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Village of Phoenix

Newsletter

September 2015

Message from the Mayor

This summer has been an exciting time for the Village. We have learned about, applied, received and completed many grants throughout the Village. The first and most important grant that the Village has learned about is the New York State Water Infrastructure Improvement Act. This grant opportunity will provide up to 25% of our total project cost to improve sewer infrastructure and up to 60% of our total project cost to improve our water infrastructure. This grant is a 25% New York State match grant to improve both water and sewer infrastructure. The grant will be available over the next three years but can only be awarded once to each community. The Village will be submitting an application every year until we are fortunate enough to be awarded. Our goal as a board is to improve the quality of the Village infrastructure while complying with outside governmental regulations and staying within fiscal restraints.

The Village has applied for a feasibility study to explore the possibility of a marina/park in the unused property next to the waste water treatment plant. This grant will explore any restriction on the land and set up the possibility to build a revenue generating marina, condos, restaurant and public park. The Village has received a \$50,000 grant to improve Memorial Park, which is located behind the high school and is the location of the former Phoenix pool. This grant was made possible with the help of Senator Patty Ritchie.

Ideas for the grant are: improvement to the current building (bathroom remodel and storage), improve the use of the Village baseball field, a playground with picnic area for families, and a covered gazebo to use for parties.

The last few grants that have been awarded and are almost completed are the bath house grant (which included the pavilion replacement on the island) and the Main Street grant which provides funds to mixed-use (commercial and residential) properties located on State Street that



an additional allocation for streetscape enhancements. The Main Street required match component is paid by the landowner.

The Village with the help of KL Consulting is always pursuing grants that would benefit the quality of life to all residents. Please see the Village website www.villageofphoenix-ny.gov to for all updates and timelines for all awarded grants.

Mayor Ryan Wood

NEWS FOR NEW RESIDENTS...

Rubbish Pick-Up

Rubbish pick-up is on Thursdays. All garbage must be at the curb no later than 6:30am on the day of collection but not before 12:00 noon the day before.

Yard Waste

According with the Village of Phoenix Local Law#2 all yard waste must be in biodegradable paper bags and placed at the curb or street side, but not into the street. Plastic bags are not going to be picked-up. Yard waste will be pick-up weekly.

Reminder from the Clerk's Office

The Clerk's office will be closed
Labor Day – September 7
Veteran's Day – November 11
Thanksgiving – November 26 & 27

We issue parking permits for people with disabilities. Marriage licenses and dog licenses can be obtained at Town of Schroepel Clerk's Office located at 69 County Route 57A, Phoenix, NY 13135. All dogs must be licensed and have a current rabies vaccine certificate. For more information call the Town Office at (315) 695-6231.

School Drop Off Safety Tips



September 8, 2015 marks the beginning of the school year for the Village of Phoenix.

If you are the parent of a child and plan on driving your child to school, please keep a number of safety tips in mind as you drop them off and pick them up:

Police Department News



With Fall rapidly approaching, that can only mean one thing? Yes, you guessed it ... our precious youth are back in school learning how to be adults. Keeping the adult theme in mind

we need to remember to set examples for our children and obey our laws, specifically speeding in school zones. We will be monitoring and hopefully not issuing those expensive reminders to everyone. Safety of our children is our concern, it should also be yours.

We would also like to inform the public that between September 14th and September 18th we will be participating in a statewide school safety initiative, aggressively enforcing all school zones and passed stopped school buses.

Your Police also ask that you refrain from texting and using your cell phone while driving. We have seen the terrible accidents and heartache this has caused and is totally avoidable. We are not so concerned with ticketing travelers, but would like everyone to arrive safely at their destinations.



Our summer basketball camp was a huge success and 3/3 CHOOSE Tournament was again a great time had by all – Thank You to all that sponsored and volunteered.

Please enjoy your last holiday weekend of the summer by being responsible, designate that driver.

Please join us on September 11th at 7:00pm at Henley Park to honor those who lost their lives on 9/11/2001.

Please like us on Facebook (Village of Phoenix Police), we will keep you updated on our events and activities.

Marty Nerber – Police Chief.

♦ Follow the instructions of the school and become familiar with the traffic pattern at your child's school. Know where to enter and exit the school safely and obey all signage.

♦ Remember that a child's size and lack of understanding about driving rules can place them at great risk. Drivers are less able to see a small child and it is harder for children to see oncoming traffic. A child's lack of road experience can make it difficult for them to judge dangerous situations.

♦ When dropping off, DON'T BACK UP! According to statistics, children being backed over accounts for more child fatalities than any other non-traffic related accident.

♦ Always have children exit your vehicle on the right (passenger) side and watch them walk safely to the sidewalk.

♦ STAY OFF THE CELL PHONE AND DON'T TEXT! Avoid using driver distractions such as cell phones, GPS devices, and even drinking your morning coffee.

Do you want to receive a colored newsletter electronically?

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



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Village-of-Phoenix



Please remember to observe **Veteran's Day, November 11**

with a thank you to those who have served our country. We hope our soldiers are able to return home soon and we thank them for their service.

HALLOWEEN



Trick or Treat hours in the Village of Phoenix will be from 6pm – 8pm
Saturday, October 31, Halloween Day

FALL NEWS



- As we approach fall there will be a lot of leaf and yard waste clean-up going on. Please be sure to bag all leaves in bio-degradable bags. (Plastic bags will not be picked up).
- Please keep all bags and yard waste on yard edges and not in roadways where they pose a potential harm to motorists and during heavy rains get washed into storm drains plugging them and flooding roadways.
- Brush is to be neatly stacked with cut ends facing the road. Will be picked-up weekly unless weather or unforeseen circumstances arise. Trees taken down by contractors must be removed and cleaned up by homeowners or contractors.
- Is your sidewalk in disrepair?? Call the clerk's office to find out the benefits of our sidewalk program that we offer.
- Please feel free to call the clerk's office with questions or concerns related to Trees damaged by storms, or problems with streets, or possible water or sewer issues.



Change Your Clocks... Change Your Batteries!



Spring forward and fall back. This time of the year is when we can gain an extra hour of sleep. Turn your clocks back one hour on Sunday November 1st, 2015. Eastern Standard Time begins at 2:00AM, Sunday November 1st, 2015.

Unfortunately, it also means that shorter days are coming and another Central New York winter is not far away.

While changing your clocks, remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.

Be proactive. Take a few minutes to make sure all your detectors are working. It might not just save your house, it may also save YOU.

SAFETY TIPS FROM THE VILLAGE

Prevent Fires Due to Children Playing With Lighters and Matches

- Never allow children to play with lighters or matches
- Teach young children to tell a grown-up when they see matches and lighters
- Teach your children about safe uses of fire such as cooking, heating and birthday candles
- If your child seems overly interested in fire, has started a fire (it doesn't have to be a large one, all fires start out small) or has played with matches and lighters... Call your local fire department and ask if they can talk with your child

The natural curiosity about fire needs to be addressed. Children don't understand how dangerous a fire is or how quickly it can grow and get out of control. The potential for a deadly fire is very real.

Fall Village Board Meeting Schedule



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

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.

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 that the light is directly in front of or the pole number which is located on the side of the pole.

What's New at the Library?



This summer, the Phoenix Public Library participated in the New York Summer Reading Program, "Every Hero Has a Story". Kids and teens alike have attended a vast array of exciting new programs including Lego Club, American Girl Club, special guests, performances and so much more.

Story Time for toddlers resumes Monday, September 14th at 11:00am; our wonderful Miss Katie (Mss. Katie Moore) provides an hour of crafts, songs and stories for preschoolers.

The Library will host local author, Benjamin Kellogg on Monday, September 14th at 7:00pm. Ben is a delightful young man who "...created the "Noah and Logan" book series as a way to help children with autism learn the social and life skills he struggled with as a child". He will give a reading from his series currently available as eBooks from Amazon.com.

The evening book group meets every fourth Tuesday of the month; September 22nd and October 27th at 7:00pm in the Century Club Room. The morning book group meets every second Thursday of the month at 11:00am in the Century Club Room; September 10th and October 8th.

Our Lego Club meets every Tuesday afternoon from 3:30pm to 4:30pm starting September 15th in the Century Club Room.

The library also has an Ancestry.com group, a Quilling group, a Card making group and a Writer's Workshop. We are contacting current members to set up our fall schedule.

The Phoenix Public Library will hold a book sale from September 26, 2015 to October 3rd, 2015. Hard cover books will be \$1.00 and paperback books will be \$.50 or 3/\$1.00. Best selection happens early in the sale and best bargains will begin Wednesday with the bag sale.

Visit www.phoenixnylibrary.org and check out our new webpage calendar for all the activities at the library or call 695-4355 for more information.

Noreen Patterson – Director Phoenix Public Library.

FROM THE BRIDGE HOUSE

Hello everyone,

The Bridge House Brats would like to thank everyone for all of your support this summer. We enjoyed meeting and getting to know everyone who supported our program. Without the help of all of our generous volunteers the park just wouldn't be able to be what it is today. So we would like to thank all of our volunteers for everything that you do, it means so much to us. Another one of the factors that makes the Bridge House, "The Bridge House", is the children, without the kids the park wouldn't have the same energy as it has now. They give the park life and give boaters an experience they wouldn't be able to get anywhere else. The Bridge House gains new kids every year and they keep the tradition of "Kids to Kids" going, kids helping out kids. So all of these new Brats, our old Brats too, would like to thank everyone in the community and who visited us this summer a big thank you for all the support you gave our program. It means the world to us when people support our community and more importantly our youth.

Bridge House Brats



D.P.W. News

On Monday August 17th the Village experienced a major water break in the transmission line by the well house on Co. Rt. 12. It took the DPW crew some time to locate and isolate this break in the wooded area, therefore everyone experienced very low and no water pressure for a period overnight. The DPW crew worked around the clock to connect to our emergency water source (OCWA), it was turned on and in use during this time to refill our system. The break was repaired as quickly as possible and all residents had water restored by morning and outside users fully restored within a couple of days. As you can see in the pictures, the main has been repaired and with help from the county health department, with testing and sampling, we have received good results from the lab and are back up and running as usual. Thank you for your patience during that time.





1st Annual

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Your Community
and Your
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PHOENIX FALL PHESTIVAL

"Lock Island" • Phoenix • Saturday, October 10th

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!

Festival Food • Pumpkin Fall Beers & Hard Ciders

Handmade Crafts • Family Fun Games • Hay Ride

Old fashioned Fireman's Pushball

Chicken BBQ • Family Movie at Dark & More!

Contact us if you wish to participate!

Crafters, Local Restaurants & More!

Phoenix Rising is a group of local business owners and community members working together to host various events throughout the Village of Phoenix. All proceeds from the events will help fund future events and beautification projects.

We encourage anyone who wants to host an event or has an idea for an event to contact Phoenix Rising through our Facebook Page and or our website.

www.phoenixrising13135.com

WHAT'S IN THE VILLAGE?

For more information
call 695-1307
www.villageofphoenix-ny.gov

September 11, 2015

7:00 PM, Henley Park
Community Vigil in Memory of those
who lost their lives.

(Bring a candle & chair)



From the Code Enforcement Officer

• Do You Have Your House Number Displayed?

As part of the 911 Emergency Plan that went into effect a while ago, it's important to have your correct address posted so that emergency vehicles can find your home or your neighbor's home in the event of a dire emergency. We'll be checking homes in September to make sure that the numbers are prominently displayed and pre-911 addresses are obscured or removed.

• As we continue to keep our Village clean, remember these items will not be picked up by our trash vendor or Village DPW.

- Building debris (sheetrock, wood, etc.)
- Carpet or carpet padding, furniture, appliances or electronics.

Contact Bristol Hill Dump, Fulton, NY for additional information – (315) 598-5515.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Don Ryan — Code Enforcement Officer



Oswego County Department of Social Services
is currently accepting applicants for foster and
adoptive parenting. Classes begin soon.

Please contact Patty Pennock @ (315) 963-5382
for more information.

“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 July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015 has been posted in its entirety on the Village of Phoenix website at <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.

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