



EAST BLOOMFIELD TOWN NEWSLETTER

FALL 2017

FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERVISOR

Dear East Bloomfield Residents:

During the past few months, we have been reviewing departmental budgets and sharpening our collective pencils to finalize the Town's fiscal plan for 2018. Our budget year is the same as a calendar year, which begins January 1 and ends December 31. Over the past two years, we have been able to make improvements throughout East Bloomfield through grant awards. We have enhanced our Town parks and programs. We continually face the challenges of flat or declining revenues and with that reality, we cannot afford much investments. Our conservative fiscal policies remain in place as we plan for growth as well as stability.

In the area of planning, we are working with Chatfield Engineering to conduct a feasibility study on town-wide water. Currently, we have 220 households in the Town that have water, with the most recent water project being completed for Whalen Road.

Continuing in the theme of planning, the Town Board has made it a priority to finalize our Comprehensive Plan. The Town's current plan is over 100 pages and is lacking information in several key areas. A couple of those areas include agribusiness and infrastructure. Our goal is to make the final Comprehensive Plan clear, concise and functional. In other words, it will serve as a guide for planning over the course of time. Once the plan is in place, annual evaluations will occur and priorities will be established for each new fiscal year. As a Town, we want to become more proactive in our programs and services as opposed to being reactive. The Comprehensive Plan will offer the East Bloomfield Town Board and all subcommittees an informal chart to guide our growth and investments.

Another piece of exciting news is the Shared Services Agreements coordinated by Ontario County on behalf of New York State. One of these agreements involves East Bloomfield and West Bloomfield courts. West Bloomfield is in immediate need of court facilities. As a result, East Bloomfield will be the home of West Bloomfield Court on the first, second and third Mondays of the month. Judge Richard Whitesell and his clerks will hold court in the East Bloomfield court facility. This temporary arrangement has been approved by each Town Board and Ontario County. It is also commended by NYS Supreme Court Justice, Craig Doran. We are very pleased to have them, knowing that our facility can accommodate their court needs.

Finally, I would welcome you to our East Bloomfield Town Board meetings on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the East Bloomfield Town Hall, 99 Main Street, Bloomfield.

Please feel free to contact me anytime by email at ebtsupervisor@frontier.com or by phone at (585) 657-7700.

—Fred Wille, Supervisor

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Planning Board Meets
1st & 3rd Thursday @ 7:30 pm
Zoning Board Meets
4th Wednesday @ 7:30 pm

Town Board Meets
2nd & 4th Monday @ 7:00 pm
Town Court
Every Thursday @ 4:00 pm

BLOOMFIELD LIONS CLUB (BLC) – WE SERVE

Bloomfield Lions Club (BLC), District 20E2 is a nonprofit organization operating under the Charter of Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF). 2017 marks the 100th Anniversary of LCIF. BLC receives funding from our monthly spaghetti dinners, biannual pancake breakfasts and public donations. All funds received are returned to the community, individuals/organizations in need which fall under the guidelines of LCIF. BLC thanks our local Communities for their support over the years.

Our Spaghetti Suppers held at Veterans Park resumed in September and will continue on the second Wednesday of October, November and January thru April. Dinner is served from 5:00pm to 7:00pm.

Our Fall Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for November 5th at Veterans Park. Serving time starts 7:00am.

Lion Gerald Erdle organized Fall Highway Clean upon October 13. Our club is responsible for a portion of State Routes 5&20 and 444. There was a good turnout of members and Leos to make this an easy task.

BLC meetings are held three times each month September thru June. First Wednesday being a Social Dinner Meeting at the Holloway House or Cheap Charlies. Second Wednesday is Spaghetti Suppers at Veteran's Park. Third Wednesday, Board of Directors Meeting at Veterans Park. BLC also hosts a spring and fall Pancake Breakfast at Veterans Park.

As all Service Organizations in the United States we are struggling to grow our Club. We welcome Women and Men who wish to become part of the largest service organization in the world to contact BLC member Bob Knopf at 585-281-3417.



Highway Department News

Here we go again, it seems like we are losing summer with the temperatures dropping quickly.

As many of you can attest, this summer's weather put us behind the eight ball with needed road work, most of the season we were 3-4 weeks off schedule, but we've just started to wrap up our blacktop work and the crew finished adding new shoulders on those roads. We've worked with the Towns of West Bloomfield and Bristol on joint paving projects to help each other accomplish all that was planned for the summer. A big thank you to Canadice, Victor and Canandaigua crews for also assisting with shared services.

The line painting truck is also behind because of the rain. We just had our second round completed and normally we have them come back for a third in October. As long as nice weather holds out, they should be able to complete their work within the county. Additionally, roadside mowing will continue into the fall for another round across the town roads.

Our Highway crew has been very busy this summer with planned work, but also unexpected issues from weather, and I really appreciate their hard work.

What's up next for us? Snow fence and plow trucks. It's also a good time to start thinking about our personal snow tires and safety for this upcoming winter.

Always a reminder, please slow down and drive safe through all work zones. Our lives and yours depend on it! Any questions, please feel free to call the Highway at (585) 657-7727

Thanks and have a great Fall!
Brian Bernard
Highway Superintendent



From the Library...



We have added time for you to enjoy the library and hopefully we have made our hours a bit easier to remember. You can now visit the library on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am – 8pm. Our Monday and Wednesday hours continue to be 2:30pm – 8pm and Fridays are 2:30pm -6:30pm. Saturdays continue to be 10am-2pm.

Please visit the library or check our website www.bloomfieldpubliclibrary.org for the most up to date library programming information. We have regularly scheduled programs like our Adult Book Club, Knitting Group, Story Times, Teen Club, Yoga, and our new STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) program on the third Friday of the month. Additionally, we offer a wide variety of programs year round for all different age groups. There is always something going on!

Visit the library as often as you can, new items are always arriving. Remember you can access the library catalog at www.OVWL.org 24/7 or stop in and we are happy to help! We welcome suggestions if you have something you'd like to read, listen to, or watch.

Prefer ebooks or downloadable audio books, visit our digital catalog at <https://OVWL.Overdrive.com>. And digital magazines are available through our website by clicking on Helpful Links and digital magazines.

For regular updates on what is happening at the library, please subscribe to our eNews Blast. Call or stop in the library to give us your email address or go to this web address and complete the form: <https://goo.gl/forms/E2TlfjzMEovG4owv1>

Are you on Facebook? Follow the Bloomfield Public Library to see all the fun news and information. <https://www.facebook.com/BloomfieldPublicLibraryNY/>

The Friends of the Bloomfield Public Library is a not-for-profit group that works to support the library. The Friends meet the second Monday of the month at 7pm and they are always working on different projects. Plan to attend a meeting and see how you can become involved!

Library Hours:

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| Monday | 2:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday | 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday | 2:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. |
| Thursday | 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. |
| Friday | 2:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. |
| Saturday | 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. |
| Sunday | Closed |

BLOOMFIELD PTSA

Visit www.bloomfieldptsa.org to learn more about the Bloomfield Parent Teacher Student Association.

The Bloomfield PTSA meets on the second Tuesday of the month, September thru June, at 7 pm in the Bloomfield Elementary School Cafeteria. The Bloomfield PTSA also features several fun, community events throughout the school year, including a free family movie series, holiday open house and literacy events.

Box Tops for Education Program

Please consider collecting the "Box Tops for Education" label from participating General Mills products. Each label is worth 10 cents for the Bloomfield School District. The Bloomfield PTSA has Box Tops drop-off locations at the Elementary School Office and Bloomfield Public Library. Visit www.boxtops4education.com for more information.

Contact the Bloomfield PTSA at bloomfieldptsa@gmail.com





ANTIQUE WIRELESS MUSEUM

ANTIQUE WIRELESS ASSOCIATION NEWS

The AWA "Radio Fab Lab" class at the museum began early in September with instruction held each Saturday morning since then, covering such topics as Ohm's Law, use of a Digital Multi-meter, Morse code including construction of a code practice oscillator, small audio amplifier, crystal set and additional projects each Saturday. 22 Technology Explorers are currently enrolled, accompanied by parents and other relatives.

Progress continues with the clearing of an area in the theater portion of the museum to allow the classes currently held in the public area of the museum to move to a more normal classroom arrangement. The volunteers are making progress removing storage items from this space; Chrisanntha Construction will immediately install walls followed by Denisi Flooring laying plank flooring after the walls are installed.

A detailed site map has been rendered and an initial architectural drawing prepared for the 1,420 sq. ft. amateur radio station addition to be added to the east side of the museum prior to meetings with both the planning and town board for construction approval.

Thermostat upgrades in both the Gauss Road storage building and the Media Center have been completed to automatically control the heating; emergency lighting and exit signs are also being installed in the Gauss Road building. This building now houses many more volunteers than before and such updates are needed to accommodate the growing staff.

Chrisanntha Construction will soon remove the old wallpaper in the hall and two conference rooms at the Conference Center in preparation for repainting those areas and Denisi Flooring will remove the old carpeting throughout the building and replace it with carpet tile.



Ron Roach, AWA Operations Manager



Dickens' A Christmas Carol Comes to Bloomfield!

On Saturday night December 2, 2017 at 7:30 PM at the High School's Performing Arts Center on Oakmount Ave, your Bloomfield Rotary Club will present Charles Dickens' beloved classic, A Christmas Carol for its annual Holiday Show. Featuring players from the Monsignor Schnacky Community Players, a quartet from the Seneca Sound Waves chapter of Sweet Adeline's chorus and Bloomfield High School English teacher and drama coach, Glenn McCarty, the play is set in Bloomfield circa 1959! The adaptation is a presentation of a live radio drama and will be directed by award winning NYC director and former Bloomfield resident, Greg Cicchino. Tickets are \$16.00 and are available on line at www.saintcathonline.com. The show will also be performed the prior evening at the Monsignor Schnacky Community Center in Mendon.

The Bloomfield Garden Club

Our club welcomes new members and our meetings are open to the public. Our meetings take place at Veterans Park on the third Thursday of each month at 11:45 AM.

At our first meeting of our new year we visited Tim Boebel on Oakmount Road for a tour of his hydrangeas. His garden has a collection of close to 300 hydrangeas. He is also author of "Hydrangeas of the North".

Our October meeting was the 19th, we discussed among our members "How Did Your Garden Grow?"

At our November meeting, Josette Vest, owner of Bloomers Florist, will lead a workshop to make a door swag from natural materials for Christmas or Thanksgiving. The cost will be \$25.00 per swag for materials. All you need to bring are clippers and gloves. If you are interested in attending please contact one of the members listed below.

Each year our garden club sponsors a student to attend the DEC camp next summer. If you have a student in the Bloomfield School District or know of a student between the ages of 11-17, who would be interested in attending, please contact Barb Jauch at bkjauch@gmail.com. The application must be submitted by December 15th. There is no cost to the student. The only requirements are a letter written from a teacher or counselor at school and a short essay from the applicant why he/she is interested in attending camp and how this relates to the future studies.

Our purpose is to stimulate, share knowledge and the love of gardening. We promote beautification of homes and our community. Please contact Marlene Moran at marlenem1948@gmail.com or Barb Jauch at bkjauch@gmail.com for further information.



FROM THE DESK OF THE TOWN CLERK:

Come One... Come All Hunting Season is upon us!
Please stop by the Town Clerk's Office for your Hunting Licenses & Doe Tags. The trophy wall is started and I would greatly appreciate your prized photos that you would like to share with me.



Reminder... Don't forget to license your dog(s) annually.

Any dog 4 months or older, harbored in the Town of East Bloomfield must be licensed. Proof of a current Rabies Vaccination must be furnished. Please visit the Ontario County website at www.co.ontario.ny.us/publichealth to find the list of clinics. Every dog in Ontario County must be vaccinated against rabies at all times. The clinics are FREE but donations are appreciated.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN BLOOMFIELD:

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

Legion Spaghetti Dinner: 2nd Wednesday of the month
St. Bridget's Election Day Dinner: Election Day
Lions Club Pancake Breakfast: Sunday after Election Day
Methodist Church Holiday Faire: Saturday before Thanksgiving

East Bloomfield United Methodist Church: Roast Beef Dinner November 11th

Location: East Bloomfield United Methodist Church

Time: 4-7pm

Details: The East Bloomfield United Methodist Church will hold a Roast Beef Dinner on Saturday, November 11, from 4-7pm. The menu will include roast beef, baked potato, gravy, choice of squash or green beans, rolls, pie, and beverages. The cost will be: adults, \$11, children 5-12, \$5, and under 5, free. The church is located at the corner of Park Place and State Street (Routes 5 & 20) in Bloomfield. Take-outs will be available. The church is handicapped accessible. *Contact:* Church office @ (585) 657-7220

Community Friendship Lunch November 16th

Sponsored by: East Bloomfield United Methodist Church

Location: 2 Park Pl. at the corner of Rts. 5 & 20

Time: 11:30am-1pm

Details: A Community Friendship Luncheon will be held on Thursday, November 16th from 11:30am until 1:00pm at the East Bloomfield United Methodist Church, Rts. 5 & 20 at Park Place in East Bloomfield. All are welcome for lunch and fellowship. Doors open at 11:30am; lunch served at noon. A free will offering will be accepted. The church is handicapped accessible. This luncheon is held on the third Thursday of each month. Please call the church at (585) 657-7220 for more information. *Contact:* Church office @ (585) 657-7220

DECEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

Legion Spaghetti Dinner: 2nd Wednesday of the month
Lions/Rotary/EBHFD Tree lighting: 2nd Saturday after Thanksgiving
East Bloomfield Historical Society Christmas Party: Varies 1st or 2nd Sat of Month

THE BLESSING ROOM: The Blessing Room, Bloomfield's food pantry is dedicated to residents of the Village and Township of East Bloomfield. They are located at St. Bridget's Parish Hall at 15 Church St. The hours of operation are Wednesday and Saturday from 10 am. until noon and Fridays from 4pm until 6pm. For more information please call 337-0797.

HANDS OF HOPE KITCHEN: The Free lunch program operates out of the firehouse located at 105 Main Street. A hot meal is served every Wednesday at noon. Thank you to program director Rev. Richard Krapf, support from local churches including St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Ionia Methodist Church, and the United Church of Bristol, and all the many volunteers that make this meal program a success. Visit www.handsofhopekitchen.org for more information and a wish list of needed items.

HOME ENERGY IMPROVEMENT: PathStone is a private not-for-profit community development and service organization offering a range of programs to assist homeowners to make their homes energy efficient. To find out if they can help you to save money, email SaveEnergy@pathstone.org or go to their website at www.pathstoneenergyinfo.org

OFFICE OF THE AGING: The Senior Farmers Market Coupon Program is now available to eligible seniors. Coupons are valid through November 30, 2017 at participating Farmers Markets. For further information, please call Office for the Aging at: (585) 396-4040 or (315) 781-1321

It is my pleasure to serve my community and be as helpful as I can. Please contact me at (585) 657-6515, or by e-mail: mgochenaur@frontier.com with any questions, concerns, or suggestions. Thank you for your continued support.

-- Margaret "Peggy" Gochenaur, Town Clerk



**PLEASE REMEMBER TO VOTE ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH
AT VETERANS PARK, 6910 RTS 5&20!**