



# Village Connection

Village of Central Square July-August-September-2015

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## Mayor's Message

Summer has arrived. The sounds of the season- music, children's laughter, lawn mowers and construction equipment fill the air. Many of you may have noticed there has been a great deal of activity in the village. It is great to see residents investing and improving their homes and properties. New businesses are coming to town, giving our people more choices and improving the quality of life. We all benefit.

Remember to enjoy some of the benefits of living in the Village too. Concerts in the parks and the recreation program are two honored traditions we come to expect. Look for the dates and performers on our website.

As a reminder, this is our 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We will be creating a time capsule to be placed in a secure location for the next 75 years. The time capsule will be opened on the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Many of us will not be around but there is a good chance many of our children will be. We are looking for suggestions of items to be placed in the capsule. We plan on sealing the capsule during the month of September.

Please feel free to contact us through our website. We do have limited space so items must have importance as far as historical, present or future vision of the Village of Central Square.

Thank you for all your continued suggestions and support.

Sincerely, Kenneth Sherman-Mayor



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

## 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.

**Thank you!** The village would like to thank former trustees Tyler Gervaise and John Urbaniak for their service, it is greatly appreciated. Best wishes on your future endeavors.



## **Central Square Community Historical Society & Museum**

Upcoming discussions: We will have displays at the concerts in the park in July and August on Wednesday evenings. Also, July 12-Keith Clark's home-RSVP by July 9<sup>th</sup> to [dstevens@incpark.com](mailto:dstevens@incpark.com) with number attending. September 21-First Baptist Church. In addition to the monthly topic talks we share new acquisitions, have open discussions and sharing and museum viewing when not of site. Museum is open by appointment

during July, August and September (Please note it is located upstairs). 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](mailto:dstevens@incpark.com) or 676-2682. The Society is still accepting memberships, show your support and join today☺ The society also has postcards and other items for sale as well.

**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 bench. 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.



### **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.



### **From the Code office:**

***Garage and Lawn Sale Signs section 250-18:*** The Village of Central Square has local laws that cover how and what signs can be displayed in the village. One type of sign that becomes a problem this time of year are garage and lawn sale or similar signs. According to Village Code: No sign shall be permitted on any monument in the village. No sign shall exceed four square feet in area. Garage, lawn sale and similar signs may be erected one day in advance of the sale and must be removed within one day of the end of the sale, or within five days of

erection, whichever is sooner. Let's keep our community looking nice, please follow these simple guidelines and be sure to check out our website for other regulations.

**Lawn Maintenance Chapter 178:** Grass shall not be allowed to grow in excess of six inches.

**Dogs section 64-10:** It is unlawful to permit or allow a dog to engage in habitual howling, barking, crying or whining or to conduct itself in such a manner so as to unreasonably and habitually annoy another person. It is unlawful to permit or allow a dog to damage or cause nuisance by defecating or urinating upon premises of a person other than owner. For more information regarding this read chapter 64 of the code found online at our website.

**Sheds, pools and adding topsoil/dirt to lawn:** Before building or replacing a shed please contact our code office regarding regulations and permits. This also goes to pool installation including the easy set, metal frame kits, quick set and other pools which can be purchased from local retailers. Several of these have state regulation including the fact that they need fencing. Please call first to find out what you need!



Section 178-16: It shall be unlawful for any person to deposit or permit the deposit of fill (soil, dirt, earth product, excavated material or other material commonly known as "fill") on a lot, without first having obtained a permit.

**Open Burning:** Except as allowed by Chapter 164-4 of the local code (available on our website), no person shall burn, cause, suffer, allow or permit the burning of any material in an open fire.

**Please see Code officer or visit the village website...codes...and view our online code. For Burning that is allowed, it may require a permit. Please check with the code office at 668-2558.**

**\*\*\* Do you have solar panels, a wired/whole house (not portable) generator or a solar generator? If so please call and get it recorded with the village (ask for Kim or Jim). This is for the safety in case of an emergency. Thank you!**

**Brush and Leaves:** Brush and leaf pick up ended in May and will not resume until fall (Dates TBD). If you have brush and leaves it can be taken to the Town of Hastings Transfer Center. If you hire someone to trim or remove trees (at any time), it is their/your responsibility to remove debris from your property.



**Project Bloom:** Project Bloom is a non-profit volunteer group who plants and maintains the planters, monuments and benches around the village. If you can help weed, deadhead or water or remove suckers from trees either as a one time or ongoing effort please contact Heather at [dstevens@incpark.com](mailto:dstevens@incpark.com) or 676-2682.

**Summer Concerts in the Park, sponsored by Project Bloom at Goettel Park: Lions Club and Central Square Boy Scout Troop 734 will be selling refreshments. The Central Square Community Historical Society will have a small display too!**



7/8/15 6:30-8:30pm Miss E Band  
 7/15/15 6:30-8:30pm Joe Whiting  
 7/22/15 6:30-8:30pm Letizia and the Z Band  
 7/29/15 6:30-8:30pm The McCarthy Family  
 8/5/15 6-8pm Grit and Grace  
 8/12/15 6-8pm Timeline  
 8/19/15 6-8pm Matt Chase and Thunder Canyon



8/26/15 6-8pm Nick Mulpagano Legends and Heroes  
 Come out and enjoy Goettel Park for free concerts.



**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.



**Columbarium:** It's Here! We are happy to announce the columbarium has been installed and the niches are for sale 😊 Top/Tier 1 & 2 are \$1800 per niche, Tier 3 is \$1500 per niche and the Bottom/Tier 4 is \$1000 per niche.

- \* Maximum of two sets of remain per niche as space allows.
- \*No co-mingling of remains is allowed within an urn, and each interment is considered a separate burial.
- \*No partial niche purchases.

- \*Niche fees shall be paid in full prior to niche assignment.
- \*No individual memorialization on Cemetery owned Columbarium or units. Nothing should be placed on top of unit or affixed anyplace thereon, including niche doors.
- \*Inscription will consist only of name (first, middle initial and last), date of birth (year only) and date of death (year only) and will be done in a uniform font.
- \* Containers may be of a rustproof metal alloy (such as brass or bronze), ceramic, or of a non-biodegradable hard plastic. Glass or other easily broken containers are not permitted, nor are containers of metals that will rust.
- \* If you are a current lot owner and are interested in a niche, you can sell your lot (s) back to village and pay the difference for a niche. Please contact our office for more information.

**\*\*If interested in purchasing a niche please contact the cemetery commissioner (Bruce) at 668-2558 for more info, pricing, fees (opening, closing, holidays) etc.**

**Garden Railway:** July 11 & August 8<sup>th</sup> from 11am-4pm at 102 Mohawk Avenue (home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Loran). The miniature village in his backyard is his own creation. The displays change and there is always something new to explore. People of all ages will love the garden and the trains. Another popular spot is the pond with lily pads and goldfish. There is no charge to attend the open houses but be sure to bring a camera (donations happily accepted)!

**Special dates (in addition to those in newsletter):**

July 1, 2015: Village Organizational Meeting 7pm Goettel Park

July 6, 2015: Summer Recreation Program begins

July 8, 2015: Summer Concerts in the Park Begin 6:30-8:30pm Goettel Park

July 11, 2015: Garden Railway 11am-4pm  
Blood Drive 8am-1pm at

Universalist Church

July 13, 2015: Village Board Meeting 7pm at Village Offices

July 16, 2015: Village Planning Board Meeting 7pm at Village Offices

Blood Drive noon-5pm

Curves in Central Square

July 21, 2015: Free Medicare 101 Presentation Library 6pm (Pre-Register)

July 28, 2015: Free Community Lunch at First Baptist Church 11:30am-1pm

August 8, 2015: Garden Railway 11am-4pm

August 10, 2015: Village Board Meeting 7pm at Village Offices

August 14, 2015: Community Preview Show-Field Band PVM Stadium

Last Day of Summer Recreation Program

August 15, 2015: Tire Amnesty Day: 8am-noon Hastings Transfer Center (up to 8 tires)

August 19, 2015: Stuff-a-bus at Walmart 8:30am-3pm

August 20, 2015: Village Planning Board Meeting 7pm at Village Offices

August 25, 2015: Free Community Lunch at First Baptist Church 11:30am-1pm

September 11, 2015: Time capsule/Quasquicentennial/ 9-11 Remembrance Time TBD

September 14, 2015: Village Board Meeting 7pm at Village Offices

September 20, 2015: History Talk and Tour 1-3pm First Baptist Church

September 28, 2015: Village Board Meeting 7pm at Village Offices

September 30, 2015: Free Community Lunch at First Baptist Church 11:30am-1pm

**Downstairs Scotty & Food Pantry at Divine Mercy:** Scotty is open Tuesday 9am-3 and Friday 9am-1. Pantry is open Tuesday & Friday 9am-3pm and 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month 5-7pm. Please bring proof of Oswego County residency.

**Pre-school Story Hour at C. Sq. Library:** Wednesday 10-11am. Please call Library for more info.

**Central Square Railway Museum:** Located at the end of Railroad and open Sundays from May-October noon-5pm. Go inside the cars on display and museum too!

