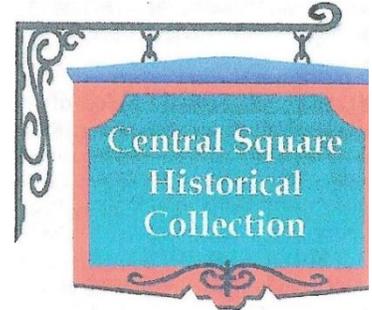
Opening: ZBA Member

The ZBA for the Village of Central Square meets on an as needed basis at the Village Offices. The Mayor appoints the five member commission with the advice and consent of the trustees. The ZBA hears cases in which there is a disagreement with the Village's interpretation of the Building Codes and they grant variances as needed. If you are interested in being considered for the vacant spot please notify the village, Mayor or any village board member.

Central Square Community Historical Society & Museum

Upcoming talks, tours and events: **April 26**-History talk and tour on/at Divine Mercy. We will tour rectory and brick church. Meet at 1pm at Parish Center. RSVP to dstevens@incpark.com by 4/15 if attending. **May 17**- we are meeting at the Universalist Church for tour/talk 1-3pm. **June 14**- tentatively we are hoping to meet at the Central Square Railroad Station. Watch the facebook page or check calendar at village website as May and June dates approach. If site visits do not work out we will meet for talk at Village Office and have museum open.

The museum is open during Sunday History talks at village office or by appointment. Everyone is welcome! If you would like to donate item(s) to the collection or arrange a special museum viewing contact Village Historian, Heather Stevens at dstevens@incpark.com or 676-2682. The society also has postcards and other items for sale as well. Memberships are only \$10 a year for an individual or \$15 a year for families.



Stay Up to Date! Be sure to stay current and find answers to many questions on our website at <http://www.villageofcentralsquare-ny.us/index.php> or facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/MyHometownVOCS>



Memorial Tree and Bench Program:

The Village of Central Square Memorial Program allows residents the chance to commemorate a birth, honor a friend or remember a loved one. The fee for a memorial tree is \$275.00 and \$500.00 for a park/Cemetery bench (we have about 8 available in Hillside Cemetery & Memorial Park). The 4x6 dedication plaque is included in the fee. If you have questions about the trees in our parks or would like to know how you can contribute please contact the village office at 668-2558.

Parking Restriction

Please take note that during the months of October 1st through April 20th there is restricted parking on all village streets. Parking is prohibited during the hours of 12:00a.m. (Midnight) until 6:00a.m. Vehicles violating this village law will be subject to parking fines and towing fees.



House Numbers

New York State building code requires residents to provide emergency vehicles with house numbers that are at least 4 inches on the front of every residence. Numbers shall contrast their back ground. Again this could save time in case of an emergency.

Happy 125th Anniversary Central Square! Inc. January 13, 1890

Leaf and Brush Pick up

The Village of Central Square will pick up leaves and brush from about April-May (Dates to be determined in April). In order to utilize the DPW services most effectively and affordably please abide by the schedule and guidelines. LOGS, STUMPS, LARGE AMOUNTS OF STICKS AND LEAVES FROM CLEARING, GRASS CLIPPINGS, FLOWERS, WEEDS, PLANTS and LUMBER **WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.**

Leaves should be raked and placed as close to the edge of the street as possible. Do not bag leaves. Do not place leaves on sidewalks or in ditches. No other materials should be placed in the leaf pile including grass, branches, landscape waste etc. Small amounts of sticks that have fallen from trees should be placed in a separate pile and not bound. Do not obstruct drainage.



EEE & West Nile

Reminder as spring approaches: Many times Central Square is falsely given as the positive pools. Past experience has shown that when we are mentioned it is usually near the village or in the Toad Harbor area. Still the best defense is to take precautions such as try to stay indoors after dusk, use insect repellent etc. If there are positive test: There is a procedure in place. There is funding at the county level for spraying. They test and monitor the pools. When there is a positive test they contact our Town Supervisor and Village Mayor. When the counts get to the point where spraying is necessary, the county puts the spraying plan in to effect. It is not the village that does this. Our Mayor is kept up to date, as well as the board as to the counts. When it is deemed necessary to spray the county will release it to the media. If spraying effects the village, we also post it on our website. If spraying is deemed necessary there are other precautions residents should take.

Although a person's chances of experiencing any health effects from mosquito spraying are quite low, it is wise to take the following steps to reduce exposures to insecticides during spraying:

- *Remain indoors when pesticides are sprayed in your immediate area.
- *Keep children inside during spraying and for at least one hour after spraying ends.
 - *Close windows and doors before spraying begins.
- *Window-unit air conditioners should be turned off or set to "recirculate" mode so outside air does not come into the house during the spraying. Leave them off for at least one hour after spraying ends, or continue to operate on the recirculate setting for an hour.
 - *If you must remain outside during spraying, avoid getting spray in your eyes or on your skin.
 - *If you get insecticide in your eyes, immediately rinse them with water.
- *Wash exposed skin surfaces with soap and water if you come in contact with the insecticide.
 - *Wash homegrown fruits and vegetables thoroughly before cooking or eating.
- *Cover outdoor tables and play equipment before the spraying begins, or wash them with soap and water after they have been sprayed.
 - *Bring laundry and toys inside before spraying begins. (Wash these items with soap and water if exposed to insecticide during spraying.)
- *Before spraying, bring pets, pet food and water bowls inside and cover ornamental fishponds to avoid direct exposure to the spray.
- *Consult your doctor if you think you are experiencing health effects from the spraying. People who suffer from chemical sensitivities or feel spraying may aggravate a preexisting health condition may consult their physician or local health department.



Cemetery Committee: A columbarium is a structure with niches (compartments) for funeral urns to be stored. The Village of Central Square is happy to announce our columbarium will be arriving this Spring. If you would like more information please drop an email to centralsquareny@gmail.com , call 668-2558 and leave a message with your contact info for Heather. As soon as we firm up the details we will be in touch!

Good to Know:

- Per Chapter 7 of NYS DMV & V&T 1202- Parking or standing is not allowed; within 30 feet of a traffic light, STOP sign or YIELD sign. You cannot park, stop or stand on a sidewalk.
See <http://dmv.ny.gov/about-dmv/chapter-7-parallel-parking> for more information.
- Pick-up pet waste as soon as possible and put it in the trash. Pet waste has harmful bacteria that can get into our waterways.
- Local Law 173-4 Peddling & Soliciting: It shall be unlawful for any person within the limits of the Village to act as a hawker, peddler or solicitor as herein defined or assist the same without first having obtained & paid for & having in force & effect a license therefor or having in force and effect a certificate of compliance. <http://ecode360.com/CE1952?needHash=true>
- State Burn Ban is in effect in NY during high risk period of March 16-May 14. Burning of leaves is also banned any time of year in NY State. 3/24/2015
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Dates to Know:

April 24, 2015: Arbor Day-Watch the Village calendar on website and facebook page for plans.

May 25, 2015: Memorial Day Parade 9am

June 16, 2015: Village Election: The positions that are currently up for election are Village Justice, (4) year term, Mayor, (2) year term, and (2) Board of Trustee positions each with a (2) year term. The incumbents are Michael Wildrick, Judge, Kenneth Sherman, Mayor and John Urbaniak and Tyler Gervaise as current Trustees.



Sunday June 28, 2015: The Fifth Annual Patriot Run will take place at the P. V. Moore High School stadium. A portion of the proceeds will be used to support our adopted Fort Drum Soldiers, and used to assist local groups in our community to continue their charitable works. Fun Run Mile 9:15am and 5K Run at 10am. Come out in your Red, White and Blue and cheer on the runners along the route!! For more info (soon) visit <http://thepatriotrun.org/> To Register: www.lightboxreg.com

Village Board meets (generally) the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 7pm.

Village Planning Board meets (generally) the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm.