

VILLAGE NEWSLETTER
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RECREATION NEWS

GREEN ISLAND FAMILY PICNIC – SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

The Village of Green Island will sponsor the “GREEN ISLAND FAMILY PICNIC” to be held on **Sunday, September 23rd from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at the Paine Street Park.

Included will be many different food vendors. The **Green Island Little League** will be serving hot dogs & hamburgers, **MacMurray & Sons** will have the much anticipated “French Fry” bowls, fried dough and sno-cones and the **Bourgeois’** will be selling their famous clam chowder. In addition to lots of yummy food, we will have face painting, balloon animals, a bouncy bounce and a fun crafts table. The Green Island Seniors will be selling gorgeous **MUMS** for \$10.00. **Heatly PTO** and **Catskill Hudson Bank** and **SCRUFF** will have information booths on site.

Musical entertainment will be provided by “**Hands of Time**”.

Mayor Ellen McNulty-Ryan will recognize several **Village Employees** for their years of service at **1:00 p.m.**

Our **4th Annual Kickball Game** against the **Green Island Police Department** will start at approximately 12:30 p.m.

The **Albany County Sheriff’s Department** is bringing the “**Safe Kids RV**”. This is the perfect opportunity to get your child registered in the County database. Every child that registers will receive an identification card.

HALLOWEEN PARADE - The annual **Halloween Parade** will be held on **Wednesday, October 31st**. Cash prizes will be awarded for the best costumes and floats. The parade forms at **5:30 p.m.** at the corner of George and Hamilton Streets and will begin at **6:00 p.m.** Rain location will be under the Collar City Bridge on Hudson Avenue.

YOGI CYO BASKETBALL REGISTRATION - Registration Forms for **YOGI CYO Basketball** will be distributed to classes at Heatly School and will be available on the Village website. The cost to participate is \$40.00. The price includes a uniform jersey. The uniform will belong to the player and will not have to be returned at the end of the season. Each player will be responsible for getting a **BLACK** pair of basketball shorts. Checks should be made payable to **VILLAGE OF GREEN ISLAND**. Elijah Legault will have a table at Heatly School at their **OPEN HOUSE** to be held on Thursday, September 20th for anyone interested in registering, they may do so at this time.

BLOOD DRIVE

The Village of Green Island will be sponsoring a Blood Drive on **Friday, September 28th** from **1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** at the Community Center located at 5 George Street. Please contact Mayor Ellen McNulty-Ryan at her home telephone of 518-271-6965 if you have any questions or would like to schedule an appointment.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Fire Prevention Week will be held October 7th – 13th, 2018. Members of the Fire Department will be visiting Heatly School and other community organizations during this week. This year's theme is **"Look, Listen and Learn"**. The Fire Department will also be sponsoring composition and poster contests on various aspects of fire prevention. If you have any questions, please contact the Firehouse at 518-273-1041.

STORM DRAIN MARKERS

Have you noticed the storm drain markers that read **"Don't Dump, Drains to Hudson River"** located near the catch basins on Albany Avenue, and other areas around Green Island? This marker is a reminder that storm sewers in that area of the Village flow directly to the river and that anything deposited in them will contribute to water pollution that affects swimming, fishing and even drinking water downstream. Please don't dump anything into the catch basins or drains (anywhere) and if you see others doing it contact the Village Office at 518-273-2201 or email to swcoalition@albanycounty.com. Thank you for your assistance.

NEWS FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION

Please join the American Legion for a **STEAK ROAST DINNER**, sponsored by the Green Island Sons of the American Legion, on **Saturday, October 27th, 2018** from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$20.00 per person. If you are a member or purchase your tickets in advance, the cost is \$16.00. Cost includes: NY Strip Steak, Baked Potato, Salad, Rolls, Soda, Draft Beer, Coffee and Dessert. In addition there will be door prizes, raffles and music by **DJ LAZZ** immediately following dinner. Tickets are available at the Legion. For more information, please call 518-272-1198.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCH OF THE SHEPHERD

Free Community Dinner – Friday, September 28th from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. A free delicious dinner for all to enjoy. Bring your family and friends, all at no charge. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

Family Style Chicken-N-Biscuit Dinner – Saturday, October 13th from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. All the fixins' and homemade desserts. \$12/Adults, \$6/12 & Under, Free/5 & Under. Takeouts available starting at 4 p.m. Free Delivery in Green Island.

Scouting Program – Cub Scout Pack 2646 for Boys and Girls has begun. The program is starting with those entering grades –K – 2nd Grades. For info: Joe Cramer (Assistant District Commissioner) – 518-491-0749 or cramerjojo@gmail.com or call the Church at 518-273-5531.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN GREEN ISLAND

September 16, 2018

Dear Friends,

It seems like September is always a busy month. Our concerts are done and I came home the other day after finishing delivering "Thank You" letters to all of our sponsors and my husband said, "I think we need to get out our letters for the Festival of Trees." I can't put into print what my response to him was. I just wanted to bask in the pleasure of finishing up one thing and he was ready to start the next! (He is a couple of years older than me – but he has the energy of a 16 year old!) So on Saturday, we got that mailing all together and it will be going out in tomorrow's mail. Keep Saturday, December 8th on your calendar. Even if you don't have a tree, it is a great family day. I will be sending out more info in the coming months. We may have one tree that has not been reserved, so if you are interested, give Tara a call at the Village Office (518-273-2201) and she will put you on the list. And as always, we will have the Veteran's Tree for anyone to put an ornament on in memory of or in honor of a Veteran. And I am still checking on Santa's schedule, but I think he will be landing at the park at 5:00 p.m. to sing with us and chat with all the kids. Hope you can join us!

Family Day is on for next Sunday, September 23rd from noon to 3:00 p.m. at the Paine Street Park. This is a great opportunity to get together, enjoy each other's company, listen to great music, enjoy delicious food and watch the competition between our Police Department and our youth as they fight for the title of champion in their annual Kick Ball Tournament. Check out the other newsletter for more info.

Also on Sunday the 23rd, there will be a ceremony at the Vietnam Memorial (corner of George and Market Streets) at 11:00 a.m. honoring two deceased Vietnam Veterans, Garrett Hartshorn and Garrett Schnapp, whose names have recently been added to the monument. Tom Mullins was responsible for obtaining the documentation in order to have their names added. Hope you can join their family and friends for this dedication at 11:00 a.m.

Our Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for Friday, September 28th from 1 to 6 p.m. at the Community Center (5 George Street). Walk-Ins are welcome, but it is best to make an appointment to avoid backups at busy times. Give me a call at home at 518-271-6965 or call the Village Office and leave your info with Tara (sorry Tara, I seem to be giving you more jobs) and she can put you on the schedule.

For those of you who are not aware, we will be making some changes in our Fire Department later this month. Fire Chief Bob Bourgeois will continue to be our Chief, but will go to a part time status. In his full time firefighter shift, he will be replaced by Jordan Jones, who has been a Callman for many years and was appointed to the full time position last month at our Village Board meeting. Jordan has expressed his interest in being a full time firefighter in Green Island since he was seven years old. And his grandfather, Rick Jones, who was a former Callman himself and presently Deputy Mayor, had the pleasure of swearing him in. Congratulations to Jordan and we wish him many years of service to our Village.

I think that is it for this month. Next month we will be talking about the Halloween Parade, Thanksgiving, snow removal (ugh!) and before you know it – Christmas! The weeks are flying by. If we could eliminate January and February, winter wouldn't be so bad. I guess I shouldn't complain about snow when you see what the folks in the Carolinas are going through. Keep them and all the emergency responders in your prayers. They are going to need all the help they can get!

Sincerely,



Ellen M. McNulty-Ryan