

TOWN OF RIGA

NEWSLETTER

Riga Town Board Members

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Supervisor's Report

Winter has certainly kept us on our toes this season. We've experienced it all so far – frigid cold temperatures, snow, ice, wind, and even some warmer days. Our town Highway Department has without a doubt, been busy keeping our roadways safe. As a reminder, on-street parking on town roads is not allowed from November 1st through April 15th. Keeping parked vehicles off our roads during this period allows our highway crew to safely and thoroughly salt and plow as needed.

The pickleball courts at our Buffalo Road Park across from the Town Hall were completed this past fall. Some final landscaping touch-ups will be addressed this Spring, but the courts are ready for play once weather permits! This will be a welcome addition to our numerous recreation facilities in the town. Many thanks go out to State Senator Michael Ranzenhofer and his office as well as the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY) for providing funding for this project.

The Town Board continues to work on the feasibility study for a community center. Given the enormous impact a project like this would have on our town from so many fronts, we are carefully examining all options, including our current inventory of existing facilities (Cobblestone building, town hall space, local public facilities...) to see how these spaces might help meet our community

needs as well. We will continue to provide updates throughout this process.

We currently have an opening for an alternate member to our Planning Board. Alternates fill in for regular Planning Board members who are unable to attend a Planning Board meeting. Meetings are held the first Monday of every month. Anyone who might be interested in this position should contact me either by phone or email(bobrocta@townofriga.org). Please consider getting involved in our town government. It is a great opportunity to provide input on how our community develops.

Please join the American Legion Harvey C. Noone Post #954 on Memorial Day, Monday May 27th, to help honor those who have died while serving our country's armed forces. A memorial service will be held at the Churchville Elementary School, 36 West Buffalo Road, starting at 10 AM.

A parade will follow the memorial service, ending at the Churchville Cemetery on N. Main St.

As always, if you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact myself or any other Town Board member.

**Submitted by:
Brad O'Brocta
Supervisor**



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Recycling

In a quantitative research study conducted for Monroe County in 2014, residents stated that the biggest impediment to recycling is not knowing which items are recyclable.

Monroe County developed the **Recycle Right Sign Suite** to provide standardized, visually based, education near recycling and disposal receptacles across the community. Signs have been customized for different types of locations: residential, office, public spaces/events, and schools.

The goal is twofold: to reduce the amount of recyclable materials that end up in a landfill, while

maintaining a high quality recycling stream which is not contaminated with waste items.

We encourage you to explore, download, and utilize the resources that meet your needs. Both Spanish and English versions of all signs are available via free download at our website: www.monroecounty.gov/recycling.

Thank you for joining us in this effort to promote consistent recycling across Monroe County!

Nicole Fornof
Waste Diversion and Education
Coordinator
Monroe County Department of
Environmental Services

MIXED RECYCLING



✓ **EMPTY**
✓ **CLEAN**
✓ **UNBAGGED**

PAPER

- Empty cartons - **NO liquids**
- Flatten boxes
- Contain shredded paper in paper bag or box

PLASTIC

- Empty bottles, jugs, jars and tubs - **NO food or liquids**
- Reattach lids and caps

METAL & GLASS

- Empty cans, bottles and jars - **NO food or liquids**
- Clean foil
- Reattach lids and caps

- **NO bags**
- **NO shredded paper in plastic bag**
- **NO cups**
- **NO liquids**



WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT!

www.monroecounty.gov/recycling

Harvey C. Noone Legion News

THANKING, HONORING AND SUPPORTING OUR VETS

Every so often we need to stop and reflect upon the deeds of those heroes and defenders of freedom who blazed the trail for us to follow. There is an old, but true, phrase, **Freedom Is Not Free**.

In 1919, at the end of WWI, Congress chartered the Legion as a **peacetime** veterans service organization. But, peace did not last because this year is the 75th Anniversary of the Allies, led by Americans, storming the beaches of Normandy to free Europe from tyranny. I know from a 2013 visit to American cemeteries, and villages around them in France,

Luxembourg and Belgium, the people living there are still grateful for the sacrifices of American soldiers winning back their freedom.

Please take time to thank our veterans, and please join us May 27th, Memorial Day, to honor those who gave their lives for the freedom we enjoy today. Thank you for supporting our many veterans service projects.

Euchre Calendar



Harvey C. Noone Legion:

March 1, 2019 Euchre Fundraiser
@ 7 pm at Legion

March 15, 2019 Euchre Fundraiser

@ 7 pm at Legion

April 5, 2019 Euchre Fundraiser
@ 7 pm at Legion

April 19, 2019 Euchre Fundraiser
@ 7 pm at Legion

May 3, 2019 Euchre Fundraiser
@ 7 pm at Legion

May 17, 2019 Euchre Fundraiser
@ 7 pm at Legion

God Bless You and Our Country,

Gil Budd, Commander



SPRING RIGA HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS



Winter Highlights: By the first week of February, we had received just over 62 inches of snow for the season, which is average for the season to date. Normal season totals are 99 inches. We are ready for spring and summer weather. Salt usage has been about average. We have used 1300 tons so far this year. Always amazing is the difference a year makes. Over the past several weeks we have worked on and will continue working on roadside cleanup, brush pickup from winter winds, removing 5 miles of snow fence, removing plows and sanders, getting trucks ready for the construction season, removing rust, replacing worn out parts, and painting plows and sander parts to be ready for next year's snow season. We have also worked on resetting signs knocked down by fallen trees/windstorms, filled. We will be filling countless pot holes on town and county roads in the coming weeks.



Brush pickup

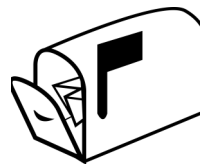
Planned for the week of April 22nd. Please have brush out to the roadside before that date. We will make **one trip down each road and cannot**

make return trips once we have been down your road. We will again be bulk handling the piles of brush, loading our dump trucks with a rented prentice loader.

Construction materials, boulders, and concrete will not be picked up with brush. If you have materials other than brush to be picked up please call a disposal company for those types of materials.

Roadside Boulders- Posts

A reminder, we have damaged our plow equipment by hitting boulders in the highway right of ways, placed at entrances to drives. These items are hazardous to the traveling public and highway maintenance equipment. Highway law and insurance companies consider these obstructions in the right of way "deadly fixed objects." By highway law any landscaping boulders, posts, retaining walls must be outside the 33' right of way, measured from the center of the road. Your cooperation is appreciated.



Mailboxes

Our plow drivers endeavor to take all precautions to avoid striking mailboxes with the wing of the plow. Here are some tips for mailbox placement to help reduce damage during next winter's plowing: face of the mailbox should be at least 15' from the center of the road, because the plow with wing makes a 14' wide path. Mail box post size must not exceed 4" x 4" for a wooden post, as posts that are more substantial in construction like a 6x6 are also considered "deadly fixed objects" and are not permitted within the highway "right-of-way" as there can be liabil-

ity issues. It would be timely over the spring season to check posts for rot and deterioration, particularly at the base, to insure they will not break when heavy wet snow is thrown against the mail box system. **The town cannot be responsible to repair rotted posts that are part of regular ongoing property maintenance.**

Purpose

The purpose of the Riga highway department is to provide efficient roadways for transportation for our residents and users of our town roadways. We continually seek to improve service to our residents in a cost-effective manner, within budget.



Planned Town Roadwork for 2019

Project dates have not yet been scheduled.

Stearns Road—In place recycle of road from Griffin to Winslow Road. Chip Seal surface treatment will take place a month after to seal water out on surface. Continued low oil prices may allow some additional chip seal projects.

Bridge NY— There is a program to improve county and town road bridges and culverts. We have made application to the NY State DOT for a culvert replacement on **Percy Road** at the south Onion Creek crossing. Our request was not funded.

Highway News (Continues)

Monroe County DOT Road projects for this summer:

At publication we do not have a list of projects planned by the County DOT due to State Budget shortfalls.

Note; All Town and County projects listed above are tentative subject to budget approvals and priority of other work by weather emergency or other unforeseen circumstances.



Household Hazardous Waste Collection will be held for all residents of Monroe County, but

specifically for the southwest region including the towns of Chili, Gates, Riga, and Wheatland, and the Villages of Churchville and Scottsville. The collection which is being provided by Monroe County will take place at the Town of Chili Highway Department, 200 Beaver Road, Saturday, April 27, 2019, from 7:45 am to 12:15 pm.

This collection gives residents the opportunity to dispose of potentially hazardous chemicals in a safe manner and keeps usable items out of the landfills.

Appointments **are required** at all Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collections. Appointments for this HHW collection will be accepted until Friday, April 26th. Waste from businesses will not be accepted.

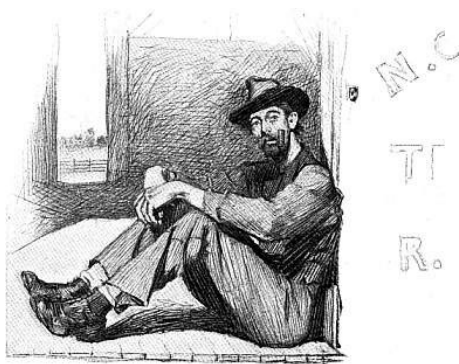
To schedule an appointment:

visit the HHW Online Scheduler at <http://www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark/> or call the Town of Chili at 889-2630 (Option #2)

For more information on recycling and acceptable items taken at HHW collection, visit the Monroe County ecopark website at: <http://www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark/> or visit the Town Hall for a flyer with a list of items accepted.

Submitted by:
David Smith, Highway Superintendent

Mayhem Along The Tracks



In the year 1899, as you entered the Village of Churchville from the railroad station and headed north on

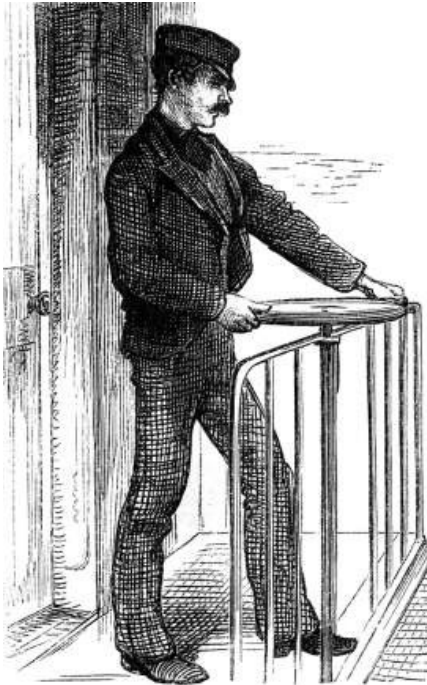
South Main Street, you would not have been greeted by any signs welcoming you to the Village of Churchville or the Town of Riga, but rather you would have observed a large sign which read: "Tramps, take notice. Able-bodied people tramping through the country asking for assistance will be arrested under the State Tramp Act. By order of the Monroe County Association Overseers of the Poor."

In the last newsletter I introduced you to the

"Churchville tramp" and the dilemma they caused roaming in and about the Town of Riga. In this article, I will but briefly present the more serious problems that the tramp brought to the township. On April 15th, 1897, four tramps hitching a ride on the New York Central Railroad in broad daylight caused a great deal of terror in the Village of Churchville and was described in the following newspaper article.

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Mayhem Along The Tracks



"Mr. Spotestall, a brakeman on a New York Central west-bound freight train, drawn by engine No. 640, had an exciting encounter with four tramps at the tank house at Churchville yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock. When the train drew up to the tank house and stopped to take water the brakeman stepped down from one of the cars and was immediately accosted by one of the tramps with whom he had some trouble before, having ordered him to get off the train. The tramp drew his revolver and placed it dangerously near the brakeman's face, threatening to shoot but for some reason did not carry out his threat. The brakeman attempted to grapple with him, but failed, and the tramp seeing that the

attention of the other train hands had been called to him began a hasty retreat down the tracks, accompanied by three other tramps who were with him and who had also been stealing a ride on the train.

The brakeman at once gave chase and the first tramp who had threatened to do the shooting seeing that he was being pursued so vigorously turned on two occasions and fired at the brakeman. The shots failed to take effect and the brakeman determined to continue the chase, though he had no revolver at hand with which to defend himself. The tramp was constantly losing ground and this encouraged his pursuer; and although he saw three other tramps ready to tackle him should he overtake his man, his courage was equal to the occasion, and he trusted to his superior strength and at last but by no means least, the assurance that the engineer and conductor were also coming in hot pursuit and would assist him should he require their aid.

Just at this moment the tramp attempted to climb a stone fence of considerable height and in doing so fell down, and this was the brakeman's opportunity, for before the tramp could get control of his revolver the brakeman was on top of him and seized him with

so much vigor that the tramp was unable to release himself. His three pals came up at this moment however, and the fight became a little more interesting for the railroad man, but he was apparently accustomed to such treatment and in spite of the blows dealt him by these desperate men he managed to hold his victim until the engineer, C. Attridge, appeared on the scene. On his arrival the three tramps deserted their comrade and fled as fast as they could across the country, taking a southerly course. The engineer knocked down the tramp who did the shooting and who was still struggling to gain his liberty, and held him under arrest, while the brakeman at once continued the chase across the country, and after a hard race managed to overtake tramp No.2 and placed him under arrest. The other two swam across the creek and escaped, but officers are in pursuit, and hopes are entertained that they may yet be captured.

The two men arrested were taken to the lock-up in the Village and their examination will take place this morning. The tramps refused to give their names when arrested and are in an ugly mood, and express regret that they were not able to injure the brakeman.

Mayham Along The Tracks (continues)

The attack of the tramp was entirely unexpected, and much surprise was expressed that he should have made the assault in such a public place, and at a time when he could be so easily seen. It is now supposed that he intended to shoot the brakeman at the time he first accosted him, but for some reason his revolver failed to go off. At all events it was a daring piece of work and created much excitement in the village.



The matter of tramps riding in the freight trains, and congregating at this point has become so notorious, that it has several times been noticed by the citizens, and the presence of this undesirable element every day on the streets has become a matter of common complaint."

In another incident, the following headline:

"CRAZY TRAMP TERRIFIES WOMEN NEAR CHURCHVILLE,"

appeared in an October 2, 1900 Rochester Democrat and Chronicle newspaper and the occurrence was reported as follows: "A

number of women on the Buffalo road, about two miles west of Churchville had an experience with a demented tramp a few days ago that they will not be likely to soon forget. He first appeared at the home of Mrs. Sheridan and walked in. Asking where her husband was. Upon being informed that he was dead, he immediately demanded his dinner. Mrs. Sheridan told him that the kettle on the stove contained food for the pig and she had nothing for him, whereupon he departed.



He stopped at a number of other farmhouses, where he found the door locked, and finally came to Mrs. Keenan's, where he asked if her husband

was at home and proceeded to investigate for himself, after ordering Mrs. Keenan to get him some dinner. Mrs. Keenan's son, who was at home, came upon the scene and demanded what the stranger wanted.

He quickly drew a revolver and shoved it into Keenan's face. Keenan who is a powerful man, struck him a blow that felled him to the floor, and before he could realize what had happened, he found himself in a snow bank. The door was barred, and the lunatic tried to shoot the occupants through the window. His satchel was finally thrown out to him and he departed, and it was since learned that he was arrested in Batavia.

Continuing on in the next newsletter article:

"Death
Along
the
Tracks."



**Submitted by:
Ron Belczak
Historian**



Swimming Pool Permits

With the return of warmer weather this summer season, portable swimming pools will begin appearing in many backyards in our town and village. According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), "Each year, nationwide, more than 300 children under 5 years old drown in residential swimming pools, usually a pool owned by their family. In addition, more than 2,000 children in that age group are treated in hospital emergency rooms for submersion injuries."

Please be reminded all "swimming pools" require a building permit be issued before installation and final approval is required with in 90 days of being issued a permit; before the pool is put into use.

Definition of "swimming pool"

The term "swimming pool" is defined in the NYS 2017 Uniform Code Supplement as "any structure, basin, chamber or tank which is intended for swimming, diving, recreational bathing or wading and which contains, is designed to contain, or is capable of containing water more than 24 inches (610 mm) deep at any point. This includes in-ground, above-ground and on-ground pools; indoor pools; hot tubs; spas; and fixed-in-place wading pools (inflatable pools/storable soft sided)

Swimming Pool FAQ

Are There Property Line Set-back Requirements For A Swimming Pool?

Yes. Generally swimming pools and appurtenances (filters, pumps ,etc.) concrete aprons and

pool decks have side and rear property line setback requirements and vary per land use district , please call the office for setback distances.

Overhead Electric Lines must be located at least **10 feet horizontally** from the water's edge of the pool/hot tub/spa

Do I Need To Install A Fence or Barrier (Enclosure) Around the Pool?

Yes. New York State Residential Code Appendix G - Outdoor swimming pool. An

outdoor swimming pool, including an in-ground, aboveground or on-ground pool (**INFLATABLE**), hot tub or spa **MUST** be provided with a barrier which shall comply with the following:

1. The top of the barrier shall be at least 48 inches (1219 mm) above grade measured on the side of the barrier which faces away from the swimming pool. The maximum vertical clearance between grade and the bottom of the barrier shall be 2 inches (51 mm) measured on the side of the barrier which faces away from the swimming pool. Where the top of the pool structure is above grade, such as an aboveground pool, the barrier may be at ground level, such as the pool structure, or mounted on top of the pool structure. Where the barrier is mounted on top of the pool structure, the maximum vertical clearance between the top of the pool structure and the bottom of the barrier shall be 4 inches (102 mm).

2. Openings in the barrier shall not allow passage of a 4-inch-diameter (102 mm) sphere.

3. Solid barriers which do not have openings, such as a

masonry or stone wall, shall not contain indentations or protrusions except for normal construction tolerances and tooled masonry joints.

4. Where the barrier is composed of horizontal and vertical members and the distance between the tops of the horizontal members is less than 45 inches (1143 mm), the horizontal members shall be located on the swimming pool side of the fence. Spacing between vertical members shall not exceed 1.75 inches (44 mm) in width.

Where there are decorative cutouts within vertical members, spacing within the cutouts shall not exceed 1.75 inches (44 mm) in width.

What Type of Gate do I Need?

Gates installed in the enclosure need to be self closing and self latching and must open outward (away) from the pool. If the self latching device is located less than 54" from the bottom of the fence it must be installed on the pool side of the gate at least 3" below the top of the gate and there can be no openings greater than ½ "within 18" of the latching device.

What about Pool Ladders?

Where an aboveground pool structure is used as a barrier or where the barrier is mounted on top of the pool structure, and the means of access is a ladder or steps, then: The ladder or steps shall be capable of being secured, locked or removed to prevent access, or the ladder or steps shall be surrounded by a barrier that meets the requirements of

SWIMMING POOLS (CONTINUED)

Section 105.2, items 1 through 9. When the ladder or steps are secured, locked or removed, any opening created shall not allow passage of a 4 inch diameter sphere.

Do I Need A Pool Alarm For The Pool?

All swimming pools installed after December 14, 2006 require a pool alarm that sounds an alarm poolside and at another location on the premises where the swimming pool is located. It must be capable of detecting a child entering the water and give an

audible alarm when it detects entry into the water.

Are There Electrical Requirements?

Yes. Electrical requirements are based on the National Electrical Code / 2017 Uniform Code Supplement

Please contact a qualified Electrician or Electrical Inspection Agency.

Please have a safe swimming pool season, and remember many of the above requirements also pertain to pre-existing swimming pools on your property.

Please contact the Town of Riga Building Department Code Enforcement Office At 293-3880 x 124 with any questions.

Submitted by:
Building Inspectors
Ken Kuter & Bob Panik



TOWN CLERK NEWS

Rentals



At this year's organizational meeting the Town Board has revised the rental policy on lodges and approved new fees for all lodges.

New Rental Fees will be as follows:

For the **Buffalo Road Pavilion**, the fee for Monday through Thursday rentals will now be **\$50.00 for residents**, and \$100.00 for non-residents. Weekend rentals, Friday through Sunday, **\$100.00 for residents**,

and \$125.00 for non-residents.

For the **Maier Lodge** the fee for Monday through Thursday rentals will now be **\$75.00 for residents**, and \$150.00 for non-residents. Weekend rentals, Friday through Sunday, fee is **\$150.00 for residents**, and \$200.00 for non-residents.

The **Cobblestone Building** fee has been reduced. Monday through Thursday rentals will now be **\$65.00 for residents**, and \$125.00 for non-residents. Weekend rentals, Friday through Sunday, fee is **\$90.00 for residents**, and \$175.00 for non-residents.

Please remember the Town can only accept reservations with a complete application and paid rental fee.

Please do not hesitate to call my office with any questions on any

of the changes, 293-3880 ext 121 or 122.

If you need to get all that road salt off of your car, the Town still sells discount Buckmans Car Wash Tickets.

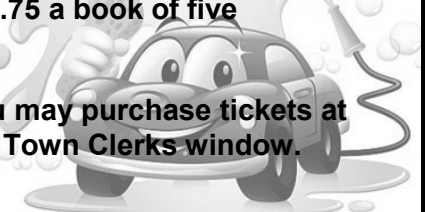
Prices:

Basic Soft Touch
[Includes 24-hour guarantee]
\$7.25 a piece
\$36.25 a book of five

The Works
[Includes 5-day guarantee]
\$11.25 a piece
\$58.75 a book of five

You may purchase tickets at the Town Clerks window.

Submitted by:
Kimberly Pape,
Town Clerk



Newman Riga Library



New Facebook Page

Newman Riga Library has its own Facebook page! Please like us to stay current on programming, displays and information.

"Who Really Killed President JFK" program - Thursday, March 21 6:30-8:00pm

Back by popular demand, Churchville resident Marty Molinari will present an encore performance of his "Who Really Killed President JFK" program. Marty originally presented this program here in 2016 and continues to uncover additional and intriguing information on the subject. Even if you have seen this program before, it's still worth joining us.

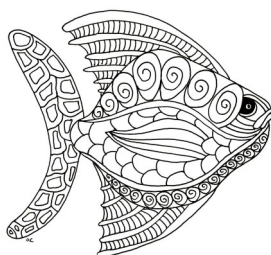
Program Description:

One of the greatest crimes of the 20th century was the assassination of President John F. Kennedy on Nov 22, 1963 in Dallas, Texas. Arguably, an even greater crime was the subsequent investigation and cover-up of that assassination. Now five decades later, Marty follows the trails of evidence disclosed since the Warren Commission Report was released and analyzes the details and subsequent testimony of witnesses over these decades.

A special thank you to the Town of Riga Recreation Department

and Dave Thomas for providing refreshments for this event!

Please call or stop by the library to register.



Adult Coloring with Brenda - Thursday, March 26th 6:30-8pm

Take time out from your daily routine and let your creative side shine at our Adult Coloring Program. Bring your own project/supplies or we have supplies here for beginners. No registration is required.



Local Art Show - End of March through April

In celebration of Youth Art Month, Ms. Anne Clancy (Churchville-Chili Art Teacher) will display artwork from her CES and Studio in Art 8 students. Please come to check out our local talent toward the end of March through the end of April.

New York State Empire Pass

Thanks to the Friends of the Rochester Public Library, we have been given a New York State

Empire Pass that can be checked out by the public for a two week loan period. This pass provides unlimited day-use vehicle entry to most facilities operated by New York State Parks and the State Dept. of Environmental Conservation. Go to <https://parks.ny.gov/admission/empire-passport/> for more information.



Keep checking our Facebook page and our website (newmanrigalibrary.org) for additional programming:



HOURS

Winter/Spring Library Hours

M-W-F: 11am – 5pm

T-TH: 11am – 9pm

SA: 10am – 2 pm

SU: Closed

Submitted by:
Lynn M. Brown,
Librarian



CHURCH CALENDARS

2019 CHURCHVILLE ECUMENICAL LENTEN MEETINGS

- 7:00 pm **Ash Wednesday, March 6**
Community Worship
United Methodist Church
24 W. Buffalo Road
- 6:30 pm **Thursday, March 14** Free
Soup and Bread Supper*
Riga Congregational Church
7057 Chili Riga Center Road
- 6:30 pm **Thursday, March 21** Free
Soup and Bread Supper*
Union Congregational UCC
14 N Main Street
- 6:30 pm **Thursday, March 28** Free
Soup and Bread Supper*
Faith Chapel
125 Bromley Road
- 6:30 pm **Thursday, April 4** Free
Soup and Bread Supper*
United Methodist Church
24 W. Buffalo Road
- 6:30 pm **Thursday, April 11** Free
Soup and Bread Supper*
St. Vincent DePaul
11 N. Main Street
- 7:00 pm **Maundy Thursday, April 18**
Community Worship
Riga Congregational Church
7057 Chili Riga Center Road
- 7:00 pm **Good Friday, April 19**
Community Worship
United Methodist Church
24 W. Buffalo Road

*All Soup and Bread suppers will be preceded by a brief meditation

---- All are welcome ----

United Congregational United Church of Christ
14 N. Main Street

MARCH

Lenten Soup and Bread Suppers during Lent -- March 6 – April 21. Schedule will also be posted on bulletin boards throughout village.
Saturday, March 9 - Community Ham Dinner 4 – 6:30 pm - Adults \$10.00 Children \$5.00
Saturday, March 16 - Community Pancake Breakfast

8:00 – 9:30 am
(and every 3rd Saturday of each month)

March 21 Second Supper at 6:30pm

APRIL

Ecumenical Lenten Soup and Bread Suppers continue during Lent -- March 6 – April 21.

Palm Sunday, April 14 - Special Worship service with Interpretive Dance

Saturday, April 20 Community Pancake Breakfast 8 – 9:30 am (and every 3rd Saturday of each month)

Sunday, April 21 EASTER Services:

Easter Breakfast 8:00 am
Worship Service 10:00 am

MAY

Sunday, May 12 Mother's Day cupcake Sale (after 10 am worship service)

Saturday, May 18 Community Pancake Breakfast 8 – 9:30 am (and every 3rd Saturday of each month)

Monday, May 27 Community Memorial Day Breakfast 7:30 – 9:30 am

Adults \$6.00 children \$3.00
Free for Veterans

Churchville United Methodist Church

24 West Buffalo Street
585-293-3282

Sunday worship time—9:30 a.m.

March 6th- 7:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday ecumenical service

April 14th—9:30 a.m.

Palm Sunday Service

April 19th—6:30 p.m.

Good Friday Evening Service

April 20th—from 2 – 4:00 p.m.

Annual Spring Pie & Dessert Sale or sold out

April 21st—8:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast

April 21st—9:30 a.m.
Resurrection Day worship service

May 4, 5, 6th New to You and Baked Goods Sale, Thurs. 4 – 6 p.m., Friday 9 – 2 p.m., Sat. 9-12:00 (fill-a-bag sale)

Every Tuesday at 6p.m.

"Magic Happens When Women Gather" "On Our Own Together" Are you widowed, divorced, separated, without a partner, or just a little lonely? Come and join Pastor, Meg for Soup, Casual Conversation with women, topics and interests will evolve. (enter from West Buffalo to back door)

Part Time Job Opening:

Churchville United Methodist Church is seeking a pianist (or organist) to provide Spirit led music during Sunday morning worship services, and on occasion provide music for special services. Please contact the church office at (585) 293-3282 to express your interest.

St. Vincent's—St. Martin de Porres Parish

11 N. Main Street

HOLY WEEK Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 18

Morning Prayer at 8:30 am (St. Vincent)

Evening of the Lord's Supper 7 pm Mass at St. Mary's

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

9 pm-10 pm at each church

Good Friday, April 19

Morning Prayer at 8:30 am (St. Vincent)

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CHURCH CALENDARS

Friday of the Passion of the Lord 3 pm Service at St. Columba's

*Social Justice Stations, 8 pm at
St. Columba*

Holy Saturday, April 20

*Morning Prayer at 8:30 am
(St. Vincent)*

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night 8 pm Mass at St. Vincent's

Easter Sunday Masses, April 21

8 am Mass at St. Mary's

9 am Mass at St. Columba's

10 am Mass at St. Vincent's

First Congregational Church of Riga, UCC

7057 Chili Riga Center Road

SAVE THE DATES: Spring is coming (we promise) along with opportunities to stop in at Riga Church and say, "Hello"! There's a lot going on! Here are some of the

highlights, in order of occurrence:

Bible Study: Bible Study is held at Riga Church on Monday evenings at 7:00PM. Join us!!

Lenten Soup and Bread: Thursday, March 14, 2019 from 6:30PM to 7:30PM. This is a wonderful opportunity to gather for Community Fellowship. Join us!

Spring Rummage Sale: Preview-Friday, March 29, 2019 from 3:00PM to 7:00PM

Sale-Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 7:00AM to 2:00PM.

Turkey Dinners: March 23 and May 11, 2019. 4:00PM-7:00PM.

Homemade Turkey Dinners with all the yummy trimmings, including your choice from the 'Mile of Pie' for dessert. Dine in and Take Out \$9.00 Adults \$5 Children

**Community Maundy Thursday
Worship Service at Riga Church:** Thursday, March 29, and, April 18,

beginning at 7:00PM.

Easter Sunday Worship

April 21, 2019 10:00AM-11:00AM

Spring Craft Show - April 27, 2019. 10AM-2:30PM Wonderful local vendors offering new surprises for everyone! Gifts for you and those you love!

You are warmly invited to join us for worship each Sunday morning at 10:00am, with fellowship immediately following. Questions? Please contact Pastor Susan: 585-293-2070 or visit our website for more information about upcoming events:

www.rigachurch.org.

**Respectfully
Submitted:
Pastor Susan
Garofalo**



RIGA CEMETERY NEWS

We are getting ready for spring at the Riga Cemetery. We expect that our new trees have survived the winter and will start new growth.

Maintenance is planned for our mower.



All Christmas wreaths and other graveside decorations should be removed by April 1. Just a

reminder that snowmobiles are not allowed in the cemetery.

ANNUAL MEETING

We are planning our Annual Cemetery meeting on May 7, at 7 PM at the Riga Town Hall Multipurpose Room. All cemetery plot owners and Town residents are invited to attend to hear about the status of the cemetery, activities planned, and policies for 2019. After the meeting you will be able to inquire about available

plots you may already own and where your loved ones, and any possible lost relatives, are buried at the cemetery.

Please keep us in mind during your estate planning.

We welcome your donations (Riga Cemetery, PO Box 527, Churchville NY 14428) and volunteer support. Contact John Loser, President, at 585-538-2951.

**Submitted by:
John Loser
President**

RECREATION NEWS

WinterFest, 2019 was once again hosted at the Churchville Elementary School on Sunday, January 27th. This annual community event was a terrific success. The Churchville Lion's "World famous" Chicken BBQ was the Main Event followed by the FREE Kid's Carnival. This event would not be possible if not for the following organizations and individuals: The Town of Riga, the Churchville Lion's Club & LEO Club (with leaders Marty Molinari and Mary Pat Dewey), Noelle Burley and our local Girl Scout troop, caricaturist Sam Villareale, Air Play Juggling, Air Affair's Bounce House, face painting by Arianna Wellin, Arlene's Air Brush Tattoos, and the Wildlife Education Coalition. Additional "kudos" to the Churchville-Chili School District for facility use and their WONDERFUL kitchen/custodial staff (especially Gladys & Mark) for their graciousness and attention to the nitty-gritty details of hosting this event. We look forward to 2020.

Thanks to local resident, Courtney Hoerner, for spearheading the youth programs of lacrosse, basketball, and floor hockey at CES. These new programs are experiencing much growth with our youngsters!

Our long running Riga Rec "Soccer

Academy" got off to a late start due to the recent inclement weather but we have many enthusiastic players in Grades K-4. This initiative was started over 10 years ago by (at that time a Senior at CCHS) Scott Zorn as a class project. This program is now lead by the Churchville Soccer Club's coaching staff assisted by older players "paying it forward".

We have started a monthly "Cornhole" tournament program at the Cobblestone Hall and have had 16 players take part in a Round Robin format event. Please call the recreation office if you'd like to play!

Our new Summer Camp Director, Brian Young, and I will be meeting shortly to go over updating the program that will, once again, be hosted at the Churchville Elementary School. We have taken part, in the past, in the Churchville-Chili School District's "Summer Fun" Night. They have now made an adjustment and it will now be online" instead. So when looking for "fun & exciting" activities for your youngsters please consult the school district's website and our own Facebook page!

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place at the Maher Lodge on Saturday, April 13th. Check the insert for additional details.

Also, check out the CYA and Churchville Soccer Club websites for their summer programs of baseball, softball, and soccer.

We have finalized our schedule for the summer Village Gazebo Concert Series. This year's will start on Wednesday evening, July 3rd with the Jimmy Jam Band followed in consecutive weeks by Johnny Bauer, Generations, Blue Sky, and 8 Days A Week.

An exciting event being planned is a GRAND OPENING of our Pickleball Courts at the Buffalo Park. We are looking at a Late April -Early May date dependent upon NYS Senator Michael H. Ranzenhofer's schedule. The project was delayed numerous times due to the weather we experienced this past fall but we will be ready to go once the spring weather hits the area. This is something that the community will be very proud of. We'll have more information once I hear back from Sen. Ranzenhofer's office.

You may also access additional recreation information via" the CCCSD "Virtual Backpack", Facebook (LIKE Riga Recreation), and the Westside News.

Submitted By:
Dave Thomas,
Recreation Supervisor



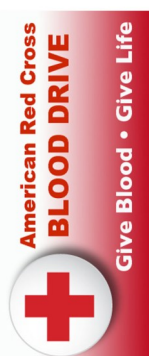
RIGA TOWN HALL BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, April 8th 2019

1:00 PM—6:00 PM

6460 BUFFALO ROAD-COMMUNITY ROOM

Please give the gift that lasts a lifetime. Please call 1-800-GIVE LIFE to schedule your lifesaving donation. If you donated on or before February 16th you are eligible to donate. Walk-ins are also welcome!! Please Bring ID!



1-800-GIVE-LIFE donatebloodnow.org

MARCH-APRIL-MAY 2019 RECREATION PROGRAMS

We are always in search of energetic parents/coaches to volunteer to help teach/instruct programs!
Interested individuals should contact the Recreation Department at 293-3880 x130

Riga Recreation Spring, 2019 Programs

March

- 1) Scrapbooking with Anne, Sat. Mar. 9, 9:00am-3:30pm Riga Town Hall
- 2) CYA Baseball/Softball for Ages 6-15 www.leaguelineup.com/cyabaseball
- 3) Riga Senior Jam Sessions Weds. 2:00-4:00pm at the Riga Town Hall
- 4) Riga/CYA Baseball-Softball Spring Training, March 27th at Fairbanks Rd. School
- 5) Churchville Soccer Club.....www.churchvillesoccerclub.com
- 6) A "JFK" Presentation by Marty Molinari at Riga-Newman Library, March 21st at 6:30pm
- 7) Riga Rec "Cornhole Tourney" #3 at Cobblestone Hall, Friday March 29th at 10:30am



April

- 1) Spring Recess Programs April 15-19, Bowling at Rose Garden and Gymnastics at Bright Raven, dates and times TBA
- 2) Easter Egg Hunt at the Maher Lodge in Sanford Road Park, Saturday, Apr. 13th (NO Pre-Registration)
Ages 2-5 will start the Hunt at 10:30am SHARP
Ages 6-10 will start the Hunt at 10:45am SHARP
- 3) Scrapbooking with Anne, Sat. April 6th, 9:00am-3:30pm at the Riga Town Hall
- 4) Pick Up the Parks Program at Churchville Park, Sat. April 28th, 10:00am-12 Noon
- 5) Riga Rec "Cornhole Tourney" #4 at Cobblestone Hall, Friday April 19th at 10:30am



***Grand Opening of the Buffalo Road Pickleball Courts will be held late April—Early May... Date & Time TBA!!!**

May

- 1) Scrapbooking with Anne, Sat. May 4, 9:00am-3:30pm at Riga Town Hall
- 2) Scott's Turf/MLB "Pitch-Hit-Run", Sat. May 11, 9:00am for Boys & Girls Ages 7-14
NEW fields at Sanford Road Park...Registration at site
- 3) Riga Senior Jam Sessions, Weds. 2:00-4:00pm at Riga Town Hall
- 4) NYS Safeboating Course, Date TBA 7:30am-4:30pm at Riga Town Hall
- 5) Pickleball at the NEW Buffalo Road Park venue Play ANYTIME...We have supplies you may borrow!
- 6) Senior Nutrition Program at Ogden Senior Center, Mondays, 10:00am-2:00pm
- 7) Riga Rec "Cornhole Tourney" #5 at Cobblestone Hall, Friday May 17th at 10:30am



***EARLY BIRD "SUMMER CAMP" DISCOUNT OF 10% GOES IN TO EFFECT AS OF MAY 31ST AT 5:00 PM!**

SCOR—SPRING NEWS YOU CAN USE

"Enjoy the present hour, be mindful of the past; & neither fear nor wish the approaches of the last." {*Poor Richard's Almanack* by Benjamin Franklin.}

SCOR members can hear other wise sayings from guest presenters scheduled for our Spring monthly luncheons. The American Legion Hall, Buffalo Rd., is the place for lunch and conversation.

March 12th presenter is Town of Chili Judge Ken Kraus. Get your questions ready.

First day trip in 2019 with **Integrity Tours** on Wed. Mar. 27th will be the Cartwright's Maple Tree Inn and Del Lago Casino.

April 9th we host presenter "FDR" portrayed by Albert McFayden of Lockport, N.Y. His profile of Franklin Roosevelt began in late 1990's and continues since his "work retirement"

days.

"Heads up" for future day trips on Fri. June 7th to Cortland



Repertory Theater for the life and letters of Ann Landers, "the Lady with All the Answers" show; and Wed. Aug. 14th for fine dining in

Skaneateles and boating on the "long lake" of the Finger Lakes Region.

May 14th we meet entrepreneur speaker Lori Bruton of Riga who presents *Better Health/Chemical Free Lifestyle*. luncheon/meeting as usual at Legion Hall.

Looking ahead to other trips, we check calendar dates and savings for first week of September. *Integrity Tours* conduct the 5 day, 4 night trip to Mackinaw, Michigan; Mackinac Island; Frankenhouse Village, Fort

Mackinaw Museum. October 16 is the "mystery trip". Nov. 5th is the Seneca Alleghany Casino & Events Center for musical tribute to the "Infamous" Rat Pack. December 3rd & 4th, 2 day trip to Lancaster, Pa. and the American Musical Theater for *Miracle of Christmas* production.

Please contact us for more information. Call Verna at 293-9068. Contact Shirley for trip information at 752-4109.

SCOR brochures are available at Riga Town Office and Churchville Village Office.

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GREATER CHURCHVILLE-RIGA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

List of Chamber programs for 2019:

April 4th—Annual Awards Dinner—\$30

May 9th—Churchville-Chili Central School Budget discussion at the school district board meeting room—\$15 at noon

June-July-August— off for summer

September 12th—Millseat Landfill update hosted by Waste Management at noon

October 10th—Discussion of health insurance for 2020 time and place to be determined

November 21st—Annual luncheon honoring veterans of Riga-Churchville at the Harvey C. Noone American Legion Post
Cost for veterans and their spouses— Free
all others \$15

December 12th—Annual Holiday luncheon with music performed by students from Churchville-Chili Central Schools at the Cobblestone Hall
\$15 at noon

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

March

- 1 & 15 Euchre Fundraiser—7 pm American Legion
- 12 SCOR Luncheon—Legion
- 21 “Who Really Killed President JFK” program—Newman Riga Library
- 27 SCOR Senior Day Trip to the Cartwright’s Maple Tree Inn and Del Lago Casino
- 29 Riga Rec Cornhole Tourney—10:30 am



April

- 4 Annual Chamber Awards Dinner
- 5 & 19 Euchre Fundraiser—7 pm American Legion
- 8 RED Cross Blood Drive—Town Hall 1-6 pm
- 9 SCOR Luncheon—Legion
- 13 RIGA EASTER EGG HUNT—MAHER LODGE
- 19 Riga Rec Cornhole Tourney—10:30 am
- 22 Start of Brush Pickup in Town of Riga
- 27 Household Hazardous Waste Collection - Town of Chili Highway Dept.

May

- 14 SCOR Luncheon—Legion
- 3 & 17 Euchre Fundraiser—7 pm American Legion
- 17 Riga Rec Cornhole Tourney—10:30 am
- 27 Town Hall Closed—Memorial Day
- 27 Memorial Day Ceremony & Parade

For further information regarding Riga Rec, Senior, Library and CYA programs, call 293-3880 X130, or refer to the Town’s website: www.townofriga.org. Contact sponsoring organizations for further information regarding their events. Submit your ideas and comments for further enhancements to the Editor.

Submit comments and/or upcoming events to:

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6460 Buffalo Road

Churchville, NY 14428

Fax 585-293-1917 or townclerk@townofriga.org

Churchville Lions Club

Medical Loan Closet



The Churchville Lions Club has a wide variety of medical equipment for loan including canes, crutches, wheelchairs, hospital beds, etc. If you or someone you know, is in need of medical equipment for loan, please contact us to make arrangements at (585) 594-2103 or medicalloan@churchvillelions.org.



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OFFICIAL TOWN WEBSITE

WWW.TOWNOFRIGA.COM

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MEETING SCHEDULE

All Town Board Meetings, Workshops and meetings of Appointed Boards and Committees are open to the public. Most meetings are held at the Town Hall at 7 pm according to a regular schedule.

TOWN BOARD: 2nd Wednesdays.
Workshops as needed.

CONSERVATION BOARD: 4th Mondays.

LANDFILL CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD:
3rd Tuesday of the Month in January, April, July,
and October at 6 pm at Millseat Landfill.

PLANNING BOARD: 1st Mondays.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS: Scheduled as needed on 1st Thursdays at 7 pm.

AD HOC COMMITTEES: No meetings scheduled at this time.



Churchville Greene Community Garage Sale

Saturday May 18th &
Sunday May 19th

9 am—4 pm
Rain or Shine

