

# The Town of Newfane Bicentennial

## Celebrating 200 Years

April 2024

### Update from the Supervisor's Office

**John Syracuse**  
Newfane Town Supervisor



#### Projects and Improvements

The arrival of spring marks another busy time for the Town of Newfane. Our efforts have centered on completing the West Beach Berm, a final stage in building flood protection and shoreline stability for Olcott's west side. In the weeks ahead, we will pave the parking lot, add benches and other features – and build a pedestrian “walkover” deck for access to the water. Our Highway Department has also taken advantage of the mild winter days to make improvements to the parking lot on Olcott's east side across from the Lakeview Village Shoppes. More paving work on the lot is planned and other upgrades will be made to the docks and office building at the Town Marina.

Improvements to our Wastewater Treatment plant have begun and the anticipated completion date is October 31, 2025. This \$8-9 million project encompasses a near total overhaul of the 50+ year old facility. The Town continues to aggressively pursue grants to help offset the cost to ratepayers. The Town was initially awarded a \$1 million grant to fund the project and has since received another \$1.8 million in funding. I have again appealed to our federal representatives -- Congresswoman Claudia Tenney and Senators Schumer and Gillibrand—for another \$3 million. I am also looking to secure a zero-interest loan to cover any gap between grant funding and final costs.



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#### Our Bicentennial Celebrations

We will be celebrating our Bicentennial throughout the year and the many events being planned are outlined in this newsletter. We will reveal the contents of the 50-year Sesquicentennial time capsule at the spring Apple Blossom Festival on Sunday, May 19. It's early to think about our fireworks on July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 pm, but this year's Bicentennial edition is expected to be a 'spectacular that Olcott has not seen before.' Then, on July 27-28 we will feature a Teddy Roosevelt reenactor as part of the Old Olcott Days Pioneer Picnic in Krull Park, that will also include the popular antique Band-Organ rally. Saturday, August 24 will be our Bicentennial Community Day that will include a parade of bands down Newfane's Main Street with floats, vendors and day-long fun. I have secured 90-WEST, the area's premier country band to headline the celebration from 7pm - 10pm. And throughout the Bicentennial season, everyone in town can join the celebration by decorating your front yards, porches and homes with red, white and blue patriotic flags, bunting and flowers (see page x for more). Of special note, the Recovery Center of Niagara is donating \$10,000 and sponsoring our July 3<sup>rd</sup> fireworks spectacular!



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Plenty of community support was on-hand to welcomed *Marcus the Barber* to Newfane at their ribbon cutting ... l-r are Maureen Henderson of SUNY Niagara Small Business Development, Legislator Shawn Foti, Marcus Hamilton and Carly Klino and Supervisor John Syracuse

# YOUR AD HERE

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 1/2 page B & W \$150.00  
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 1/8 page B & W \$60.00  
 Business Card B & W \$35.00

**Advertise your Business in our August Newsletter.**  
**Deadline for ads is July 7, 2024. Complete the section below and return with your ad and full payment to:**  
**Town of Newfane, Newsletter**  
**2737 Main St., Newfane, NY 14108 or [newsletter@townofnewfane.com](mailto:newsletter@townofnewfane.com)**  
**Make checks payable to Town of Newfane**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Ad Size \_\_\_\_\_ Cost \_\_\_\_\_

**2024 ANNUAL TOWN WIDE YARD SALE**  
**Friday-May 31st, Saturday-June 1st & Sunday-June 2nd**

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**DAYS PARTICIPATING:**

**FRIDAY, MAY 31st** \_\_\_\_\_

**SATURDAY, JUNE 1st** \_\_\_\_\_

**SUNDAY, JUNE 2nd** \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE FOR PUBLICIZED PARTICIPATION IS FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2024. PLEASE DROP THIS OFF AT THE SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE IN TOWN HALL OR EMAIL TO [INFO@TOWNOFNEWFANE.COM](mailto:info@townofnewfane.com) PRIOR TO THAT DATE.**

**WE WILL HAVE A LIST OF ALL THE PARTICIPATING ADDRESSES FOR RESIDENTS ON-LINE AND HARD COPIES TO PICK UP AT THE TOWN HALL. PLEASE LOOK TO THE TOWN WEBSITE & OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR THIS ACCESIBLE LIST!**

**Town of Newfane**  
 2737 Main Street  
 Newfane, NY 14108  
 Hours 8:30 am – 4:30 pm  
 Monday through Friday  
[www.townofnewfane.com](http://www.townofnewfane.com)

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**Elected Officials:**

TOWN BOARD

Supervisor John Syracuse 716-778-8531 #3  
 Councilman Richard Coleman  
 Councilman Robert Horanburg  
 Councilwoman Susan Neidlinger  
 Councilman Peter Robinson

Regular Town Board meetings are held at Town Hall on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm

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**Town Clerk**  
 Donna Lakes  
 778-8822 #2  
 Fax 638-4183

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**Superintendent of Highways**  
 Jon Miller  
 778-8844

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**Town Justice**  
 2896 Transit Road  
 Newfane, NY 14108  
 Bruce M. Barnes  
 Scott R. Boudeman  
 778-9292  
 Fax 778-5793  
 Justice Court Office Hours  
 9:00 to Noon  
 Monday through Friday

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**Receiver of Taxes and Assessments**  
 Terri L. Iannucci  
 778-6052

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Assessor:	Mary Hastings	778-8827 #4
Building Inspector:	David Schmidt	778-5947 #5
Water Superintendent:	Mike Mills	778-8587
Wastewater Treatment:		
Nicholas Irr/ Plant Operator		778-7131
Composting Plant		778-7807
Refuse		1-800-330-7107
Town Marina		778-5462
Water/Sewer Billing		778-8132 #6
Water/Sewer Maintenance		778-8587
Wastewater Treatment Plant		778-7131
Wastewater Treatment Plant Fax		778-6160
Dog Control Officer		
Ordinance Enforcement Officer		
Jeffrey Newman		716-807-6270
Kenneth Nerber Asst.		716-807-4659
Historian: Bill Clark		716-778-5947 #7

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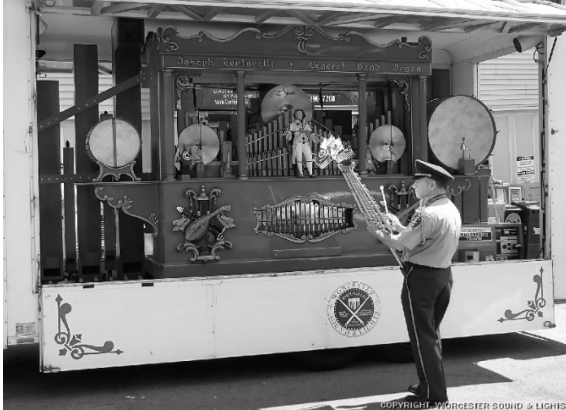


OLD OLCOTT DAYS – 2024  
 KRULL PARK – LAKESIDE  
 SATURDAY JULY, 27 & SUNDAY, JULY 28

BICENTENNIAL PIONEER PICNIC SATURDAY 12PM

~ Teddy Roosevelt Reenactor ~

Games for Children & Adults Free Hot Dogs and Water  
 (while they last)



NATIONAL BAND ORGAN RALLY  
 SATURDAY & SUNDAY  
 12PM – 5PM  
 Band Organs on Display  
 in Krull Park  
 and along Main Street

TROLLEY TOURS  
 Saturday 1pm – 5pm  
 Sunday 12pm – 5pm  
*Free Narrated Rides  
 Around Olcott*

YE OLDE LOG CABIN

Saturday & Sunday 12pm - 5pm

Extra Historical Displays

Schulze Winery Nut Hut Concessions



**Display Your Newfane Bicentennial Pride ...  
 Showcase your home or business this season  
 with Red, White and Blue**

Help Newfane show it all ... we encourage homes and business along Main Street, Lockport-Olcott Road and around town to display bunting, flags and flowers in patriotic colors for our Bicentennial season celebration.

**Flint's Hardware** will have a good supply of flags and bunting. **Heimiller Greenhouse, Zehr's on the Lake, LaRose's** and other local growers are on board to have the flowers and supplies you need.



**50 Years Ago**

...the citizens of our town buried a Time Capsule packed with more than a century worth of gifts from Newfane's past!

This year, as we celebrate our Bicentennial, the Time Capsule will be brought to the Apple Blossom Festival for a 1PM ceremony where it will be opened for all to see!



All are welcome at the free Festival — held on Sunday, May 19 at the corner of Ide and West Creek roads.

**Join us for a trip back 200 years!**

**Opening Newfane's Time Capsule**

Newfane's history revealing *time capsule* that was buried 50 years ago during our 1974 Sesquicentennial celebration will be opened May 19 at this year's Apple Blossom Festival. Join us at 12 noon at the Town Court/Highway building at McKee and Transit, when it will be taken from its vault, placed on a horse drawn wagon and transported to the festival grounds for a 1:00 pm opening at the Country Village on West Creek and Ide Roads.



## Niagara County Legislature 14th District Legislator Shawn Foti

Happy Spring to Newfane and the entire 14<sup>th</sup> District. It has been a wild winter and as a year-round outdoor enthusiast, I am one of those people who wished for more of a traditional winter, with good snow for skiing and sledding. Being a public official, mild winters are better for budgets and help limit road damage caused by salting/plowing, so it is a mixed reaction but here we are entering spring again.

2024 is shaping up to be another extremely busy year for myself, Town of Newfane, and all of Niagara County. At the time of writing this newsletter, we are weeks away from kicking off the Newfane Bicentennial with a fabulous dinner and reception. I want to thank the entire 2024 Bicentennial Committee for their continuous hard work and planning. I can not wait to celebrate all year long at the many events planned and numerous organizations assisting with hosting these events. Another upcoming event that may have passed by the time you read this is the 2024 Totality Solar Eclipse. Countless hours of planning have gone on behind the scenes involving emergency services, tourism, parks, public safety, transportation, etc, to make this a successful and safe event for our residents and the hundreds of thousands of tourists who will visit our county. I hope the weather cooperates and everyone has a chance to view the eclipse and enjoy this once in a lifetime opportunity.

### Olcott Beach Water Quality

When contemplating running for office, if you told me that I would somehow find myself studying bird poop in the waters of Olcott Beach, I would have said you are crazy. But here we are! Last year, we saw an increase in frequency of bacteria levels that closed our beach and created a public health problem. I heard from many concerned residents, businesses, tourism board, and the Town of Newfane. Working with Supervisor Syracuse, NYS DEC, and the County Health Department, I requested increased water sampling and also to have the water samples sent out for a new DNA study to find the source of the bacteria E.coli. A previous DNA study done over 10 years ago pointed to ruminant species which could be deer or cows. The new study came back with high levels of avian feces, bird poop. Now we have a path to focus on and can begin to collect more data. Our goal is to find a solution which will provide safe and clean publicly accessible water, within the guidelines of the many different governmental jurisdictions. I want to thank the community for your patience and also our partners at NYS for stepping up and providing resources and funding to find a solution. We have a great team working on this.

### Agriculture Rights Advisory Panel

Agriculture is Niagara County's largest market sector and it is our way of life. We need to rally behind our local farmers, and support them with both respect and also financially by buying local. That is why I am proud to have been a cosponsor of the resolution to create an Agriculture Rights Advisory Panel. The concept is similar to our Gun Owners' Right Advisory Panel we started a couple of years ago. We look at the Agricultural industry, quite frankly as under attack by downstate legislators who do not know anything about farm economics. With that in mind, the Legislature felt compelled to step in to try to support farmers and our agricultural industry. What we plan to do is appoint members from the local agriculture community to see what we can do within the powers of county government to support farming, perhaps through some local law or targeted investment. Niagara County has a long, proud tradition as an agricultural community that strongly supports the rights of farmers to run their operations free from harassment and with the support of local government. I look forward to seeing the advocacy and recommendations that come from this distinguished panel.



## Hometown Hero Banners a Popular Addition to Newfane's Streetscape

Thanks to all those participating in Newfane's Hometown Heroes streetside banner project and for your support in honoring Newfane's past and current military service members. The Newfane Hometown Heroes program placed 120 banners throughout the town in 2023 and more will go up this year. The application period for this year has passed and our volunteers and the Town Highway Department will be working through May to install the banners for this season. Applications for the 2025 season can be picked up and submitted at the Town Hall anytime through the end of February 2025.

If you have questions or need information about the banner program, please call and leave a message at Newfane Town Hall, 716-778-8531, ext #7

# CHIAVETTA CHICKEN BAR-B-QUE

## Thursday, APRIL 25<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm – ?

at the

**Newfane United Methodist Church**  
2699 Main Street, Newfane, NY 14108

**Take-out Only      Drive thru style**  
**\$15.00**

### Menu:

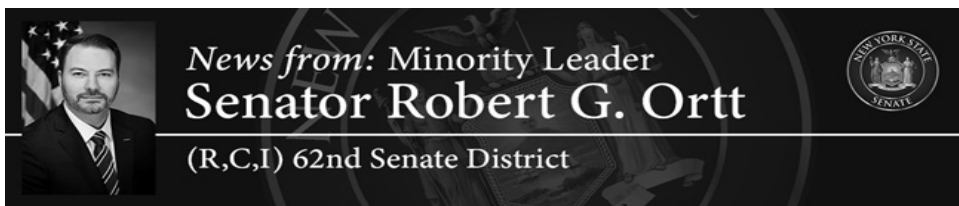
**Chicken half**  
**Potato Salad**  
**Cole Slaw**  
**Roll & Butter**  
**and Dessert**

**Order Pre Sale -**  
**716-778-5274 (Amy)**  
**BY APRIL 24<sup>th</sup>**



**Pre-sale Dinners must be picked  
up by 6:00pm**

CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED



New York is in need of a rescue plan.

Crime is up, economic activity is down, and our state continues to lead the nation in population loss. Individual rights and constitutional freedoms are under attack. These are just a few consequences of a state government controlled entirely by one party.

For years, we've witnessed a drastic decline in public safety, a depleted workforce, rising taxes, business-crippling regulations, and a lackluster economic "recovery" from the COVID-19 pandemic. A legislature dominated by New York City progressives has sent our state down the wrong path.

It is my sincere belief that the loss of human capital is the biggest threat New York State faces, and my colleagues across the aisle have provided no solutions. With each passing day, we lose more population, representation, and tax dollars to states with better business climates and safer streets. We are losing indispensable parts of the Empire State.

In January, my conference put these issues front and center by unveiling our "Rescue New York" 2023 legislative agenda. These policies are a roadmap to make our state safer, stronger, more affordable, and more free.

New Yorkers have made it clear they want Albany to address cost living and quality of life issues.

We must make our state safer by restoring common sense to our criminal justice system, addressing Albany's disastrous cashless bail laws, and putting victims first. We must increase our efforts to end the opioid and mental health epidemics. We must support and protect our seniors and vulnerable populations.

We need to make our state stronger by expanding economic opportunity and strengthening our workforce. This includes investing in infrastructure for the 21st century, helping our veterans and military families thrive, and ensuring every child receives a quality education.

We must make our state more affordable, by slashing burdensome taxes and regaining control of our governments enormous spending. By reducing the cost of living, and improving the state's business climate, we will be giving families the ability to stay in New York instead of fleeing. Policies like the banning of natural gas is just the latest example of how our state is heading in the wrong direction.

Finally, we must make our state more free. This means finally ending all Covid mandates, and rehiring thousands of workers fired over personal health choices and protecting parental rights when it comes to their children's education.

These are the issues that matter most to people and exactly what the Legislature should focus on this session. The time for talk and rhetoric is over — New Yorkers deserve real solutions to real problems. We are ready to tackle these issues and deliver for our constituents. To succeed, we need a unified partnership - meaning Republicans, Democrats, the Governor, and the Legislature working together – to Rescue New York in 2023.



*News from* **Assemblyman**  
**MIKE NORRIS**



**NORRIS WORKING FOR BACK-TO-BASICS BUDGET**  
*A Legislative Column from Assemblyman*  
**Mike Norris (R,C-Lockport)**

As all households and businesses know, budgets are about priorities. This state budget must also be so – yet the message we are hearing from our downstate driven leaders at the state Capitol does not align with our priorities. So far, the budget proposed by the governor has prioritized illegal aliens over our local schools. It's pushed special interests yet again over the hardworking citizen.

That's not my priority. As your representative, I've been working for a back-to-basics approach to budgeting in Albany. I've called on the governor and our leaders to follow this back-to-basics approach based on the principle that government must control spending, realize it cannot be all things to all people and where we can make investments we must do so with smart, strategic goals that benefit everyone for the long term.

That means prioritizing key investments such as local infrastructure that create jobs, ensure public safety and support our economy. Having safe roads, bridges, sewers and culverts is essential, yet after many years of receiving no additional funding under Gov. Andrew Cuomo, our local infrastructure program – known as the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS), my colleagues and I rallied with our partners in highway departments and succeeded in delivering a historic \$100 million increase for CHIPS in 2021-22 and \$60 million more in 2023-24.

While this funding increase was well needed, well deserved and much appreciated in our local communities, when you are talking about a state budget that spends hundreds of billions of dollars annually, this funding is

simply a drop in the bucket and wasn't enough, especially when you consider the extreme flooding along Lake Ontario's southern shore, years of difficult winters and the crushing burden of inflation.

This is why we are disappointed and surprised that Gov. Kathy Hochul has proposed to eliminate \$60 million from CHIPS and reducing foundation aid to rural school districts like Newfane Central Schools while at the same time handing out billions in taxpayer dollars to illegal aliens for hotel rooms, cell phones, and debit cards.

I don't accept that. My colleagues and I are asking for a full restoration of school and CHIPS funding as well as an additional \$200 million infrastructure investment in this budget to position our communities with the resources they need to maintain our infrastructure, help us sustain and grow our economy and ensure public safety for years to come. That's the right priority for Western New York taxpayers.

If I can ever of assistance, please feel free to call my office at (716)-839-4691 or email me at [norrism@nyassembly.gov](mailto:norrism@nyassembly.gov). It is an honor and privilege to represent you.

*Assemblyman Mike Norris (R,C-Lockport) also serves as the Chairman of the Assembly Minority Conference. He represents the 144th Assembly District, which includes portions of Erie, Niagara and Orleans counties. He is a member of the Assembly Ways and Means and Transportation committees.*

## An Update from Niagara County Sheriff Michael J. Filicetti



I hope this letter finds you well, and I trust you are ready for another wonderful spring. I would like to highlight a new program at the Sheriff's Office, and a new local law established in Niagara County. Last year, the Niagara County Legislature passed local law 2023-3, entitled: "Operation of Off-Road Vehicles on Public Highways in Niagara County". This law was created due to the increased number of dangerous incidents involving dirt bikes, ATV's, dune buggies, UTV's, go-carts, golf carts and the like on roadways throughout our community. In short, the law prohibits the use of these vehicles on any public roadway throughout the County, with penalties that include impoundment of the vehicle by law enforcement and a \$250 fee for the first offense, and \$1,000 for any future offenses for a previously seized vehicle. These fines are in addition to the towing fee of the vehicle itself. This law is applicable to all within the county, including those who equip their vehicle with a slow-moving vehicle emblem in hopes of avoiding law enforcement contact.

Please use this information to make informed decisions in the future if you own and operate an off-road vehicle. This law was put in place to address flagrant violators that are causing issues on our roadways. Several instances of enforcement were conducted in the past year within Newfane, and we will continue to enforce this law with our partner agencies to better protect off-road operators, motorists, and pedestrians.

To better serve our community, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office is taking extra steps to help First Responders identify residents who may have difficulty communicating or understanding directions during an emergency. The Disabilities Response Decals Program is ideal for households with a member who is blind or deaf, has autism, Down Syndrome, Alzheimer's Disease, mental disabilities, or other communication disorders. Our Disabilities Response Decals may be displayed on your residence or vehicle to alert First Responders upon arrival. The Disabilities Response Decals are available at local Fire Departments, Town Halls, Police Agencies, or contact NCSO Community Services Division at (716)438-3310. To have an alert added to you or your loved one's home, or person, due to one of these parameters, please reach out to our Communications Division at (716) 438-3393 and submit the request. This information is not shared with anyone except First Responders in an emergency or other qualifying circumstance.

Thank you for reading this message, and spreading the word throughout the community. Our hope is for voluntary compliance for a higher quality of life and increased security for all. Enjoy the season, take care, and as always – stay safe.

## Niagara County Prescription Drug Drop Off Bin

The Niagara County Sheriff Office has a sealed metal box located in the jail lobby for residents to dispose of unwanted prescription medication.

**No Sharps are allowed to be placed in these bins.**

The hours in which medication can be dropped off are Monday through Friday, 7am-3pm.

Additional drop off locations are available around Niagara County:

- Lewiston Police Department 4059 Creek Road,
- Niagara Falls Police Department 1295 Main Street,
- North Tonawanda Police Department 216 Payne Avenue
- Middleport Police Department 12 Main Street
- Eastern Niagara Hospital Lockport 521 East Avenue Lockport
- DeGraff Memorial Hospital 445 Tremont Street North Tonawanda.



**OCCUPANT MAY HAVE DISABILITIES  
RESPOND WITH CARE**

**RESPOND WITH CARE:  
DECAL LETS FIRST RESPONDERS KNOW ABOUT  
OCCUPANTS THAT MAY HAVE DISABILITIES**

THE DISABILITIES RESPONSE DECAL NOTIFIES LAW ENFORCEMENT, FIRE RESCUE, OR EMS THAT SOMEONE IN THE HOME OR VEHICLE MAY HAVE COGNITIVE, SENSORY OR OTHER NEEDS THAT REQUIRE ACCOMMODATIONS.

Decals are available at local Fire Departments, Town Halls, Police Agencies, or contact the NCSO Community Services Division at (716) 438-3310.

## A Great Day for Polar Bear Fundraisers

Olcott's 55th Polar Bear Day on March 3 was another fun and successful day for hundreds of swimmers and spectators. Sponsored by the Olcott Lions Club, the swim raises funds for organizations that serve Newfane families; including Mercy Flight, Hospice, the Dale Association and local food pantries. This year's swim featured a costume theme and parade, a kid's zone, vendors and music.



Newfane Historical Society's  
**46<sup>th</sup> Apple Blossom Festival**

**Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**10am-4pm**

 Celebrate spring during our annual Sunday gathering! Join us rain or shine and enjoy everything planting season offers.

Local Products | Food & Drink | Great Hands-on Fun  
 Historical Demos | Tractor & Farm Equipment Show  
 Crafts | Flea Market | Attractions | Live Performances

*Fun for the Entire Family!*

**Held at our Country Village**  
 2685 West Creek Rd. Newfane, NY 14108

**Free Admission & Parking**  
*\*no pets please\**

**[NewfaneHistoricalSociety.com](http://NewfaneHistoricalSociety.com)**

The Carousel Organ Association of America presents:

**OLCOTT BEACH  
 BAND ORGAN  
 RALLY**

**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY  
 JULY 27 & 28, 2024  
 11:00 AM TO 5:00 PM**

SEE AND HEAR A SPECTACULAR VARIETY OF EUROPEAN FAIRGROUND ORGANS  
 AMERICAN CAROUSEL BAND ORGANS  
 HAND-CRANKED GERMAN STREET ORGANS  
**ALL ON DISPLAY FOR YOUR LISTENING PLEASURE!**

## Hess Road Wesleyan Church

This summer **Hess Road Wesleyan Church** is happy to again be partnering with a couple great organizations for the community.

**GRIEF SHARE** is a 13-week grief recovery support group where you can find help and healing after the hurt of losing a loved one. Each session features a video presentation on various topics like comfort, answers, and hope.

Grief Share will be available Thursdays at 6:30 PM, April 4 through June 27.

To register, visit [hrwchurch.org](http://hrwchurch.org) or text the word GRIEF to 716-707-9769.

The cost is \$10 per person for the entire course, which includes a workbook. Scholarships are available for those in need.

**FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY** is a 9-week class that shares step-by-step ways to get out of debt, build wealth, and take control of your finances. It is founded by Dave Ramsey, bestselling author and radio host.

FPU will be held Wednesdays at 6:30 PM from May 8 through July 3.

Pre-registration is required. To register, visit [hrwchurch.org](http://hrwchurch.org) or text the word PEACE to 716-707-9769.

The cost is \$79 per household, which includes a workbook and one-year online access.

Any questions, please feel free to email [office@hrwchurch.org](mailto:office@hrwchurch.org)

Hess Road Wesleyan Church, 2514 Hess Road, Appleton, NY 14008

## BLUEGRASS CONCERT!

Featuring... **Canaan's Land!**

Canaan's Land Bluegrass is committed to providing top notch traditional bluegrass music with a sprinkling of new era sounds. The precise music and tight harmonies are the engine that drives us to give the fun and high energy shows that we do...providing the audience with the best that bluegrass music has to give.

(Nominated for 2022 Best Bluegrass Band by the Central PA Music Hall of Fame!)



**Date:** August 17th, 2024

**Location:** Grace Bible Church

(6023 dutton Place, Newfane, NY  
[www.gbcnewfane.com](http://www.gbcnewfane.com) -- 716-778-9081)

**Time:** 6:00pm - 8:00pm

**Cost:** FREE!

(Freewill offering will be taken to support the band)



### Grace Bible Church

Vacation Bible School

July 22-26, 2024

9:00 am-Noon - For kids ages 4 thru 5th grade

“The Great Jungle Journey - An Epic Cruise  
From Genesis to Revelation”

Call (716) 778-9081 for more information.



## Building Faith



Through Christ

## FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

2730 Transit Road

Newfane, NY 14108

(716) 778-7981

Join us for Worship every Sunday morning as we celebrate life and give glory to our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ.



## The Newfane Community Food Pantry at St. Brendan's

The NCFP provides food assistance to families living in the Newfane school district. Clients must agree with the financial incomes based upon the number of family members as required by The Food Bank of WNY. Please review the chart below to see if your yearly gross income qualifies you for services based upon family size. We are also a "client choice pantry" which simply means that the client chooses what food items serve their family best from our inventory of stock. The pantry is open on Tuesdays from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm Please call 778-9822 between the hours of 10:00 am to 12 noon for an appointment that day. We are located at 3455 Ewings Road at St. Brendan's Church.

This table shows a yearly gross income for each family size. If your household is at or below the income listed for the number of people in your household or any services listed below, you are eligible to receive food.

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ANNUAL GROSS INCOME
1	\$25,760
2	\$34,840
3	\$43,920
4	\$53,000
5	\$62,080
6	\$71,160

EACH ADDITIONAL PERSON \$9,000

Food stamps, WIC, unemployment, Disability, SSI, Free or reduced school lunches, TANF.

If you know of a neighbor, family member or senior needing a little helping hand with food assistance, please have them call our pantry, we do not place judgement, nor do we question your cause. Call 778-9822.

We are extremely grateful for the support and backing of our local community. Churches, businesses, organizations and individuals.

Without your support we would not exist. We continue to look for new pantry volunteers, so if you're interested in serving and giving back to the community, come give us a try. Any questions please call Kathy Phillips at 433-2499 or Wreatha Harvey at 807-7451.

Just a reminder, Food Express has returned to the Newfane Town Hall every fourth Saturday of each month. All residents are welcome. Food express is sponsored by The Food Bank of WNY with both the First Baptist Food Pantry and The Newfane Community Food pantry collaborating to run it.

Be Safe and Stay healthy!



## THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FOOD PANTRY

by Edna Wolfe

The First Baptist Church Pantry is located at 6047 East Ave in Newfane. You can't miss it, because it is a cobblestone church with big double red doors. It serves the community in two ways. First its doors welcome everyone who wishes to seek inspirational guidance under the ministry of Pastor Kim Smith. Second, it houses a food pantry under the management of Linda Peace.

Originally the Food Pantry was located in Olcott and had served the Migrant Ministries. It was then relocated to The First Baptist Church in Newfane, where today it not only takes care of the migrants and their families, who come to work on the local farms, but has expanded to assisting the families in the community that are in need of food.

Through the New York State grants and USDA donations, Mrs. Peace is able to purchase healthy foods as well as basic staples at a low rate through the WNY food Bank. The pantry also receives left over fresh produce and eggs from the local farmers. Fresh Breads and desserts are picked up weekly from the local store. Local organizations do food drives and donate monetary gifts. Donations of basic need items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors, toilet paper, shampoos, soap etc. that cannot be purchased with food stamps are always welcomed.

The pantry is open from 1pm to 6pm on Wednesdays. Families can register for service, or to receive emergency food, and come twice a month to receive a three day supply of food each time, to help stretch their funds and get them through a month.

Mrs. Peace, along with her volunteer team work to create a welcome friendly environment for anyone who seek assistance, with respect and kindness.



### Newfane United Methodist Church

2699 Main Street  
Newfane, NY 14108

Open every Wednesday

June 26<sup>th</sup> - September 25<sup>th</sup>

4:30pm - 7:00pm

We offer a variety of vendors each week at our market

The church will have a food booth each week

Service organizations welcome

For a space, please contact the church at 778-7011

SNAP is accepted

Follow us on Facebook: Newfane Methodist Farmer's Market

# News from the Town Clerk's Office

Donna Lakes, Town Clerk/Registrar  
 Robin R. Bower, Deputy Town Clerk  
 Kristina Gifford, Deputy Town Clerk



Allow me to begin by expressing my heartfelt deepest gratitude to my fellow residents for the support you showed me by electing me as your Town Clerk. I will continue to work hard for all of you ..... because ..... that's what I am here for, and I promise not to forget it. With that said, I would like to thank Mickie for allowing me to serve as her Deputy Town Clerk for close to 14 years. That allowed me to gain the experience and knowledge I needed to be able to continue to provide all the services our residents were accustomed to receiving without disruption and I am grateful. Speaking for myself and others, we would like to wish Mickie Kramp all the best in her new chapter. Knowing her as I do, I am quite certain she will remain very busy.

Robin Bower joined our office as the new Deputy Clerk. She has lived in the Newfane community her whole life and is very excited for the opportunity to serve as Deputy Clerk.

## FREE RABIES IMMUNIZATION CLINICS 2024

The Niagara County Department of Health in cooperation with the Niagara County Veterinary Society will hold **FIVE** FREE Rabies Immunization Clinics in 2024.

## NO WALK-INS - APPOINTMENTS ARE MANDATORY!

For directions call the specific clinic site.  
 For any clinic related questions call 716-439-7490

Saturday, April 13 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 noon	Town of Hartland Salt Shed 3542 Wruck Road, Town of Hartland
Saturday, June 1 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 noon	Hyde Park - Oasis/Centennial Pavillion 911 Robbins Drive, City of Niagara Falls
Saturday, July 13 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 noon	Town of Lewiston Highway Garage 1455 Swann Road, Town of Lewiston
Saturday, September 14 9:00 a.m.– 12:00 noon	Town of Lockport Highway Department 6560 Dysinger Road, Town of Lockport
Saturday, December 7 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 noon	City of N. Tonawanda Public Works Dept 758 Erie Avenue, City of North Tonawanda

THE REGISTRATION LINK WILL BE AVAILABLE AT 9:00 AM MONDAY (TUESDAY IF IT'S A HOLIDAY) PRIOR TO EACH CLINIC ONLINE AT: WWW.NIAGARACOUNTY.COM/RABIESCLINIC

Bring the previous Rabies Vaccination Certificate for cats and dogs. WITHOUT proof of previous vaccination, you will receive a certificate valid for one year. Dogs and Cats WITH proof will receive a certificate valid for three years. All Ferrets must receive vaccinations annually.

•**ALL ANIMALS** must be properly restrained. Cats & Ferrets must be in a carrier. Dogs must be leashed.

ATTENTION DOG OWNERS!!  
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NEWFANE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE  
 2737 MAIN STREET  
 NEWFANE, NEW YORK 14108

The Town of Newfane will be continuing the mail-in dog enumeration (census) as required by Article 7 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, any dog 4 months of age or older must be licensed in the Local Town where they are sheltered. Please fill out the form below and return it with the appropriate information:

1. Current rabies certificate from Veterinarian
2. Spayed or neutered certificate from Veterinarian
3. Check payable to Newfane Town Clerk or cash  
 (We **do not accept credit/debit cards**)

### THE FEES FOR LICENSING YOUR DOG ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- |                        |         |
|------------------------|---------|
| 1. Spayed/neutered     | \$ 8.50 |
| 2. Unspayed/Unneutered | \$18.50 |

An owner or harbinger of a dog found in violation of any of the provisions of this Local Law shall be liable for all damages arising from said violation, and shall be subject to a fine of not less than Twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars.

Questions regarding Dog Licenses please contact Town Clerk's Office at 778-8822 #2.

Please direct all other questions, concerns or issues regarding dogs to our Dog Control Officers

JEFFREY NEWMAN 716-807-6270	KEN NERBER 716-940-5497	JOE FLAGLER 716-998-1041
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### Dog License Application for Unlicensed Dogs or Overdue License

List additional dogs on a separate sheet of paper

Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Dogs to be licensed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dog's Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog's Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog's Gender: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spayed/Neutered: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
 Dog's Color(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Tattoos or Markings \_\_\_\_\_  
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**ATTENTION ALL PET OWNERS:** Dogs licenses are renewed annually in the Town of Newfane. You can renew in person, by mail, or by using the drop box located on the north side of the building to the right of the double glass doors. The Dog License Renewals are mailed from the Town Clerk's Office to the last mailing address provided. If any of your information has changed it is important that you provide those changes to the Town Clerk's Office. It is also important to secure the ID tag on your pet's collar. In the event that your pet should wander away without this means of ID you may not be reunited again, simply because you were not able to be located. If you love your pets, please take this step in ensuring their safe return. Sadly, lost pets are a very common occurrence. Additionally, please be certain that the Town Clerk's office has your "CORRECT TELEPHONE NUMBER/CELL" allowing us to contact you. Thank you!

Clerks continued..

**NOTARY SERVICE:** If you need a Notary Public please call ahead of time to check for availability.

**HUNTING/FISHING LICENSES:** New License sales will start at the beginning of August and can be obtained from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding Holidays.

WE DO NOT ACCEPT DEBIT/CREDIT CARDS AT THIS TIME.

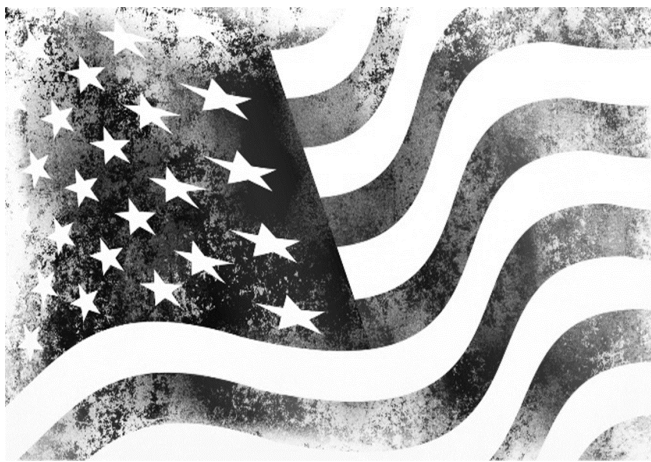
**LIFETIME LICENSE HOLDERS** Your license privilege tags are sent directly to the last address on file with the DEC Fulfillment Center. If you have moved it is imperative that you inform the DEC of your new address. If you have Hunter Education or Bowhunting Education that needs to be added to your account you may edit your profile on-line, bring your original to a DEC License Sales Agent or fax it to (518) 402-9025. Once the information is in your file the appropriate license or tags can be sent to you from the Fulfillment Center. Do not wait until the beginning of the season to take care of this as it will take approximately ten to fourteen days to receive your tags.

**“FREE FISHING DAYS”** New York’s Free Fishing Days in 2024 are as follows: June 29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>, September 2<sup>8th</sup> and November 11<sup>th</sup>.

Free fishing days offer residents and non-residents who are 16 or older\* to fish without a freshwater license (Kids under 16 can always fish for free).

**SPORTSMAN EDUCATION CLASSES:** Here is a link that will provide information on classes for both Shotgun and Bow Hunting Certification. The link also provides information on lost Certificates as well as other related topics that you may find helpful.

<https://www.dec.ny.gov/things-to-do/hunting/hunter-education>



**ATTENTION ALL NIAGARA COUNTY VETERANS AND ACTIVE-DUTY MILITARY**

The Mobile Coach is scheduled to be at the Newfane Town Hall on Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. For anyone needing a mammogram, it doesn’t get any more convenient for you than this. You will need to schedule an appointment and can obtain all the necessary information by visiting their website [www.windsonradiology.com/mobile](http://www.windsonradiology.com/mobile) or by calling (716) 929-9494

## Cooking With the Clerk’s



### Chicken Yum Yums

- 4 Servings                      Total cook time: 1 hour
- 3- Chicken Breasts
- 8 ounces shredded cheese (4 cheese variety package)
- 3- 10 oz. cans of Green Chili Sauce
- 2 cups instant white rice
- Tostitos scoops

Cut the chicken into small cubes and sauté in frying pan. Season to taste. In a saucepan combine Green Chili Sauce and cheese, heat until cheese is melted. Set aside. Cook the rice. Set aside.

Once the chicken is cooked and the chili/cheese is hot, add the chicken to that mixture. Stir and serve over rice. You can add more cheese or green chili sauce to make it to your liking. (It should be a creamy consistency). You can use the Tostitos Scoops for “scooping” the mixture and eating it that way as well. Enjoy!!

### PINEAPPLE CAKE

- 2 (20 ounce) cans crushed pineapple
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 egg
- ½ cup butter, melted
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees Celsius) Spread well drained pineapples into a 9x9-inch square baking pan. Mix together flour, sugar, baking powder, salt and egg in a medium bowl until well combined and crumbly. Spoon mixture evenly over pineapple. Pour melted butter over mixture, then sprinkle with cinnamon. Bake in preheated oven until the top is lightly browned and filling is bubbly, 40 to 45 minutes. Serve hot or cold.

### THANK A VET PROGRAM

Representatives from the Niagara County Veterans Association will be at the Town Hall Community Center on **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup> FROM 12:00 NOON TO 3:30 PM.** This program is designed to offer our veterans a discount at participating businesses as their way of saying “THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE”. There is no charge to enroll in the program. You must bring your DD214 (Member-4) form or your Honorable Discharge papers with you to enroll. It’s just that easy. No appointment is necessary and if your paperwork is in order, you will receive your card that day. To any businesses that were not aware of this program and would like to get on the participating business list, simply contact the Niagara County Veteran’s Office and they will gladly help you show your support and appreciation.



## **Newfane Water and Sewer Department**

### **Maintenance Department**

A special thank you goes out to all the residents that kept fire hydrants clear throughout the winter months. We appreciate your assistance in keeping them clear in the event they need to be used.

Landscaping of water department dig sites in the Town of Newfane will start after June when manpower and materials are readily available with time and weather permitting.

Any questions or concerns, please call the water maintenance office at 778-8587. Thank you for your patience.

**Michael R. Mills**  
**Water/Sewer Superintendent**

### **PAYMENT OPTIONS FOR THE WATER OFFICE**

1. CASH
2. CHECK
3. CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS- ONLINE ONLY- 2.95% FEE
4. ACH PAYMENT- NO FEE- Form is available in the office or at [townofnewfane.com](http://townofnewfane.com).

There is a night drop box located on the north side of the Town Hall, to the right of the door. Payments when dropped go into a secure locked box. Any payments left the evening of the due date will be accepted the next morning on time with no late penalties.

August 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, we remove all unpaid balances to the following year's County tax bill. A tax removal fee of %10 is added to your bill as well as a \$100.00 administrative fee.

### **Garbage Reminders**

Please have your garbage and/or recycling out curbside by 6 a.m. on your garbage day to ensure they pick it up. Please place your garbage and recycling totes with the handles facing towards the house and keep them a minimum of 2 feet away from mailboxes or other totes, which will give room for the arms of the truck to properly pick up your tote to empty it.

**Large item pick-up is the third full week of collection each month on your garbage day.** Please adhere to three large items on your garbage day during bulk pick-up week.

Should you require another garbage tote, please contact the Water Department at 716-778-8132 Ext. 6 to purchase and one will be delivered. We have large garbage totes available for \$80.00 and small totes available for \$50.00. Please be advised an additional annual fee of \$55 applies to any additional tote. Bag tags are available for \$5.00 a piece at the Water Office at the Newfane Town Hall. A maximum of 5 bag tags are allowed per week.

### **Water Service Material and Size Inspection Reminder**

The Town of Newfane Water Office is required by New York state to perform and record inspections on all homes in the Town of Newfane for the water service line material and size from the public side, as well as the homeowner's side. These inspections are to ensure that there are no lead water service lines in the Town of Newfane and are to be completed by October of 2024. Please be advised that the Newfane Water Office will be calling residents to schedule the inspection or to let them know when the inspections will be taking place on their street and to make sure they will be home. If there are any questions regarding these inspections, please call the Water Office at 716-778-8132 Ext. 6.

## **ASSESSOR'S OFFICE**

**Assessor: Mary Hastings**

The office hours are 8:30am to 4:30pm Monday through Friday. Feel free to call the office with any questions at 716 778-8827 Option 4 or email [assessor@townofnewfane.com](mailto:assessor@townofnewfane.com).

Filing of any exemptions must have been filed by March 1, 2024 (exemption filing deadline) for the 2024 Assessment roll. Applications for an exemption filed after March 1, 2024 will be applied to the 2025 Assessment Roll.

The Tentative Assessment Roll will be filed May 1, 2024

Board of Assessment Review (Grievance Day) is the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday in May at Newfane Town Hall, 2737 Main Street, Newfane NY 14108. Hours are 4pm-8pm. Forms for Board of Review are available in the Assessor's Office or online at [www.townofnewfane.com](http://www.townofnewfane.com) under Assessor.

The Final Assessment Roll will be filed July 1, 2024.

Throughout the year we are out taking updated photos for our files and working on building permits for the next year. If you have any questions, give us a call at 716 778-8827 Option 4.

## **BUILDING INSPECTOR'S OFFICE**

Spring is here and there are a few items to note from your Building Inspector, David Schmidt.

First, as of December 30, 2020, yearly fire safety and property maintenance inspections entitled "2020 Fire Code of New York State and 2020 Property Maintenance Code of New York State" must be performed by a town's code enforcement officer, which for Newfane, is also the building inspector.

Properties that fall under this code are those which contain an assembly area, all multiple dwellings, and all nonresidential occupancies, such as: all commercial and multiple residential buildings with more than 3 apartments, all small businesses, all warehouses, all nursing home buildings and the like, all fire departments, churches, taverns, restaurants, gas stations, hotels, day cares with 5 or more children and outdoor events with over 1000 people. Those that are exempt are small in-home businesses such as in-home hairdressers, tax preparer etc.

Businesses that are required to have this yearly inspection done will be receiving a call from the Building Inspector to set up an appointment, or you can call to set up a time that is most convenient for you. Any questions, please call the building inspectors office at 716-954-2030 (talk or text).

With Spring comes Spring clean-up. Many limbs and branches have come down with the winds we have experienced. Please refer to the Highway Department's article in this newsletter to see what options you have for tree debris. As a reminder there is a NYS Burn Ban, which is in effect from March 16-May 14. For more information on this, visit NYS DEC web site.

Finally, if you have an outstanding Building Permit, please note that the Newfane Building Inspector is to be called for all inspections done for your project. There are many outstanding permits which should be closed but the inspector has not been called to do the final inspection. All of these are done for the safety and well-being of your home or business, so please call to set up an appointment for your final inspection.

As your new Town Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer, I have appreciated the support and well wishes from our community. Spring is a time for many new projects to begin in our town and I will do my best to get to each of them in a timely manner. Please be patient, as we all work through new state regulations, as well as local town and county ones. You can contact me with email at [building.inspector@townofnewfane.com](mailto:building.inspector@townofnewfane.com) or call my office at 716-954-2030 or fax at 716-638-4261. **David Schmidt**

**DOG CONTROL OFFICE**

My name is Jeff Newman, and I am the Chief Dog Control Officer here in Newfane. I have been with the towns dog control department since 2010 and enjoy working with our residents to make sure our dogs are licensed; local laws are followed, and everyone in our community is safe. In 2023 we received over 150 Total complaints, 4 dangerous dog complaints, 10 missing dog reports and logged over 800 miles.

If you need to file a complaint or have a question, please feel free to call one of the numbers below or call our office at 716-778-8822 extension #9.

I would like to introduce our Dog Control Officers for the town:

Jeff Newman 716-807-6270

Resident of the town of Newfane for the past 40 years and currently working at the NCSO for the past 25 years as a Corrections Officer

Ken Nerber 716-940-5497

Lifelong resident of the Town of Newfane and currently working for the NYSDOC for the past 25 years as a Corrections Officer

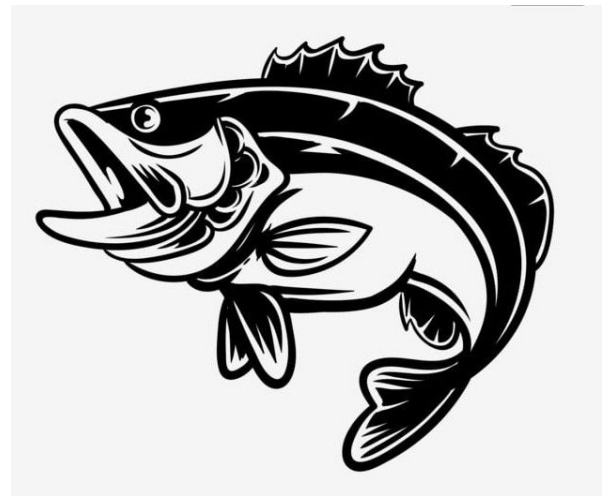
Joe Flagler 716-998-1041

Lifelong resident of the Town of Newfane and retired from the NCSO after 36 years of services.

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**A FEW TIPS TO KEEP IN MIND IF YOU'RE A DOG OWNER:**

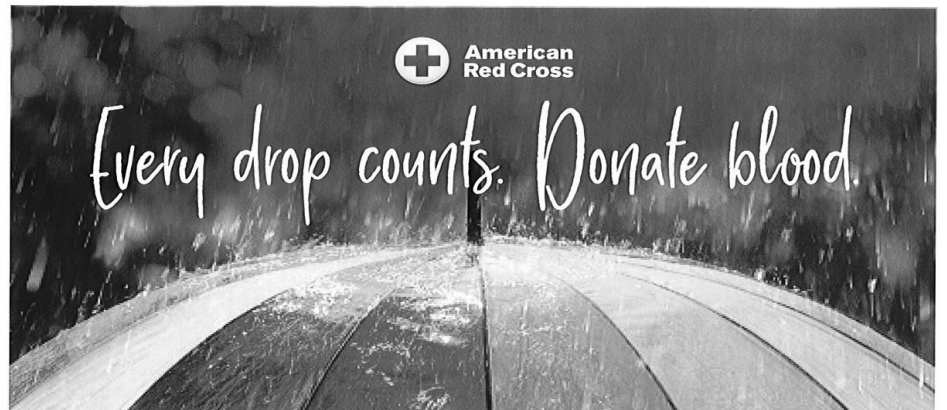
- 1) Make sure your dog(s) are always licensed and wear their ID tag. If your dog becomes lost and picked up by a DCO we can quickly identify and reunite you with your dog.
- 2) Always have your dog leashed and, in your control. This will prevent your dog from running off or after something that seems fun to play with.
- 3) If while out for a walk and your dog needs to defecate, please be a good neighbor and pick up after your dog. Not only is it neighborly but it is also a town law.
- 4) If you have a complaint or a question and get our voicemail, please keep in mind we do have other jobs/family and it may take some time for us to get back to you. But we will get back to you.
- 5) If licensing a dog(s) for the first time you will need to provide a certificate of current rabies vaccination as well as a certificate for spayed/neutered if applicable. Renewals are annually effective the month the dog was originally licensed, current rabies vaccination information must be on file with the Clerk's office and a spay/neuter certificate must be filed at the time of renewal to take advantage of the lower license fee. The Niagara County Department of Health has 4 free rabies clinics scheduled for the remainder of the year. To get the dates and locations, you can visit their website.



**MARINA & FISHING**

We look forward to a very busy opening weekend on April 1<sup>st</sup> as many of our fishermen and boaters prepare for the season. Call 716-778-5462 to reserve your dock for the summer. Chinooks and steelhead have been put in their pens and the lake is ready for the upcoming season. There are several fishing derbies and tournaments coming up over the next few months. The LOC Spring Derby runs May 3<sup>rd</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> , and the Niagara Pro Am is May 31<sup>st</sup> - June 1<sup>st</sup>

Hope everyone has a safe and fun summer!



**Blood Drive  
Newfane Town Hall**

Community Room  
2737 Main Street  
Newfane, NY 14108

**Monday, April 15, 2024  
12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Download the Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS to schedule your appointment today!

**2024 Blood Drives at Newfane Community Center**

- April 15<sup>th</sup>
- June 10<sup>th</sup>
- August 19<sup>th</sup>
- October 21<sup>st</sup>
- December 23<sup>rd</sup>

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**Calling all Lifeguards!**

The Town of Newfane is accepting applications for those individuals interested in working as Lifeguards at Olcott Beach for the 2024 season.

Please complete a seasonal application and return it to Christine in the Supervisor's office or email to [supervisor@townofnewfane.com](mailto:supervisor@townofnewfane.com)

*Help With Your Spring Clean-Out*  
**Two Drop-Off Events**  
**Electronic Recycling, Saturday, May 11**  
**Household Hazardous Waste, Saturday, August 17**

**Electronic Materials Drop-Off**

**Saturday, May 11 from 9am - 1pm**

at the Town of Newfane Highway Department, 6176 McKee Street

For TOWN RESIDENTS ONLY ... please check this list of acceptable and non acceptable items

Please be prepared to show ID as proof of Newfane residency

**ACCEPTABLE ELECTRONICS FOR RECYCLING**

**COMPUTERS & ACCESSORIES**

Computers  
(Desktop & Laptop)  
 Monitors  
(Flats screen and CRT)  
 Computer accessories  
(Mice, Keyboards, Webcams, Speakers, Microphones)  
 Cables & all IT accessories  
 Storage devices  
(External hard drives, solid state drives, SD cards, memory cards, card readers, ect.)  
 Computer power supplies  
 Printers  
(Ink & toner & cartridges)  
 Gaming devices  
 Network devices  
 Computer peripherals  
 Circuit boards/cards  
 Media speakers  
 Scanners

**MOBILE DEVICES**

Cell phones/Smart phones  
 Tablets  
 PDAs  
 MP3 players  
 Cameras

**DATA CENTER EQUIPMENT**

Servers  
 Storage arrays  
 Network related equipment  
 Power distribution units  
 Routers and switches  
 Cabling  
 Switchgear  
 Panelboard  
 Mainframe computer equipment  
 Motor generator sets  
 Server racks

**OFFICE EQUIPMENT**

Copiers & Multifunction devices  
 Fax machines  
 Video & audio equipment  
 Phone systems  
 Projection equipment  
 Printers  
 Plotters  
 Security equipment  
 Receivers and transmitters  
 Answering machines

**ENTERTAINMENT EQUIPMENT**

Televisions  
(Flat screen & CRT)  
 Stereo equipment  
 Hi-Fi speakers  
 Video players  
 Digital cameras  
 Video cameras  
 Game consoles  
 Accessories & cables  
 DJ Equipment

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Rechargeable Dry Cell Batteries  
(Nickel Hydride, Lithium Ion)  
 Most Home Appliances  
(no refrigerators)  
 GPS Units  
 Wires & Cables  
 Fitness Trackers/Smart Watches  
 Power Tools

**LAB & MEDICAL EQUIPMENT**

Defibrillators  
 IV Pumps  
 Spectrometers  
 Ultrasound Equipment  
 Anesthesia Units

**CABLE EQUIPMENT**

Cable Boxes  
(analog, digital, satellite)



**SUNNKING**

**UNACCEPTABLE MATERIALS**

- Devices containing mercury (thermostats, light bulbs, lamps, etc.)
- Household hazardous waste
- Devices containing refrigerant (A/C units, water coolers, dehumidifiers, refrigerators, wine chillers, etc.)
- Broken/bare CRT (tube) TVs or monitors
- Materials containing liquids
- Radioactive materials (smoke detectors)
- Devices containing PCBs (ballasts from light fixtures must clearly state "No PCBs")
- Gas powered equipment
- Large appliances (i.e. stoves, washing machines, dryers, dishwashers)
- Paper for shredding
- Common household batteries (i.e. AAA, AA, C, D, button cell, NiCad tool batteries)
- Damaged, defective, recalled, swollen, burned, or leaking batteries
- CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes, and cassette tapes
- Remanufactured/off-brand/generic toner
- Medical Sharps

## Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off - August 17th 2024

Sign-up online or call in advance ... Check first to see what is eligible

The Town of Newfane is hosting a Household Hazardous Waste event at the Highway Department, 6176 McKee Street for all Niagara County residents on August 17, 2024. Anyone interested must sign up in advance at [www.rethinkyourwaste.com](http://www.rethinkyourwaste.com) or call 716 439-7242. There is a list of acceptable items here and on the website.

Please read the list of Eligibility and Exclusions and Acceptable Items prior to scheduling an appointment:

### *Eligibility and Exclusions:*

Must be a resident of Niagara County

The first 50-lbs of waste is covered by Niagara County and NYSDEC (Voucher program only). All extra weight or excluded material is the responsibility of the generator

Only waste generated from homes is accepted. Not-for-profits, and businesses are excluded

Alkaline Batteries, Motor Oil, Electronics and Explosives are NOT ACCEPTED.

All residents are required to pre-register online or call

Fire Extinguishers, Smoke Detectors and Propane Tanks are subject to additional fees

### *Acceptable Items:*

Oil-based Paint

Wood Stains and Preservatives

Automotive Fluids (Antifreeze, Brake, Power Steering and Transmission Fluids)

Pesticides and Fertilizers (both Solid and Liquid)

Flammable Products (Gasoline, Kerosene, Thinners, Strippers, Solvents, Glues, etc.)

Household Cleaners (Soaps, Waxes, Drain Cleaners, etc.)

Driveway and Roof Sealer

Pool and Photo Chemicals

Mercury (Thermometers, Thermostats)

Fluorescent Bulbs



*Better, Safer Ways to Dispose of  
Hazardous Waste*

## Roadside Brush Pickup -- What to Do and Not Do

The following policy is in effect for regular town wide brush pick-up

All branches MUST be piled as neatly as possible with ALL CUT ENDS FACING the road and NO LONGER than 10 ft long.

**Tree removal companies are responsible to remove ALL of their own debris. \*\*\*\*\***

We will NOT pick up large STUMPS.

We will not pick up leaves or yard rubbish, etc.

A maximum amount of 2 tandem truck loads will be picked up at a time at any one residence.

We will NOT pick up branches in front of wooded lots that are being cleared.

We will NOT be responsible for any damages to anything that is under the pile of brush that we cannot see. Large piles are picked up with large machinery.

If you have any questions, please contact the Highway Department at 778-8844 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm Monday- Thursday.



Thank you for your cooperation

Jon Miller

Highway Superintendent

# Summer Events...

## **May 4 - 5 - Sat & Sun**

### **Opening Weekend at Lakeview Village Shoppes**

This quaint gathering of food & specialty shoppes on the boardwalk opens for the new season! Shoppes are open weekends in May, September and October, and DAILY from Memorial Day to Labor Day. 5955 Ontario Street, Olcott

## **May 19- Sunday**

### **46th Apple Blossom Festival, 10am-4pm 2685 West Creek Road, Newfane**

Enjoy the arrival of spring with old-fashioned attractions and activities, alone with food, entertainment, vendors and hands-on fun. Family Friendly, free admission and free parking (no pets). Benefits the Newfane Historical Society. [www.newfane-historicalsociety.com](http://www.newfane-historicalsociety.com)

## **May 25- 27- Saturday- Monday Carousel Park Opens!**

Celebrate our 22<sup>nd</sup> season featuring Rob and Carol Allen's Magic Show on stage at 2pm daily. Days of Operation are Sat., Sun., & Mon., from 12-6pm of Memorial Day Weekend; Open Saturdays and Sundays, 12-6pm through June; open Friday through Sunday 12-6pm, July through Labor Day. Park rides are 25 cents. Call 716-778-7066 for more info.

## **May 26- Sunday**

### **Super Sunday Car Cruise, 1-4pm Main St. Olcott**

Your favorite classic cars fill Main Street. Family fun for all ages. Free dash plaques to the first 100 cars and bikes. Free admission and parking. Sponsored by OBCA and area businesses. Call 716-628-4007 for more info.

## **May 27- Monday**

### **Memorial Day Observance, 11am Corwin Cemetery**

Come join us as we honor those who have served our country in war and peace. Sponsored by the Town of Newfane and hosted by the Newfane American Legion. 716-408-3311

## **May 31 - August 30 - Fridays**

### **Friday Nights on the Boardwalk, 5-8pm 5955 Ontario Street, Olcott**

Join the Lakeview Village Shoppes every Friday Night on the Boardwalk for live music, free wine tastings featuring local wineries

## **May 31 - June 2 - Friday - Sunday**

### **Ye Olde Log Cabin, Opening Weekend**

Noon -5pm every Fri-Sun through September 8th.

## **June 1- August 24 - Saturdays**

### **Saturday Night Car & Bike Cruises, 5-8pm, Main St. Olcott**

Sponsored by the Olcott Beach Community Association & area businesses. Call 716-628-4007 for more info.

## **June 8- Saturday**

### **3rd Annual Newfane Pride Picnic, 12pm-3:30pm, Calhoon's Pub Outdoor Grove 2598 Main St., Newfane**

Join Nuagara Pride and Calhoon's Pub in bringing Pride to Newfane, NY with our second annual family-friendly event.

Enjoy entertainment, lawn games, and activities for children. Food will be available. Bring family, friends, or just yourself to this laid back and fun event designed to celebrate LGBTQ+ Pride. Call 716-638-0455 for more info. Caloon's Pub Outdoor Grove

## **June 9 - Sunday**

### **27th Annual Duck Race, 2pm Olcott Harbor**

1000 brightly colored ducks race to the finish line in 18 Mile Creek. Free Admission. \$5 fee to rent a duck. Call 716-628-4007 for more info.

## **June 15- Saturday**

### **9th Annual Mermaid Festival, Noon-4pm, Parade at 1pm**

Come flip & frolic in your most magical mermaid finery. Email [thebohosiren@gmail.com](mailto:thebohosiren@gmail.com) for more info. or to sign up for the parade. Lakeview Village Shoppes, 5955 Ontario St, Olcott. (716) 957-0429

## **June 22- Saturday**

### **Newfane Kids Fishing Derby, 8am- 12pm, Olcott Harbor, 18 Mile Creek, Fisherman's Park, and Burt Dam**

Held on the Saturday of New York's Free Fishing weekend. No licenses required. Register at the Olcott Marina pavilion. Must be ages 4-15 to participate and accompanied by an adult. Call 716-778-8531 & 716-778-5462 for more info.

## **June 22- 23- Sunday**

### **NYS Free Fishing Days**

No fishing license required anywhere in the State this weekend.

## **July 3- September 25 - Wednesdays**

### **Weekly Farmer's Market, 4:30-7pm, Newfane United Methodist Church, 2699 Main St., Newfane**

Local Farmers sell their produce in the center of town. Visit with the community, shop locally and grab a bite to eat.

## **July 3- Wednesday**

### **Fireworks over Lake Ontario, 10pm Olcott**

## **July 4- Thursday**

### **Patriots Day Parade, 12:30pm, Olcott**

This parade is nostalgic, patriotic, and fun! Dress up in red, white and blue and decorate your bikes & wagons. Free ice cream and ride tickets for participants. Meet at Krull Park Main St. by noon and march to Olcott Beach Carousel Park.

## **July 12 - 14 - Friday - Sunday**

### **Pirates Festival, Krull Park**

### **Friday 6pm-12am, Saturday 12pm-12am, Sunday 12pm-6pm**

Parade Saturday at noon. Car show Saturday 9am -4pm. Rides, food, music and live entertainment. Catch beads at the parade and wear your pirate costume!

## **July 13 - 14 - Saturday- Sunday**

### **Janice Spagnola's Extra Fun Balloon Stage Show at Olcott Beach Carousel Park and Pirate's Festival**

2 pm. FREE event for live on stage at the Tom Kelley Rustic Theatre. Olcott Beach Carousel Park, 5979 Main St, Olcott, 14126. 778-7066

## **July 18 - Thursday**

### **Free Outdoor Movie Night - Home Alone 2 - Lost in NY**

### **Christmas in July Weekend in Olcott - Carousel Park**

Gates open 7pm. Begins at dusk (around 9pm). Bring lawn chairs and blankets to enjoy a movie outdoors in the Olcott Beach Carousel Park. Concessions available. [www.facebook.com/NewfaneOlcottNY](http://www.facebook.com/NewfaneOlcottNY)



### July 23- Sunday

Thunderstruck Magic Show at Olcott Carousel Park, 2 pm  
Free Magic Show on the Tom Kelly Rustic Theatre Stage

### July 25- Thursday

Free Outdoor Movie Night - A Night at the Museum 2  
Carousel Park Gates open 7pm. Begins at dusk (around 9pm).

### July 27- 28- Saturday & Sunday

Old Olcott Days, 12pm-5pm, Ye Olde Log Cabin  
Call 716-778-8284 for more info.

### July 27- 28- Saturday & Sunday

National Band Organ Rally, 12pm-5pm  
The COAA National Band Organ Rally returns to Olcott Beach!  
Check out these amazing band organs all weekend in Krull Park.

### July 27 - Saturday

Bicentennial Pioneer Picnic, 12pm-5pm  
Celebrate the Town's Bicentennial with a Pioneer Picnic.

### August 9- Friday

19th Annual Bike Night, 5:30-10:30 pm Calhoon's Pub  
FREE event! Live music vendors, food & free bike competition. Raises money & awareness for WNY Challenger Sports. 716-638-0455

### August 11 - Sunday

Law Enforcement Day at Olcott Carousel Park, 12-6pm  
Come join the Niagara Co. Sheriff Deputies and NYS Police for some fun. Take your picture with the K-9 unit and police vehicles. First 400 tickets are free!

### August 15 - Thursday

Free Outdoor Movie Night - Bat Man, The Movie  
Carousel Park Gates open 7pm. Begins at dusk (around 9pm).

### August 18 - Sunday

Olcott Beach Carousel Park's 22nd Anniversary & Community Appreciation Day, 12 -6 pm  
Celebrate the Carousel's 96th birthday w/ free Carousel rides all day!

### August 22 - Thursday

Free Outdoor Movie Night - Ferdinand  
Carousel Park Gates open 7pm. Begins at dusk (around 9pm).

### August 24- Saturday

3rd Annual Newfane Community Day & Bicentennial Parade, 3-10pm  
Live music, Local Food & Craft vendors, Children's games.  
Newfane Town Hall parking lot. 2743 Main St., Newfane.

### August 31- Saturday

34th Annual Olcott Beach Car Show, 8am-4:30pm  
The largest one day car show in Western New York. As many as 1,000 rare & original muscle cars, high-end exotics, customs, tuners, & race cars. More info at [www.OlcottBeachCarShow.com](http://www.OlcottBeachCarShow.com) and on Facebook.  
Krull Park, Olcott

### September 1- Sunday

7th Annual Olcott Beach Jazz Trail, 12-8:30pm  
This FREE event features jazz performances at various walkable locations around Olcott. Find us on Facebook Olcott Beach Jazz Trail for the full line-up of all-star musicians.

## 2024 Newfane & Olcott Concert Series

### 2024 Concert Series at the Olcott Gazebo

MAIN STREET, OLCOTT, NEXT TO OLCOTT BEACH CAROUSEL PARK

Free event and free parking. Handicap accessible.  
Concert series sponsored by Olcott-Newfane Tourism.

Mon., May 27 (MEMORIAL DAY)	Mark Mazur & His Little, Big Band	2pm to 4pm
Sun., June 2	Back Burner	2pm to 4pm
Sun., June 9	Three Parts Whiskey	2pm to 4pm
Sun., June 16	Back in the Day by Kurt	2pm to 4pm
Sun., June 23	Dave Stoll Band	2pm to 4pm
Sun., June 30	Barker Community Band	2pm to 4pm
Wed., July 3 (FIREWORKS)	Easy Street Big band	7pm to 9pm
Thurs., July 4 (INDEPENDENCE DAY)	Mark Mazur & His Little, Big Band	2pm to 4pm
Sun., July 7	Lancaster Steel Drum Band	2pm to 4pm
Sun., July 14	Nite Cruze	2pm to 4pm
Sun., July 21	Pocket Change	2pm to 4pm
Sun., July 28	Band Organ Rally	2pm to 4pm
Sun., August 4	Me & the Boys	2pm to 4pm
Sun., August 11	Buffalo Banjo Band	2pm to 4pm
Sun., August 18	Janice Mitchell & Jim Beishline	2pm to 4pm
Sun., August 25	Easy Street Big Band	2pm to 4pm
Sun., Sept. 1	Olcott Beach Jazz Trail**	12pm to 8:30pm
Mon., Sept. 2 (LABOR DAY)	Skinny G and the Meatballs	2pm to 4pm

### Wednesday Concerts at the Gazebo

sponsored by the Newfane Business Association (NBA)

Main Street Gazebo - Newfane

All concerts start at 7pm, except the June 26th music recital (6 pm).  
Bring a chair, your friends and family to the Gazebo on Main Street (Rt 78 north of Town Hall). Concerts are sponsored by the Newfane Business Association, Town of Newfane and Wilson's Pizza.

June 26: Newfane Music Recital (6-8pm)

July 10: Nickel City Blues Band - Blues & Rock

July 17: Double Barrell - Classic Rock

July 24: The Byways - Folk Rock Band

July 31: The Heenan Brothers  
Folky, Bluesy, Americana Canal Blues

Aug. 7: Tom Keefer and Celtic Cross - Celtic music

Aug. 14: Restless Soles Folk  
Country, Reggae, Americana and more

Aug. 21: Tom and Sarah Wright - Acoustic Duo

Note: Concerts may be cancelled due to inclement weather.

Please refer to our Facebook page for last minute cancellations.

For details and updates regarding planned events this summer, please be sure to check out The Town of Newfane tourism website at [www.olcott-newfane.com](http://www.olcott-newfane.com) or on Facebook.

# Olcott Beach Carousel Park Opening May 25, 26, & 27 2024

## Volunteers and Student Employees Needed!

by Rosemary Sansone, Ph.D.

Summer is just around the corner and you know what that means! It's almost time to pack up the kids and head to Olcott. The Olcott Beach Carousel Park (OBCP) is opening May 25, 2024 from 12 - 6 pm. Come celebrate our 22nd season! OBCP is a vintage kiddie amusement park run by volunteers. Adults and children can take a spin on the 1928 Herschell-Spillman carousel overlooking Lake Ontario to the tune playing on either our 1926 Model 105 or 1931 Model 145 Wurlitzer band organs. For children 52 inches or less in height, there are five vintage kiddie rides. Adults and children 8 years and older can try their luck at one of the 25¢ vintage Skee-ball machines. The park features a small old-fashioned arcade and a "Pick up a Duck Game" (a prize every time). The WNY Dairy Farmers sponsor a free Magic Show featuring Rob and Carol Allen, during days of operation at 2 pm on the Tom Kelley Rustic Theater stage. In addition, there is a private nursing mothers' area. All rides are just 25¢ and shoes are required while in the park.



Our days and hours of operation are as follows:

- Memorial Day Weekend (Saturday, Sunday, Monday) : 12 - 6 pm
- June (Saturday, Sunday): 12 - 6 pm
- July 3: 12 - 8 pm
- July 4: 12 - 6 pm
- July - August (Friday, Saturday, Sunday): 12 - 6 pm
- September 1 & 2: 12 - 6 pm

During the winter, volunteers have been busy making improvements and doing maintenance. This year look for a permanent home for our 1931 Wurlitzer Band Organ. It will be located next to the carousel roundhouse. Before or after riding the carousel, be sure to check out the new displays on the east wall of the roundhouse.



Last year, our Christmas in July event was such a hit, that we have extended it to three days. Come visit Santa from 2:30 - 5 pm on July 19, 20, & 21. He will have a nice prize for each child that visits. In addition, write your letter to Santa and mail it at the park!

We are always in need of volunteers; they are the heartbeat of the park that keeps it operating. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer, can Email Rosemary at [rsansone1947@gmail.com](mailto:rsansone1947@gmail.com) or call 716-778-7066. Two three hour shifts (12 - 3 & 3 - 6 pm) are available each day the park is open. Volunteers can choose which days, shifts and which areas they would like to work (ticket booth, carousel operator, Skee-ball, or Pick Up A Duck game). We train our volunteers on Saturday, May 18th, from 10 am-12 pm, so if you haven't had a chance to sign-up, just show up! However, if someone wants to volunteer and can't come that day, we can make special arrangements to train them when they come to volunteer. There is a sign-up sheet in the carousel building for available shifts and jobs. Volunteers can sign up during our hours of operation.

If you are available, we are always looking for volunteers to help get the park set up for the season. We will need help on May 11, starting at 9 a.m. Generally this involves cleaning, some painting, and moving equipment from storage.

In addition to our volunteers, the park also employs high school and college students aged 16 or older to run the kiddie rides (Ferris wheel, rocket swings, boats, cars, and sky fighter). Training is also provided and they are paid \$17.00 per hour. High school students may get an application form from their guidance department or by emailing Dr. Rosemary Sansone at [rsansone1947@gmail.com](mailto:rsansone1947@gmail.com) or calling 716-778-7066.

See you Memorial Day Weekend!

At **The Olcott Beach Carousel Park**

**FREE!**      Concessions Available

Bring **Blankets & Lawn Chairs**

Presented by The Town of Newfane Tourism Board and The Olcott Beach Community Association

# OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT!

July 18 - Home Alone 2, Lost in NY  
 July 25 - Night at the Museum 2, Battle of the Smithsonian  
 August 15 - Bat Man, The Movie  
 August 22 - Ferdinand

Visit: [www.olcott-newfane.com](http://www.olcott-newfane.com) or [www.facebook.com/NewfaneOlcottNY](https://www.facebook.com/NewfaneOlcottNY) for details!



# The Park After Dark: An After Hours Party With Purpose

By Gina Guido-Redden, OBCP Fundraising Chair

Mark your calendars! The Olcott Beach Carousel Park's annual fundraiser - **The Park After Dark will be August 13, 2024!** The fundraiser contributes substantially to the economic viability of the park's mission - providing a high quality attraction at the lowest possible cost to the WNY community. Each and every year, the revenue raised by this event keeps the park on stable economic footing for the following season – funding restoration and improvement projects and offsetting operating costs.

The Park After Dark is the one and only event held in the park at night – transforming the kiddie park into a grown up vintage carnival!



 <p>Affordable family attractions are bordering on extinction, but The Olcott Beach Carousel Park offers families an affordable day of family fun! Eat, drink and play under the stars while you support our fundraising efforts! Each donation helps us ensure the park remains low cost and high quality, giving every family the chance to make memories that will last a lifetime!</p>	<p><b>An Evening of Fun &amp; Festivities!</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Fresh Popcorn and Nacho Stations</li> <li>○ Cider and Beer on tap at the Rialto Beer Garden</li> <li>○ Wine by the glass or bottle at Luna Park Landing</li> <li>○ Food by Simply Tasteful   Served at 7:00</li> <li>○ Carnival Gaming Midway</li> <li>○ Skee-Ball Tournament</li> <li>○ Carousel Derby Races</li> <li>○ Fortune Teller</li> <li>○ Strolling Magician</li> <li>○ Raffles and 50/50s</li> <li>○ Vintage Vocals by Back in the Day   6:00-9:00</li> <li>○ The Sophisticats   7:00-10:00</li> </ul>	<p><b>Schedule of Events!</b></p> <p><b>6:00 pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Beer Garden, Wine Bar, Popcorn Stand, Nacho Station, Basket Bonanza Raffle Tent, Skee-ball Tournament and Gaming Midway open to all comers.</li> <li>○ Vintage Vocals by Back in the Day <i>Under the circus tent</i></li> </ul> <p><b>7:00 pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Food service by Simply Tasteful</li> <li>○ The Sophisticats   <i>On the mainstage</i></li> </ul> <p><b>7:00 - 10:00 pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Carousel Derby Races   <i>Every 30 minutes</i></li> </ul> <p><b>9:45 pm</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 50/50 Winner Drawn</li> <li>○ Raffle Winners Drawn</li> </ul>
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- Vintage carnival game midway & prizes
- Fortune Telling
- Midway Madness raffle
- Rialto Beer Garden
- Luna Landing Wine Bar
- Carousel Derby Races
- annual skee-ball tournament
- 50/50 split
- live music on 2 stages
- dancing
- popcorn, nachos, appetizers, dinner and dessert!

**Tickets are \$35 pre-sale and \$40 at the door** – and can be purchased on line, or from local ticket sellers. **For ticket information and event sponsorship opportunities** (including naming rights to the main stage, the midway games, derby horses, the beer garden and the wine bar) contact the park:

[olcottbeachcarouselpark@gmail.com](mailto:olcottbeachcarouselpark@gmail.com) or call us at (716) 713-6434 or follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/OBCarousel>

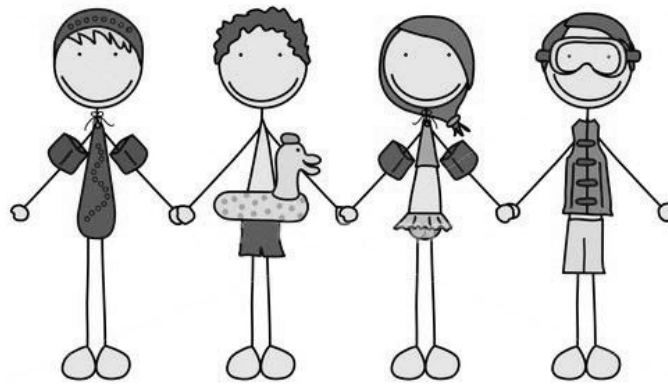


# Newfane Central School District

## Aquatic Center

Located at:  
2909 Transit Road  
Newfane, New York 14108

Bernadette Seymour  
Aquatic Center Director



### SUMMER LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM

If you have a son or daughter and would like to sign up for Learn to Swim lessons, this program is for them. Enroll in an American Red Cross "Learn to Swim Program". This program is divided into seven levels. The prerequisite for each level is successful demonstration of the skills from the preceding level, except for level 1, which has no prerequisite. Our program will offer instruction designed to help swimmers of all ages and abilities develop and refine their skills. We will have an authorized Red Cross Water Safety Instructor teach a variety of strokes, including the front crawl, back crawl, elementary backstroke, breaststroke, sidestroke, and butterfly. They will also introduce a wide range of personal safety skills and possible diving techniques. At more advanced levels, students refine skills, learn the basics of springboard diving, and discover how to incorporate swimming into a lifetime fitness program. This program will fill up quickly so sign up today to ensure a spot. Please register by June 14, 2024.

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### 2024 NEWFANE AQUATIC SUMMER SWIM LESSON REGISTRATION FORM

Child (Children) Name and Age:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

School District \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number Enrolled: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ Session(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK OR MONEY ORDER FOR \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ENCLOSED TO COVER COURSE  
(Please do not mail cash)

PLEASE MAKE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO: **Newfane Central School District**

MAIL TO:  
Bernadette Seymour  
Newfane CSD Business Office/Aquatics  
6273 Charlotteville Road  
Newfane, New York 14108

QUESTIONS? Contact Bernadette Seymour, Aquatics Center Director, at 778-6853 or Bseymour@newfanecentalschools.org

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## SUMMER LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM

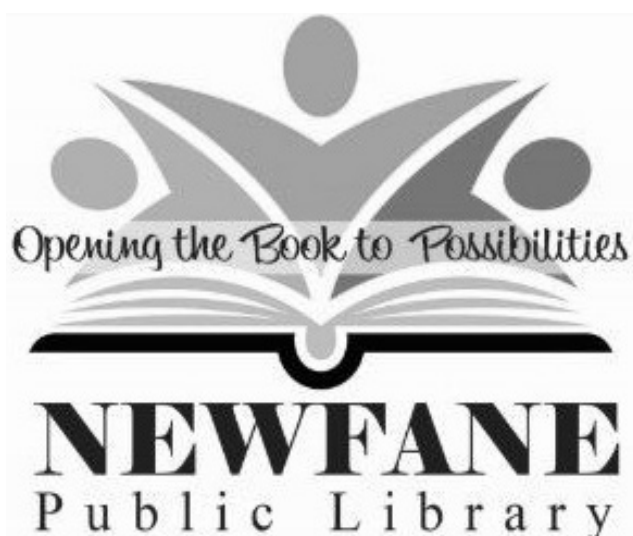
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SESSION ONE</b></p> <p><b>A.</b> July 1<sup>st</sup> – July 19<sup>th</sup> (3 weeks) Cost: <b>\$ 56.00</b>  Monday – Friday 9:00 - 9:30 am Levels I &amp;II  9:30 -10:00 am Levels I &amp;II</p> <p><b>B.</b> July 22<sup>nd</sup> – August 2<sup>nd</sup> (2 weeks) Cost: <b>\$ 40.00</b>  Monday – Friday 9:00 - 9:30 am Levels I &amp;II  9:30 -10:00 am Levels I &amp;II</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SESSION TWO</b></p> <p><b>A.</b> June 26<sup>th</sup> – July 14<sup>th</sup> (3 weeks) Cost: <b>\$ 56.00</b>  Monday - Friday 9:00 - 9:45 am Levels III &amp; up</p> <p><b>B.</b> July 17<sup>th</sup> – July 28<sup>th</sup> (2 weeks) Cost: <b>\$ 40.00</b>  Monday - Friday 9:00 - 9:45 am Levels III &amp; up</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SESSION THREE</b></p> <p>July 1<sup>st</sup> – August 2<sup>nd</sup> (5 weeks) Cost: <b>\$ 56.00</b>  Mon / Wed / Fri 10:00 - 10:45 am All Levels</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SESSION FOUR</b></p> <p>June 27<sup>th</sup> – July 27<sup>th</sup> (5 weeks) Cost: <b>\$ 40.00</b>  Tuesday / Thursday 8:00 – 8:45 am All Levels  10:00 – 10:45 am All Levels  12:15 – 1:00 pm All Levels</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SESSION FIVE</b></p> <p>July 1<sup>st</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup> (5 weeks) Cost: <b>\$ 40.00</b>  Monday &amp; Wednesday 12:15 - 1:00 pm All Levels</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COMPETITIVE SWIM</b></p> <p>July 2<sup>nd</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup> (5 weeks) Cost: <b>\$ 20.00</b>  Tuesday &amp; Thursday 10:45 - 11:30 am</p>



### OTHER SUMMER PROGRAMS *(Adults only unless noted)* July 1st – August 2nd

\*\*\*\* These Classes have a walk-in fee: \$2.00/day \*\*\*\*

<b>ADULT SWIM</b>	<b>MONDAY/ WEDNESDAY/ FRIDAY</b>	<b>6:30 – 8:45 am</b>
<b>WATER AEROBICS</b>	<b>MONDAY/ FRIDAY</b>	<b>10:45 – 11:30 am</b>
<b>LAP SWIM ...</b>	<b>MONDAY THRU FRIDAY</b>	<b>11:30 – 12:15 pm</b>
<b>DEEP WATER AEROBICS</b>	<b>WEDNESDAYS</b>	<b>10:45 – 11:30 am</b>
<b>PARENT &amp; CHILD / 3 YR OLD Class (\$20.00)</b>	<b>WEDNESDAYS</b>	<b>10:45 – 11:30 am</b>



## Updates Coming Soon!

Keep an eye on the Newfane library's website and Facebook page for upcoming renovation and reopening updates.

For those interested in running for a seat on the library board, information will be posted on the library's pages as well.

[www.newfanepubliclibrary.org](http://www.newfanepubliclibrary.org)



## NEWFANE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT DISTRICT OFFICE

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Lisa M. Krueger, Ed.D  
Superintendent of Schools

Spring 2024

News from our Schools

It is an exciting time in the Newfane Central School District, and I am grateful for our Board of Education, parents, faculty, staff and community partners for their support and leadership in creating and expanding opportunities for our students.

Our partnership with the Ontario Shores Credit Union has led to authentic learning experiences for our students, and we are grateful for their support and collaboration. The Newfane Senior High School branch of the Ontario Shores Credit Union opened for banking business in February. This student-run branch is open Tuesday afternoons from 2:30-3:30 PM and can process basic banking transactions such as cashing checks, accepting deposits and processing withdrawals. Our student tellers participated in a job application process, interviews and teller training. Through their training, students learned job skills including banking privacy, confidentiality, and customer service. In addition, students are gaining rich financial literacy skills, which are lifelong skills they will carry with them into adulthood.

Our athletic and academic programs continue to thrive. This winter we had a wrestler compete at the state championship, and a swimmer who broke a school record. Our boys varsity basketball and our wrestling teams had another stellar season. Our musicians participated in the county-wide NCMEA festival in February and shined on stage in the amazing production of the musical Grease in March - our first musical in our beautifully renovated auditorium.

Spring is filled with many opportunities for parents and community members to enjoy being part of our school community. Please feel free to stop by Panther Stadium whenever there is a team competing to help cheer on our panthers. Below are a few highlights of upcoming musical events.

**May 8 - Band & Choral Concert (grades 7 & 8), Newfane Middle School Auditorium, 7 PM**

**May 15 - Band & Choral Concert (grades 5 & 6), Newfane Middle School Auditorium, 7 PM**

**May 29 - High School Vocal Showcase Concert, Newfane Middle School Auditorium, 7 PM**

**June 5 - Band Concert at Krull Park, 6 PM**

**May 8 - Newfane Elementary Spring Concert, Newfane Middle School Auditorium, 7 PM**

**Also, it is that time of year when we begin to register new students for the upcoming school year. Parents/guardians of incoming Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten or other new students are encouraged to reach out this spring to begin the registration process.**

**Please call (716) 778-6359 for additional information.**

### Upcoming School Budget Vote

On Tuesday, May 21, 2024, District residents will have the opportunity to cast their vote on the proposed school district budget for the 2024-25 school year. Despite facing a reduction in state and federal funds, the members of the Board of Education and the district leadership team have developed a responsible budget that maintains our programs. This balanced budget supports the long-range financial health of the District while preserving programs for our students.

On May 21, District residents will have the opportunity to vote on:  
Proposition #1: the Newfane CSD 2024-25 school budget;  
The election of three trustees.

Voting will be held at the Newfane Elementary School from 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM on May 21.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the budget, I would be happy to speak with you. Please feel free to call me at (716) 778-6850. Thank you for your continued support to ensure our students continue to benefit from the programs, services and opportunities that are provided in the Newfane Central Schools.

**“Together We Can”**

## NEWFANE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNOUNCES:

### Universal Pre-Kindergarten Registration for September 2024

The Newfane Central School District will be registering students to enter pre-kindergarten (UPK) in September 2024. According to UPK regulations, children who will **be 4 years old on or before December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 are eligible to attend Pre-Kindergarten.** Students and their parents or legal guardians must live within the Newfane Central School District boundaries. The classes are held at the Newfane Early Childhood Center with busing and meals provided. UPK is an outstanding program designed to prepare all children to learn and grow through play and age-appropriate activities under the guidance of experienced and caring certified teachers. Daily hours for Pre-Kindergarten are 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Please call Mrs. Madeline Ludwig at 716-778-6351 between 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to receive the necessary paperwork to register your child and reserve a spot for the fall.



## Hello Everyone From Ye Olde Log Cabin

Hello everyone from Ye Olde Log Cabin! We hope you all had a great holiday season and this mild winter has treated you well.

Our Santa at the Cabin event was a big success again this year. We had a steady line waiting to see Santa all day long. We gave out over 120 stockings to the kids in just 4 hours! It was so nice seeing the families that make this a family tradition and seeing the kids grow over the years. We would like to thank all the people that helped to make our Santa event so nice for the kids, whether you donated time, money, gift certificates, items for the basket, or treats it was all greatly appreciated and we could not do what we do for the kids without your help. The bin for the Peanut Butter and Jelly fund drive was over flowing!! Thank you for your

donations to help someone in need.

We are looking forward to this season at the Cabin. The Cabin will be open for the upcoming Total Solar Eclipse for the weekend of Friday, April 5th, 6th, and 7th. We will also be open Eclipse day, Monday April 8th from 12-5pm, so stop in and say hello, we would love to see you!

The Cabin will reopen for the 2024 season on Friday, May 31st 12-5 pm and will be open on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays 12-5pm through the summer. We will also be open for July 3rd and 4th 12-5 pm.

Our Town of Newfane is celebrating its Bicentennial birthday this year as most know, and we have a special event at Ye Olde Log Cabin. On July 27th, we will be having Old Olcott Days Pioneer Picnic from 12-5pm. Come celebrate our Bicentennial with us with lots of fun and history. The festivities begin at 12 pm at the new bandstand in Krull Park (lakeside) with the American Legion's Color Guard in attendance and Councilman Pete Robinson singing our National Anthem. Our local dignitaries will welcome you all and then Teddy Roosevelt will make an appearance just like he did on August 1899 and join us for our picnic. Trolley rides will begin at 1pm, free hot dogs will be provided by Olcott Lions Club while supplies last, free bottles of water while supplies last. Wine tastings and sales by Schulze Vineyard and Winery and treats for sale by The Nut Hut. Ye Olde Log Cabin will be open for all to see with historic displays as well as added displays under the tents outside and games for the kids and adults too! This year we will also welcome The National Band Organ Rally back. We look forward to all the beautiful band organs that will be displayed and playing throughout Olcott and Krull Park on Saturday and Sunday. Come join us for a fun picnic day and wear your best pioneer outfit if you would like! Then on Sunday July 28th we continue with Old Olcott Days from 12-5 pm. Ye Olde Log Cabin will be open, added displays under the tents, Trolley rides 12-5pm, Schulze Vineyard and Winery for tasting and sales, and the Nut Hut for treats. The National Band Organ Rally will also be here for Sunday as well as Teddy Roosevelt wandering around Olcott visiting different spots in Olcott, so be on the look out for Teddy!

As always we are accepting donations of items to display in the Cabin, whether it be on loan or permanent display. We are always looking to add to our Volunteer Family, so if you would like to volunteer at the Cabin we would love to have you! For any of the above please contact Stella Wilson at 716-778-9887.

We look forward to a great season and look forward to seeing you all at Ye Olde Log Cabin in "The Pine Grove"!!



**HELP US WIN A GRANT!**

## Van Horn Mansion

The Van Horn Mansion is a living history museum & event center, first built as a home by the Van Horn Family in 1823. It's on the National Register of Historic Places, and is a cultural and historical highlight for the Town of Newfane, NY.

**If we raise \$35k, we earn another \$35k**  
 Funds are going towards vital upgrades and maintenance.  
**Hurry...the Deadline is the end of this year, 2024!**  
*\* We have currently raised \$18,000...help us keep going! \**

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### WAYS TO DONATE

**Venmo**  
Send to  
**@NewfaneHistory**

**GoFundMe & PayPal**

SCAN ME

**Mail a Check**  
Newfane Historical Society; P.O. Box 115, Newfane, NY 14108  
subject line: "Rev. Project"

Thanks to all for your amazing support!

Or donate at  
**VanHornMansion.com**

The Newfane Historical Society is a 501(c)3 non-profit org.



**NIAGARA SHORES GARDEN CLUB OF NEWFANE**

A sure sign of Spring are the green leaves of perennial plants pushing up through the soil all around us. Watch for the daffodils blooms in the tree planters along our Main Street. Their beautiful yellow flowers add a cheerful beauty to our Town.

Our club meets monthly and we try to plan interesting and informative programs. We planted enclosed terrariums at our January meeting. We were invited to a member's home in February to watch a video about unique planters for our gardens. We hosted speaker, Jim Bitner at our March meeting.

At our April meeting, we are hosting a person who has approached our club with an idea to add a butterfly garden to the Memorial Tree Garden in Olcott. Many people don't even know the Garden exists. It is across from the Log Cabin with many trees planted and labeled in memory of loved ones.

Plans for other monthly meetings in 2024 include making lilac jelly in May, hosting the President of the Violet Society of WNY at our June meeting, an ice cream social in July, and a tour of the Zinnia garden at the Goodie Girl Farm in August.

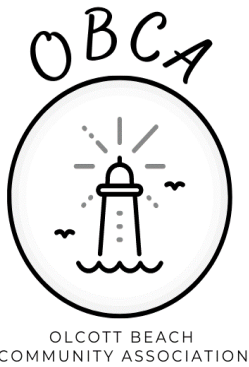
Other topics we are considering are touring a winery, visiting a member's home to tour her extensive Iris collection and making a flower arrangement in a pumpkin.

Niagara Shores is a garden club, but we do more than garden. Our aim is to share knowledge and ideas concerning gardening, discuss problems we may have with certain plants and bring awareness to environmental issues. We invite speakers to our meetings and enjoy making garden themed crafts.

It is our hope that you might become interested in our club and join us for a meeting. We always welcome new folks and fresh ideas. Our home base is The Newfane Community Room, and we meet the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm. Because we do take field trips, it would be best to call for information about a specific monthly meeting if you are interested in attending.

If you have any questions about our club or a monthly meeting, please contact President, Barb Reabold at 716-778-7198 or Secretary, Nancy Beakman at 716-778-7300.

**"If one truly loves nature, one finds beauty everywhere."  
Vincent van Gogh**



The *Olcott Beach Community Association* (OBCA) is a group of community minded citizens and business owners committed to improvements and services for our hometown. OBCA meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Olcott Methodist Church. There is no fee to join and everyone is welcome to attend our meetings and participate in our work.

We are very excited about this year's Newfane Bicentennial celebrations! We purchased banners and yard signs to promote

the Bicentennial and we encourage local groups and organizations to add Bicentennial themes to their activities this year. Get involved or stop by at these exciting events this year ...

- ❖ Super Sunday Car Cruise on May 26<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Saturday Night Car Cruises on Main Street starting Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>
- ❖ The annual Duck Race on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Ye Olde Log Cabin Pioneer Picnic and Old Olcott Days  
Saturday & Sunday, July 27 & 28, 2024!

Follow us on Facebook for event updates!

We're looking for volunteers to help with our events and assist with maintaining the flowers along Main Street and at the Olcott Gazebo. We invite anyone interested in helping to contact us, or if you just want to stop by or receive our meeting minutes, please email ...

[olcottbeachcommunityassociation@yahoo.com](mailto:olcottbeachcommunityassociation@yahoo.com)

**Mermaid Day**  
**At The**  
**Lakeview Village Shoppes**  
JUNE 15TH  
**SAVE THE DATE**

The Mermaid Day Is A Perfect Free Event  
To Advertise And Draw Attention To Your  
Group, Clup Or Organization!

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Theater Groups  
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Restaurants

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**  
Email Christine at [thebohosiren@gmail.com](mailto:thebohosiren@gmail.com)



## Lakeview Village Shoppes Opening for the 33rd Season!

It's going to be another great season on the boardwalk in Olcott at the Lakeview Village Shoppes!!! We are excited to welcome 3 new shoppes: Brownie's Custard Stand, Christmas Gift Box, and Mama's Mission! We are also grateful to the Town of Newfane for improving and paving the parking lot across from the Shoppes on Ontario Street.

We are bringing back our popular *Friday Nights on the Boardwalk* with live music and free wine tasting from 5pm-8pm every Friday starting May 31st! The Mermaid Day at the Shoppes is back again on Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> and this fall we'll have fun events like a Scarecrow Village, Autumn Boo-nanza, and the 3rd Annual Psychic Faire!



Lakeview Village  
Shoppes

5955 Ontario St - Olcott Beach, NY 14126

Opening Weekend – 2024  
Our regular season starts Saturday, May 4th ...

... Regular boardwalk hours ...

**MAY - SATURDAY & SUNDAY**  
12PM - 6PM

**MEMORIAL DAY TO LABOR DAY**  
OPEN 7 DAYS

**SUNDAY TO THURSDAY** 12PM - 6PM  
**FRIDAY & SATURDAY** 12PM - 8PM

**SEPTEMBER - SATURDAY & SUNDAY**  
12PM - 6PM

**OCTOBER - SATURDAY & SUNDAY**  
12PM - 6PM

**HERE ARE THIS SEASON'S INDIVIDUALLY-OWNED,  
SMALL BUSINESSES ON THE BOARDWALK!**



Follow all of the businesses on their social media pages to stay up to date on sales, extended hours and special events!

**\*NEW\* Brownies Custard Stand** the new food & ice cream shop on the boardwalk serving ice cream, custard and food – just like their popular Wilson location.

**Chenez's Popcorn** Original recipe, handmade gourmet popcorn from their kitchen at 21 Main St. in Lockport. More than 42 flavors from lightly salted to chocolate-covered cherry and peanut butter cups – plus a variety of unique soda pop.

**\*NEW\* Christmas Gift Box** a new shoppe on the boardwalk featuring all Christmas items, everyday! Old World Christmas ornaments and souvenirs for holiday decorating!

**Dragonfly Espresso\_O** a specialty coffee shop serving local roasted coffee and all types of hot & cold drinks -- specials everyday!

**Gift Box at the Beach** is back on the boardwalk for their 14th season! Look for Life is Good products, Terrapin Ridge Farm dips & sauces, Olcott Beach Souvenirs, Great Lakes gifts, purses, jewelry, toys & more! They also have the official Olcott Beach Lighthouse Stamp for US Lighthouse Society passport books!

**Just Looking on the Lake** is a cozy shop for a walk down memory lane. Find a unique assortment of vintage and antique yesteryear to peruse and ponder. Relax and enjoy a diverse selection of books and ephemera, new and vintage jewelry, and plenty of odds and ends!

**KM Treats** a candy shop offering all kinds of nostalgic candy, along with some of your new favorites!

**Kave Man Treasures** everything you need to decorate your man cave - tin signs, license plates, and horseshoes! They have River Rat Cheese from the 1000 Islands along with unique hot sauces & meat sticks!

**\*NEW\* Mama's Mission** a new shop on the boardwalk offering a variety of items to make your meals and meal planning easier. Check out the soup and dinner mixes, granolas and breakfast mixes, cake mixes, mug cakes and dips -- including many gluten free, vegan and sugar free options.

**The Boho Siren** is an eclectic mix of local art and nostalgia. They are pleased to host The Mermaid Day at The Lakeview Village Shoppes again this summer on Saturday, June 15th.

**Walden Willow** is a size-inclusive women's boutique and gift shoppe that was recently voted 'Best Women's Boutique' in the Buffalo News: Best of 716. You can find contemporary boutique clothing with sizes ranging from Small-6XL, shoes, jewelry, accessories, beauty products, unique gifts (toys, pet products and garden) and so much more!

# Olcott's Dancehall and Big-Band Era

Bill Clark, Town of Newfane Historian

historian@townofnewfane.com

Much has been written about the dancehalls, big bands and nationally recognized celebrities who performed in Olcott Beach in the first half of the 1900s. Writings and personal recollections abound that highlight this popular and prosperous time in Newfane's history, but as stories are shared through the decades, the details and facts about the entertainers and venues are not always accurately retold. A closer look tells more about which big-name performers actually appeared in Olcott and where they played.

Most of the big band appearances are associated with the Olcott Beach Hotel, but many nationally known celebrities also performed at Riccio's Dance Hall, and there were other Olcott venues operating in this period when dancehalls were a popular attraction. The Olcott Beach Hotel operated from 1901 to 1937, drawing thousands of leisure visitors each season who were seeking summer fun and entertainment. The grand one-hundred room hotel had a large ballroom and stage they called the 'Olcott Beach Casino' – they used an older definition of 'casino' meaning a large hall or building for music, dancing and entertainment. The hotel did not offer gambling, which was illegal, even though related stories tell that gambling was common in the backrooms.

Even before celebrity bandleaders made regular appearances in Olcott Beach, dancehalls were already a popular attraction. As early as 1884, the Newfane Coronet Band played at the dance pavilion in the Lakeshore House, the old James Cooper home in today's Krull Park that became a hotel and was demolished when the Olcott Beach Hotel was built. At the Luna Park amusement area where the skating rink and Ermas would later be, they converted the silent movie theater to the 'Dreamland' dancehall that was destroyed in the 1927 block fire.

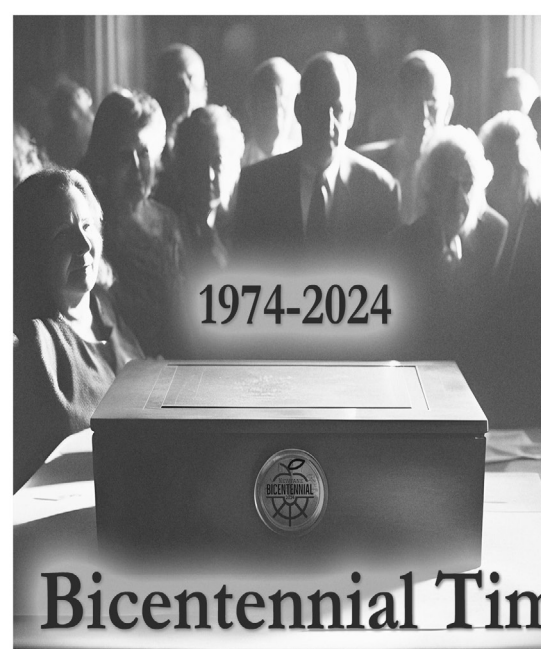
Gabrielle Riccio came to Olcott from Buffalo in 1928 and purchased much of the property bounded by Main and Cooper Streets that had burned in the 1927 fire. Riccio demolished the Albright Hotel that stood on the northwest corner of Main and Lockport Streets and built a dancehall that would host many big-name acts. Another of Olcott's early dancehalls was located where today's village commons is next to the Carousel Park. Started by Jacob Ulrich, it later became the Olcott Danceland Pavilion operated by Lawrence (Loren) Schnurstein ... and when Burt Flynn took over the former Boeckmann Restaurant that is now Mariner's Landing, he briefly promoted dancing, but then decided to make it a bingo hall.

Concerts, dancing and vaudeville acts were common in the early years of the Olcott Beach Hotel. Much of the music was provided by popular regimental bands affiliated with the military, such as the 65<sup>th</sup> and 74<sup>th</sup> Regiment Bands that regularly played summer concerts in Buffalo area parks. Victor Herbert and his famous Pittsburgh Orchestra played the season opening concert at the hotel in 1902 and received a full five-minute standing ovation, after which he regaled the audience with the Coronation March and Blue Danube. Big band appearances dominated the Olcott entertainment scene after the repeal of prohibition in the early 1930s. Donnell Charles (1912-1996), a Lockport musician and orchestra leader wrote in 1982 about his experiences playing with bands that performed in Olcott. He notes that some of the famous 'big bands' to appear at the Olcott Beach Hotel were Paul Whitman, Guy Lombardo, Tommy Dorsey, Jimmy Dorsey, Louis Armstrong, Charlie Barnet, Red Nichols, Mal Hallett and Artie Shaw. Other reports note that Billie Holiday sang in Olcott with Artie Shaw before she gained national fame and that Benny Goodman and Mitchell Rappaport also performed at the hotel.

The agent connected with Riccio's Dance Pavilion was Ray Kneeland, a prominent music and concert promoter from Lockport who booked popular national celebrities at Buffalo's Town Casino, Crystal Beach and

the Celeron in Chautauqua. The big bands would often play the Buffalo area ballrooms on weekends and then come to Olcott for Monday and Wednesday performances. After the Olcott Beach Hotel was demolished in 1937, Riccio's took on the name 'Olcott Beach Casino'. Cab Calloway and Harry James played at Riccio's, as did Artie Shaw and Louis Armstrong. Many Lockport area musicians also appeared on the Olcott Beach stages; including the Stuart Dussault Band, Tony Barone and the Serenaders, Kittle's Band, the North End Band and bands led by Lockport's Bill Suthers.

The big band era ended with the outbreak of World War II. Gabrielle Riccio had meanwhile built the bowling alley that was first operated by his daughter Betty March and later became Erma's, and he rebuilt the skating rink operated by his daughter Marie and husband Lavern Maclam. He then demolished the dancehall and the remaining portion became Riccio's Tavern – later named Cal's and operated by a third daughter Sylvia and husband Cal Kruger (this became the Lighthouse Grille and Captain's Galley). The Ulrich dancehall, later operated by Schnurstein's, was purchased by Joseph and Tillie Tryznadel and called The Olcott. Joe and Tillie's daughter, Jackie Gerling operated the Olcott and other Main Street businesses in succeeding years and in 1960 her husband John built the Olcott Bell's IGA store next to the Olcott, which was first operated by Joe and Tillie and was later Ives Foods. Walter Holtz had operated a shooting gallery where the Bell's IGA was built, then he and Edna purchased the old Bradley Restaurant next door and opened the Seafood Bar. Joe Tryznadel's sister, Jesse Fisher and her husband Ed operated the nearby Coney Island Restaurant and Erma's with their children Erma Nowak and David. Burt Flynn expanded to open the Olcott Beach Amusement Park and other amusements, he changed the name of Boeckmann's to the Park Edge and when it burned he rebuilt it as the Village Tavern. Flynn's properties were later owned by Pete and Jim Januze, who named the park Lakeland Amusements – today these sites are occupied by the Carousel Park, Mariner's Landing and Park Place Restaurant.



## 50 Years Ago

...the citizens of our town buried a Time Capsule packed with more than a century worth of gifts from Newfane's past!

This year, as we celebrate our Bicentennial, the Time Capsule will be brought to the Apple Blossom Festival for a 1PM ceremony where it will be opened for all to see!

All are welcome at the free Festival, held on Sunday, May 19 at the corner of Ide and West Creek roads.

Join us for a trip back 200 years!

## Bicentennial Time Capsule

Newfane's history revealing *time capsule* that was buried 50 years ago during our 1974 Sesquicentennial celebration will be opened May 19 at this year's Apple Blossom Festival. Join us at 12 noon at the Town Court/Highway building at McKee and Transit, when it will be raised from its vault, placed on a horse drawn wagon and transported to the festival grounds for a 1:00 pm opening.

# VETERANS NEWS ...

## From the Newfane American Legion, Post 873

(716) 408-3311

[newfanelegion@yahoo.com](mailto:newfanelegion@yahoo.com)

**Post Meetings:** Our meetings are held in the Town Hall Community Center at 7:00 pm (6 pm in December and June) on the second Monday of every month. We are always looking for new veteran members and we encourage guests and members of the community to attend our meetings. Come out, meet your Post and see what the American Legion can do for your Veteran, and together, what we can do for Newfane!

**The Auxiliary of Newfane American Legion Post 873** is open to male and female spouses, grandmothers, mothers, sisters, and direct and adopted female descendants of members of The American Legion. Call or email the Post if you are interested in joining.

**The Post's activities around town:** Since the last town newsletter, Post members and town residents helped collect over 570 pounds of peanut butter and jelly for food pantries through the Peanut Butter and Jelly Drive and raised more than \$566 for the Salvation Army's Red Kettle campaign during our collections at Newfane's Tops Market. Post members served as the color guard for the Light-Up Newfane parade and participated with a float and handed out candy canes to people along the route. Members participated in the Wreaths Across America program by laying wreaths at the Western New York National Cemetery in Corfu. We delivered Christmas gifts to veterans at the Newfane Rehabilitation and Health Center and donated to their canteen accounts. The Post is looking forward to our Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup along Route 78 and the 2024 Canal Clean Sweep. We will also participate in this year's Town Bicentennial activities, the kids Patriot Parade in Olcott on the 4th of July, and the Pirates Festival Parade.

**VA Cemeteries:** Veterans, are you thinking of making the Western New York National Cemetery or another VA cemetery your final resting place? You can ask for a pre-need determination of eligibility to make burial planning easier for your family in this difficult time. The application can be made on-line using the VA.gov website and by mail or fax. For veterans who are determined eligible, the burial includes opening and closing of the grave, a grave liner, ongoing care of the gravesite, a government-furnished headstone or marker, burial flag and Presidential Memorial Certificate. These benefits come at no cost to the veteran or the family. If qualified, you will receive a letter and information from the VA confirming your eligibility for burial in a VA cemetery. Keep the information in a safe place and discuss your burial plan and VA benefits with your family. You can always decide to opt out of the program if your plans change. Please contact the Post or the Niagara County Veterans Service Office if you have questions or need assistance.

**Where's your DD Form 214?** Veterans and family members need to know where you keep important veteran's service records. The DD Form 214 serves many purposes and opens the doors for many veterans benefits. The Niagara County Clerk's office will scan your DD Form 214 into their system for safe keeping and can give you a certified copy if needed. The Post has experienced instances where a family could not locate a veteran's service record when arranging Military Honors for a funeral. Having your form stored at the County Clerk's office makes it easily accessible and also provides a backup if your copy at home is lost, damaged or cannot be found. While you are there, sign up for your Thank-A-Vet card and start getting some discounts at participating businesses.



### NEWFANE VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

#### Brick Application and Information

Newfane is proud to announce that the construction of our new park—directly south of Town Hall on Main Street—is completed. The park will honor all five branches of the US military (Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard) and our local residents who have served our great nation. We invite you to stop by your park and visit.

Memorial parks are here for three purposes. To **Honor** those who are in the Armed Forces protecting our country. To **Remember** those who served and gave their all for their country. And to **Teach** the next generations that our freedoms have never been free or cheap but purchased by the blood of patriots from the Revolutionary War and into the future.

#### Purchaser Information

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Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Clip Art # T \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### Brick Information

4" x 8" engraved brick \$25.00; with Clip Art or Logo \$32.00  
Replica Tile \$10 (Yes/ No)

Three (3) lines, 20 spaces per line - No Military emblem \$25  
or

Three (3) lines, 15 spaces per line, \$32 when adding Military emblem. Emblems can be viewed at [polarengraving.com/NewfaneVeteransMemorialPark](http://polarengraving.com/NewfaneVeteransMemorialPark) or by picking up a copy at Town Hall.

Replica Tiles are 4 x 4 x 1/2 Granite tiles engraved to match your brick. Cost per tile is \$10

*Note: Spaces between words, and periods count as spaces.*

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Mail or drop off completed form with proof of military service and check ( on memo line write "Memorial Brick") to *Town of Newfane, 2737 Main Street, Newfane, NY 14108*

*Veterans being honored must have lived in Newfane sometime in their life time, and have a good conduct discharge. DD214, discharge papers, or photo of VA grave.*

**Questions? Call Paul Leader at 471-0382**

To view clip art choices and/or order online please visit:  
[polarengraving.com/NewfaneVeteransMemorialPark](http://polarengraving.com/NewfaneVeteransMemorialPark)



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We provide individual and group counseling sessions. Each patient is assigned to a primary clinician who develops an individualized treatment plan. In addition to educational and goal-oriented treatment planning, we provide tailor-made interventions to meet patient’s needs.



**Buffalo & Western New York**

**WNY PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

**MONTHLY**

- 1<sup>ST</sup> WED** FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP  
Niagara Falls (6:30 - 8:00pm)
- 2<sup>ND</sup> THU** FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP\*  
Online (7:00 - 8:30pm)
- 3<sup>RD</sup> WED** FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP  
Amherst (7:00 - 8:30pm)
- 3<sup>RD</sup> THU** FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP  
Hamburg (7:00 - 8:30pm)
- 3<sup>RD</sup> THU** FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP  
Lockport (6:30 - 8:00pm)
- 4<sup>TH</sup> THU** FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP  
Buffalo (6:30 - 8:00pm)

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 CALL TODAY! Call (716) 226-6264 or email [online@namibuffalony.org](mailto:online@namibuffalony.org) for information on our next class.

\*PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR ONLINE GROUPS & FAMILY-TO-FAMILY CLASSES  
 FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER email us at [online@namibuffalony.org](mailto:online@namibuffalony.org)

**About Our Programs**

**NAMI Family Support Group**  
 Facilitated, confidential support for family members and caregivers concerned about and/or caring for a person with mental illness. Leaders are trained NAMI members who have lived family experience with a loved one’s struggles with mental illness. Groups are available both on a drop-in basis at community locations and through virtual sessions.

**NAMI Family-to-Family**  
 A 9-week class for adult family and caregivers of a loved one who has mental illness. This is the evidence-based signature program of NAMI National and provides a confidential, personal setting for family members to share their experiences and gain support, knowledge, and insight. Family-to-Family is led by two NAMI-trained volunteers who have personally experienced the challenges of caring for a loved one living with mental illness.

**Our Mission**

Families compassionately helping families of loved ones challenged by mental illness

**Our Vision**

A meaningful life for people with mental illness achieved through effective systems and knowledgeable families

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**For Other Meetings - <https://www.nar-anon.org/find-a-meeting>**

**737 Delaware Avenue, Suite 217**  
**Buffalo, New York 14209**  
**(716) 226-6264 ext. 101**  
**[www.namibuffalony.org](http://www.namibuffalony.org)**

The Town of Newfane  
**BICENTENNIAL**  
 1824 – 2024



**Celebrating**  
*200 Years!*  
**2024**  
**Bicentennial Events**

**MARCH 23**  
 Bicentennial Year Kickoff Dinner

**MAY 2024**  
 Apple Blossom Festival

**JULY 3**  
 Fireworks Spectacular

**JULY 26 -28, 2024**  
 Old Olcott Pioneer Days  
 Picnic • Exhibitions • Reenactments

**AUGUST 24, 2024**  
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 (for event updates & information)



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## GUN LAWS UPDATE FORUM

Saturday June 1, 2024: 10am - 1pm

Frontier Fire Hall; 2176 Liberty Drive, Niagara Falls  
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*Old Olcott Days – Pioneer Picnic  
Bicentennial Celebration 1824 - 2024*

**Saturday, July 27 & Sunday, July 28**



**Narrated Trolley Rides ... National Band Organ Rally ... Log Cabin Museum  
Kids Zone                      Teddy Roosevelt Reenactment                      Games**

Known as the Pine Grove in the 1800s, today's Krull Park hosted the annual picnics of Niagara County's pioneer settlers, their families and descendants for 70 years. Within the first 10 years of the popular social and high-profile political gatherings founded in 1877, attendance at the summer outings grew to 10,000 people. In 1888, pioneer leaders dedicated "Ye Olde Log Cabin" in the grove to preserve their historical artifacts and heritage. Theodore Roosevelt spoke at the Pioneer Association Picnic in 1899 when he was Governor of New York.

This year's Old Olcott Days and Bicentennial celebration recognizes the treasured legacy that our pioneer forebearers left for the future of Niagara County. There will be a Pioneer Picnic on Saturday, July 27th at noon featuring a professional Teddy Roosevelt reenactor, free hot dogs & water (while they last), and games with prizes for the kids. There will also be checkers, chess, cards, tic tac toe, corn hole, and ladder ball for the adults! Ye Olde Log Cabin Museum will be open all weekend and will have additional historic displays. There will be wine tasting from Schulze Winery and nostalgic concessions available from The Nut Hut, like cotton candy and candied nuts! The Town Trolley will operate from 1pm-5pm on Saturday and Sunday providing free narrated historical tours of Olcott Beach.

*The historic weekend will also feature the **National Band Organ Rally**, a nostalgic assembly of band organs that appeals to everyone's childhood memories of amusement parks and vintage movies. Come and join in the spirit of their festive and recognizable tunes!*

Bring a chair, find a shady spot, enjoy the lake breeze  
and a fun weekend celebrating Newfane and Olcott's rich history!

***Newfane's Bicentennial Celebration & Community Day***

**Saturday, August 24**

**2 pm Parade with Bands and Floats**

**On Main Street**

***Come see the Parade***



**Costumes ... Kids Games ... Local Foods ... Vendors ... Music**

View, Display and  
Share Historic Photos  
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