

VILLAGE NEWSLETTER
Village of Green Island
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MEMORIAL DAY PARADE, THURSDAY, MAY 25th – 6:00 P.M.

The annual **Memorial Day Parade** will be held on **Thursday, May 25th at 6:00 p.m.** Due to the Cohoes Avenue road project, the parade route may be altered. Lineup is at 5:30 p.m. on Hudson Avenue. Please note that Hudson Avenue will be closed to traffic from George Street to Market Street during lineup. There will be a brief ceremony after the parade, all are welcome and encouraged to attend. The Green Island Power Authority puts a lot of effort into assembling the Veteran's float for the parade. We would like to fill the float with our veterans and military men and women. Please contact Emma Heffern at 518-273-2201 or Emma.Heffern@villageofgreenisland.com if you would like to ride on the float. Let's honor our veterans and those who made the supreme sacrifice. Updates regarding the parade route will be shared in next month's newsletter, on the Recreation Department's Facebook page, and through the Village's alert notification system.

COHOES AVENUE PAVEMENT PRESERVATION PROJECT

Construction crews will be working in the area of Cohoes Avenue from Arch Street to the Village/City of Cohoes line. There will be road closures, delays and detours at various times throughout the project. The road between Arch Street and Tibbits Avenue may be closed to all but local traffic. The project is scheduled to run through the end of June; however, the schedule is subject to change. For the duration of the project we ask pedestrians, bicyclist and motorists alike to follow all posted signs, use alternative routes, and avoid the construction areas when possible.

OUTDOOR BURNING BANNED UNTIL MAY 14TH

Assistant Fire Chief Matt Lansing has announced a New York State ban on outdoor burning until **May 14th**. Cooking grills with a flame lower than 6 inches and with an attached cover are **EXEMPT**. Please visit our website as noted above for further details and updates.

STREET CLEANING

Street Cleaning will be held in the Village on **Thursday, May 11th starting at 8:00 a.m.** Reminders will be sent via the Village's notification alert system. If you do not get the reminder or hear the announcements on the day of, it will not be considered a legitimate excuse for not moving your vehicle. If you have any questions about street cleaning operations, please call the Department of Public Works at 518-273-5565 or the Village Office at 518-273-2201. Vehicles that interfere with street cleaning will receive a **TICKET**. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Rain date is Friday, May 12th.

HYDRANT FLUSHING

Hydrants will be flushed in Green Island and Maplewood on the following days:

MONDAY, MAY 15th, TUESDAY, MAY 16th & WEDNESDAY, MAY 17th

A slight discoloration in the water may occur and washing of laundry is not recommended during this time. If you have any questions, please contact the Water Treatment Plant at 518-273-4959 or the Village Office at 518-273-2201.

SPRING CLEAN-UP

Spring Clean-Up will be held on the following Saturdays in May: **May 6th, 13th and 20th** from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the D.P.W. Garage on Cohoes Avenue. This service is for **GREEN ISLAND RESIDENTS ONLY** and will be limited to one pickup truck load or two SUV/station wagon loads for the **MONTH**, not each week. **The cost to participate is \$20 per car load. Contact Tara Bourgeois if you are interested in participating. Tara can be reached by phone at 518-273-2201 or via email at Tara.Bourgeois@villageofgreenisland.com. Participants must pay before the date of the event. Payment can be dropped off,**

mailed or paid at the Village Office. The fee can also be paid online at <https://www.govpaynow.com/gps/user/cyg/plc/a0042i>. Please write **"Spring Clean Up"** on the envelope if dropping off or in the memo section if paying online. Payment cannot be accepted at the DPW site. Residents will be required to sign a form stating that the refuse came from their residence. **PLEASE NOTE THAT PROPANE TANKS WILL BE ACCEPTED, BUT NO HAZARDOUS WASTE.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the D.P.W. Garage at 518-273-5565 or the Village Office at 518-273-2201. Please stay in your vehicle and wait to be directed by Village personnel.

RECREATION NEWS

Summer Employment: The Recreation Department is accepting applications for **summer employment**. Applications are available online at www.villageofgreenisland.com or at the Village Office during regular business hours. All applications must be returned to the Village Office on or before Friday, May 19th, no exceptions. Applicants must be 14 years old by July 1, 2023 to be eligible for employment. The Village is also accepting applications for evening park staff. Applicants must be 21 yrs. of age or older, and available in the evenings from April - October.

MS4 ANNUAL MEETING

As per the requirements of our general permit with the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, the Village of Green Island will hold an annual meeting to present and discuss our Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) program. The meeting will be held at the monthly board meeting on **Monday, May 15th at 6:20 p.m.** Meeting information can be found on the Village website – www.villageofgreenisland.com.

GREEN ISLAND SENIORS

MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER SALE - The Green Island Senior Citizens will be having a **Mother's Day Flower Sale** the week of May 8th. Hanging baskets will be \$25.00 each. For more information please contact Jill Alix at 518-272-7262.

AARP DRIVING COURSE - will be held on Wednesday, May 10th from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM at the Green Island Community Center – 5 George Street. The cost for **AARP** members is \$25.00, non-member is \$30.00. Participants must sign up in advance. For more information please contact Jill Alix at 518-272-7262.

RELAY FOR LIFE OF THE HUDSON RIVER COMMUNITIES BENEFIT

Team **"HARD ROCKIN RELAYERS"** will be hosting a **Mother's Day Vendor Event** on **Friday, May 12th from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.** at the American Legion Hall, 35 Cohoes Avenue, Green Island. They will have vendors from Thirty-One Gifts, Chalk Couture, Tupperware, Partylite Candles, Pampered Chef, Norwex, Tastefully Simple, Paparazzi Jewelry, Young Living Essential Oils, MOe_Creations, Sara Busone's Twisted Designs, Scentsy, Color Street, Bella Bling Silver, RG Designs and MORE!!!!

For additional information, please contact Jennifer Dorrance at 518-892-8701 or jmad92870@yahoo.com.

NEWS FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST hosted by the American Legion Color Guard will be held on **Sunday, May 14, 2023** from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. at the American Legion. The cost is \$10.00 person, children 5 and under are FREE. Cost includes Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Home Fries, Pancakes, Coffee, Tea and Juice. Any questions, please call the American Legion at 518-272-1198.

GOLF TOURNAMENT to be held on **Friday, June 23, 2023** at Briar Creek Golf Course, 2347 Pangburn Road, Duanesburg, NY 12056. Tee time is 8:00 a.m. The cost is \$100.00 per person and includes Greens Fees, Coffee and Donuts at the Course, Hot and Cold Buffet, and three (3) hours of open bar from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. back at the American Legion. Non-Golfer Cost is \$50.00 and includes buffet and open bar only. Make checks payable to "LCP 927". Please submit all teams and money to Donna Lazzaro or Ozzie Cusack by Friday, June 9, 2023. Any questions, please contact Donna Lazzaro at 518-274-1237 or the Legion Post at 518-272-1198. Don't miss out on the fun!!!!

GREEN ISLAND LITTLE LEAGUE – OPENING DAY WILL BE SATURDAY, APRIL 29th, 2023 at 11:00 A.M.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN GREEN ISLAND

April 19, 2023

Dear Friends,

I have a lot of information to pass on to you this month, so I am going to get right to it. I will try to keep each item brief, but we all know I am not too good at that!

I have asked this every month for the last few months, but I don't think some people are listening. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE LOCK YOUR VEHICLES AND DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN THEM. We have been having an issue with individuals going into UNLOCKED vehicles and stealing money and other items. So far these individuals don't seem to be bothering any locked cars, but it is still a good idea to keep any valuables out of sight even if your car is locked. The Police are doing their best to catch these individuals, but if EVERYONE would keep their cars locked, the easy access would be gone and the problem would go away. Please help us to keep you and your valuables safe! (So much for keeping things short!)

I am sure you have all seen the construction going on in the north end of town on Cohoes Avenue. This reconstruction project will be going on for the next couple of months, so please avoid traveling in that area when at all possible. It is going to be an inconvenience, but it will be a huge improvement. It is especially difficult for residents and businesses in the area. And with Little League season starting, we are asking everyone to use the entrance on Arch Street and avoid Cohoes Avenue altogether. It will also be an issue for our Memorial Day Parade route, but we will wait to see what stage the construction is at when the time comes and work around it. But no matter what, we will have our parade to honor our veterans. We will keep you posted.

Speaking of Little League, their opening day is scheduled for April 29th at 11:00 a.m. The officers and other volunteers work very hard to keep this very important activity going for our youth and they need our support. They will also be having a Tag Day at the Green Island Bridge intersection on May 5th, so please show your support.

The Green Island Senior Citizens will be having a Mother's Day flower sale the week of May 8th. Stop in and pick up a beautiful hanging basket for the special Mom(s) in your life. Or just treat yourself! Details are in the other newsletter. (Gee, I was finally brief on that one.)

We have a new dentist in Green Island. We welcome Dr. Shonteral Redmond of Motivational Dentistry to our village. She is accepting all insurances and

appointments can be booked online at motivationaldentistry.com or by calling 518-308-4200. She will currently be open Saturday, Sunday and Monday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and starting in July, appointments can be made Monday-Sunday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (with holiday and select weekends excluded). Her office is located at the corner of George and Center Streets.

The Legnard-Curtin American Legion Post will be holding a Mother's Day Breakfast on May 14th and a Golf Tournament on June 23rd. Please see the other newsletter for details.

With the nice weather finally here, it is time to get cleaned up. We will be having our Street Cleaning on May 11th starting at 8:00 a.m. For anyone new to Green Island, we do this much like our curb to curb snow removal (which we didn't have to do this year – yeah!). We will announce each street before the sweeper comes through and you must move your vehicle so we can get the job done. If you do not move your vehicle, you will be given a ticket. This also goes for any trailers, boats, dumpsters, etc. Please help us to keep our village looking nice.

And you may want to do a little spring cleaning at your home. Time to clean out the basement or attic or just get rid of some junk that doesn't go out with the weekly trash. We will be doing our three Saturdays in May (6th, 13th and 20th) at the DPW garage where you can bring your "junk" and dispose of it. You must register for it ahead of time and the details are in the other newsletter.

We will also be doing hydrant flushing on May 15th, 16th and 17th. The purpose of doing this is to test all of our fire hydrants to make sure they are in good working order in case of any emergencies. It is also good to filter out any debris in the lines, so we encourage residents to refrain from doing any laundry during those days to avoid discoloration of your laundry items.

With the nice weather we also see lots of activity in our parks, especially the Paine Street Park. We will be doing some improvements in that park this year. We are still looking for park staff for evenings. We will also be looking for staff for the daytime summer program. If you are interested, please see the other newsletter for details. We are also looking to make some improvements in the River Park to make more room for our dancers at the concerts. More on that next month!

OK, I think that's it for this month. I tried to keep it brief, but ended up extending my margins to fit it all in. Good thing I am limited to one sheet of paper!

Sincerely,



Ellen M. McNulty-Ryan