



FALL 2019 NEWSLETTER

FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERVISOR

Greetings from the Town Supervisor:

Welcome to Fall in beautiful and bucolic East Bloomfield. There are countless areas, large and small in every corner, nook and cranny our historic town displaying colorful foliage, scenic pathways and rolling hillsides. One example of such scenery is the sunflowers planted along NYS Routes 5&20. Acres of tightly planted sunflowers greet motorists traveling east and west. This sunflower planting was done as a cover crop by the Rogers Farms for those fields. Another example of scenic beauty is this photograph of Autumn in Boughton Park (see photo below) recently submitted by Claudia Walsh.



News and Noteworthy

Comprehensive Plan

About one year ago our Comprehensive Plan Committee was well underway. (I wrote an article about the CP Committee in Fall 2018) Town Board member Kathy Conradt has spearheaded this project and we are pleased to report that the Plan has been completed. Leadership and collaboration enabled this group to meet its goal. Once the final formatting and layout work is finished by John Steinmetz, we will schedule a public hearing.

American Legion Renovation

The American Legion Building at Veterans Park renovations were completed this past July 2019. This interior redesign and remodeling work could not have been possible without the support of our NYS Senator Rich Funke. His advocacy enabled us to secure grant funding for the majority of the costs. As a result, we now have a

modern and functional facility that our community and others can enjoy for generations to come. At the grand reopening, Senator Funke stated, "It is your money and tax dollars at work". We are very grateful and fortunate to have him as our NYS Senator from the 55th District.

Veterans Park

We were able to continue our Arbor Day Commitment to plant more trees in our community and especially in public spaces. This past Spring, East Bloomfield was offered the opportunity to work with Cornell University School of Agriculture to purchase trees. We were able to obtain five (5) Hybrid Oak Trees. This a new tree variety from the oak tree family. As part of the partnership, Cornell monitors these trees through a tag system. Our plantings are all doing well. This tree type is very compatible with our soils and will provide shade and beauty to Veterans Park. Each of the trees were planted in strategic locations. If anyone is interested in joining a new committee, we will be establishing an Arbor Day Committee. We would like residents who have the time and inclination to improve our park system to come forward. You can email me at supervisorwille@townofeastbloomfield.org.

East Bloomfield Town Court

This past year East Bloomfield Town Court was awarded a \$30,000 grant to upgrade our court facility. With those funds the following work was completed in our court complex: New cabinets were installed to accommodate court records and provide the three judges with adequate work space in the Judges chambers. A new security system was installed at the entrance to the court room which necessitated a new door. All people entering court will be required to enter via the metal detector monitored by an Ontario County Sheriff. In the court room itself, we installed a new railing with a swing door and also built a ledge for placement of attorney court documents while in session. These funds are awarded from the Justice Court Administration Program in New York State. West Bloomfield now holds court here in East Bloomfield (second year) and consequently we are able to apply for additional grant funds each year to improve the facility and security of our town court.

Frederick "Fred" Wille, Supervisor

NEWS FROM THE HIGHWAY DEPT!

To all Residents & Traveler's who use the Town of East Bloomfield's roads: First, I would like to thank you for being patient these past summer months while our highway dept employees make improvements to enhance the infrastructure of our roads, which you travel on every day, keeping them up and maintaining them, so travel is no issue. From new cross culverts to chip sealing, paving, wedging and so on, this summer was very productive on our roads with improvements and especially on some of the higher traffic roads that were in much need of repair. We at the highway dept, as I'm sure you know, are winding down on big road projects do to old man winter approaching very rapidly. There are a few more road projects due to be completed the last couple weeks of October and the first of November but minimal delays are expected. As part of fall at the highway dept., summer equipment is being serviced and scrubbed up to be put away for winter storage. Crushing in the gravel pit, located behind our highway facility, will also be done this fall so as to be prepared for use in the spring.

We all know that snow is on its way and that means the plows with salters will be going down the road very soon. Please give yourself extra time in the winter due to possible slippery conditions and slow moving snow plows. It is very difficult to see at times in the big plow trucks turning around at the majority of the intersections. Please give these trucks extra room and leave a lot of room behind them when following down the road. Also, please, while the weather is still good, check mailboxes for maintenance issues including posts. If your mailbox is secure and maintained there should be no issues during winter months. Although, if your mailbox should get hit by one of our snow plows, please feel free to call me.

Our work load has been very busy and I would like again to thank all of you and our highway dept employees for a very safe and productive summer. Gary Rogers, one of our retired employees who works part time in the summer months, has done a great job helping out. He's basically a phone call away and is always available to help.

As always, any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me. I'm always available.

Enjoy the rest of the fall season!

Scott Kimball, Highway Superintendent

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 you sharing your prized photos 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:

OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS:

- East Bloomfield United Methodist Church Trunk or Treat: Saturday, October 26th 10-11:30 am.
- Halloween Trick or Treat in the Village: Thursday, October 31st 5-9 pm.
- Halloween Party at the Firehouse: Thursday, October 31st 6-9 pm

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Sunday, November 3, Veterans Park - Lions Club Pancake Breakfast
- Wednesday, November 13, Veterans Park - Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner
- Wednesday, November 20, Antique Wireless Association presents "Tourism in the Finger Lakes"
- Thursday, November 21, 11:30 am - 1 pm, East Bloomfield United Methodist Church Community Lunch
- Thursday, November 21, 6 pm, East Bloomfield Historical Society Annual Dinner (Members Only) - For a reservation call : (585) 657-7244
- Saturday, November 23, 9-3 pm, Bloomfield Central School Holiday Craft Sale

DECEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Sunday, December 1, 4:30 pm, Lions/Rotary/East Bloomfield Holcomb Fire Dept Tree Lighting Ceremony and Procession. Lineup begins at 4:00 pm at Canandaigua National Bank.
- Friday, December 6, 7:30 pm, Veterans Park - Rotary Radio Play "A Christmas Carol"
- Saturday, December 7, 7:30 pm, Bloomfield Central School - Rotary Radio Play "A Christmas Carol"
- Saturday, December 7, East Bloomfield Historical Society Christmas Party
- Thursday, December 19, 11:30 am - 1 pm, East Bloomfield United Methodist Church Community Lunch

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, 15 Church St. The hours of operation are Wednesday and Saturday from 10 am until noon and Fridays from 4 pm until 6 pm. For more information please call (585) 337-0797.

HANDS OF HOPE KITCHEN: The Free lunch program operates out of St. Bridget's Parish Hall, located at 15 Church Street. A hot meal is served every Wednesday at noon. Thank you to the local churches including St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Ionia Methodist Church and the United Church of Bristol, to program director, Rev. Richard Krapf, and to all the volunteers that make this meal program a success. Visit www.handsofhoekitchen.org for more information and a wish list of needed items.

2019 MEDICARE 101 WORKSHOPS: Familiarize yourself with Medicare prior to retirement and selecting supplemental insurance coverage. Meetings are held at the Safety Training Building, 2914 County Road 48, Canandaigua, NY. All sessions are held from 9:30 am to 12 pm. Pre-registration is required: 585-396-4047 and 315-781-1321.

Friday, October 25th

Friday, November 15th

OFFICE OF THE AGING: The Senior Farmers Market Coupon Program is now available to eligible seniors. Coupons are valid through November 30, 2019 at participating Farmers Markets. For further information, please call Office for the Aging at: (585) 396-4040 or (315) 781-1321.

EAST BLOOMFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY: EBHS current hours are Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, 9 am - 2 pm or by appointment. The phone number for the EBHS is (585) 657-7244 or email the Director, Leif HerrGesell, at Director@EBHS1838.org or the Town Historian, Judi Stewart, at Historian@EBHS1838.org. Visit their website for more info at www.ebhs1838.org

It is my pleasure to serve my community and be helpful to all its' residents. Please contact me at (585) 657-6515, or by e-mail: mgochenaur@townofeastbloomfield.org with any questions, concerns or suggestions. Thank you for your continued support.

--Margaret "Peggy" Gochenaur, Town Clerk



The Antique Wireless Museum was a major sponsor of the Chicken and Beer fundraiser to benefit renovation at the East Bloomfield Historical Society building. The event was held at the Other Half Brewery on Saturday, September 21st. The AWA set up a canopy near the front door of the brewery with museum brochures, discount museum tickets, a 1970 communications receiver and an operating 1910 spark transmitter.



Donations for the construction of the ham station addition to the museum continue to arrive. The amount now on hand totals \$115,000 (70%) in our quest to reach the \$165,000 construction estimate. The museum staff is thankful for the response from 141 AWA members.

--Ron Roach, AWA Operations Manager

News from the Bloomfield Public Library...

The Bloomfield Public Library, located at 9 Church Street, is open six days a week and provides a variety of services. We loan books, magazines, audiobooks, and DVDs and provide free WiFi access, public use desktop and laptop computers, as well as, printing, copying, faxing, and scanning services.

Don't forget there is 24/7 access to ebooks, downloadable audiobooks, and digital magazines at <https://owwl.overdrive.com>.

We offer a variety of programming throughout the year for all ages. Upcoming family events include Family Craft Day on November 19th: drop by the library any time this day to make beaded pipe-cleaner Indian corn. Then on December 10th from 6pm to 7pm, Santa will be at the Bloomfield Public Library to read a story and visit with children. Please visit the library or check out our website www.bloomfieldpubliclibrary.org for the most up to date library programming information.

WEEKLY Classes

Stories & More: Tuesdays 10:30am
Simply Stories: Thursdays 10:30am
Evening Stories Time: Thursdays 6:30pm
Sit 'n' Knit Needle Crafters: Fridays 1pm

MONTHLY Classes

Adult Book Club – First Monday of the Month 2:30pm
Teen/Tween Club – First Thursday of the Month 2:45pm
STEM Friday – Fourth Friday of the Month 4pm (for school-age children)
Technology Help – by appointment (please call or stop in)

MEETINGS

Friends of the Library – Second Monday of the Month 7pm
Board of Trustees – Third Monday of the Month 7pm

The Bloomfield Garden Club

Our club welcomes members and anyone interested in gardening. Our meetings are open to the public. Our meetings take place at Bloomfield Historical Society Building on the third Thursday of each month at 11:45 pm.

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 Diane Nelson at dinelson125@gmail.com for further information.

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). 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. Representative but not limited Programs include Preschool Vision Screening, Human Eye Bank, Bloomfield Sports Programs, BCS Theater, Robotics, Scouting, Eye and Hearing Care, St Benedict's Food Pantry, Cassville Guide Dogs and Diabetes.

BLC and Leo members performed fall Highway Clean-up on our portion of Rte. 5&20 and Rte 444 on October 5th. Many hands made short work of this project.

BLC and Bloomfield Fire Dept. will be hosting our Annual Community Halloween Party at the Bloomfield Fire House. Join us and Roscoe the Clown at 5:30 pm on Oct. 31st. for a fun evening.

BLC, Bloomfield Rotary and Bloomfield Fire Dept. will be hosting our Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Dec. 1st at 4:00 pm. The Tree Lighting begins at CNB and concludes at Pickle Park followed with Hot Chocolate and Cookies at the Firehouse.

BLC member Michael Donohoe will be speaking of Diabetes Awareness at the 2019 Lions District 20-E2 Fall Conference at the Quality Inn Waterloo on Nov. 2nd.

BLC meetings are held three times each month September thru June. First Wednesday being a Social Dinner Meeting at Cheap Charlies. Second Wednesday, Jan., Feb., Mar., Sept., Oct., and Nov. is Spaghetti Supper at the newly renovated Veteran's Park Building. Dinner is served from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Third Wednesday, Board of Directors Meeting at Veteran's Park.

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.



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Town Board

2nd & 4th Monday @ 7:00 pm

Town Court

Every Thursday @ 4:00 pm

Planning Board

1st & 3rd Thursday @ 7:30 pm

Zoning Board

4th Wednesday @ 7:30 pm



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