

TOWN OF RIGA

NEWSLETTER

Riga Town Board Members

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Supervisor's Report

Our Riga Town Offices have been quite busy over the past several months. Every office has seen an uptick in activity. It is nice to see life slowly getting back to normal. I hope the trend towards normalcy continues!

The proposed 5-megawatt solar energy system being proposed for a 38-acre parcel on Riga Mumford Road just south of Route 33A is still in the early stages of planning. We will continue to provide updates as they become available.

Meyer's RV Superstores presented a concept plan to the Planning Board at their May meeting for a proposed new facility on Sanford Road North. Our town offices are working with their representatives as this project moves forward.

The Town Board has begun work on updating our Town Code. We have enlisted the services of MRB Group to help guide us through this process. It has been several decades since our last major update to the Town Code. We will provide updates as this process moves along.

The roof on our highway salt shed has been successfully replaced with a new steel roof. We expect it will be many decades before the Town will have to address any concerns with that roof. The Town Hall roof is in need of repair. We are taking a comprehensive look at our roofing system at the Town Hall so

we can make the proper repairs. The Highway Department is continuing work to complete the new playground project at Sanford Road Park. Drier weather should help them finish this project soon.



My heartfelt thanks and gratitude go out to Ken Kuter for all that he has done for our community as our Town Building Inspector. Ken recently retired from that position for the Town of Riga. Over his 12 years as Building Inspector, Ken has provided a level of service to all of us that has been second to none. His extraordinary passion and commitment to our community rivals that of anyone I know. Ken will continue to be involved in our Town Government, as my Deputy Supervisor. I look forward to continuing to work with him in that capacity. With Ken's retirement, the Town Board has appointed Steve Mills as our new Building Inspector. Steve comes to us with quite a bit of emergency services experience. He is a retired Fire Chief from a busy local fire department. He has worn many hats throughout his distinguished career.

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Assessor News

STAR EXEMPTIONS

The BASIC STAR exemption will be \$30,000 of assessed value, and the ENHANCED STAR will be at \$74,900 of assessed value.

Breakdown of STAR savings by school district:

	Basic	Enhanced
Byron-Bergen	\$643	\$1,475
Caledonia-Mumford	\$519	\$1,181
Churchville-Chili	\$626	\$1,536

On the state's Office of Real Property Services website, www.tax.ny.gov, you will see that the maximum income to be eligible for the Enhanced STAR exemption, for the 2022-2023 school year, is \$92,000 (this will most likely increase for the 2023 school year). Resident property owners, who are at least 65 by the end of 2022 (born on or before December 31, 1957), whose 2021 Federal Adjusted Gross Income (minus any taxable IRA distribution) fits into this category, must apply by March 1, 2023. If a husband and wife, or siblings, own a property together and at least one of them is 65 and is a resident property owner, you may be eligible.

For those who are currently Enhanced STAR recipients, renewal notices are no longer required. You no longer need to bring your tax information to the Assessor's office. However, if you are a **first time Enhanced STAR** applicant (meaning you already have the Basic STAR and you believe you're entitled to the Enhanced STAR) you will need to file an Enhanced STAR application with the Assessor. This is a one-time application that gets you into the IVP program.

How to switch to the STAR credit

1. Notify your assessor that you wish to withdraw your STAR exemption.

Register for the STAR credit:

<https://www.tax.ny.gov/pit/property/star/default.htm>

If I can be of assistance, please give me a call at the town hall – 293-3880 extension 126.

**Submitted by:
Lori Frongetta,
Assessor**



Rental Fees:

Rentals For the **Buffalo Road Pavilion**, the fee for weekday rentals is **\$50.00 for residents**, and \$100.00 for non-residents. Weekend rentals, Friday through Sunday, the fee is **\$100.00 for residents**, and \$125.00 for non-residents.

For the **Maher Lodge** the fee for weekday rentals is **\$75.00 for residents**, and \$150.00 for non-residents. Weekend rentals, Friday through Sunday, the fee is **\$150.00 for residents**, and

\$200.00 for non-residents.

The **Cobblestone Building** fee for weekday rentals is **\$65.00 for residents**, and \$90.00 for non-residents. Weekend rentals, Friday through Sunday, the fee is **\$125.00 for residents**, and \$175.00 for non-residents.

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

Dogs It is the Law that all dogs 4 months and older must have a current NYS dog license. In order to license your dog, you will need to provide a valid rabies certificate and a spay/neuter certificate, if applicable. The fee is \$9.00 for altered dogs and \$17.00 for un-altered dogs.

Car Wash

Splash Car Wash has acquired Buckmans Car Wash's. The Town will no longer be able to get discounted car wash tickets. We still have a supply of the Buckman's discount car wash tickets for sale. Once they are gone, they are gone. The price remains \$10 for the basic and \$14 for the works. Splash will honor these Buckman's car wash tickets.

Please do not hesitate to call my office with any questions at 293-3880 ext. 122.

**Submitted by:
Kimberly Pape
Town Clerk**



The Ray Combs Story

In the last newsletter I reveled the establishment of the Riga RFD (Rural Free Delivery) system and continuing with this subject I now introduce a dedicated Town of Riga RFD carrier who became very influential in the State and National level of the Rural Mail Carriers Association. His name was Ray Combs, and this is his story as reported in a November 1948 Olean Times Herald newspaper.

"Know your patrons; make them your friends."

That is what Raymond H. Combs would advise fellow rural mail carriers when he was active in their ranks. He practiced what he preached, for just about every man, woman, and child along his route out of the Churchville post office knew him and had a friendly feeling for him.

Service with a smile was almost a fetish with Combs. He delighted to do odd jobs beyond the call of duty for his patrons. He said that was in the tradition of the service. A gregarious sort of a fellow. Combs considered everybody his neighbor. Possessed of an inquiring mind, he knew about everything going on for miles around.

A year or so Combs retired as a mail carrier. The Republican Party ran him for member of Assembly, and he was elected. This year he was re-elected, in a year when some of his county running mates on the party ticket were tossed into the discard. The surprising thing to many casual observers was that Combs, a villager and a ruralite rather than a city man, carried every city ward in his district.

To some persons who know Ray Combs a little better it was not so surprising; they knew that Combs got around, asked people for their ideas, discussed his views with

them, and made a lot of friends. There may be those who say that Combs is a good politician. I think the definition of the man should go a little deeper: Combs is the type of man who makes a good public servant because he has been serving the public all his life and his ideas of public service are pretty well fixed by now.

Combs has not changed much, if at all, in either appearance or his genial philosophy since the time in March 1934, when I wrote a piece about him, I quote: "The wind was biting cold, and the going was bad on the snow-covered roads. It was the kind of a day on which one had to have a good reason for motoring in the open country. The rural mail carrier might have avoided the byroad, but there lived an elderly couple and he thought he had better look in to see if everything was all right. Everything was not all right; the pump was frozen, and the old folks were without water. Promising relief, the carrier drove to the next house and the neighboring farmer was soon on the way with a milk can full of water.

'All in the day's work for the rural carrier,' said Raymond H. Combs of Churchville, surprised that anyone should try to interview him in detail on the routine affairs of his job. Mr. Combs has been a rural carrier 28 years and is vice president of the New York State Association of Rural Mail Carriers. Said Mr. Combs: 'Because we know our patrons so well, and because we are the public servants they meet most frequently, we do a lot of things besides deliver letters. In short there are few things that we can do that we don't do. It has become sort of a tradition for the rural carriers to look after the people on his route. This means we must keep an eye



particularly on the old folks who live alone, the sick, and those apt to be in distress.'

He told of a 90-year-old Civil War veteran who lives on his route. Each month Mr. Combs delivers a pension check, which is endorsed and placed in a stamped envelope directed to the bank. Combs sees that part of the amount is deposited to the veteran's account in the bank and part, in cash, placed in the mail for the veteran. Then the carrier delivers the cash, as part of his job, happy to give the extra personal service which seems to lift a load from the veteran's mind. Then and several times later I talked with Combs about the life and activities of the rural carrier. Always he was glad to tell me about the things that happened to him, but he always admonished that just about all carriers were having the same experience.

Combs at the time covered a 43-mile route. Winter and Summer, six days a week. His car might be loaded with about everything that goes by parcel post. A day's load might include automotive tires a crate of eggs and several boxes of baby chicks. In the spring when nearly every farmer might be getting chicks, the load might include 10 or 15 boxes each containing 100 chicks.

With due solicitude for the comfort and value of the chicks, the carriers would make an effort to deliver them directly, rather than lug them around the entire route. Chicks might be delayed in transit, or delivery refused. After 48 hours chicks require feed, so the carrier or

RIGA HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS

By now most of you are aware that Highway Superintendent Dave Smith has retired as of February 28th. Dave served as Highway Superintendent for 8 years. He did a great job with all of the projects that he was involved with. Dave was instrumental with the preservation and maintenance of all the roadways in the Town. His knowledge was second to none. I would like to thank Dave and congratulate him as he partakes in the next chapter in his life.

I would like to introduce myself. My name is S. Scott Flagler. I have been serving as the Deputy Highway Superintendent for almost one year. After Dave's retirement, I was appointed by the Town Board to fill that vacancy. I have been very active in our community my whole life, working in Town for all but a couple of years. I have been a volunteer for the Churchville Fire Department for 37 years. I served as President and Fire Chief for several years. I have been here at the Highway Department for the last two years. I am looking forward to serving the community in a different capacity as your Highway Superintendent. There are no major plans to change the way we do business. It will continue to be our goal to keep the highways safe for your travels in a cost-efficient manner. If anyone has any questions or would just like to introduce themselves, feel free to stop by the Highway Department, call the office at 585-293-2530, or call my cell at 585-733-3808.

Town Roadwork

With warm weather upon us, we are moving right along with the micro-paving of Lentine Dr. and Edgewood Lane. This will seal the road and add an additional wear layer to these roads.

Appletree Road will be in-place recycled and is scheduled to take place at the start of summer.

Tentatively scheduled for mid-July, we will chip seal Johnson Road South and Appletree Road, to seal out water on the newly widened roadways.



Late summer we will be closing Percy Road for approximately two weeks in order to replace the culvert at Onion Creek. Local residents will be notified and signs will be posted.

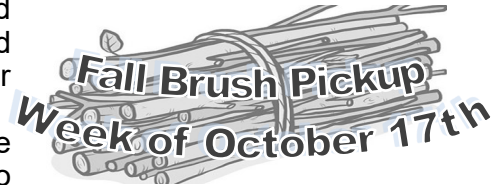
Monroe County Roadwork

Road projects for the summer will include chip sealing of Betteridge Road and some shoulder repairs on Savage Road. You will also see us at Churchville Park as Monroe County Parks Department has requested of us to do several paving projects. We will be



starting work at the golf course and maintenance building. We will also be milling and paving driveways and parking lots at most of the lodges, including paving Beachwood Drive.

Save the Date



Please have brush out to the roadside before that date. We will make one trip down each road and cannot make return trips after we have been down your road. We will again be bulk handling the piles of brush, loading on our dump trucks with a rented prentice loader.

Construction materials, boulders, and concrete will **not** be picked up with brush. We can no longer take stumps as we have no one who will take them. If you have

materials other than brush to be picked up, please call a disposal company for those types of materials. *If you are a landowner and do not care to drag brush to the roadside, consider making brush piles for wildlife and returning organic matter back to the soil. There are great resources on the internet for details.*

If you have any questions or concerns regarding roadways, please feel free to contact us. Have a safe and fun summer!

Submitted by:
Scott Flagler,
Highway
Superintendent



ABANDONED, UINSPECTED, UNLICENSED, INOPERATIVE, DISCARDED OR JUNK VEHICLES:

The Town has noticed that there has been an increase in the number of unlicensed, abandoned or junk vehicles. Section 89-1 thru 89-17 of the Code of the Town of Riga regulates abandoned or junk vehicles.

The outside storage of unlicensed, abandon, or junk vehicles on privately owned properties within the Town of Riga is a source of annoyance to members of the public and to owners and occupants of adjacent land. The outdoor storage of such vehicles on private property is unsightly and constitutes an attractive nuisance to children and a peril to their safety. This legislation is intended hereby to protect public health and safety and to curb the deterioration of the community environment.

With the sharing of information, we are hopeful property owners in violation will correct the situation on their own. If not, the Town will be forced to issue violation notices and court appearance tickets.

Please help keep this issue under control.

Submitted By:
Bob Panik,
Building Inspector



Annual Book Sale/Raffle

Our Annual Book Sale will run from Thursday, June 16th – Saturday, June 18th. We have “lots of fresh stock” with amazing prices (Hardcovers - \$1, DVD/Music CDs - \$.50, Young Adult/Children's - \$.25).



Book Sale Hours:

Thursday, June 16th: 4pm-7 pm
Friday, June 17th: 11am-5 pm
Saturday, June 18th: 10-2pm
with everything ½ price!

***Spend \$10 at the book sale and get one free raffle ticket!

Library Tote Bag Raffle

We are raffling off a Newman Riga Library Tote Bag stuffed with \$100 worth of gift cards and some other goodies. Tickets will be available for purchase May 23rd – June 18th at \$5 each or 3 for \$10. The drawing will be held on June 18th (winner need not be present). Thank you to Alice and Richard Kingdon for their generous donations for this event!

SUMMER

Newman Riga Library

Summer Reading Game

The theme of this year's Summer Reading Game is **Oceans of Possibilities!** The game starts June 27th and ends August 11th with special programs throughout the summer. There are games for young adults, middle school, elementary school, and pre-school with prizes, both big and small. As in previous years, preschoolers and elementary school-aged children will get a task-oriented game board; young adult readers will play a self-directed game. The game can be played anytime the library is open. Please visit the library for more information. Registration will begin on June 27th.

Schedule of Summer Reading Programming

June 30, 2pm: Just Clowning Around – Cindy and Jim Pelc
July 7, 2pm: Afternoon Movie – Disney's Moana
July 14, 2pm: Teakettle Music – Rollicking Teakettle Program
July 21, 2pm: Omnipresent

Puppet Theater: The Little Mermaid

August 4, 3pm: Be an H2O Hero!
Presented by Rochester Museum and Science Center
August 11, 2pm: End of game party and prize drawing

Summer Hours

Please remember the library closes on Saturdays during the summer months.

M-W-F: 11am – 5pm

T-TH: 11am – 8pm

SA: 10am – 2pm (closed Saturdays June 11th - September 3rd)

SU: Closed



Contact Information

- Check our website at <https://newmanrigalibrary.org>
- Call us at (585) 293-2009
- Follow us on Facebook
- Check the Village of Churchville message board in front of the library.

Submitted by:
Lynn M. Brown, Librarian

TIRED OF ROADSIDE TIRES ?

Every municipality has them: piles of tires seemingly dumped and left by the side of a road. Communities throughout Monroe County find illegal tire dumps every day.

Both singular and piles of waste tires pose challenges for every Town and Village in Monroe County, providing potential mosquito breeding locations and presenting the opportunity for uncontrolled fires. Additionally, these areas tend to attract other types of unlawful dumping. Not only are these activities illegal, but taxpayers eventually end up footing the bill to clean and remediate every site.

In New York State, an estimated 20 million waste tires are generated yearly and 242 million tires are scrapped every year throughout the United States. Add these annual amounts to the **two billion tires already in waste piles or tire dumps throughout the country** and you

can understand why tire disposal is a serious public health, environmental, and aesthetic problem.

In 2010, New York State enacted the Waste Tire Management and Recycling Environmental Conservation Law to fight illegal dumping. This law requires retailers to collect a waste tire management and recycling fee of \$2.50 per new tire sold, including tires on new motor vehicles.

When purchasing new tires, simply leave the old ones with the retailer for proper disposal. Don't bring them home unless you know you have a use for them! If you do store tires on your property, drill holes in them so they don't hold water and become a breeding ground for insects.

As online shopping for tires becomes more prevalent, residents who purchase tires via the internet need an option for proper disposal of their waste tires. Contact a local tire retailer,

municipality or waste hauler for details and applicable fees.

The Monroe County / Waste Management ecopark offers an outlet for the proper disposal of tires **FROM RESIDENTS ONLY – NO BUSINESSES** for a fee. Visit <https://www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark/automotive.php> for a list of charges, limits and hours of operation.

Remember: tires that are properly recycled can often be ground and mixed into asphalt, rubber mats, bark, and many other consumer products.

Submitted by:
Tina Verno Stevens
Waste Diversion and Education
Coordinator
Monroe County Department of
Environmental Services



RIGA CEMETERY NEWS

Spring has sprung at the Riga Cemetery. The early spring flowers are in full bloom on the berm and the leaves are starting to bud, including the four new trees that were put in last fall. Cleanup from winter continues with discarding of old wreaths including Wreathes Across America, seeding and filling in low spots. Landscape blocks have been placed around last year's purchased trees. Three more trees have recently been purchased. These trees will enhance the cemetery's beauty for years to come.

The Monroe County Water Authority has opened the water-

lines to the cemetery. It is ready for all your cemetery needs.

With mowing now upon us, we request that people check the cemetery website on the Town of

Riga webpage regarding what is allowed and where grave decorations may be placed.

We are always looking for volunteers to join the Cemetery Board and to cooperate on keeping the grounds in good shape.

Enjoy your summer !!

Submitted by:
Tim Speares,
Vice-President





Thursday, June 16th

4-7 PM

**CHURCHVILLE
WALK ABOUT**

**Sponsored by the Greater
Churchville-Riga Chamber
of Commerce**

Village of Churchville

**Come visit our local
merchants. Say hello
to familiar faces and
meet some new ones!**

**Come Join Us
for an
OPEN HOUSE**

Thursday, July 28th

3-7 PM

**MILL SEAT LANDFILL
OPEN HOUSE**

**Fun and learning for the
whole family!**

**Bus Tours, Information Fair,
Vendors, Food, Drinks, Ice
cream, Popcorn, Prizes,
Raffles and Games**



**Village Gazebo
6:30pm-8pm**

July 6th

**The Buschel Brothers
~*~**

July 13th

**The Don Necomb Band
~*~**

July 20th

**Generations
~*~**

July 27th

**Three Hits & A Miss
~*~**

**August 3rd at 7 pm
Blue Sky & Relay for Life/
Luminaria Ceremony**

The Ray Combs Story (continues)

postmaster might find himself temporarily in the poultry business. 'In the best tradition of the postal service, carriers develop a high sense of responsibility,' Combs explained.

The rural carrier knows the intimate affairs of his patrons. He sees the children grow up, go off to school, be married. During the war we brought the draft notices, Combs once said. 'We might be almost the first to know when the boy wasn't coming back.

Reluctantly, we knew when we were bringing bad news and perhaps again we drove faster as the bearer of glad tidings.'

Time after time patrons wait for us by the mailbox for that expected letter, or for a parcel that may be vital to household convenience, or even the operation of the farm. You get to know people and you want to serve them.

Combs was elected president of the state association, and later of the national carriers association. He did not give up his route, but had a substitute carry it while he rode the highways all over the country in the mutual interests of carriers, patrons, and better service.

'It is Intelligent self-interest to give the very best service we can,' he insisted over and over again in state and national councils."

Then in 1938, for the first time in 18 years, Christmas Seals with health greetings were allowed on both sides of holiday letters and packages. "Instrumental in obtaining the governmental action, Raymond H. Combs of Churchville, president of the National Rural Mail Carriers Association, hailed the campaign as 'an opportunity for everyone to assume one of the responsibilities of citizenship in a democracy, through aiding in the

dissemination of scientific knowledge to those who would not otherwise receive it."

**Submitted by:
Ron Belczak, Town Historian**



*35th Annual Convention of Rural Letter Carriers. Aug. 23, 1938
Raymond H. Combs, of Churchville, New York. President of the
National Association of Rural Letter Carriers, left; congratulated
by Postmaster General James A. Farley, right*

Harvey C. Noone Post #954

The Harvey C Noone American Legion Post #954 has had a change of leadership. My name is Ken Juergens and I am happy to have picked up the baton. The Legion in the last several months has undergone extensive renovations and maintenance in preparations for the summer rentals and activities. Our goal is twofold; serve our local veterans

and our community. To accomplish these goals, we have stepped up recruiting members for the Legion Family and fundraising. I invite you to come out and check out the facilities and activities. If you have ever felt the Legion wasn't for you, I ask that you give us another try. If you like to serve others, meet new people, and get

together to enjoy the summer, then the Legion is your place. If you have questions, know a veteran that needs help, or are interested in renting the facility, call us at 293-1364. I look forward to meeting you!

**Submitted by:
Ken Juergens,
Commander**



RECREATION NEWS



In April we were able to, once again, hold our annual "Pick Up The Parks" event in partnership with the Monroe County Parks Department. Many individuals and organizations came together this year to make this Earth Day at Churchville the best in recent memory. With help from the Town of Riga, Village of Churchville, Wilkins RV, Waste Management, Churchville Lions and LEO Clubs, Churchville Park Staff, 3 Chili soccer teams, students from Churchville & Chestnut Ridge Elementary schools, and the Monroe County Sheriff unit that helped collect outdated pharmaceuticals. 58 participants cleared trash and many tree branches downed by our recent high winds. These folks have helped the park be a safer and cleaner place for our residents to enjoy!

We held our Easter Egg Parade on Saturday, April 9th (lead by the Easter Bunny) and...what a turnout! The parade stretched from the Commons area all the way up South Main Street to Buffalo Road!!! The youngsters then made their way to the Village Gazebo where the Churchville Lions handed out "Goody Bags" and the egg hunters could get an "airbrush" tattoo from Arlene's

Costumes. Thanks to Village of Churchville, Churchville Lions & LEO Clubs, the Easter Bunny, Town of Riga, and all the egg hunters and their families!

Now that the weather is starting to cooperate with outdoor activities, Sanford Road and McNeely Parks (along with their lodges) are open for use. PLEASE call 585-293-3880 X 121 or 122 to reserve. NOTE: The new playground (near the Maher Lodge) is not quite ready for play. Once the ground firms up the Riga Highway Department will lay down sod around the play area so that it will be safe to enter.

The CYA and Churchville Soccer programs are back in action, so please go to their respective websites for further information.

The popular Riga Recreation Summer Camp program has been accepting registrations. You can qualify for an "early bird" discount of 10% if you register by 10th. Once again we are located at the Churchville Elementary School for our "before camp-regular day" and then we go to McNeely Park for "after camp". The camp will once again be directed by CCMS Physical Education Instructor, Mr. David Childs. He is getting staff

together and planning for another exciting summer for all campers!

Our popular Summer Gazebo Concert Series has booked the following performers for this season starting July 6th with The Buschel Brothers "leading off". The Don Newcomb Band, Generations, Three Hits and a Miss, and Blue Sky round out our schedule for 2022. As always, all concerts start at 6:30pm and go until 8:00pm. However for the August 3rd concert, the "Relay For Life/Luminaria" celebration concert will start at 7:00pm and go until 8:30pm to take advantage of the bags being luminated in the dark.. This concert is sponsored by Waste Management with the other four are sponsored by the Town of Riga.

Once again, feel free to take advantage of all this community has to offer by getting outside to take walks on our beautiful streets, our three (3) wonderful parks, and all they offer.

PLEASE "Like Us" on FaceBook

**Submitted By:
Dave Thomas,
Recreation Supervisor**



JUN.-JUL.-AUG. 2022 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

June

- 1) Scrapbooking with Anne, Saturday, June 11th, 9 am-3:30pm Riga Town Hall
- 2) Play Disc Golf at Churchville Park.....we give FREE lessons !!!
- 3) Pickleball/Tennis at the Park.....Play anytime Churchville Park & McNeely Park.....we have equipment you can borrow!
- 4) Empire State "Senior" Games at SUNY Cortland...June 13th-18th... This is a competitive activity for You! Call Rec. Office for details
- 5) Monthly "Cornhole Tourney" @ Churchville Park Pickleball Courts...June 16th at 6pm
- 6) Riga Rec Summer Camp @ Churchville Elementary School.....starts Monday, June 27th
- 7) Cardmaking with Nancy....Thurs. June 23rd.....6-8pm.....Riga Town Hall



July

- 1) Scrapbooking with Anne.....Saturday, July 9th, 9 am-3:30pm Riga Town Hall
- 2) Concerts at the Village Gazebo....6:30pm-8pm
The Buschel Brothers.....July 6th
The Don Necomb Band....July 13th
Generations.....July 20th
Three Hits & A Miss.....July 27th
- 3) "CORNHOLE" Anyone? Play this exciting game at Churchville Park...Thurs. July 14th at 6 pm
- 4) Play Pickleball at "The Pickleball Complex" in McNeely Park.....Sunrise to Sunset
- 5) Cardmaking with Nancy....Thurs. July 21st.....6-8pm.....Riga Town Hall



August

- 1) Concerts at the Village Gazebo....7:00pm-8:30pm (note later start time)
Blue Sky & Relay for Life/Luminaria Ceremony.....August 3rd
- 2) Scrapbooking with Anne, TBA, 9 am-3:30pm Riga Town Hall
- 3) Monthly "Cornhole Tourney" @ Churchville ParkThurs. Aug 11th at 6pm
- 4) Play Pickleball at "The Pickleball Complex" in McNeely Park.....Sunrise to Sunset
- 5) Cardmaking with Nancy....Thurs. August 25th.....6-8pm.....Riga Town Hall



* * Additional Information and registration for our recreation programs can be found on: FaceBook, the Suburban News, Genesee Valley PennySaver, and the Town of Riga's website...www.townofriga.org
Facility rentals please call the Riga Town Clerk's Office at 293-3880 x121 or x122

Supervisor's Report (continues)

I am confident Steve will continue the excellent service we've come to expect from that department. A BIG thank you goes out to Bob Panik (our Fire Marshall/Building Inspector) and Ken Kuter for helping to make this a smooth transition in the building department. They have both been instrumental in getting Steve up-to-speed and operational in an incredibly short period of time!

don't hesitate to contact myself or any other Town Board member.

As always, if you have any questions or comments, please

Submitted by:
Brad O'Brocta,
Town Supervisor



Church News

United Congregational United Church of Christ – 14 N. Main St, Churchville

Twitter and Instagram are now new to Union Church. Please check them out and follow us on these media as well as Facebook and our website.

On June 5 a Tureen Lunch is planned for our youth. This will be a lunch at 11:00 am after the morning worship service. Bring a dish of food to share and join us. Beverages and dessert will be provided. All are welcome.



On June 16, our Strawberry Social will be held from 4 – 6 pm in conjunction with the Village Walk-About. Along with delicious strawberry shortcake sundaes, hotdogs will also be available.

Our Fishing Booth will be at the Walk-About on June 16. Children, for a small charge, can fish for a lovely prize. Look for our Fishing Booth.

The Annual Church Garage Sale is planned for Friday, June 10 from 9-3 and Saturday, June 11 from 9-1. Donations will be accepted

any time before that date. Call the church office at 585-293-1665.

A special outdoor service honoring Firefighters and First Responders will be held on Sunday, July 17. Come and help us celebrate these heroes in our community.

On August 21, we will have a Campfire Service outdoors (weather permitting) or in the Lower Hall. Join us if you can for games, fun and fellowship.

Our Dog Therapy Ministry is still active for those who need comfort and joy. If you need a visit or know of someone in our Riga area who is experiencing difficulty, please call the church office and Jen will plan a visit with Pinot, an adorable black lab.

Food Distribution, a combined program supported by all the churches of Churchville, continues to be effective. Distribution is made on the third Tuesday of each month between 4:00 and 5:00 pm. If you know of any in need, please inform them of this program.

Tickets for our queen-size Quilt Raffle continue to be sold. The drawing for it and other quilted items will be on June 16 at the Strawberry Social. Call the church office if you wish to buy tickets at

\$3 each or 4 for \$10. The quilt will be on display at the library during the month of May.

A warm welcome awaits you at Union Church. God's blessings to all.



Riga Congregational Church – 7057 Chili Riga Ctr Rd, Churchville

Our activities are slowing down for the summer and we would like to take this opportunity to "thank you" for all your support! We'll be back this fall with our events, and look for one gigantic fall sale!!! Christmas items galore!

Take the time to stop and enjoy the beauty surrounding us, and know the Lord walks with you. Energize with the sun, smiles and memories that wait to be made!

Please know our doors are always open to you. Our service begins at 10 AM, we'd very much like to offer an invitation to join us. Looking forward to meeting you at the walk about in June!

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 medicallloan@churchvillelions.org.



Food Pantry

The Lions club is accepting donations of non-perishable food items for food baskets to be distributed to families in need in our community. We are now working on the Food baskets to be distributed at Easter time. If you would like to help us with donations, items and can be dropped off at the Lions Club donation boxes. One is located at the Riga Town Hall and the second one is located at the Village of Churchville Offices on Buffalo Road. We appreciate your help.



UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

June

- 14 SCOR—lunch at Harvey Noone Legion Hall
- 16 Churchville Walk About 4-7pm in the Village
- 20 RED Cross Blood Drive—Town Hall 1-6 pm

July

- 4 & 5 Town Office's Closed for Independence Day
- 6 Summer Concert—6:30 PM—The Bushel Brothers
- 12 SCOR—Annual Picnic at Maher Lodge
- 13 Summer Concert—6:30 PM—The Don Necomb Band
- 20 Summer Concert—6:30 PM—Generations
- 25 RED Cross Blood Drive—Town Hall 1-6 pm
- 27 Summer Concert—6:30 PM—Three Hits & A Miss
- 28 Mill Seat Landfill Open House—3-7pm—303 Brew Road

August

- 3 Summer Concert—7:00 PM—Blue Sky & Relay for Life/Luminaria Ceremony
- 24 RED Cross Blood Drive—Town Hall 1-6 pm

Walk About



Music

Come Join Us
for an
OPEN HOUSE



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.



SCOR NEWS

On June 14th, Flag Day, we will gather for a pork loin roast luncheon at the American Legion Hall. The featured speaker is from the Monroe County Sheriff's K-9 Corps.

After the 2 year hiatus, a tour bus trip to Seneca Niagara Casino & Resort on May 24th was offered to Seniors of Riga to experience the matinee performance by DIVAS 3. The tour company, Scenic Excursions of Avon, N.Y., Travel and Tour Manager, Paul Muenzer, presented 2022 travel guide brochure at SCOR May meeting. On June 21st, Historic Hammond-

sport will be next trip destination. July 3-5 celebration trip to Washington, D.C. includes boat cruise on Potomac River for fireworks. The August 18th trip is the "summer mystery" excursion. September 29th is the music tribute by "Four by Four" singers at Turning Stone Casino. October 25th music and food at Oktoberfest Hofbrauhaus. November 1-2 is the 2 day excursion to Lancaster, Pa. for performance of "David" at Sight & Sound Theatre.

Yes, we will gather on July 12th for the annual picnic at the Sanford Rd. Mahar Lodge for the B-B-Q pork and chicken and salads buffet. For entertainment we have returned the "Christmas in July" White Elephant Auction.

The month of August is as usual...NO SCOR meeting/luncheon. BUT we will meet again September 13th at the Legion Hall. Information on activities planned for Seniors, contact Verna at 585-293-9068 or Pat Sauer at 585-293-1549 or Dolores at 585-532-6978. Our brochures are available at Town and Village offices.

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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.



**American
Red Cross**



RIGA TOWN HALL BLOOD DRIVE 6460 BUFFALO ROAD-COMMUNITY ROOM

**Monday, June 20th 2022
1:00 PM—6:00 PM**

Please give the gift that lasts a lifetime.

**Please call 1-800-GIVE LIFE to schedule
your lifesaving donation.**

Walk-ins are also welcome!! Please Bring ID!

1-800-GIVE-LIFE donatebloodnow.org