

# Victor Voice

TOWN AND VILLAGE NEWSLETTER



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Fall 2015

## Volunteerism in Victor



Genesee Regional Off-Road Cyclist (GROC) Volunteers at Dryer Road Park

### Look for the Victor Parks and Recreation Program Guide Insert in the center of this newsletter

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The spirit of Volunteerism in a community is often a major factor in enhancing the quality of life in our community. The various types of volunteer opportunities can be a reflection not only on a community's human resources but also an indicator of the diverse attributes and interests of the members of that community. By becoming a volunteer you are saying..."I've got some skin in the game." Let's take a look at the many volunteer opportunities that are available to our residents and visitors.

Through the Department of Parks & Recreation, volunteer opportunities are available through a variety of recreation programs, places to play and community activities. Did you know that the Seneca Trail, the Monkey Run Trails and the Trolley Trail are maintained by Victor Hiking Trails volunteers? Victor Hiking Trails (VHT) is currently looking for trail maintenance volunteers and is actively recruiting members through its "Capacity Building" grant. More information can be found about VHT in this newsletter and

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**Jack Marren,**  
Town  
Supervisor,  
(585) 742-5020

# Town Supervisor's News

## Transfer Station

On behalf of the Town Board, I would like to thank all of the residents who took the time to fill out the Transfer Station/Recycle Center Survey form back in April. In addition, I want to thank the residents who have provided letters/emails or have spoken at Town Board meetings for their constructive feedback and ideas. The survey results and feedback have been compiled for Highway and Town Hall staff to review and to make recommendations to the Town Board. Some areas that are being addressed:

- Spring/summer – fall/winter hours of operations
- Wednesday hours to address the backups on Rawson Road
- Permit modifications
- Tire disposal
- One-time passes
- Recycling of electronic items will no longer be accepted. Please reference the recycling information on page 6.

These are areas of change which are being implemented. All final changes to the Transfer Station/Recycling Center operations will be communicated through renewal letters, Town website, media, and electronic sign boards. A Transfer Station/Recycling Center Fact Sheet for 2016 will be included in the Winter Issue of the Town & Village Voice.

In a continued effort to promote and maintain safety at our Town Facilities, the Town Board passed a new local law at the July 27th Town Board meeting. The law "Refuse Disposal of" also referred to as "dumpster diving" law is intended to protect the safety of all users of the Transfer Station. Individuals will be prohibited from going into any Town dumpster to retrieve any items that have been placed there. The price of metal and copper items have led individuals to retrieve items from these dumpsters for their own financial gain, but in doing so also places risk on the Town. Town Staff will look to enforce appropriately, and in cases that could be confrontational, they will identify license plate information. The Staff at the Transfer Station and the Town Board thank you in advance for your cooperation.

## 2014 Town Audit

At the May 11, 2015 Town Board meeting, the 2014 Financial Audit findings were presented by The Bonadio Group to the Town Board. These annual audits continue to highlight many of the positive financial accounting principles that have been introduced in the last five years. The Finance Department continues to introduce new methods of budget tracking and forecasting expenses.

## June Highlights

The month of June was a very busy month here at Town Hall and around the Town. Listed below are a few highlights that you may have not known about:

- On Wednesday, June 3, our Lieutenant Governor, Kathy Hochul, came for a visit to our Town. I had the

privilege to introduce her to our Town staff, our new Village Mayor, Jason Ashton, and Village Clerk Pam Hogenes. During Lt. Governor Hochul's time with us we visited three Village businesses: Top of the Lamp, Bistro 11 and Hopper Hills Florist. In addition, it was the opening day of the Farmers' Market and Lt. Governor Hochul had a chance to mingle with merchants, residents and make a purchase before she departed for her next stop.

- At the Monday, June 8th Town Board meeting there was a check presentation ceremony for Honor Flight. Through the efforts of Mike Stockman, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation, Tim Maher and the Merchants Group, Victor Hills Golf Club, Victor Lions Club, Victor/Farmington Kiwanis, Ontario County Women's Republican Club, and the many generous businesses and residents throughout this community, a check was presented to leadership of the Honor Flight Rochester organization for \$20,496.71. This one week fundraising effort allowed 42 World War II & Korean Veterans an opportunity to take the Mission to Washington DC to visit their National Memorials. I cannot describe to you the emotion displayed by the Veterans in the room that evening. The entire Town Board was so proud of the efforts by all those individuals directly involved in the success of this fundraiser. If you are interested in attending the return of one of these Honor Flight Missions, there are three more scheduled for 2015 at the Rochester Airport on the following Sundays: September 13th, 27th and October 25th. Return flights usually land about 11:00 A.M., but plan to arrive early as there are usually a few hundred people to greet these veterans.
- On June 11th the Town and Village Boards and the Parks & Recreation Citizens Advisory Committee held a dedication ceremony at the Victor Municipal Park Bandshell in Memory of Dorothy and Sid Partington, in recognition for their efforts in bringing a greater awareness of music to this community.
- In June we also experienced the NY State Department of Transportation milling and resurfacing 3,000ft of a heavily pot-holed area of West Main Street (Route 96). Though there were some delays in traffic, they were minor in comparison to the beating that vehicles experienced on that stretch of road.

Please enjoy the rest of summer and we hope to see you at Hang Around Victor Day and Victorfest on September 12th.

As always, I welcome your suggestions for improvements to our Town, and can be reached at [supervisor@town-victor-ny.us](mailto:supervisor@town-victor-ny.us) or 742-5020.

# News from the Town Clerk's Office

By Debra J. Denz, Town Clerk

## Office Hours

The Town Clerk's Office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., and on Wednesday evenings until 7:00 P.M. For your convenience, there is a drop box located at the rear entrance to the Victor Town Hall. Payments by check may be placed in the drop box. The drop box is checked daily by 8:00 A.M. on regular business days. Payments collected will be considered received on the prior business day.

The Town Clerk's office provides a variety of services to our community including issuing marriage licenses, hunting and fishing licenses, dog licenses and handicapped parking permits. The Town Clerk is also the Tax Receiver for Town & County taxes. Many forms and applications are available electronically through the Town of Victor website at: <http://www.victorny.org/index.aspx?NID=192>.

## Town Board Correspondence, Meetings, Agendas and Meeting Minutes

Town Board meetings are scheduled every second and fourth Monday of each month during the year at 7:00 P.M. (with Holiday exceptions: Tuesday May 26, 2015, and Tuesday October 13, 2015) and are open to the public.

Should you wish to personally appear before the Town Board during the Privilege of the Floor portion of the meeting, please contact the Town Supervisor's Office, 585-742-5020, for inclusion on the agenda. There is a Public Comment Section on every agenda where citizens may speak regarding any subject. Any correspondence directed to the Town Board should be addressed to the Town Clerk, 85 E. Main St., Victor, NY 14564. Upon receipt, the Town Clerk will forward a copy to each Town Board member and make note during the next Town Board meeting.

Town Board meeting agendas and meeting minutes are available online located on the left hand side of the home page at [www.victorny.org](http://www.victorny.org). Meeting minutes are posted after Town Board approval and designated with a green check mark in the center of the page. A choice of the current or previous years' minutes is made by

selection from the right hand side of the Town Board Agenda & Minutes heading.

## Voter Registration Forms

Mail-in voter registration forms are available in the Town Clerk's office for anyone who wishes to change party enrollment, has never been registered to vote, or has moved since his or her last registration. The Ontario County Board of Elections may be conducting a fall primary on 9/10/15 for the nomination of candidates to run for public office in their respective jurisdictions. Persons not currently registered to vote and for information about elections, please refer to Ontario County Board of Elections through the website [www.co.ontario.ny.us](http://www.co.ontario.ny.us) for details. This year's general election is scheduled for Tuesday, November 3, 2015 from 6:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.

## Frequently Asked Questions

Questions about Passports, Deeds, Pistol Permits or DBA's? The Ontario County Clerk's office provides these documents and services. Contact the Ontario County Clerk's office at 585-396-4200 or visit their website at [www.co.ontario.ny.us](http://www.co.ontario.ny.us).

## Reminder: Deer Season Means Dangers for Drivers

The NYS DOT offers these tips for motorists: Be especially aware of deer from October through December. Deer are most active at dawn and dusk. Drivers should scan the roadside for deer eyes reflecting light. Deer often stay close to woodlots, fencerows, field edges or areas near water, use extra caution near these habitats. Slow down when spotting a deer, and be alert that others may follow.

If involved in a vehicle-deer collision, do not attempt to approach or touch the deer. Make every attempt to drive your vehicle as far off the highway as possible. Park, activate four way flashers, call 911, and stay in your vehicle and wait until help arrives.

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Debra Denz,  
Town Clerk  
(585) 742-5080

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## Tell Us What You Think

Customer Comment Cards are available at all of the Town of Victor office counters. Please fill them out and help us to improve our customer service, recognize employees who have given exceptional service, and/or provide us with your suggestions for improvements. Cards can be mailed back to the Town Supervisor or placed in the comment card boxes located at all Town offices. Or if you prefer, you can fill one out online. Go to [www.victorny.org](http://www.victorny.org) – it is on the bottom left of the home page.



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**Town Clerk**  
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## Conservation Licenses (DECALS)

Licenses for the 2015/2016 season went on sale on August 10, 2015. Please visit [www.dec.ny.gov](http://www.dec.ny.gov) to review license types and fees. The minimum age for Senior License types is 70. If you are purchasing a conservation license, please bring your driver's license or non-driver's ID. Other acceptable proof of residency include an employment verified income tax statement, a lease, or your voter registration card. Hunting eligibility is also required if you are not currently in the State's computer or are a new hunter. (Bring a previous hunting license or new hunting course certificate)

If you are claiming landowner status for your deer management permit, you must bring proof that you are the landowner of 50 contiguous acres. Please submit the property tax statement which includes the Swiss code & tax map #. Lifetime licenses are also available through the Clerk's office.

## LOCAL 2015 SCHEDULED RABIES PREVENTION CLINICS ARE:

### Saturday, September 12

9:00 A.M. to Noon  
Hurley Building  
205 Saltonstall Street, Canandaigua



**Sophie keeps her owners on the go. She is a playful little girl.**

### Saturday, October 17

9:00 A.M. to Noon  
Farmington Highway Garage  
985 Hook Road, Farmington

- A donation of \$5.00 per animal is appreciated
- Cats/ferrets must be in a secure container, dogs must be on a leash (Please have one animal per container)
- Adults should accompany children under age 18 years. You may attend any clinic regardless of where you live, even other counties.

## Town Holiday Schedule for 2015/2016

All Town offices will be closed on the following:

Labor Day	Monday, September 7, 2015
Columbus Day	Monday, October 12, 2015
Veterans' Day	Wednesday, November 11, 2015
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, November 26, 2015
Floating Holiday/Thanksgiving	Friday, November 27, 2015
Christmas	Friday, December 25, 2015
New Year's Day	Friday, January 1, 2016

## Victor Senior News

Our meetings are the second and fourth Monday of each month at the Victor Town Hall; 85 East Main St, Victor, New York. Lunch is at noon followed by a meeting. Once a month, there is a program after the meeting. On the second Monday of the month, there is a sandwich meeting and dessert will be provided. There will be a tureen dinner on the fourth Monday of the month. Everyone brings a dish to pass

and their own table service. Coffee and tea are provided.

We invite you to come to the meetings for lunch, to learn about our trips and activities. Residents only have to be 60 years of age to belong to the group. Only one spouse is required to make the age requirement. For more information contact Esther Green at 585-924-2285.



**Esther Green**

# Town of Victor Highway Department



**Mark Years,**  
**Town Highway**  
**Superintendent,**  
**(585) 924-3323**

**Hours:**  
**6:00 A.M. -**  
**4:30 P.M.,**  
**Monday-**  
**Thursday**

The Town Highway Department spring/summer hours are 6:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M., Monday through Thursday, through October 29th. Beginning November 2nd, the hours will be 7:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M., Monday through Friday.

There is no town wide brush pick up. Brush and yard debris can be dumped, Monday – Saturday, 7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M. You must have a Transfer Station permit.

## Road Construction

The following roadwork for this construction season is complete:

**Milling and Paving** – Fieldcrest Lane, Sunray Crest, Scudder Mills Road, Lambert Street, Gypsum Mills Street and Trillium Trail

**Crack Filling** – Hackney Circle, Bel Arbor Drive, Pine Tree Drive, Red Fox Run, New Seabury Lane, Dennisport Lane, Falmouth Lane, Stoneleigh Trail, Francis Drive, Murphy Drive, and Volkman Drive

**Chipsealing** – Old Dutch Road, Fisher Road, Benson Road, Lower Fishers Road, Log Cabin Road, Main Street Fishers, Probst Road, Railroad Mills Road, Fowler Street, Saurer Farms Drive, Ladyhawk Lane, Fisher Circle Road, and Fishers Station Drive

**Reprofiling** – Rowley Road, Willowbrook Road, Aldridge Road, Gillis Road(High Street to County Road 9), Valentown Road, Baker Road, Valentown Square, and Turk Hill Road

**Micropaving** – Fox Hunt Drive, Morgan Circle, Hackney Circle, Pelham Rise, Rolling Meadows, Meadowlark Lane, Whispering Hills, Proximity Lane, Citation Way and Alydar Circle

## High Street Capital Project

Complete by end of July

## Snow Removal

With the winter months fast approaching, the town residents need to be aware of plowing crews that will be out doing snow removal operations. The following are some ideas to keep in mind during this period:

- Do not plow snow in the road or across it. If you hire someone to do your plowing, make sure they know that it is illegal to plow snow across a highway. It leaves a hazardous situation for the traveling public.
- Do not let children play in snowdrifts near the roadway. It is difficult and almost impossible for plow operators to see them.
- Keep your house numbers clear of snow in case of emergencies.

## Parking

No parking on town roadways from November 1st – April 1st, unless otherwise posted.

## Mailbox Repair Policy

Homeowners should shovel away the snow from around their mailbox. This allows mail to be delivered and the opportunity for plow operators to see the mailbox. Unfortunately, mailboxes are damaged yearly by the heavy snow and ice as it is being removed from the roadway. It is a New York State Attorney General ruling that mailboxes are private property placed in the public right-of-way, however mailboxes damaged during snow removal by the town crew will be repaired or replaced by town highway personnel. Damaged mailboxes from privately hired snow plow operations will not be repaired or replaced by the Town. Replacements will consist of a four-inch pressure treated post and cross arm and an aluminum box. The town will not replace anything other than a mailbox and post as described. Owners wishing to make their own repairs will not be reimbursed. The town highway would like to thank you in advance for your help in making snow removal safer and easier for all involved.

The Town is not responsible for damage from plowing operations to basketball hoops or any other property placed within the Town right-of-way.

## Deer Removal

Undoubtedly, there will be some deer carcasses that are found in the public right-of-ways. Please report any deer found as follows:

- On County Roadways call 396-4000
- On State Roadways call 396-4955
- On Village Roadways call 924-3311
- On Town Roadways call 924-3323

Please contact the Highway Department at 924-3323 with any questions you have regarding the Town roadways.

## Refuse/Recycle Department

### Transfer Station Hours of Operation

#### Summer Hours (April-October):

Monday	7:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.
Wednesday	7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.
Friday	7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.
Saturday	7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

#### Winter Hours (November-March):

Monday	7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.
Wednesday	7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.
Friday	7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.
Saturday	7:00 A.M. – Noon

Mulch is available and yard debris can be dropped off, with a permit, behind the highway barns Monday – Saturday 7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

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Town Highway  
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4:30 P.M.,  
Monday-  
Thursday

# Town of Victor Highway Department

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## Office Hours for Transfer Station Permits

Building “B” office hours are Monday – Thursday, 6:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. through October 29th. Beginning November 2nd, the hours will be 7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M., Monday - Friday.

## Transfer Station Holiday Closings

September 7th	(Open Sat., September 5th)
October 12th	(Open Sat., October 10th)
November 11th	
November 26th and 27th	(Open Sat., November 28th)
December 25th	(Open Sat., December 26th)
January 1, 2016	(Open Sat., January 2nd)

## Transfer Station Permits:

Transfer Station/Recycle permits can be purchased at the Highway Department, 60 Rawson Road, Building “B”, and on the Town of Victor Website at [www.victorny.org](http://www.victorny.org). You must have the capability to scan your license and registration(s). The cost is \$120 plus a \$3 processing fee for credit/debit card.

Residential refuse/recycle permits are \$120 (2 per residence). Proof of residency and the registration of the vehicle (s) that will be used in the facility will be required.

Commercial recycle permits are \$120 (2 per business). Commercial permits are for recyclable materials only. Proof that your business is a Village or Town business will be required, along with the registration of the vehicle(s) that will be used in the facility.

**PLEASE NOTE:** As of November 2nd we will no longer be accepting electronics at the Transfer Station. Electronics can be recycled through Regional Computer Recycling and Recovery, 7318 Victor-Mendon Road (Rt. 251), Victor, New York 14564. Drop off hours are Monday – Friday, 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. For more details or for additional drop-off locations go to [www.ewaste.com](http://www.ewaste.com).

## REMINDERS SORTING OF MATERIALS -

Please sort recyclables as follows:

- Plastic, tin and glass
- Cardboard – all types
- Newspapers, junk mail and magazines
- Batteries – all types
- Fluorescent bulbs

**NO MORE LOADING OF MULCH BY TOWN EMPLOYEES. ALL MULCH MUST BE LOADED BY THE RESIDENTS.**

**WHEN ENTERING THE TRANSFER STATION, PLEASE MAKE SURE THE ONLY ITEMS IN YOUR TRUNK OR BACK OF VEHICLE ARE YOUR REFUSE/RECYCLING. MISSING ITEMS WILL NOT BE COMPENSATED FOR OR REPLACED!**

**CONTRACTORS ARE NO LONGER ALLOWED TO DUMP CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS IN THE TRANSFER STATION/ RECYCLE CENTER FOR RESIDENTS WITH A PERMIT. ALL CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS MUST BE BROUGHT IN BY RESIDENTS WITH PERMITS ONLY**

**NO GARBAGE CANS OVER 75 POUNDS**

**ABSOLUTELY NO DUMP TRUCKS ALLOWED IN THE RECYCLE FACILITY**

## Safety

Please be aware of attendants while unloading and moving through the building. Again, thank you for “thinking safety” while using this facility.

Due to liability and safety concerns, NO LOITERING or going through containers will be allowed at the transfer station. Anyone caught doing so, will be asked to leave the facility.

When dumping brush or related items, such as grass clippings, please remember – no plastic bags. Much of this material is turned into mulch and made available to residents. This mulch pile is located at the Rawson Road complex, behind the Highway barns and is accessible Monday – Friday, 7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M. with a Transfer Station permit.

Should you have any questions on where an item should go, please see an attendant. Thank you again for your continued safe use of this facility.

## Ontario County Hazardous Materials Disposal Day

Ontario County Recycling Center is offering a hazardous waste disposal day on Saturday, September 19th from 7:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. This is by appointment only. Please call Ontario County at 585-526-4420 for additional information and to schedule your appointment for disposal of any hazardous materials.

## Swap Shop

### Hours of operation:

Monday	8:30 – 10:30 A.M.
Wednesday	4:00 – 7:00 P.M.
Thursday	8:30 – 10:30 A.M.
Saturday	9:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Swap shop stickers are available at the Swap Shop during Swap Shop hours or at the Highway/Recycle Office, 60 Rawson Road, Building “B”. These stickers are available to Town and Village residents at no charge with proof of residency.

The Swap Shop will be closed for the winter season as of October 31st (weather permitting).

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# Autumn Greetings from the Department of Parks & Recreation!

*Brian C. Emelson, CPRE, Director of Parks and Recreation*

The Department of Parks and Recreation has a variety of roles which we play in the Victor community. While the “bread and butter” of what we do each day involves leading recreation programs and managing our parks and trails system, our staff also play key roles in special projects. These opportunities benefit our residents as well as improve the quality of life for individuals beyond our Town and Village line. This allows us to broaden our scope as a Department and reach more people.

This was recently evidenced by our Safe Routes to School sidewalk project, which involved the construction of over five-thousand, seven-hundred linear feet (5,700 L.F.) of “new” concrete and asphalt sidewalk on and around the Victor Central School District campus. Our project goal was to create a broader network of pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, which will decrease the amount of short vehicle trips and create a more active lifestyle for school-age children and their families.



As the Town wide Comprehensive Plan is updated and adopted, we plan to develop an Active Transportation Plan to make it easier to walk and ride a bike in Victor. Furthermore, the Department in cooperation with Victor Hiking Trails and a grant from Parks and Trails New York’s “Growing the Grassroots Campaign” are working on a mentoring and volunteer recruitment program to ensure that our world class trail system has the necessary

resources to thrive in the decades to come! Please take the time to complete the Victor Hiking Trails “Trail User Survey” found in this newsletter (on page 10) or on the website at [www.victoryny.org](http://www.victoryny.org) or [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org). It is essential that we understand your current trail use patterns and needs as we plan for the future!

Four years ago, we embarked on a journey with Honor Flight Rochester to recognize the contributions of area Veterans by sending them on “missions” to Washington D.C. to visit their National Memorials. The initial goal that 1st year was to send one Veteran on the trip. Through partnerships with area and regional businesses, donations from local residents and an annual golf tournament; this year over Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) in donations will send forty-two retired service men and women on that voyage! This is another great example of how we make an impact as an agency in an uncommon yet remarkable way (see page 13).

In June, United States Senator Charles “Chuck” Schumer visited Victor Municipal Park with Ontario County Health Department and New York State officials to discuss issues related to Lyme disease in our area. If you are not familiar with Lyme disease, it is carried by deer ticks which can be found in our outdoor play spaces as well as our own backyards. There are signs in all of our Victor parks and at many trailheads that will tell you what to look for and how to respond. Please make tick bite prevention part of your outdoor routine by inspecting yourself, your pets and your clothing if you spend time in the woods or tall grasses!



Please plan on joining us for Hang Around Victor Days and VictorFest on Saturday, September 12th, which are co-hosted by the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Victor Chamber of Commerce. As you leaf through the pages of our fall seasonal brochure, we trust that you will find a leisure-time opportunity that enables you to put some fun in your day. Thanks for your support and help in making Victor a great place to live, work and play!



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**Babette Huber,**  
**Town & Village**  
**Historian**  
**(585) 742-5065**

# Second Graders Come to the Town Hall

*By Babette Huber, Town and Village of Victor Historian*

Over 300 second graders visited the Town Hall in May and June. Historian Babette Huber introduced them to the history of the first inhabitants of the Town of Victor - the Seneca Indians. They learned about the Three Sisters - corn, bean and squash; how the Senecas lived and farmed; how they used all of the deer; that they were self-sufficient and that a battle between the French and the Senecas drove the Senecas away from Ganondagan. Huber dressed students up as Mrs. Olive Boughton, the first white woman to live in



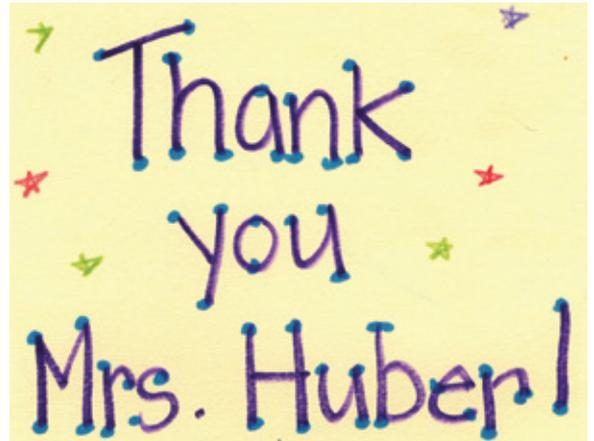
**Deer antlers were used for digging by the Senecas**



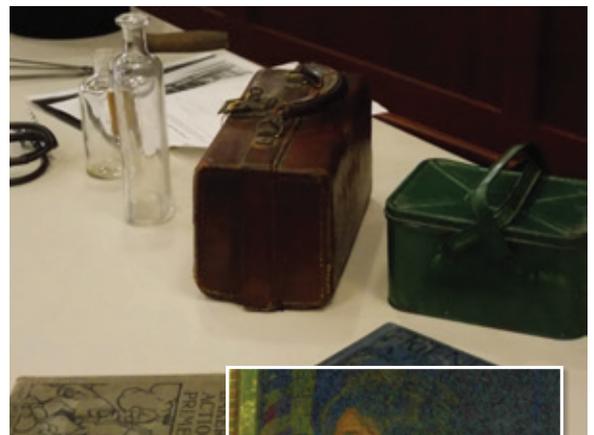
**Playing Pioneer Games**



**A student pretends to be Olive Boughton, the first white woman to live in Victor**



Victor; Mr. Albert Simonds, owner of the Cobblestone General Store on Main Street; Dr. Alfred M. Mead, the horse and buggy doctor after which Mead Square is named; Miss Vera Brown, who taught second grade in Victor for 52 years and Mr. Fred Locke, the inventor of the very important porcelain insulator needed to run electricity over electrical lines for long distances. The children also were able to experience early colonial games such as hoop and pole, the game of Graces; Jacob's ladder; ball & cup and ring toss.



**Artifacts belonging to Dr. Mead and teacher, Vera Brown**



**Chamber Pot**

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# Victor Hiking Trails – Volunteers Building Bridges

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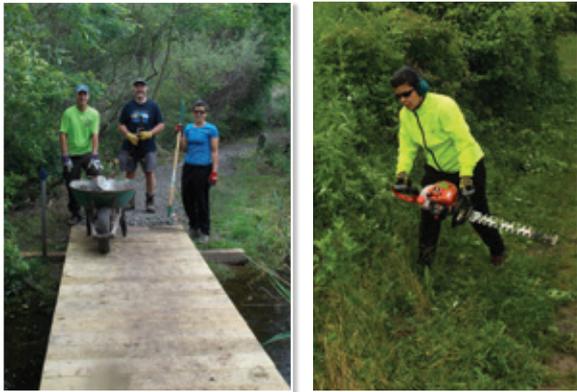
The title to this article is both literal and symbolic of the mission that Victor Hiking Trails, Inc (VHT) follows. Because of the varied terrain and many creeks and swamps, VHT is continually building bridges and boardwalks as the trail system is expanded and/or needs improvement. On the symbolic side VHT and the trail system bridge the gaps between neighborhoods, neighbors, towns, etc. and thus helps build a high quality community that is desirable to live in - witness all the new homes and expanding school facilities. In many ways, Victor is the envy of many other towns in the area.

Trails do not build or maintain themselves. Since its founding in 1991, Victor Hiking Trails has helped steward in a system of over 55 miles of trails in the Town of Victor and there is more to come. VHT is an



all-volunteer not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization whose members put in well over 1000 hours a year in managing, maintaining and improving the network of trails in the Town of Victor. Additional help comes from Scouts and other community groups who volunteer to help clear trails and/or build bridges from time to time.

You too can help in VHT's effort to provide outdoor recreational experience to the community, learn more about the trails as well as get in touch with nature by offering to volunteer a few hours of your time during the year. The pictures show some of the VHT and community volunteers in action. Contact the VHT volunteer coordinator Wizzy Geno at [volunteer@victorhikingtrails.org](mailto:volunteer@victorhikingtrails.org) to get more information and/or join the team.



## Victor Hiking Trails – Trail Survey

The members of the Victor Hiking Trails Board are, as always, very interested in how, when, and by whom our trails are being used so we can make them even better for the users. As part of that effort a new edition of our survey of trail users -- and currently non-users -- is being conducted.

Please take the survey! It will improve the trail experience in Victor. You can participate online or by paper, either way it is the same survey. The online version is at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/KY3M-NYK>.

The paper version is in this issue on page 10. It

is also in the summer issue of the VHT Pathfinder Newsletter (available at [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org)). Hard copies are also available at the Town Hall, Village Hall, Victor Farmington Library and other locations.

Of course, your comments, ideas, and volunteering are always welcome. Among the ways of contacting us are (585) 234-8226 and through our website at: [www.victorhikingtrails.org/contact](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org/contact)

While the survey window will be open all summer, please complete and return yours as soon as possible. Thank you.

Hiking

# Victor Hiking Trails – Trail Survey

1. What is your Zip Code? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Please identify your age group:  15 & under  16-25  26-35  36-45  46-55  56-65  Over 65
3. What is your gender?  Male  Female
4. Are you aware the Town of Victor has a network of multi-use trails?  Yes  No
5. If you answered yes to 4, how did you hear about the trails? (Please check all that apply)  
 Word of mouth  Driving past  Fitness Center  Local Sporting Goods Store  
 Signage  Newspaper  Parks Rec. Department  Internet  
 Other, please specify \_\_\_\_\_
6. Are you aware of the Victor Hiking Trails Organization ([www.VictorHikingTrails.org](http://www.VictorHikingTrails.org)) that manages, maintains, and promotes the extensive trail system in the Town?  Yes  No
7. Have you ever used the trail system in the Town of Victor?  Yes  No (If no please skip to Question 17)
8. How often, on average, do you use trails in the Town of Victor? (Please select one)  
 Daily  1 or 2 times a week  A couple of times a month  A few times a year  
 3-5 times a week  Once a week  Once a month
9. What trails have you used most often? (Please select up to five)  
 Apple Farm Trail  Dryer Rd. Park Trails  Fishers Landing  Victor Municipal Park  
 Seneca Trail  Domine Trails  Royal View Trail  Village on the Park  
 Auburn Trail  100 Acre Woods Trail  Boughton Park  Ganondagan Park  
 Trolley Trail  Monkey Run Trails  Lehigh Crossing Park  
 Lehigh Trail  Blue Bird Trail  Fishers Park
10. What is your primary activity on the trails? (Check all that apply)  
 Walking/Hiking  Jogging/Running  Inline Skating  Nature Appreciation  
 Biking  Horseback riding  Walking pet  XC skiing/Snowshoeing  
 Other activity (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
11. Generally, when do you use the trail? (Please check one)  Weekdays  Weekends  Both
12. How much time do you generally spend on the trail each visit? (Please check one)  
 Less than 30 minutes  30 minutes to 1 hour  1 to 2 hours  More than 2 hours
13. What do you use trails for? (Please check all that apply)  
 Recreation  Health and Exercise  Commuting to Work  Alternative Transportation  
 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
14. If you use the trail to commute or for alternative transportation, where do you travel to:  
 Downtown Rochester  Pittsford/Fairport/Perinton  Canandaigua  
 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
15. In your opinion, the maintenance of the trails are (Please check one)  Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor
16. In your opinion, the safety and security along the trails are (Please check one)  
 Excellent  Good  Fair  Poor
17. Do you support improving existing trails in Victor?  Yes  No
18. Do you support developing new trails in Victor?  Yes  No
19. Would you be interested in becoming a volunteer for the Victor Hiking Trails Organization?  Yes  No  
If yes, please provide your contact information \_\_\_\_\_  
or contact us at (585) 234-8226 or <http://www.victorhikingtrails.org/contact>.
20. Would you be interested in being part of a focus or stakeholder groups to help our group?  Yes  No  
If yes, please provide your contact information \_\_\_\_\_  
or contact us at (585) 234-8226 or <http://www.victorhikingtrails.org/contact>.
21. Additional comments:

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Please drop off or mail your survey to the Victor Town Hall, 85 E. Main Street, by 9/11/15  
or contact us at (585) 234-8226 or take the survey on line at [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org)  
THANK YOU!

# Boughton Park



## PERMIT, EVENT AND BOAT RACK REGULATIONS

### Park Permit

If you need a new permit, hanging tag, please stop at your Town Clerk's Office; bring proof of residency in the Town of Victor, East or West Bloomfield and your vehicle registration to qualify for a new permit and tag.

### Event Policy

The Boughton Park Board of Directors periodically receives requests for organized group events within the Park. It is difficult to predict the impact of these events, i.e., size of the group, needed parking, the number of other visitors in the park, etc. As a result, the following policy applies to all group events in the Park:

Organized town groups (churches, scouts, Bloomfield or Victor School classes, etc.) should contact the Boughton Park Secretary at Victor Town Hall directly, (585) 742-5026, at least 2 months in advance, to discuss specific details for any desired Park event.

### For other private groups & organizations, the following rules apply:

- The maximum size of the group is 25 people.
- The maximum number of cars for the group is limited to 10.
- Either or both parking lots may be used, however the maximum still applies.
- The Stirnie Road picnic pavilion may be used. The reservation system should be used by calling the Boughton Park Secretary at Victor Town Hall, (585) 742-5026, as early as possible, as this is a limited resource available to all residents.
- No permanent or temporary structures can be brought in or constructed in the Park for any event.
- A representative of the event must make a request & provide documented details to the Boughton Park Board of Directors at least 2 months in advance of the planned event date.
- Depending on the size, the group must pay in advance, the rental fee for any additional porta-johns on site during the event. The Boughton Park Board of

Directors will schedule the drop off & pickup of the unit.

- Only 1 event can be scheduled on any one day in the Park. First requested is first granted.
  - The group must identify one responsible individual to act as contact for the Town & Park. This representative will attend the event & be responsible for the event and its use of the Park before, during, and immediately after the event (i.e., including cleanup).
- Donations to the Park are always welcome.

### All other Park rules and regulations apply, including:

- All parked cars must have a tag and be within the two designated parking areas. Cars parked on Stirnie or Boughton Roads may be towed at the owner's expense.
- No alcohol in the Park.
- Swimming is prohibited anywhere in the Park.
- This is a carry-in carry-out Park. Nothing is to be left in the Park after the event.

### Special Use Permits

Groups of 25 or more require Special Use Permits. These permits are issued by the Boughton Park Board of Directors. Applications shall be in writing including dates, specific use, and insurance coverage where applicable. Call the Boughton Park Secretary at Victor Town Hall, (585) 742-5026, for more information.

### Boat Rack Policy

Applications will be accepted at the East Bloomfield Town Hall, beginning the 2nd Monday in March of each year.

### Applications will be accepted on a first come first served basis, with preference going to:

- Handicapped first
- Seniors Citizens second
- Opened to all if spaces are left
- Permits may be picked up by April 15th
- Permits that are not picked up by April 30 will be given to the next person on the list.
- Permits are valid until September 1 this year due to replacement of the boat racks. All boats must be removed by then or they will be moved to the barn at a cost of \$15.00 and charged a daily rent in the amount of \$5.00 per day with a maximum of \$100.00.
- The canoes will be considered abandoned by January 1 and will be sold at auction on April 15 of the following year.



**Katie Evans,  
Director of  
Development  
(585) 742-5036**

# Planning and Building Department

*By Katie Evans, Director of Development*

## Greetings Victor Community!

With fall around the corner the Planning and Building Department would like to remind you of a few housekeeping items and provide an update on the status of the Town's Comprehensive Plan.

Did you install a pool, deck, fence, sunroom or other similar home improvement projects recently? Did you move into a recently built home? If so, you or your contractor likely applied and received a building permit. Please double check to see if your permit has been closed out. If you received a "certificate of compliance" (C of C) or a "certificate of occupancy" (C of O) your permit has been closed out. Legally, you are not permitted to occupy the new structure until a C of C or a C of O is issued. If you received a "temporary certificate of occupancy" your permit is not closed out, but you are permitted to occupy the structure. One reason a temporary C of O would be issued for a new residence or substantial expansion is if your final grading and seeding wasn't done at time of issuance. This is very common, but important for you to receive your final C of O.

Your insurance company and financial lending institute, if applicable, will want to see these documents. Please email or call to make an appointment to conduct a final inspection to close your permit out for you. We are happy to provide another copy of the C of C or C of O to you if you can't find it or didn't realize the importance of it when it was issued. If you didn't realize you needed to apply for a building permit, please contact our office at [code@town-victor-ny.us](mailto:code@town-victor-ny.us) or

(585) 742-5035 asap. We will walk you through the process to ensure your structure(s) have been built to code as required by NYS law. The purpose is to protect the occupants and ensure the integrity of the structure built. Our objective is to help you conform to the code and would rather work with you to correct a situation than penalize you with fines.

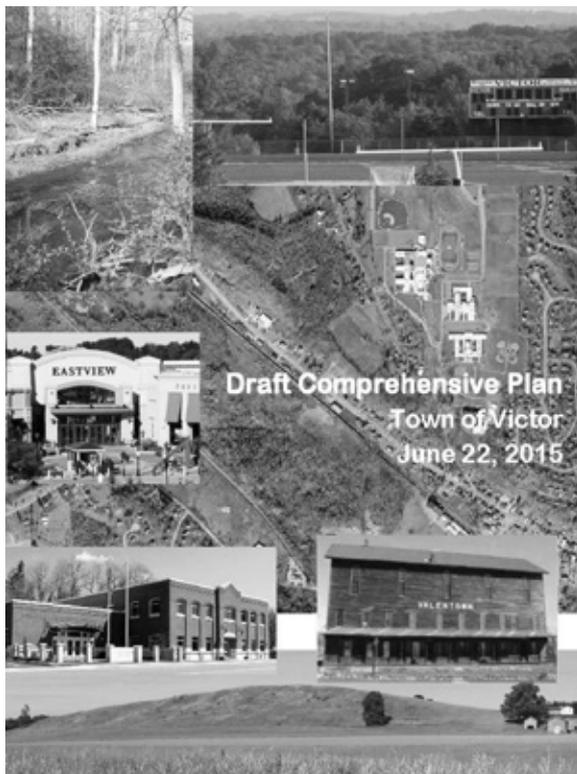
If you had a pool recently installed please keep in mind all pools need a final inspection before using them. If you didn't know this and haven't received your final inspection, contact us asap to schedule an appointment. It is really important to do this before you close it for the season and will save you unnecessary headaches next season! As a life safety reminder, all pool fences and alarms need to be functioning throughout the life of the pool.

Did you know the current building code requires carbon monoxide detectors within 15 feet of bedrooms and on all floors that have a potential carbon monoxide source? This building code applies to all one or two family dwellings and garages. Day light savings time is coming up and is a great reminder to check your carbon monoxide and smoke alarms to ensure they are functioning properly. Please also see the article written by our Fire Marshal, Robert Graham, (page 18) for additional important safety reminders.

## Comprehensive Plan Update

Since the last Victor Voice issue, we have been working hard towards the adoption of the proposed draft Comprehensive Plan. The purpose of this document is to identify who we are, what is important to us, and set goals and objectives to guide decision making for the years to come. It is a way to identify what is most important to us and provide a framework in which to direct our resources towards.

Since the last newsletter, the Town Board passed two resolutions on June 22nd. The first resolution issued a positive declaration relating to the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan. The second resolution deemed the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) adequate for public review, established a public comment period starting June 24th through July 24th, and set a combined public hearing on July 13th. Following the public comment period, a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) is generated which will address the substantive comments submitted. After the FEIS, the Town Board will adopt findings which declares all SEQR requirements for making decisions on the action (adopting the Comp Plan) have been met. The findings also provide rationale for the Town Board to base a decision to approve the plan. Only after SEQR is complete can the Town Board vote to adopt the draft plan. We have identified late August/early September to adopt the plan but it is largely dependent upon the feedback received. Please check the Comprehensive Plan webpage on [www.victor.org](http://www.victor.org) for more information or email [planning@town-victor-ny.us](mailto:planning@town-victor-ny.us) or call (585) 742-5040.

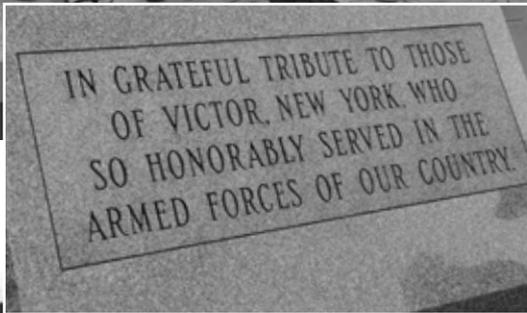


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# Week for Honor Flight Rochester

Mike Stockman, CPRP, Assitant Director Parks & Recreation

The 4th Annual Week for Honor Flight exceeded all expectations. Through the generosity of local businesses and residents almost \$21,000 was raised to send WWII and Korean War vets to see their monuments in Washington DC. That total was enough to send 42 veterans and over the past 4 years the total is over \$51,000 and enough for 100 veterans. It is an honor to live in a community of generous people and we definitely look forward to the 2016 Week for Honor Flight Rochester!



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# Employee Recognition

## Town of Victor Recognizes Employees for

# Going Above and Beyond!

### EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – MARCH, 2015



**John Hargather, Planning & Building Inspector**, was nominated for Employee of the Month by Katie Evans. Katie had noticed that John was out front shoveling & salting the Main Street entrance to the Town Hall in the middle of the afternoon. She inquired as to why he was out there at that particular time and he replied that he was approached by a customer who said that it was very slippery out front. John had immediately retrieved the shovel & salt and addressed the concern. John's prompt attention is applauded!

### EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – APRIL, 2015



**Becky Packard, Planning & Building Secretary**, was nominated for Employee of the Month by co-worker Babette Huber. Becky continues to voluntarily, on her own time, clip articles from the Democrat & Chronicle and The Daily Messenger that are about Victor's Community. It is of great help to Babette as she continues to document Victor's history. Becky has done this for several years. Thank you Becky!!

### EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH – MAY, 2015



**Debby Trillaud, Wayne Pickering, Marlene Murnan, Kim Heuer, Kelli Kubinski, and Renee McConnell**, were all nominated for Employee of the Month by Tina Kolaczyk for helping her with a huge mailing project. The Town Board had requested that Transfer Station/Recycle Center information be sent to every Victor Town Resident. The info consisted of 4 pages, our auto-stuffer only does 3 pages, which meant that all 5500 (approximately) letters had to be stuffed by hand. They all jumped to Tina's rescue and volunteered to help with the job. Because of their support, we were able to get the letters mailed out on time. "I really appreciate all of their time, kindness & support!"

### EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – JUNE, 2015



**Kimberly Kinsella, Planning & Building Coordinator**, was nominated for Employee of the Month by co-worker Bob Graham. On one of the long hot spring days, Kim provided a cheese and crackers break, complete with lemonade during their afternoon staff meeting. The staff greatly appreciated this surprise and it is an excellent example of Kim's dedication and leadership! The Town is very fortunate to have Kim!!

# Victor Farmington Library

Lynne Madden, Youth Services Specialist, [lmadden@pls-net.org](mailto:lmadden@pls-net.org)



## Fall Story Times

The fall session of Story Times at the Library will begin in September. Registration for the Preschool Story Time classes for children ages 3 to 5 will begin on Tuesday, September 8th. Classes will be held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10:15 A.M. to 10:45 A.M. and 1:00 P.M. to 1:30 P.M. The session begins on September 22nd.

Mother Goose Time for babies ages 0-18 months will be held on Monday mornings at 10:30. These are drop-in programs of simple stories, rhymes, finger plays and songs for the babies and their caregivers. Each session runs twenty minutes and is followed by an open play time. These sessions begin on September 21st.

Toddler Time is an eight week program for little ones ages 18-36 months and their parents and caregivers. These sessions are held on Thursday mornings at 10:30. Similar to Mother Goose Time, they consist of stories, songs and finger plays. These are drop in programs and begin on September 24th.

## Hang Around Victor Book Sale

The Hang Around Victor Day Book Sale is right around the corner. The sale will be held at the Library on Friday, September 11th from 10:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M., Saturday, September 12th from 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. and Monday, September 14th from 10:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. Stop in for some great bargains and be sure to stop in for the \$3.00 Bag Sale on Monday!

## Booked for the Evening Book Discussions

The 2015 - 2016 series of "Booked for the Evenings" Book Discussions, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, will begin in September. These discussions are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 P.M. in the Malone Meeting Room. The first discussion will be held on September 8th. A complete list of the books to be discussed and the dates are available at the Library and on the Friends' page of the Library website.

Stay informed of all Library activities by visiting the Library webpage at: [www.victorfarmingtonlibrary.org](http://www.victorfarmingtonlibrary.org) and our Facebook page.

## Community Events at the Victor Farmington Library

Tim Niver, Community Services Librarian, [tniver@pls-net.org](mailto:tniver@pls-net.org)

Another successful adult summer reading program has wrapped up, and we're gearing up for a fun-filled, educational autumn.

The month of September brings back our popular genealogy classes along with seminars on understanding the college application process and what to look for in your college visit.

### September:

On **September 10th**, we will have an author visit, Michael Keene, author of *History of Orphanages in New York and Orphan Trains* will be here to discuss his book.

On **September 12th** we'll be hosting our annual Hang Around Victor Day Book Sale. We've been collecting books since our last book sale in the spring, so we have another large variety and selection to offer.

On **September 14th** our tech classes resume with Andrew discussing Anti-virus Protection and Computer Maintenance on September 28th.

### Looking to October:

On **October 6th** we're presenting a screening of the documentary, "Shoulders to Stand On", sponsored by the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley, Inc.

On the evening of **Saturday, October 17th**, we're excited to be hosting a fundraiser with hors d'oeuvres and various live bands. Stay tuned for more details.

On **Sunday, October 18th**, The Lyric Arts Academy will bring their young students to the Library and perform a concert for your enjoyment.

On **Saturday October 24th**, back by popular demand, our antiques appraiser returns to assess your valuable antiques and maybe help you uncover that hidden gem you didn't think was worth anything.

As always check our Calendar of Events at [www.victorfarmingtonlibrary.org](http://www.victorfarmingtonlibrary.org) for other great classes and updates.

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**The Rotary, Kiwanis, and Lions Clubs plus the Victor Chamber of Commerce all pitched in and did some work at the Serenity House (photo Courtesy of the Victor Chamber)**

at [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org).

Have you enjoyed the multi-use trail system at Dryer Road Park? Our fifteen miles of singletrack trails in the park are maintained by volunteers from Genesee Regional Off-Road Cyclists (GROC). This committed group of volunteers have logged over Seven-Hundred Hours in (2015) already with many more work parties planned this fall. Please consider signing up through the GROC Meet-up group at [www.mygroc.com](http://www.mygroc.com).

In October, we will tip-off our annual youth basketball league which involves over three-hundred youth in Grades K– 12 with a twelve-week instructional program. Volunteer youth sport coaches are needed to teach basketball skills and encourage sportsmanship. If you are considering coaching basketball this season, please contact the Department at (585) 742-0140 to learn more!

The Parks and Recreation Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC) is a seven member, all volunteer group committed to the long range planning and advocacy for the Department of Parks and Recreation. Previous projects that the CAC has helped guide were



**Victor Lions Club**

the master plans for Dryer Road Park and Victor Municipal Park and advocacy and support for the Auburn Trail and Lehigh Valley Trail projects and the Safe Routes to School and Victor Community Connectivity Project. Volunteer commitments range from our high school student representative with a one-year term to three and six year commitments for those wanting to be involved with long range planning and park and facility development projects. If you are interested in applying for a volunteer position on the CAC, please contact the Town Supervisor's office at (585) 742-5020 or Brian Emelson, Director of Parks *continued on page 27*

# Economic Development/VLDC

## 2015 Victor Business Awards



Cobblestone Country Club was the site for the 11th Annual Victor Business Awards on May 7th. Twenty awards were given out filling categories from Business Exporter of the Year to Home Based Business of the Year. The top award for Business of the Year was given to Constellation Brands. A complete listing of the 2015 Business Award Winners and photos are available at: [www.victorldc.org](http://www.victorldc.org).

## Economic Development Initiatives Supporting Business!

The Economic Development department and the Victor LDC work to promote business recruitment, retention and expansion. Some of the methods used are assistance with site location, funding for property improvements and working capital and partnering with Ontario County Economic Development. Below are updates on two of those initiatives that are in process now:

### 2015 Village Commercial Building Façade Improvement Program

Notices for the 2015 Façade Improvement Program went out to businesses and property owners in March with a May deadline for submitting applications. The committee reviewed the applications received and approved 9 projects totaling over \$46,000 in owner investment and approximately \$14,800 in grant funding for 2015. Improvement projects include:

- Signage
- Painting
- Door replacement
- Window replacement
- Lighting
- Brick work

### Victor Real Estate Locator

This new resource is now available on the Victor Website for listing & searching available commercial sites in the Town of Victor. Property owners, developers and Real Estate Brokers are encouraged to upload property for sale or lease at no charge. This is a searchable database maintained by the Economic Development Department and a valuable resource for businesses looking to locate in Victor or an existing business looking to expand.

Find this resource at: [www.victorny.org](http://www.victorny.org), click on Economic Development under departments and at the bottom of the page click on the link "Real Estate Locator".



**L to R: Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, John Garvey, Ontario County Administrator, Senator Rich Funke**



**Keynote Speaker, Paul Griswold, CEO Finger Lakes Technologies Group**



**Ginny Clark, Senior VP Public Affairs, Constellation Brands**

### Revolving Loan Program

The LDC offers low interest loans for building improvements, signage, equipment purchases and working capital. Call (585) 742-5073 for an application.

### Partners at Ontario County Economic Development Council (OCEDC)

Victor is fortunate to have a community Economic Development initiative and a partner organization providing a mix of products designed to attract, grow and retain businesses in Ontario County. Their office provides financing, incentives and workforce development assistance. The Victor office of Economic Development works closely with OCEDC on many projects and looks forward to growing and marketing that relationship.

### New Victor Businesses to Check Out!

Brow Biz	7375 Route 96
Blue Toad Cidery	5 Railroad Street
Sequels Shops	5 Railroad Street
Lovely Bride	72 West Main Street
Code 2	relocated to Fishers Landing
Victor Vapes	39 East Main Street
Woodhouse Salon & Spa	235 High Street Ext.
Rosey Bear Boutique	10 East Main Street



**Kathy Rayburn, Economic Development Department, Executive Director, Victor LDC, (585) 742-5073**





David Degear,  
Water & Sewer  
Supt., Town of  
Farmington,  
(585) 924-3158

# Sewer Use Law Update

David A. Degear, Water & Sewer Superintendent, Town of Farmington

The Town of Farmington is currently updating our Sewer Use Law which was originally written several years ago and incorporated into our Code Regulations that dated back to early 1966 with updates last being made in 2006.

While we suspect that some environmentally unfriendly items may be flushed into our sewer system, we need to be concerned with these items having an effect on our Sewer Treatment Plant located at 1216 McMahon Road in the Town of Victor, that would cause issues with our EPA and New York State Permit Levels that allows us to discharge into Mud Creek.

In addition, we have also been notified by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYDEC) that we can anticipate that our State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (SPDES) permit will be modified to require the addition of disinfection treatment of our sewage treatment plant effluent.

To protect public health and the environment, State Law and Regulations require that sewage plant discharges be disinfected. The planned disinfection-related permit will also require seasonal effluent limitations applications from May 1 to October 31 of each year.

The anticipated compliance schedule will require us to have a required submission of an approvable report and plan completed by April 1, 2016 with construction completion by December 1, 2018 and commencement of disinfection by May 1, 2019.

While this new disinfection requirement and our new Sewer Use Law is not expected to have an impact

on most residential sewer users, we will be concentrating on the major industrial users that may require additional sewer discharge levels and monitoring to keep us in compliance of our revised SPDES permit for the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

In addition, the new Sewer Use Law will also allow us to monitor on a scheduled basis, the amount of grease that is being produced by various restaurants and is being discharged into our sewer system and is entering into the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

A Public Information Meeting was recently held at the Farmington Town Hall and both the Towns of Farmington and Victor will be scheduling Public Hearings on the proposed changes to the Sewer Use Law that will affect both towns, followed by adoption of the Law by both the Farmington and Victor Town Boards.

In closing, our daily maintenance and operating budget continues to be under great strain and we ask for your help to avoid any future sewer rate increases. With your help, we will continue to hold the line on expenses while attempting to overcome the costs that will be expected for the planned disinfection related permit requirements.

We ask that any disposable items that you maybe currently flushing down your toilet, or anything else you are not sure of, be placed into your trash can or dumpster for proper disposal at the County Landfill.

Thank you and if you have any questions, please call us at (585) 924-3158.

## Autumn Fire Safety *Robert Graham, Fire Marshal*

Autumn is around the corner and soon we will be enjoying the familiar aroma of warm apple cider and pumpkin pie. Hopefully we will not be smelling the scent of burning leaves as leaf fires are prohibited by the rules and regulations of the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). The Policy of both local fire departments is to extinguish all fires they are called to. Instead of burning, the DEC encourages composting or mulching of leaves.

The approaching cool days of autumn remind us winter is coming, please take this opportunity while the weather is still nice to prepare for winter fire safety. Please consider:

- Inspect heat tape, replace any worn or frayed cords. Remove leaf debris from gutters and around tape.
- Have your heating systems professionally cleaned and maintained. Check all flue pipes for cracks, holes or rust. Replace any damaged or leaking pipes.
- Contact a professional chimney cleaner to inspect and clean all wood burning chimneys.

- Only burn clean, dry fire wood in a wood burning stove or fire place. Other materials develop creosote at an accelerated rate, and may pose a fire or health risk.
- Check your carbon monoxide and smoke alarms. Replace any that are not properly functioning.
- Conduct a fire drill at home. Children are taught Exit Drills In The Home (EDITH) during Fire Safety Week in school. Talk to them about your escape plan.
- Keep a fire extinguisher in your kitchen and garage. Learn how to use it now, before you need it.
- Know how to call for help. To summon the fire department, ambulance, or police from anywhere in the Town or Village of Victor, simply call 911.

*For additional information, please contact the Fire Marshal's Office, located in the Town Hall, at 85 East Main Street, (585) 742-5035 or stop by any local fire house. In fact, while you are there, take a tour and consider joining the ranks of being a volunteer firefighter. Both the Victor Fire Department and the Fishers Fire Department are actively seeking members. You will be provided all the training and equipment you need free of charge. If not you, Who?*

# Historic Victor Plaques 2015



**Babette Huber,**  
**Town & Village**  
**Historian**  
**(585) 742-5065**

In 2003 the Town of Victor began honoring homes/farms/business buildings in the Town which exemplified the characteristics of a local historic resource—that is,

- a. Being at least 50 years old;
- b. Having distinctive architecture or;
- c. Have some local importance by being related to an important historic figure in the history of Victor or;
- d. Have a value as part of the cultural, political, economic or social history of Victor or;
- e. Is the work of a builder or architect who significantly influenced an age

In the thirteen years since the inception of this program, 62 buildings/homes/churches/farms have been awarded an Historic Victor plaque.

**On June 17, 2015, five more homes/farms were added. They are:**



**Henry Jones and**  
**Julie Black**

## **Cline Farm, c. 1825**

280 Blazey Road, Henry Jones and Julie Black, having been in the Cline family for over 86 years.



**Willem Faber, Rena Pine, Liza Faber**

## **Wilcox Farm, c. 1830**

1338 Strong Road, Willem Faber and Rena Pine, original site of the Wilcox-Johnson Tank Company (forerunner of Victor's oldest continuing business - Victor Coal and Lumber.

## **Frost-Sell-Welch Home, c. 1835**

1255 Strong Road, Philip and Joan Welch, a pristine example of Greek Revival architecture with a cobblestone foundation.

## **Nelson Ketchum Farm, c. 1858**

1578 Victor-Holcomb Road (Route 444), Michele Acree, Italianate farmhouse and barns, in the Ketchum family for 60 years.



**Phil and Joan**  
**Welch**

## **Ketchum-Damaske Farm, c. 1900**

1667 Victor-Holcomb Road (Route 444), Edward and Marjorie Damaske, a farm for over 100 years in the Ketchum and Damaske families.

The residents who receive Historic Victor plaques are part of a voluntary program. The recipients are recognized by the Town of Victor who have worked hard to preserve and restore the Town's architectural, social, economic and cultural heritage—a history to be passed on for generations to see! These five homes/buildings will be added to the Driving Tour of Historic Victor in the next update.

**Victor Historic Plaques 2015 (not pictured, Michelle Acree)**



**Edward and Marjorie Damaske**

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# Historian Receives Award for Volunteerism



Babette Huber, Town and Village Historian, was awarded the Robert J. Uplinger Distinguished Service Award by the New York State and Bermuda Lions Foundation. She was honored by Lions and Lioness Clubs for generous service and identified her as someone who has done more than her share and truly believes in the motto of Lionism, "We Serve."

(L-R) Gary Boisseau, Lions Club District Governor and Babette Huber, Town & Village Historian

## LOCAL ARTIST'S WALL



"As powerful as she is amazing and beautiful, Mother Nature captures infinite textures and colors throughout each season. In my naturescapes which I call Unique Imperfections, I collect, arrange and frame some of the beauty and textures that surround us, and that too often, we forget to stop and admire.



I hope you will appreciate these unique imperfections from Mother Nature and enjoy them as much as I enjoy the process of creating them."



**Nancy Burger**



# Volunteering – What’s In It For You?

Steve Limbeck, Secretary, Board of Fire Commissioners

Most of the nation, including the Fishers Fire District, has depended on volunteer firefighters for centuries. Recently, the pendulum has begun to swing in the other direction. The volunteer ranks are shrinking, and there are no new volunteer to fill the openings. Volunteers are the heart of the fire department, and yet the need for volunteers has never been greater.

## Sociologists have offered a number of explanations for this phenomenon:

- Both parents work
- Family size is shrinking.
- People are more selective about when, and how, they spend their discretionary time.

The number of volunteer organizations from which they can choose has never been greater, so people can zero in on the opportunities that perfectly fit their needs and interests. Invariably, the question is asked, “What’s in it for me?” when a person is selecting an organization in which to volunteer.

## If you choose to volunteer for the Fisher Fire Department, here is what’s in it for you:

- You will be the glue that holds the community together. The fire hall has long been the social gathering place for communities, and Fishers is no different.
- You will give back to a community that gives so much to its residents.

- Pitching in and working with your neighbor can be a lot of fun.
- It gives you a chance to meet new people.
- It can create a real bond and a feeling of camaraderie with the people with whom you work.
- Someday you might be the person in need, and you can feel totally confident that someone else will step in to help you.
- Becoming a volunteer helps you make new friends and expand your network.



What does becoming a volunteer fire cost? Nothing. The department provides all uniforms and equipment, training and even a gym membership.

If you think that “neighbors helping neighbors” is important to you, stop at one of the firehouses for more information. May I suggest that you visit a drill night, which is every Monday, 7:15 P.M., at Station 1 on Main Street Fishers. If that’s not convenient, stop at Station 1 or Station 2, 380 High Street, at any time. We have someone on duty there at all times. You can also get more information at our website at: [www.fishersfd.org](http://www.fishersfd.org).



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through October 28  
3:00 – 7:00 P.M.  
Village Hall Parking Lot**

**Vendors**

Abundant Harvest Organics  
Casa Larga Vineyards\*  
Cooper Farms & Nursery\*  
Dar's Delight Ice Cream  
Good Day Sunshine  
Hungry Bear Farms\*  
Lavender Moon\*  
Mary's Natural Sweets  
Meant to be Meadows\*  
Nordic Farms  
Pasta Classics  
Raymor Cellars  
Rise and Shine Bread  
Schreiner Company

Seneca Vegetables  
Soul Juicin\*  
Stoney Acres Produce\*  
Sweet Harvest Farm  
The Pie Shoppe  
The Woodland Elf  
Wagner Family Farms  
Watt Farms Country Market  
Williams Farm  
Wohlschlegel's Maple Farm  
Finger Lakes Food Cart\*

**\*NEW in 2015**



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**Jason Ashton**  
Village of  
Victor Mayor,  
(585) 924-3311

# Letter from Mayor Jason Ashton

I feel very honored and privileged to write this letter to you as your new Village Mayor. I am excited to continue the traditions Victor is known for, as well as develop new traditions that will benefit the members of our community.

My wife and I moved to Victor four years ago, a community we knew we wanted to raise our two children in. Victor is a sought after destination for families because they see what I saw when I started looking for a community for my family. My wife and I both grew up in villages and wanted to provide that for our children. We are pleased to be a part of this Village and show our children the importance of giving back to their community.

As part of the Victor community, I first demonstrated the importance of giving back through volunteering with the Victor Volunteer Fire Department. As I volunteer within the community, I started to feel a deeper calling to serve my neighbors. As I shared my ideas, plans, and sense of optimism for the village and government, I was approached to run as the Village Mayor. This was an endeavor that took some thoughtful consideration, however, after many conversations with community leaders, I felt that this was a challenge

that I was willing to accept. Thank you to the community for supporting and trusting in me to lead the Village.

As I first took over the role as your Village Mayor, I quickly saw that this position is all consuming. I feel the deep responsibility to the Village as I continue working with a devoted team. The Mayor's Office is more than an individual person; it is made up of many players who are working hard for the citizens of the Village. There is a team effort to ensure that you are provided the best and most affordable services that we can provide. We represent you. We are focused on moving us forward and making improvements, all while keeping that real sense of community that brought us all here.

I feel it is a privilege to represent the Village as your Mayor. I care deeply for all facets of the Village; residents, businesses, employees, and volunteers. I understand and respect all that has been done through the years to make Victor what it is today. This drives me to work as hard as I can for our future because you are worth it and deserve this.

Please feel free to contact the Village Mayor's Office with any ideas, comments, or concerns.



**John C. Turner,**  
Director of  
Public Works  
for the Village  
of Victor,  
(585) 924-2004

## Village Director of Public Works

*John C. Turner*

This year, the Village Department of Public Works will be completing reconstruction on Huxley way and Duxbury Circle between West Parkway and Valley View Drive in the Quail Ridge subdivision. I'd like to thank all the residents of Quail Ridge for their patience and cooperation during this time.

We are in the process of upgrading the Wastewater Sewage Treatment Plant with new electrical control systems.

Other projects for 2015 include oil and stoning the Village Hall parking lot, blacktopping the Farmers Market parking lot, continuing the stamped concrete on West Main Street and sealcoating the North parking lot behind the Town Hall.

### For Leaf Vacuum

Approximate dates are October 19th through Thanksgiving or the first heavy snowfall. Place loose leaves in a row at the curb line. Please keep leaves out of gutters and ditches. This will help protect your property from flooding.

### Brush Pickup 2015

The Village's curbside brush and yard waste collection will continue through the third Monday in November, weather permitting.

### Miscellaneous

If you have any questions regarding Large Trash Pickup, Brush Pickup or Leaf vacuuming, the schedules have been posted on the Victor website at [www.victorny.org](http://www.victorny.org) or call the Village Hall at (585) 924-3311.

Just a couple more things I would like to remind our residents about. Please continue supporting our zero-sort recycling program. The more we recycle, the less the taxpayers pay to dispose of waste at the landfill. Please do not pour grease, paints, thinners, or any prescription medicine down your drains. The Village treats everything that goes down the drain. Also, never flush rubber gloves, baby wipes, etc. down the toilet. These products can cause major problems at our wastewater treatment plant.



# Village of Victor General Information

*Pamela Hogenes, Village Clerk*



**Pamela Hogenes,**  
**Village Clerk**  
**(585) 924-3311**

The Village Clerk's office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Summer Hours for July and August are 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. The Village Hall is located at 60 East Main Street. The Village Clerk's phone number is 924-3311.

The Department of Public Works normal working hours are Monday through Friday, 7:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. The Department of Public Works is located at 150 Rawson Road. The DPW phone number is 924-2004.

Village Board of Trustees meetings are scheduled on the first and third Monday's of the month. The meetings start at 7:00 P.M. at the Village Hall and are open to the public.

If you would like to contact us via email, please select departments, Village Clerk and contact us to the right at [www.victorny.org](http://www.victorny.org). Or, feel free to email the Village Clerk directly at [villageclerk@villageofvictor.org](mailto:villageclerk@villageofvictor.org).

## Direct Debit Program

The Village Clerk's office would like to remind our water/sewer customers that we do offer a direct debit program for your quarterly billing. An enrollment form for this program can be either picked up at the Clerk's office or one will be mailed to you by simply contacting the Clerk's office at 585-924-3311. This program is of no cost to the customer.

## Board Agendas and Minutes Notifications

If you would like any of the Village Boards agendas and minutes either emailed or texted to you, please go to the Victor website ([www.victorny.org](http://www.victorny.org)), select Notify Me to the left and click on the envelope and select how you would like to receive the notifications and from which boards.

## Holiday Closings

The Village Hall and the Department of Public Works will be closed the following Days:

Labor Day	Monday, September 7, 2015
Columbus Day	Monday, October 12, 2015
Veterans Day	Wednesday, November 11, 2015*
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, November 26, 2015*
Day after Thanksgiving	Friday, November 27, 2015

(\* Indicates garbage and recycling change as follows:

Wednesday, Nov. 11 recycling will be picked up on Friday, Nov. 13  
Thursday, Nov. 26 garbage will be picked up on Monday, Nov. 30

In case of an Emergency, call the Village's Cell Phone at 370-7564 or 760-3738

# Village Fall Large Trash Pickup Schedule

**The Village of Victor has designated two times during the course of the year in which residents can dispose of appliances, household items, and large quantities of brush.**

If you need to dispose of these items at any other time during the year, you may reserve the Village Rolloff for a fee of \$180.00 by calling the Village Hall at 924-3311, or you may utilize the Town of Victor's Transfer Station, located at 60 Rawson Road, after first obtaining a permit from the Town Highway Office in Building "B".

We appreciate your cooperation in not placing these items at the curb with your weekly garbage.

**Please note: This service is for Village residential properties only.**

PLACE ITEMS AT THE CURB NO EARLIER THAN 6:00 P.M. TWO DAYS PRIOR TO YOUR SCHEDULED COLLECTION DAY, AND NO LATER THAN 7:00 A.M. MONDAY MORNING TO INSURE PICKUP.

**NOTE: DO NOT PLACE FOOD GARBAGE, WET PAINT, TOXIC ITEMS, OR RECYCLABLES IN THIS PICKUP.**

September 14, 2015		September 21, 2015			September 28, 2015		
Alpine Way	Andrew Street	Church Street	Dunbridge Lane	Webster Avenue	Brookline Avenue	Coville Street	East Street
East Parkway	Kent Drive	S. High Street	Huxley Way	Glendower Way	Ketchum Street	Medford Way	Rawson Road
Salem Circle	Tareyton Drive	Sagamore Way	Valley View Drive	Moore Avenue	School Street	Waltham Street	West Main Street
Ambassador Drive	Clover Lane	Dryer Avenue	Duxbury Circle	West Parkway	Cambridge Circle	East Main Street	Ellis Street
Forest Avenue	Lynaugh Road	Hillcrest Drive	Latchmere Drive		Maple Avenue	Railroad Street	Rothbury Circle
Somerset Lane	Winston Drive	Valley View Circle			Walling Street	Wellington Drive	Woodworth Street

## Please Note

Additional Fees - To be paid in advance at the Village Hall:

- Tires 16" or under without rim: \$2.00 per tire
- Freon Removal (Air conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, dehumidifiers, etc.): \$15.00 ea.

**Regional Computer Recycling and Recovery at 7318 Victor Mendon Road (Route 251) will now take computers, monitors, keyboards, TV's and other electronics free of charge. For more information, please call (585) 924-3840.**

FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL CALL ONTARIO COUNTY RECYCLING AT (585) 526-4420.

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# Volunteer with Victor Fire Department (VFD)

The Victor Fire Department is proud to carry on 111 years of serving the Victor community, 100% volunteer, 100% of the time.

We are all volunteers. Every one of our members has a life outside of the Victor Fire Department. Every member contributes what he or she can, outside of his or her regular jobs and family obligations. Every Monday night, we get together and train for a couple of hours, simulating accidents and fires. We practice technique and have classroom sessions for new information. Every time there is a call, we come together and directly help our community.

One of the great aspects of an all-volunteer fire department is we have people of diverse occupations, sharing their talents with us all. Today, we have teachers, mechanics, engineers, college students, electricians, business leaders, nurses, bakers, and office professionals. It's amazing how much information and talent each member contributes, for emergency scenes and training opportunities. Having all of these different lives interacting, coming together, is a wonderful experience.

We are all professional. We take pride in mastering our craft, being an important part of the community. Our craft does not require us all to drag a hose into the building; many of us specialize in driving the apparatus, providing traffic control, focusing on medical aspects, or supporting the administration of the department. There is room for a variety of talents.

All of our potential members are afraid of not having the time to volunteer. We all choose to put aside some of our free time. What we gain from that choice is priceless: pride in our actions; chances to open doors of possibility; working with neighbors who otherwise you'd never get to know; and being the brightest part of someone's darkest day.

Sixteen and seventeen year olds can join our department as part of the newly created Protectives Program. This program started earlier this year. These active members train to be firefighters as they maintain their academic obligations. Our 2nd class of Protectives is open through September.

If you are interested in not just bettering yourself, but the community you live in, please stop by the Victor Fire House on Monday evenings between 6:00 and 9:00 P.M., or reach out to us via our Facebook Page or [www.victorfire.com](http://www.victorfire.com).



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**Friends of Ganondagan, Corn Husking Bee**

and Recreation at (585) 742-0141.

The above mentioned initiatives are just a few of the numerous volunteer opportunities that are available in the Victor community. Below is a list of additional organizations with contact information for you to consider volunteering your time:

**Serenity House:**

<http://serenity-house.org/> - 924-5840

**Victor Farmington Food cupboard:**

[www.VFFood.org](http://www.VFFood.org) • 924-2720

**Farmington-Victor Kiwanis:**

<http://www.farmington-victorkiwanis.com/>

**Victor Farmington Rotary:**

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

**Fishers Fire Department (page 21):**

[www.fishersfd.org](http://www.fishersfd.org) • 924-3451

**Victor Volunteer Fire Department (page 26):**

[www.victorfire.com](http://www.victorfire.com) • 924-3321

**Victor Lions Club:**

[www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/victorny](http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/victorny) • 742-3064

**Friends of Ganondagan:**

[www.ganondagan.org](http://www.ganondagan.org) • 742-1690



**Victor Lions Club**



**Farmington-Victor Kiwanis Senior Citizen Dinner**



**Farmington-Victor Kiwanis Key Club**



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### AUGUST

**Wednesdays** – \*Victor Farmers' Market

**August 22-23** – "Dryer In" Movie & Family Campout; "101 Dalmations," Dryer Road Park, 6:30 P.M.; Free

**August 29** – **Chicken BBQ**; Victor Fire Department, 34 Maple Avenue, 4:00 P.M.

**August 30** – **Historic Lecture; "Victor and the Potato Plot,"** Valentown Museum, 1:00 P.M.; FREE (Museum tour available for a fee)

### SEPTEMBER

**Wednesdays** – \*Victor Farmers' Market

**September 5** – **Victor Hiking Trails Special Hike**; Canandaigua Ring Of Fire, evening hike at Bare Hill, 5:30 P.M., meet behind the Town Hall. For more details go to: [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org)

**September 11** – **Wine Walk**; Main Street in the Village, 5:30 to 8:30 P.M.

**September 12** – **Hang Around Victor Day**; Downtown Victor, 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

**September 12** – **Victor Hiking Trails Monthly Hike**; Village Hike during HAVD, 11:00 A.M., Meet at the VHT Tent.

**September 12** – **Punt, Pass & Kick**; VCS Campus Field #8, 10:00 A.M., Ages 6-15 yrs old w/copy of Birth Certificate

**September 12** – **Sidewalk Craft Sale**; Downtown, 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

**September 12** – **Victorfest**, Mead Square/Library parking lot, 6:00 to 9:30 P.M. Itinerary: 6-7 P.M. Les Femmes; 7:30-9:30 P.M. Blues family Band; 9:30 P.M. Fireworks

**September 27** – **Victor Hiking Trails 5th Annual Challenge Hike**; For more details go to: [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org)

**September 27** – **Historic Lecture, "Slavery and the Underground Railroad,"** Valentown Museum, Jerry Bennett, 1:00 P.M.; FREE (Museum tour available for a fee)

### OCTOBER

**Wednesdays** – \*Victor Farmers' Market

**October 3** – **8th Annual Comedy Night with Dinner & Silent Auction**; Fishers Fire Hall, Main Street Fishers, 7:00 P.M.

**October 9** – **Brew Walk**; Main Street in the Village, 5:30 to 8:30 P.M.

**October 10** – **Victor Hiking Trails Monthly Hike**; Finger Lakes Trail, Bristol Hills Branch, south end, 9:00 A.M., meet behind the Town Hall. For more details go to: [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org)

**October 24** – **VPR Trunk or Treat**; Victor Municipal Park, NEW TIME 4:00 to 5:30 P.M.

**October 24** – **Jack 'O Lantern Trail**; Fireman's Field (off Maple Avenue), 7:00-8:30 P.M.

**October 25** – **Historic Lecture, "Rail Transportation in Ontario County,"** Valentown Museum, Bob Ward, 1:00 P.M.; FREE (Museum tour available for a fee)

### NOVEMBER

**November 14** – **Victor Hiking Trails Monthly Hike**; Boughton Park, 9:00 A.M., meet behind Town Hall. For more details go to: [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org)

**November 28** – **4th Annual Christmas in the Village**; Downtown Victor, 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

### DECEMBER

**December 4** – **Winter Musical**, A Christmas Carol, VEC Auditorium, 7:30 P.M.

**December 5** - **Winter Musical**, A Christmas Carol, VEC Auditorium, 12:00 P.M., 3:00 P.M., 7:00 P.M.

**December 11** – **Holiday Wine Walk**; Main Street in the Village, 5:30 to 8:30 P.M.

**December 12** – **Victor Hiking Trails Monthly Hike**; Ontario County Park, new north trails, 9:00 A.M., meet behind Town Hall. For more details go to: [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org)

\*The Farmers' Market is open every Wednesday through October 28th from 3:00-7:00 P.M., Village Parking Lot, 60 East Main Street

All these events and more can be found on the Victor website under the  
Community Calendar at [www.victorny.org/calendar.aspx](http://www.victorny.org/calendar.aspx)