

Leave Your Mark on the Village – Buy a Brick!



The Village of Phoenix continues to sell personalized bricks. Here is your chance to leave an indelible mark on the stairway of The Sweet Memorial Building.

Great reasons to buy a brick: it's your message, have fun with it.

- Commemorate an important event, person, pet
- Birthday, Memorial, Holiday
- Thank a friend or organization
- Congratulate a student on graduating
- The reasons are endless!

Police Department News



We have had a great Fall. On Halloween we had a fantastic time hosting a parade, trick or treating with the kids and a Halloween bash with New Sound DJ's that was a spooktacular time.

Now we are gearing up for our season of Giving back. On December 12th we will be joining forces with the Onondaga County Sheriff's Office and participating in the Hero's and Helpers event at Target on Route 31 in the Town of Clay. This event takes children who are less fortunate and allows them to shop for Christmas presents. Then on December 20th we will be visiting our Senior citizens who are signed up with our C.H.O.O.S.E. program, with a little something from Santa. We also recently launched a new program, K.I.N.D. (Kids in Need of Direction), where we will attempt to mentor our youth as a big brother or sister. Anyone that would like to donate to any of these worthwhile programs can send gift cards for our senior citizens from any grocery store or Target gift cards for our Hero's and Helpers to :

Phoenix Police Department
455 Main Street
Phoenix, NY 13135

Your Police Department hopes that you have a safe and happy holiday season, please do your part and "Do not drink and drive".

Marty Nerber – Police Chief

Do you want to receive a colored newsletter electronically?

E-mail Laura at:
newsletter@villageofphoenix-ny.gov



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Reminder from the Clerk's Office

On December 24th the Clerk's Office will be closing at 11:00am and on December 31st at 12:00pm

Please remember that December 31st is the last day we will be accepting water/sewer/refuse payments, all unpaid balances will be transferred to the Village tax bill.

Happy Holidays!

Be Prepared to Stay Safe and Healthy in Winter

Winter storms and cold temperatures can be hazardous, but if you plan ahead, you can stay safe and healthy. Prepare your home and cars. Prepare for power outages and outdoor activity. Check on older adults.

Take these steps for your home

- Winterize your home – Install weather stripping, insulation, and storm windows; insulate water lines that run along exterior walls.
- Check your heating system – Have your heating system serviced professionally to make sure that it is clean, working properly and ventilated to the outside; inspect and clean fireplaces and chimneys; install a smoke detector. Test batteries monthly.

Don't forget to prepare your car

- Service the radiator and maintain antifreeze level; check tire tread or, if necessary, replace tires with all-weather or snow tires – Keep the gas tank full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines; prepare a winter emergency kit to keep in your car in case you become stranded.

Take these precautions outdoors

- Wear appropriate outdoor clothing: layers of light, warm clothing; mittens; hats; scarves; and waterproof boots.
- Learn safety precautions to follow when outdoors – Be aware of the wind chill factor; work slowly when doing outside chores; carry a cell phone.

Do this when you plan to travel

- Avoid traveling when the weather service has issued advisories.
- If you must travel, inform a friend or relative of your proposed route and expected time of arrival.

Above all, be prepared to check on family and neighbors who are especially at risk from cold weather hazards: young children, older adults, and the chronically ill. If you have pets, bring them inside. If you cannot bring them inside, provide adequate, warm shelter and unfrozen water to drink. No one can stop the onset of winter. However, if you follow these suggestions, you will be ready for it when it comes.



What's New at the Library?

The Phoenix Public Library has been beautifully decorated for the Holiday Season by the Century Club.

Join us for Story Time Mondays at 11:00 AM and for afterschool Lego Club Tuesdays from 3:30 to 4:30 PM.

Please check our website www.phoenixnylibrary.org for information on our book clubs, ancestry.com group, crafting activities, movies and special events. And don't forget to check our catalog for newly released books and a growing collection of both non-fiction books for children and movies for everyone.

Winter Fun in Downtown!



Phoenix Rising, a local volunteer group has created its next fun family event... Ice Skating in the Park! A new public ice skating rink will be open in Vickery Park for all our residents to enjoy. The rink will be available all day every day to clear off and skate at your own risk. Friday and Saturday nights Phoenix Rising will

Be volunteering their time at the rink with local food vendors offering their soups, chowders, chili and hot drinks. Lighting, music and warm fire for all to enjoy as well!!

The rink was made possible by Phoenix Rising along with donations from vendors and local businesses. Ice skates, at this time are not available. We are currently taking donations of skates of all sizes, colors and brands, if you would like to donate your old skates you can drop them off at the Clerk's office located in the Sweet Memorial Building 455 Main Street

D.P.W. News

The snow season is quickly approaching us and the DPW will be out trying to keep the streets clear and safe throughout the season. We ask that you please do not park overnight on streets so the plows can clean the streets efficiently. When shoveling or snow blowing driveways and sidewalks please do not put snow in roads. We do ask if you have a fire hydrant in front of your property to please keep it clear for fire safety. Please keep basketball hoops away from roadsides so the plows can keep the snow off the roads. The DPW will check from time to time for debris from storms throughout the winter, please feel free to call the Clerk's Office to schedule a pickup. Christmas trees will start being collected on December 28th. Please try to keep them uncovered and out of the road. If you would like to drop them off to the DPW there will be a spot there as well and you can get the information from the Clerk's Office. Please drive safe and have a Happy Holiday Season.

John Kerfien – D.P.W. Crew Leader



Winter Village Board Meeting Schedule

1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM @ Sweet Memorial Building – 455 Main Street

This is a great opportunity for residents to meet your local government officials and discuss any issues or concerns you have.

Make sure to mark your calendars!

Follow us on Facebook to receive weekly updates.

Winter News

- **REMINDER:** Starting November 1st to April 1st between the hours of 2:00am and 6:00am on street parking is prohibited due to snow removal.
- **CHRISTMAS TREES:** Starting December 28th, the DPW will begin collecting Christmas trees. Please keep them uncovered and out of the road. If you would like to drop them off to the DPW there will be a spot to drop off your trees.
- **SHOVELING:** Before the snow flies, purchase a snow shovel with a long handle that reduces stress on the back. A wide shovel that holds more snow may be too heavy so consider a smaller one depending on your strength. Dress warmly and wear winter boots that provide insulation for warmth and rubber soles for good traction keeping you from falling. Allow yourself plenty of time to shovel the walks and driveways. Pace yourself and do not over do it by trying to hurry through a big job. Take a break every 10 or 15 minutes. Go into the house to warm up and drink a glass of water. Dehydration becomes possible when the temperature sinks below freezing.



See a Street Light Out???

To report a street light out, flickering or exposed wiring, you can contact the Village Clerk's Office at (315) 695-4084.

We will need to know the address and the pole number that is located on the side of the pole.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE VILLAGE?

For more information call 695-1307

www.villageofphoenix-ny.gov

December 5, 2015

- 6:30 PM, Sweet Memorial Building Tree Lighting Ceremony & Visit from Santa

December 12, 2015

- 10:00 AM-2:00 PM, 1st United Methodist Church Christmas Cookie Walk
- 10:00 AM-4:00 PM, Sweet Memorial Building Phoenix Lions Club 1st Christmas Craft Show

December 13, 2015

- 9:00 AM- 11:00 AM, Sweet Memorial Building Breakfast with Santa



From the Code Enforcement Officer

Winter is Upon Us!

A couple items to remember as the snow starts to fly. It is your responsibility to keep the sidewalks in front of or side of your home cleared of snow. This is very important in our Village as many of our residents use the walkways all winter long. It's also a Village law.

Check your exterior steps and hand rails for rot or loose parts. They will be put to firmer use in the foul weather. Remember that garbage to the curb begins Wednesday afternoon for pickup on Thursday. Please store your waste cans on the side or in the back of your home if not inside a building. Tires, furniture, building debris, and electronic equipment are NOT picked up by the Village trash collectors. Please dispose of these items through the county landfill or other acceptable methods.

Thank you for helping keep Phoenix a better place to live.

Happy Holidays to all!

Don Ryan — Code Enforcement Officer



Winter can be a time for enjoying the great indoors with friends and family. Help keep your home safe from winter fire hazards by ensuring your fire hydrants are clear and readily accessible in an emergency.

Who should clear hydrants?

Although there are no rules concerning who should clear hydrants, it's generally considered the responsibility of the resident occupying the property near a hydrant.



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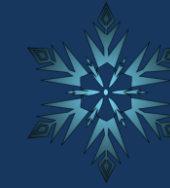
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Police Department

Please Dial 911



Message from the Mayor...

Water Update

The Village board has recently been informed that the water project will be delayed by a month at this point in time. The Village board has been working hard to keep the project on time and will continue to work hard to get the project back on track. Unfortunately the approval process has taken longer than expected. Along with the construction of the project the water committee has been exploring other city's water budgets to find cost saving measures to help reduce any additional cost of getting water from another supplier.

Thank You

I would like to extend my appreciation to the new Phoenix Rising group for their orchestration of the first annual Phoenix Fall Phestival and to the police and fire department for their help with Halloween. The fall festival was a great success; there were a variety of activities for all age groups, food promoting our community restaurants, music, fireman's push ball and more. Halloween was another successful event with no reported incidents. The police and fire department hosted a Halloween after party with a great turnout. With groups like Phoenix Rising and the police and fire department, with great members willing to volunteer their time to promote and improve the quality of life in our community, will our community grow. There are many community events throughout the year which include the village tree lighting and Santa event on December 5, 2015 starting at 6:00 pm at the Sweet Memorial Building. Hope to see you there!

Mayor Ryan Wood

Village of Phoenix Newsletter

December 2015

... and your Trustees

As some of you may know by now I am one of the Village's Trustees elected in March of this year. In the many months since I've been in office we have tackled some of the major issues the Village of Phoenix faces.

As promised we have worked diligently on getting better infrastructure in place for our residents and have applied for grants to help pay for the improvements to our aging water and sewer infrastructure.

The bathhouse project has been completed providing bathrooms and a



shower to boaters and concert goes in Henley Park this was paid for as part of a 50/50 match grant. We are currently working on other projects like a solar field for green renewable energy and expanding water service down Main Street between the village line and the new Byrne Dairy. I invite anyone who wants to get involved to come to the Village board meetings the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7pm in the Sweet Memorial building at 455 Main St. We'd love the support and comments. I want to wish everyone a Happy Holiday season and I hope to see you at the tree lighting ceremony!

Sincerely,

Trustee Andrew Bittel

"Dear Village of Phoenix Resident or Town of Schroepel Water Customer:

Please be advised the quarterly notice entitled "Important Information About Your Drinking Water" for the period of October 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 has been posted in its entirety on the Village of Phoenix website at [http://villageofphoenix-ny.gov/](http://villageofphoenix-ny.gov) under the Documents tab. Included is also a link to the informational document relative to microorganisms found in unfiltered water.

In the event you do not have internet access or for any other reason would still like a hard (paper) copy, one can be picked up free of charge at the Village of Phoenix Clerk/Treasurer's office during regular business hours (weekdays between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm).

If for any reason you are unable to access the Village website and would like an electronic transmitted (email) copy, please email your request to the following address: rdemo@villageofphoenix-ny.gov, and please permit seven (7) to ten (10) days for a response. This will permit the Clerk's office to transmit in groups.

Thank you.

VILLAGE OF PHOENIX"