VILLAGE NEWSLETTER Village of Green Island www.villageofgreenisland.com APRIL 2018

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 24th – <u>MEMORIAL DAY PARADE</u> – 6:00 P.M. All Veterans are invited to participate in the parade, please call Maggie Alix for further information.

OUTDOOR BURNING BANNED UNTIL MAY 14TH

Fire Chief Robert Bourgeois 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 17th starting at 8:00 a.m. This year the street cleaning will be conducted like our snow removal. The Police Department will travel the streets and announce the time that street cleaning operations will begin. If you do not hear the announcement, 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 273-5565. Vehicles that interfere with street cleaning will receive a TICKET. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Rain date is Friday, May 19th.

HYDRANT FLUSHING

Hydrants will be flushed in Green Island and Maplewood on the following days: MONDAY, MAY 21st, TUESDAY, MAY 22nd & WEDNESDAY, MAY 23rd

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 273-4959 or the Village Office at 273-2201.

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 on Monday, May 21st at 6:30 p.m. at the Green Island Municipal Center, 19 George Street and comments from the public are welcome.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY - NEW FORMAT FOR SPRING CLEAN-UP

Spring Clean-Up will be held on the following Saturdays in May: May 5th, 12th and 19th 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. Due to increasing costs of running this program a minimal fee of \$15 per car load will now be charged. Participants must pay at the Village Office during regular office hours before the date of the event. Payment cannot be accepted at the 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.* If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the D.P.W. Garage at 273-5565 or the Village Office at 273-2201.

THERE WILL NOT BE A MAYOR'S NEWSLETTER THIS MONTH, BUT PLEASE PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE FLYER PERTAINING TO RECYCLING FOR ALL RESIDENTS. RECYCLING SAVES THE ENVIRONMENT AND COSTS MUCH LESS TO DISPOSE OF THAN REGULAR WASTE.

PLEASE RECYCLE, IT IS THE LAW.

BLOOD DRIVE

The Village of Green Island will be sponsoring a Blood Drive on **Friday, May 11th from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** at the Community Center located at 5 George Street. Mayor Ellen will be reaching out to all her "regular" donors after April 23rd and anyone can call after April 23rd if they would like to schedule an appointment, she can be reached at 518-271-6965.

NEWS FROM THE GREEN ISLAND SENIOR CITIZENS

The "Mother's Day Flower Sale" will be Monday, May 7th – Friday, May 11th or until the baskets sell out. All assorted hanging baskets will be \$21 each. If you would like to pre-order a basket, please call Jill Alix at 272-7262.

RECREATION NEWS

Men's Summer Basketball League Sign-Up - All men, 18 and over are welcome to sign up to play in the Green Island Basketball League. Games are played every Tuesday and Thursday with game times starting at 6:15 p.m., 7:15 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. All players must be residents of the Village and be able to show proof. The regular season games will begin July 5th. All participants must sign up before June 15th at the Village Office or contact Maggie Alix at 273-2201. Failure to sign-up before the league starts could result in not being assigned to a team. Please do not assume you have been placed on a team. There will be a fee of \$50.00 per player this year. The fee must be paid before June 15th.

<u>Summer Employment</u> - All applications for summer employment must be returned on or before Friday, April 27th, no exceptions!

2018 - 3rd ANNUAL RELAY FOR LIFE OF THE HUDSON RIVER COMMUNITIES

LOOKING FOR ALL SURVIVORS – There will be a free dinner at the Relay for Life for survivors and a Guest. Please RSVP by June 1st. Relay for Life will be held on Saturday, June 9th, 2018 from Noon to Midnight. Location of relay is Watervliet Jr./Sr. High School, 1245 Hillside Dr., Watervliet, NY 12189. For further information, please visit website www.relayforlife.org/hudsonriverny or you can contact Georgia Vieira, Community Manager at 518-220-6934 or Danielle Boudreau, Local Contact at 518-892-5431.

NEWS FROM AMERICAN LEGION POST #927

Please support "VETERAN WALKATHON" on Saturday, April 21st, 2018 at Cook Park (Sharon Dr. Pavilion), Off Lincoln Ave., Colonie, NY. The event is sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary & Sons of The American Legion of Albany County. The WALK begins at 12 Noon with registration starting at 11:00 a.m. All donations will benefit VA Medical Centers, Veteran Assisted Living Homes in New York and the Albany Fisher Home and "Our Military Kids" (supports children of wounded service members and of deployed National Guard and Reservists. They are selling boots that say they marched for us. They will accept any donations. Please make checks payable to: NYS SAL. For further information, please contact: Brenda Persons at 518-271-6184.

The American Legion and the Sons of the American Legion Post #927 will be sponsoring a MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST on Sunday, May 13th, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The cost is \$10.00 per person; children 5 and under are FREE. Menu consists of: Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Pancakes, Home Fries, Coffee, Tea and Juice. Any questions, please call the American Legion at 272-1198.

COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER FOR DONNY JANSE

There will be a fund raiser for Green Island resident and Heatly School graduate, Donny Janse, on Saturday, May 12th from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the Green Island Lanes, Lafayette Street, Green Island. Donny, who is 28 years of age, has recently been diagnosed with Acute Leukemia. He was diagnosed on March 22nd and started Chemotherapy on March 23rd for thirty (30) days and hopes to continue with outpatient therapy. Those wishing to attend, the donation will be \$20 for adults and \$10 for children under 12. The price will include two (2) games of bowling (shoes included). There will be other games, food and raffles. Please come out and help support Donny! Hope to see you there!