

Village of Yorkville

FALL NEWSLETTER • 2023

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FROM THE MAYOR

Dear Residents,

I hope this finds all of you well and having enjoyed a beautiful upstate New York summer.

The Village of Yorkville kicked off the summer with our third Family Fun Night in the Park, which was sponsored once again by Stewart's Shops. The event included bounce houses, a foam party, and free ice cream from Stewart's Shops. We were joined by members of the Yorkville police department and officers from the New York State police to offer free child safety seat inspections. The Yorkville Volunteer fire department was in attendance with Ariel the dalmatian and offered tours of the ladder truck. Thank you to the fire department and police departments for coming out to make this a special night for the children of our village. Thank you to Trustee Sassone for planning our third successful Family Fun Night, and thank you to Deputy Mayor Collea, Trustee Morosco and Trustee Constas for your help. A special thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Sassone for helping with the hot dogs!

The Village of Yorkville once again partnered with the Village of New York Mills for the summer program. Thank you to New York Mills Union Free School District for the use of your facilities. The children had a great time and were able to enjoy many field trips such as, The MOST Museum, Rosmond Gifford Zoo, The Wild, Wonderworks, state parks and more. We hope we can continue to provide this summer program again next year. The village of Yorkville also paired with the Village of New York Mills on a grant application for the NYSDOS Smart Growth Grant. If awarded, we would like to make improvements to the playground, update Village welcome signs, and replace the current flags with banner flags.

The Police Department was the recipient of several grants from the National Police Association, National Sheriffs Association, and a federally funded New York state approved grant. The money from the grants was used to purchase a Thermal Imager, updated rechargeable flashlights, as well as ballistic and protective gear. The need to update the equipment of the police department has become a crucial focus and we are grateful to have been awarded these grants. Thank you, Chief Allen, for your time spent writing these grant requests. The Police department along with other local police departments were present at a Mastrovito Hyundai fund raising event where Mastrovito Hyundai was able to raise funds for the Villages of Yorkville, New York Mills, New Hartford, and the City of Utica. Thank you, Mastrovito Hyundai!

The Village of Yorkville Board of Trustees, along with the Police Department headed a back-to-school drive and donated 24 backpacks with school supplies to the New York Mills and Whitesboro schools for any child who may be in need.

I am sure you have all noticed the hometown heroes' banners that our DPW employees have hung. These banners are available through Mohawk Valley Hometown Heroes and will be displayed for three years, May through September. If you are interest in the purchase of a banner to be displayed, please contact Mohawk Valley Hometown Heroes.

As we get ready for the winter months, I would like to remind everyone to please shovel your sidewalks. Sidewalks that are not shoveled force pedestrians to walk in the streets causing concern for safety.

If you have any questions about anything, please do not hesitate to call the Village Office at 315-736-9391. If we do not have an immediate answer, we will get you in touch with the correct office that can answer it for you.

Remember to thank a veteran for our freedom.

Stay safe, keep warm and Happy Holidays.

Mayor Michael Mahoney

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YORKVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The officers and I hope you all have enjoyed your summer and would like to offer a few safety tips as we prepare for the coming winter months and holiday season.

As we all know the amount of people ordering online has increased significantly over these last few years, with that, so has the number of porch pirates. The picking is ripe when they can drive through a neighborhood and see packages sitting on front porches that won't be touched for hours. Below are some tips to help avoid being a victim of porch pirating.

- Track your packages and use delivery alerts.
- Do not leave packages unattended.
- Add delivery instructions to leave the package at a location out of view, such as back door.
- Request signature at delivery so the package cannot be left without your knowledge.

Each year we stress the importance of maintaining your sidewalks during the snowfall season. Keeping the sidewalks free of ice and snow will allow pedestrians safe travel without slips and falls or having to step out into the streets to walk. The removal of snow from your driveway SHALL NOT include the use of village streets for disposal by means of a shovel, snowblower or snowplow. If your driveway is plowed, tell your plow driver they cannot leave to snow in the street. If they make a mess in the street when plowing, they have to clean it up. It will be the homeowner subject to the fine if a mess is left in the street.

If you have a fire hydrant near your home, please do not deposit snow on or around the hydrant and please help us keep them clear in the event of a large snowfall.

RESIDENCE CHECKS -

For those of you who like to escape the cold upstate New York winters, please remember to notify the Police Department if you will be away for an extended amount of time and the officers will keep an eye on your property. We suggest making your home look occupied in your absence, such as lights on timers, making sure you have someone for snow removal and someone who can move a vehicle around.

Please remember NOT to be an easy target for criminal activity, remember the 9pm routine:

- Remove any valuables from your vehicle.
- If you have keyless start, make sure the fob is kept away from the vehicle.
- Lock your vehicles.
- Lock your home.
- Leave on outside lights.

Many times, a resident will wait a day or two to contact the police department to report something that they feel is out of the ordinary or suspicious. Please do not wait, even though you may think it is insignificant. Early reporting will allow us to track suspects and improve the chances of gathering evidence. Whether it be physical or video from a surveillance camera. The police department is here to keep you safe and address your concerns regardless of how unimportant you may think it is.

FROM THE CHIEF,

Over the past year, the police department has secured nearly \$80,000 in grant funding, which has provided necessary updates to the department and given the opportunity for enhanced public safety. The grant awards have gone toward the purchase of body armor, ballistic shields and helmets in the event of an active shooter situation. Other equipment was flashlights, updated tasers to provide a non-lethal option, medical supplies, and a new Livescan fingerprinting station. In addition to physical equipment grants we are also the recipients of DWI and Traffic Safety Grants. These grants cover the payroll costs for additional officers on the road during the busiest times of the year.

The Police Department is also launching a CAR SEAT PROGRAM. We currently have several certified car seat technicians who will be happy to assist parents in installing and using car seats correctly. Please call the Yorkville Police Department to make an appointment.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call the department at (315) 736-8331, or you can e-mail me at fallen@yorkvillepolice.org.

Stay Safe – Chief Allen



VILLAGE OF YORKVILLE

Solid Waste and Recycling Guidelines

Please keep this page handy to refer to throughout the season.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the highway department at 315-724-2313.

WEDNESDAY- RECYCLABLES are collected.

Per Village Law, please place all recyclables in a container with a secure lid, not exceeding 40 pounds. The lid will prevent items from blowing out and littering our Village. If there is a container without a secure lid, you may be subject to a court appearance and fine.

The following items are NOT recyclable and will not be picked up: soda and beer cases, hard cover books, napkins and paper plates, tissue paper and construction paper. These items can be placed in a gray Yorkville trash bag with regular garbage. No container should be over the size of 32 Gallons.

THURSDAY- GARBAGE is collected. Please put all trash in a gray Yorkville garbage bag not to exceed 40 pounds. All garbage bags must be tied. Any item not in a gray Yorkville bag will not be picked up.

LARGE TRASH ITEMS- If you have a large trash item and it will not fit in a Yorkville bag, please call the Village Clerk's Office at 315-736-9391 to make arrangements to purchase a tag for removal. There will be a small fee for disposal depending on the item. Any items that do not have a tag will not be picked up and will be RED tagged with a fine. Please do NOT place items out for pick up until you have a tag for those items.

GARBAGE BAGS- The cost of a small Yorkville garbage bag is \$2.37. The cost of a large Yorkville garbage bag is \$2.93. Garbage bags are available at the following locations: Cliff's Markets, Chanatry's, Holland Farms, Parkway Drugs, Rite Aid, Sam's Mini Mart, Stewarts Shops and Speedway. The Village of Yorkville does not pay for garbage disposal fees through taxes. The fee for the bags covers the cost of the weekly garbage disposal and two heavy trash pickup days.

Holiday Trash Pick-Up Changes

Wednesday November 22 – Recyclables Collected (no change)

Thursday November 23 – NO COLLECTION (changed)

Friday November 24 – Garbage Collected (changed)

There will be no change for Christmas week.

GREEN WASTE

Green waste should be at the curbside IN CONTAINERS by 6:30am Tuesday morning. Green waste will be picked up on Tuesday.

Brush should be no larger than 8 inches in diameter and 6 feet in length. Please pile parallel to the street. Smaller materials such as branches, twigs and weeds should be in a container.

Green waste must at all times be in containers with handles, no more than 40 pounds.

Dirt, rocks, processed wood, metal, cardboard, paper, cardboard boxes, landscaping fabric, cement, stumps, root balls and logs larger than 8 inches in diameter will NOT be accepted.

If you have a landscaper maintaining your lawn, the landscaper is responsible for the removal of all waste.

FALL LEAVES

The village will be around with the leaf machine starting when the leaves are falling at the heaviest, this is usually mid to late October. Until then we ask that all leaves and green waste are put to the curb in a container.

When the leaf machine is in use, they will ONLY collect leaves. No other material is to be placed in the leaf pile. Other materials will clog the leaf machine. No green waste, grass clippings, twigs, sticks, root balls and **ABSOLUTELY NO PUMPKINS!!!**

Leaves must be placed at the curb and never in the roadway, this is a hazard.

Leaves will be picked throughout the week with no daily set schedule.

CHAPTER 75 – GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND RECYCLABLES

As stated in the Code of the Village of Yorkville, recyclables and garbage can be put out for collection NO EARLIER than 6pm the evening prior to pick up. Containers used for green waste, garbage and recyclables must be removed from the curb by 8pm the day of pick up. This applies to village collection as well as collection by private haulers. Garbage and recyclables put out late will not be picked up. The items will have to be removed from the curb and will be collected the following week.

DUMPSTER SERVICE

The village offers the service of renting a dumpster for large clean outs. There is a \$50 per week rental fee. The tipping fee to dispose of the trash is extra and a deposit of \$250 cash is required at the time of scheduling to cover those fees, when the disposal is complete you will be called to pick up your receipt and change.

LARGE ITEMS

If you have an item for disposal that will not fit into a Yorkville bag, you may contact the Village Clerk's office and arrange for those items to be removed on regular garbage day for a small fee. These items must follow the rubbish rules and not be placed at the curb before 6pm the evening before pick up.

RED TAG SYSTEM

Any item placed out to the curb without prior arrangements and payment with the Village Clerk's office will be red tagged and the owner of the property will be billed for removal. In the event the bill remains unpaid, the balance will be placed as a lien against the property taxes.

FROM THE CODES and ZONING DEPARTMENT

Have your woodstove and furnace cleaned and maintenance to ensure safe and efficient operation. Have your chimney cleaned and inspected every year to prevent a chimney fire. This would also be a great time to clean out your dryer vents.

Every home should be equipped with Carbon Monoxide detectors and smoke Alarms. Both alarms should be installed according to the manufacturer's guidelines.

The Village of Yorkville requires permits in order to perform certain builds, upgrades, and fences. Please check with the village to see if your project requires a permit.

Remember: If you have a sidewalk in front of or side of your home, it is your responsibility to keep it clear from snow and ice. If you have not cleaned your sidewalk within 24 hours of a snow event, the Village will do so, and you will be charged accordingly.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

- **Village Board of Trustees** – 1st Tuesday of each month at 6 PM.
- **Zoning Board** – 4th Monday of each month at 7 PM.
Meetings are held in the Board Room of the Municipal Bldg.

The Village would also like to remind all residents that parking on your front lawn is prohibited by Village Local Law 135-26 Off Street Parking.

YORKVILLE VILLAGE COURT

315-736-0204

You can file small claims, pay fines and parking tickets.

Court is open only on Monday's excluding Holidays. The court doors open at 11:00AM.

Fines can be mailed to: **Yorkville Village Court**
P.O. Box 203
Yorkville, N.Y. 13495



Paid in person: at the Court on Monday's between 11am and 3pm.

In the drop box: located on the outside of the building near the court entrance.

Online at: www.villageofyorkvilleny.org under the court tab.

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FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The members of the Yorkville Fire Department want to remind everyone to check the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Change your batteries twice a year. When it is time to replace the detector (10 Yrs. from manufacture date) replace it with a 10 Yr. maintenance free one. Placement of the detectors can be found on the Department of State web site under Division of Building Standards and Codes, click on, free online codes.

Your safety is our main concern, and we are asking that everyone have their homes numbered and that those numbers can be seen from the street. In an emergency, those numbers help us find you and can save valuable seconds.

Winter is approaching, and although we all hope it is a mild one, we know that we will have some snow. Please help us by keeping the hydrants clear of snow and ice. Clear them when you can and please do not deposit snow from your driveway or sidewalk on or around the hydrants.

Anyone who is interested in joining the Fire Department is encouraged to contact the Fire Department at (315) 736-1523 or the Village Clerk at (315) 736-9391, for questions on how to join or questions regarding becoming a member. You must be at least 16 years old to join.

DATES TO REMEMBER

October 31 at 6pm – Halloween Parade, line up on Montrose and Campbell and walk to the fire house.

November 3 at 3pm – Roast beef dinner at the fire house.

December 3 at 6pm – Tree lighting ceremony at W. Whitesboro St. Memorial Park.

December 22 and 23 – Santa will be visiting the village on the fire truck!!!

Village of Yorkville



DEPT OF HEALTH

Oneida County Dept. of Health would like us to remind residents that feeding wildlife is discouraged. Each year we hear of several cases of rabies in the area. **Please do not** throw food on your lawn, it draws nuisance animals and IS considered littering. We do not want to invite the wrong kind of animal to our neighborhood, like skunks, feral cats, or rodents. These animals can also carry rabies, and endanger ourselves, our children, and our pets.

SOLID WASTE NEWS

The Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority Facility is open to the public now through September 30th. Paint, chemicals, pesticides, and electronic devices are accepted for disposal at their Leland Ave. site. The Village is not responsible for disposal of these items. Please call them at 315-733-1224 for details or visit their website www.ohswa.org for more info.

Stormwater Hotline | 315.724.2313

The stormwater hotline is provided for the public to call and report storm water quality problems. We all must keep the water we drink clean, it's the only water we have. A reminder: wipes should never be flushed, even if they say flushable. Quite often when sewers back up, the culprits are wipes. For more information, please visit their web site at

www.RippleEffectOCSD.org

DOG OWNERS

Oneida County Law requires all dogs to be licensed and vaccinated for rabies. Dog licenses can be obtained from the Whitestown Clerk's Office at 8539 Clerk Mills Road, Whitesboro.

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