

# TOWN OF RIGA

## NEWSLETTER

### Riga Town Board Members

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### Supervisor's Report

Mother Nature has been relatively kind to us so far this winter with multiple days of milder weather. Let's hope spring is right around the corner. With that said, please be mindful of – and patient with our plow trucks when weather requires salting and snow plowing on our town roads.

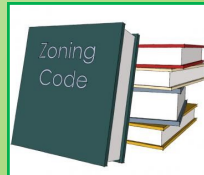


The Town Board has received an application for rezoning for a 5-megawatt solar energy system being proposed for a 38-acre parcel on Riga Mumford Road just south of Route 33A. The Town Board will set a date to hold a public hearing to receive comments from the public and applicant regarding the potential rezoning. At the time of this writing, a date for the public hearing has not been set. If approved, the Town will create a solar energy systems overlay district, pursuant to our Town Code 95-31. We will continue to provide updates on this potential project as they become available.

The Town Board, Planning Board, and our Building Department continue to work with Meyer's RV Superstores on their plan to open a recreational vehicle

sales and showroom facility to be located on Sanford Road North. We are excited to be a part of this project that will provide jobs and potential commerce to our businesses here in Churchville and Riga.

The roof replacement project at the Town hall is now complete. Along with replacing the roof, we addressed several structural roof issues. Given the structural issues, size and scope of the project, it was a major undertaking. It required the interaction of various town departments, our engineering firm, the contractor, and our Highway Superintendent to complete the work while facilitating business as usual at the Town Hall. My hat goes off to everyone that helped make this project go as smoothly as possible. The new roof looks fantastic and will give us the security of not having to consider another Town Hall roof replacement for many decades to come!



The Town Board continues to work on updating our Town Code. The Board is currently reviewing and commenting on proposed updates.

We as a Board are taking the necessary time to thoroughly and thoughtfully consider each proposal to be sure it is consistent with current State and

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## Supervisor's Report (continues)

Federal rules, complements our Comprehensive Plan, and "fits" our rural character here in Riga. Once again, I can't give enough thanks to everyone involved. We have some amazing residents here in Riga that have willingly volunteered an immense amount

of time, effort and concern for our town as we move forward with this important project.

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,**  
**Town Supervisor**



## Assessor News



### Amended Volunteer Firefighters & Volunteer Ambulance Workers Exemption

The Volunteer Firefighters exemption (§ 466-k) adopted back in 2022 (Riga opted not to adopt it at that time) is once again changing. The 466-k was specific to Monroe County and now the State has made it available across NYS. Therefore, taxing jurisdictions that offer property tax exemptions to volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers must transition to a newly authorized statewide exemption within three years.

Generally speaking, the new law gives municipalities, school districts, and fire districts through-

out the State the option to provide a property tax exemption of up to 10% to volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers. Any such exemption would be valid only on property used exclusively for residential purposes. If a portion of a volunteer's property is used for other purposes, the exemption would be prorated accordingly. In order to be eligible for this partial exemption, volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers must live in the community served by their volunteer organization and meet a minimum service requirement of between two and five years, as

set by the respective taxing jurisdiction. Additionally, at local option, a lifetime exemption may be provided to volunteers with at least 20 years of service as long as they maintain their primary residence in the county they have served. Taxing jurisdictions may also allow un-remarried surviving spouses of eligible volunteers to retain the exemption.

**Submitted by:**  
**Lori Frongetta,**  
**Assessor**



## Obtaining A New York State Dog License

It is a state law, as well as a Town Ordinance, that all dogs 4 months and older must have a current NYS dog license. A dog license may be obtained at the Riga Town Offices during regular business hours, or you can apply by mail. To have a dog license application mailed to you, please call me at 293-3880 ex122. 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. If you have any questions, please call me at the above number.

### Attention Multiple Dog Owners

Riga's Town Ordinance requires residents who own five (5) or more dogs to obtain a special-use permit. For more information on how to obtain a special use permit, please call the Planning Board Secretary at 293-3880 x121.



**Submitted by:**  
**Kimberly Pape, Town Clerk**

*If you love me. license me. it's the Law.*

## Headliners



For your reading pleasure and enjoyment, I submit the following newspaper articles that were once headliners in the Riga community.

The first article deals with an unusual robbery that occurred on a fall day in September 1905, in which the thief left behind a bizarre piece of evidence. Printed by the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle Newspaper. "A peculiar incident of petty thievery occurred at the home of A. H. Knapp on Buffalo Street, sometime during last night. Mrs. Knapp had been waiting for several days for a tree of choice peaches to mature, and this morning went out to secure them, when to her surprise she found them missing. Scarcely had she recovered her composure when she made a further discovery, for there at her feet lay the false teeth of the culprit, whoever he may be.

Mrs. Knapp is conscience stricken in being obliged to retain the teeth, which were evidently left, in exchange for the peaches. She fears that there may have been some mistake and that the owner may have left them unintentionally. If the person to whom they belong will call for the teeth, they will be returned. Just why they were left is a mystery which may never be solved." According to my research, no one ever claimed that pair of teeth.

The next story involves a young drifter who walks into town seeking employment. Or was he really interested in working? From

the printing press of the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle newspaper, August 31, 1878, we learn of the following titled "Dead Beat." "Last evening a young man walked into a

tinsmith in Churchville and stated that he was a tinsmith looking for work and was dead broke. The proprietor of the shop told him to wait a few moments until he got back, when he would attend to his case. Instead of waiting, however, the youth went next door to a harness maker and told him he was a harness maker out of work, with no money, and would like a job. The harness maker happened to want an assistant, and took the fellow to the hotel, where he paid security for his bed and supper. He told the seeker after a job to come to work at six o'clock in the morning. When six o'clock came, however, the beat failed to put in appearance, and inquiry elicited the fact that he had vamoosed. This made the Churchville man mad, and he jumped on the first train, hoping to find the fellow in the city. At Chili the man he was looking for got on the train and arriving here Policeman White was summoned and took the youth to the police station, where he gave the name of Morgan Grey and claimed to hail from Dayton, Ohio. He insisted on being tried in Churchville where the offense was committed, and as the harness maker did not feel like paying the expenses of his removal he was discharged, with a warning from Chief McLean that if he was found in the city inside of two hours he would be arrested as a vagrant. Morgan claimed that he was suffering from a sunstroke and came to Rochester for medical aid. He looked more as if he was

suffering from a serious attack of disinclination to work."

And finally, the next story take place just shortly before the American Civil War and demonstrates how the citizens of Riga deal with justice. August 16, 1860, the Rochester Union and Advertiser newspaper details the following in the headline titled "A Vigilance Committee In Churchville." "Of late there has been considerable horse stealing in the Town of Riga, in this county, and the citizens have lately been much exercised thereat. They have determined to form a vigilance committee and for that purpose a meeting was called at Churchville this week.



A corps of ten men were selected, who are to keep themselves in constant readiness to mount and pursue the authors of further depredations if any are committed. There will also be an outrider stationed somewhere in the Southern Tier of counties, and the inhabitants now hope to be able to catch the horse thieves who are prowling about the country. A permanent organization was perfected, and the meeting passed resolutions to furnish means to the riders who shall search for stolen property."

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

## RIGA HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS

**Winter Highlights** By the first week of February we had received only 20.1 inches of snow for the season. This is way below average of 59 inches for season to date by this time of the winter. Normal season total is 99 inches. Salt usage has been about average. We have used just over 967.17 tons so far this year. Always amazing the difference a year makes. Over the past many weeks we have worked on and will be working on: roadside cleanup, brush pickup from winter winds, removing 5 miles of snow fence, removing plows and sanders, removing rust, replacing worn out parts, painting plows and sander parts to be ready for next year's snow season, and getting trucks ready for the construction season.



### Brush Pickup

Planned for the week of **May 1<sup>st</sup>**. 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. Logs do not need to be cut into small pieces. Truck beds are 12' long enabling us to accommodate branches and logs 14' long. **Construction materials, boulders, stumps with soil on them, 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 (Waste Management, Casella, Suburban Disposal) for those types of materials.

### Roadside Boulders- Posts

As a reminder, we have damaged plow equipment, 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 plowing; face of mailbox should **minimally be 15' from the center of the road.** Our truck plow with wing makes a 14' wide path. Mailbox 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 liability 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 having heavy wet snow thrown against your mailbox system. **The Town cannot be responsible to repair rotted posts that are part of regular ongoing property maintenance.**

### Planned Town Roadwork for 2023

**Appletree Road** –The second round of stone and oil from 33A, West to Johnson Road will be applied with striping to complete that project. **Robertson Road** will be in place recycled and widened from Palmer Road to Attridge Road. This will be accomplished with CHIPS funding. CHIPS funding is money obtained from the State Of New York for local road upgrade projects. We are also planning on true and leveling **Parish, Green, and Chili Avenue Ext.. Chili Riga**

**TI. Rd.** will be closed for one day in early spring for a culvert replacement on the South end this will be a joint project with the Town of Chili seeing the road is maintained by both jurisdictions. Weather permitting, we like to get much of our town and county work done early in the summer to allow our equipment and manpower to be used on county projects in surrounding towns. Shared services agreements with the County allow the towns to do work on County roadways eliminating duplication of services. You will often see trucks from other towns in Riga helping us with projects and our trucks helping other towns with County and Town roadwork. We can complete large projects helping one another we would not be able to complete on our own.

### Monroe County DOT Road projects for this summer:

At publication we do not have a list of projects planned by the County DOT. I do believe Kendall Rd. from North Main to McIntosh, North Main from the four corners to Kendall will be stone and oiled, also Brew Rd. will have the shoulders redone and widened. Westside Drive will be closing for a culvert reconstruction next to the bus garage entrance. This is a scheduled replacement by the county as soon as weather allows and will be closed till mid-Summer, the posted detour will be Washington St. Stoney Point Road, and Vroom Rd.

**Household Hazardous Waste** can be disposed of at the Monroe County eco park. You can visit the Monroe County Eco park website at: <http://www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark/> for an appointment. Or call (585) 753-7600 for information or appointment.

**ADDRESS:** 10 AVION DR,  
ROCHESTER, NY 14624  
(OFF PAUL ROAD  
ON SOUTH END OF AIRPORT)



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## RIGA HIGHWAY HAPPENINGS (CONTINUES)

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Riga Highway Department is to provide safe efficient roadways throughout all seasons for our community and continually seek to improve service

to our residents in a cost-effective manner. If you see a condition in the town that needs attention, please call 293-2530 or my cell 733-3808.

**Submitted by:**  
**Scott Flagler,**  
**Highway**  
**Superintendent**



## 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 2020 Uniform Code 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 Setback 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 - Outdoor swimming pool.**

An outdoor swimming pool, including an in-ground, above-ground 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 above-ground 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 1/2 "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

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## PaintCare—A New State-wide Initiative

Have you recently purchased paint for those home repair projects?

Did you notice an additional "paint recycling fee" on your receipt?

That charge funds the **New York State Postconsumer Paint Collection Program**, a recycling program to provide residents another outlet to safely and conveniently dispose of left over paints, primers, stains, sealers, clear coatings, and more.

Known as **PaintCare**, the program makes recycling unwanted paints and paint products easier by providing a network of drop-off collection sites – for both resi-

dents and businesses - at more than 200 retailers and reuse stores across New York State.

PaintCare accepts up to five gallons per customer per visit of approved products, regardless of the date of manufacture. Materials should be left in original containers (no larger than five gallons) with labels intact.

For more information, including acceptable materials and a list of drop off sites, visit the PaintCare website: <https://www.paintcare.org/states/new-york/>

***In Monroe County, PaintCare is an addition to the award-winning Household Hazardous Waste program provided weekly to residents through the Monroe County / Waste Management ecopark.***

***Proper disposal of all hazardous wastes - including paints and associated products - will continue to be available by appointment for Monroe County residents twice a week, every week at the ecopark, and through yearly scheduled mobile collections throughout Monroe County.***

***Visit [www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark](http://www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark) for more information or to make an appointment.***

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



## SCOR NEWS

SCOR's primary purpose is nutrition for our Seniors. That purpose is stated in our incorporation documents. Our meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (we take August off) mostly at the Harvey Noone American Legion Hall with doors open and folks arriving beginning around 11:30 am.

Dues are (a whopping) \$1.00 per year. For each event an attendee brings an appropriate dish to pass (Jell-O is discouraged) or contributes \$3.00 towards the meal and notes it on their table sign-in sheet.

Once each year a member signs up to serve on "The Committee," led by Vice President Doug Eisle. The committee sets and decorates the tables and makes dessert. They start at 10:15 am.

Their table number is always first to be called to the buffet. Every attendee's signature is required on their table's sign-in sheet. Bring your own plate, cutlery, coffee/teacup and water glass. Meals are buffet style with deference given to special mobility members first. Tables are called by number in order determined by a random number generator.

March 14th luncheon, at the Legion, is inspired by both this Lunar New Year of the Rabbit and by Alice falling down a rabbit hole where she met the March Hare and the Mad Hatter. Everyone is encouraged to wear a hat of some kind: cowboy, ball cap, Sou'wester, toboggan, deerstalker, pirate, bee veil, sun hat, fascinator, pillbox, cloche or whatever strikes

your fancy. Our main course is Corned Beef and Cabbage, so bring an appropriate side to the Legion Hall. We have a special treat, a performance after lunch by a professional a capella quartet, "Frozen in Time."

April 11 is our Ham dinner at the Harvey Noone Legion Hall. Appropriate sides are asked for.

May 9 celebrates our SCOR 47th Anniversary with a catered sit-down dinner. Arrangements are to be made.

For further information call Verna W Linney @ 293-9068 or Dolores Perry @ 532-6987 or Doug Eisle @ 329-7895.

**Submitted by:**  
**Verna Linney**



## Trash Collection

WM has taken affirmative steps throughout the pandemic to tackle driver shortages and to avoid or reduce the impact on its customers, including missed or delayed pick-ups. WM will continue to work through the challenges of the pandemic aftermath to provide essential solid waste service to the municipalities and residents of the Town of Riga. We just ask for patience as we continue to work through the challenges created by the COVID-19 pandemic.

### Important reminders:

If collection is missed, leave curbside and call us at **(585) 254-3500** to learn when the anticipated recovery day will be.

If we do happen to delay service, we are usually very good at recovering the following day.

Riga Residents are allowed 3 yards of additional trash, which equates to 18-30 gallon bags, or one bulk item per week at no charge. We collect the bulk item on their service day. We do however encourage them to call ahead so tickets can be entered.

**Submitted by:**  
**Nicole**  
**Simonetti**  
**Community**  
**Relations, WM**



## Recycle Right Every Day

Follow these three simple rules: include only empty, clean, and dry bottles, cans, paper and cardboard; and never put your recycling into plastic bags or put plastic bags in your recycling. When you recycle right, you give waste a second life.

Learn more at [wm.com/recycleright](http://wm.com/recycleright)



## RIGA CEMETERY NEWS



Riga Cemetery Association, PO Box 527, Churchville 14428 and designate it to Monument Repair.

The annual Wreaths Across America veterans' event was very well attended. Special thanks go to Erin Maysick and Sharon Kneppshield for coordinating efforts.

By March 15<sup>th</sup> all seasonal decorations should be removed from the cemetery. Please check

the Rules and Regulations in the Cemetery tab on the Town of Riga website for more information.

Water at the cemetery will be turned on in the spring.

The Riga Cemetery Association is always looking for more volunteers or board members.

**Submitted by:**  
**Tim Speares,**  
**Vice-President**

As of this writing, quotes have been obtained for monument repairs. These quotes will be submitted to the NY State Division of Cemeteries to determine which monuments costs would be covered. Any other repairs will have to be covered by Riga Cemetery. As mentioned before, this is a long tedious process that will happen over several years. We hope that repairs will start this Spring. If you would like to donate, send contributions to the





## RECREATION NEWS

Riga Recreation ended 2022 with our annual Secret Santa trek around the roads of Riga looking for tastefully decorated homes. He and his elves chose 10 homes and gave gift certificates purchased from local businesses to them. The homeowners were VERY surprised and appreciative of the gifts.

We made our return to Churchville Elementary School (after a 3 year absence) for WinterFest, 2023 on Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. The Churchville Lion's Club once again sold out (650) their "World Famous" Chicken BBQ and residents were treated to indoor activities. Erin Maysick and her Girl Scout Troop put on a FREE Kid's Carnival with games, Air Affair provided a Bounce House, Rich "The Magic Man" amazed everyone with his activities, Arlene's Costumes was on hand to give air-brush tattoos to carnival goers, and "Bippy" the caricaturist created amazing drawings for those attending the 'Fest!

The CYA Softball-Baseball and Churchville Soccer Club organizations were on hand to register any who might be interested in their summer programs and a local Boy Scout Troop provided snacks to go along with the BBQ.

As we have not had a lot of snowfall (as of this writing), we are still hoping that residents will take part in our "Who Can Build Riga's BEST Snowman/Snow Sculpture" contest.

We are once again challenging families to go out and create a "Work of Art" for the month of February with a March 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. All they had to do is call the Rec Office and we would go take a picture or they could send a picture to us.

In the meantime we are planning to hold our annual Easter Egg Hunt but at a new venue....The Harvey C. Noone American Legion #945 at 6440 Buffalo Road on Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> (This is NO April Fool's joke!) Starting at 9:30am with 2 to 6 year olds hunting at 10:00am.. SHARP! 7 to 12 year olds will hunt for eggs at 10:45am... SHARP! In between there will be activities inside the Legion featuring... THE EASTER BUNNY... Caricatures by "Bippy", AirBrush Tattoos by Arlene's Costumes, many photo opportunities, and hopefully, some crafts.



We have been working with the Village of Churchville to collaborate on Monroe County's Earth Day/Pick Up the Parks program taking place on Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> with the event to start at The Church Lodge, 9:00am. Be looking for additional details at the Town and Village websites, as well as our FaceBook pages! It is a wonderful opportunity to beautify "OUR" terrific

Churchville Park.

We are also starting to work on our popular Riga Summer Camp. Director David Childs and I are looking for new staff, as a few are leaving us to pursue fulltime employment after completing their college studies. We wish them well and thank them for their year's of dedicated service to our youth.

The Churchville Youth Assn. (Softball-Baseball) and Churchville Soccer Club are now taking registrations for their Summer, 2023 seasons. See the website information provided.

The Summer Gazebo Music Series is complete. This year we lead off with The Don Newcomb Band followed by "3 Hits and a Miss", "Get Off My Lawn", "The Brick Band", "Blue Sky" for the Relay for Life/Luminaria celebration, and finally "Midnight Storm" on 8/9/23. NOTE: All concerts start at 6:30 and go till 8:00pm EXCEPT on August 2<sup>nd</sup> when we start at 7:00pm till 8:30pm for the Relay For Life!

As always, we look for additional feedback on current programs and also any/all ideas residents may have for NEW offerings. Feel free to contact this office anytime.

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



## CHURCH NEWS

**First Congregational Church of Riga**  
**7057 Chili-Riga Cntr. Rd.,**  
**(Rt.33A@Rt.36)**

Sunday service 10AM

Greetings all! Hope you've all weathered our winter well and any maladies have been minor!

We're getting ready to enter the season of rebirth, both naturally and spiritually, looking forward to the gift spring brings.

So you know that means the cooks of Riga Church break out the cookware and sort out the closets!!! Here's a calendar of our plans for the spring! Keep track of when we can cook for you and provide a great way to do some retail therapy, while helping everyone shop local!

April - April 1 - Turkey dinner! Serving drive thru only from 3PM until sold out. Our traditional roast turkey, scratch mashed, stuffing

& gravy, veggie, roll and PIE! Price to be decided due to economy. Please note sign-age and flyers. April 9 - Please feel free to join us for Easter service, all are welcome to share in the Risen Light of our Lord! April 28 & 29 - Spring Rummage sale April 28 - Pre-sale Day! \$5 entrance donation (subtracted from your purchase order Thank You) 3 PM-7PM

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## MAR.-APR.-MAY 2023 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

### March

- 1) Scrapbooking with Anne, Saturday, March 11..... Riga Town Hall...9am
- 2) CYA Baseball/Softball for Ages 6-15.....[www.leaguelineup.com/cyabaseball](http://www.leaguelineup.com/cyabaseball)
- 3) Churchville Soccer Club.....[www.churchvillesoccerclub.com](http://www.churchvillesoccerclub.com)
- 4) Riga's Annual Youth Soccer Academy.....TBA
- 5) Riga Rec "Cornhole Tournament" @ The Cobblestone Hall...Thurs. March 9...6:00pm
- 6) Pickleball at McNeely Park.....Starts March 16.....Sunrise to Sunset
- 7) Cardmaking with Nancy....Thurs. March 16.....6-8pm.....Riga Town Hall



### April

- 1) Scrapbooking with Anne, Saturday, April 15..... Riga Town Hall...9am
- 2) Earth Day/Pick Up the Parks.....at Churchville Park \*Come celebrate this special day by cleaning up OUR park!.....Saturday, April 22.....9 am.....meet at Church Lodge
- 3) Riga Rec "Cornhole Tournament" at Churchville Park Tennis Courts...Thurs. April 13...6pm
- 4) Pickleball at McNeely Park.....Starts March 15.....Sunrise to Sunset
- 5) "Easter Egg Hunt....Saturday, April 1 at the American Legion Post #945, 6440 Buffalo Road 10am SHARP for Ages 2-6...and 10:45am SHARP for ages 7-12
- 6) Cardmaking with Nancy....Thurs. April 20.....6-8pm.....Riga Town Hall



### May

- 1) Scrapbooking with Anne, Saturday, May 6..... Riga Town Hall...9am
- 2) Pickleball at McNeely Park...Play ANYTIME....we have supplies you may borrow form sunrise to sunset!
- 4) Riga Rec "Cornhole Tourney" .....Thurs. May 11.....6-8pm.....The Cobblestone Hall
- 5) Cardmaking with Nancy....Thurs. May 18.....6-8pm.....Riga Town Hall



\* Summer Camp.....Early Bird Discount of 10% goes into effect May31 'til June 16.....Camp starts Monday, June 26th at Churchville Elementary School

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



### RIGA RECREATION SUMMER GAZEBO CONCERT SERIES

WEDNESDAYS 6:30 'til 8:00pm  
"Rain or Shine"

July 5th.....The Don Newcomb Band  
July 12th.....3 Hits and A Miss  
July 19th.....Get Off My Lawn  
July 26th.....The Brick Band

August 2nd.....Blue Sky celebrated "The Relay  
For Life/Luminaria ceremony"!!!!  
\* \* Special Time for this event 7:00-8:30pm  
August 9th.....Midnight Storm



\* \* If we have to cancel due to inclement weather we will try to reschedule!

## SWIMMING POOL PERMITS (CONTINUES)

access, or the ladder or steps shall be surrounded by a barrier that meets the requirements of Section 326.4.2.9. 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. 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:  
Steve Mills &  
Bob Panik  
Building  
Inspectors**



## CHURCH NEWS (CONTINUES)

April 29 - Traditional rummage sale running 9AM -2PM . Some nice items have already been donated!!!

May - Turkey dinner! Serving drive thru only from 3PM until sold out. Our traditional roast turkey, scratch mashed, stuffing & gravy, veggie, roll and PIE! Price to be decided due to the economy. Please note signage and flyers about town.

We hope to get to share smiles and calm grumbling tummies with many of you ! It's always such a blessing to reconnect after the long winter! Stay well, know our doors are always open in welcome, and if you're looking for a church please come visit us!

### Churchville United Methodist Church

**24 West Buffalo Street, 14428**

**585-293-3282**

**Pastor Betty Jiles**

Come worship with us on Sundays at 9:30am

### **New-to-You Sale**

Thurs, May 4 from 4:00-6:00pm

Fri. May 5 from 9am - 2pm

Sat, May 6 from 9am - 12pm (\$5.00 bag sale day)

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

Saturday, March 11, our annual Ham

Dinner will be held as an drive-thru, take-out only dinner. Dinner will include Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots, Baked Pineapple, Homemade rolls and cakes. Take-out will begin at: 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm or until sold-out. Cost is \$15.00. Come early to be assured of a delicious meal.

On Wednesday, February 22, - Ash Wednesday - a combined service will be held at Parma UCC Church at 6:30 pm. Prior to the service, a soup and bread supper will be served at 5:00 pm. All are welcome. On Thursday, April 6, a Maundy Thursday service will be hosted by Spencerport UCC church as a combined service with Union Church. Both pastors will be co-leading.

On Friday, April 7, at 12:00 pm, a Good Friday service will be hosted by Union Church and combined with Spencerport UCC Church. Both pastors will be co leading the service.

Palm Sunday, April 2, service at Churchville UCC will include a parade of palms carried by the children.

Easter Sunday, April 9, a Continental Easter Breakfast is planned at 8:30 am followed by our Easter Morning Worship at 10 pm. All are welcome.

Sunday, May 14, -- Mother's Day - a Cupcake Sale will be held before and after the 10 am worship service. Come early

and find a special cupcake for your mother or a special friend.

Monday, May 29, at 9:00 -10:00 am, a Memorial Day Breakfast, will be held at Union Church for the community. There will be plenty of pancakes and sausage for everyone. Cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 3. Veterans are free.

After breakfast, watch the Memorial Day Parade sponsored by the American Legion. Be sure to notice Garrett Allen driving his tractor with a small trailer highlighting Union Church accompanied by children and adults from Union Church distributing bookmarks and candy.

Note the change is our Food Distribution program supported by the five churches of Churchville, (Riga Congregational Church, United Methodist Church, Union Congregational Church, Faith Chapel, Calvary Chapel) as well as ANG Market, Upstate Dairy and Churchville Lions Club. Our monthly day is now the **fourth Wednesday** of each month from 4-5 pm.

Do check our signboard at the front of the church for additional events and activities. Visit our Meditation Garden and our Little Library which are available for the use of the community.

Blessings to all.



# UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

## March

- 2 Daylight Saving Time Begins
- 14 RED Cross Blood Drive—Town Hall 1-6 pm
- 14 SCOR—lunch at Harvey Noone Legion Hall



## April

- 1 Easter Egg Hunt Parade— American Legion 10am for Ages 2-6...and 10:45am for ages 7-12
- 9 Easter Sunday
- 11 SCOR—lunch at Harvey Noone Legion Hall
- 22 Pick up the Parks—10am Churchville Park
- 26 RED Cross Blood Drive—Town Hall 1-6 pm



## May

- 1 Brush Pickup starts within the Town
- 8 SCOR—47th Anniversary
- 29 Office Closed for Memorial Day



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](http://www.townofriga.org). Contact sponsoring organizations for further information regarding their events. Submit your ideas and comments for further enhancements to the Editor.



We are proud to announce we are no longer charging fees for requesting items to be placed on hold from other libraries! Due to the size of our library, we recognize we are limited to how many items we can keep on our shelves. By eliminating this fee, our patrons will have greater access to the collections of other libraries in the Monroe County Library System with the convenience of picking items up here.

### Preschool Storytime Winter 2023 Session

Children ages 3-5 yrs. are invited to join Ms. Jenna for Thursday Morning Preschool Storytime at **10:30 am**! There will

## Newman Riga Library

be stories, songs, rhymes and fingerplays! Registration is not required but please check [newmanrigalibrary.org](http://newmanrigalibrary.org) or the library's Facebook page for any changes.

**Session Dates:**  
March 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

### Library Services:

- Photocopying
  - \$ .20 image
- Printing (black and white)
  - \$ .20 page
- Printing (color)
  - \$ .50 page
- Fax
  - \$1.00 (1<sup>st</sup> page)/
  - \$.50 remaining

### Winter/Spring Library Hours:

M/W/F: 11am – 5pm

T/TH: 11am – 8pm

SA: 10am – 2pm



**Submitted by:**  
**Lynn M. Brown,**  
**Librarian**





## TOWN OF RIGA

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**Cindy Jessop**, Council Member

**Deborah Campanella**, Council Member

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**Scott Flagler**, Highway Superintendent

**Richard E. Stowe**, Town Justice

**Scott Okolowicz**, Town Justice

### OFFICIAL TOWN WEBSITE

**WWW.TOWNOFRIGA.COM**

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1809



### 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

Tuesday, March 14th, 2023  
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](http://donatebloodnow.org)