

EAST BLOOMFIELD TOWN NEWSLETTER

Winter 2018

FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERVISOR

Dear Community Resident,

Our Town agenda remains full as we continue to work on a wide variety of municipal projects. Several of these initiatives cannot be achieved alone because we are much too small on our own. One good example of municipal sharing was the recent EWaste Recycling Event coordinated by Ontario County and Cornell Cooperative Extension on behalf of the Towns of Bristol, West Bloomfield and East Bloomfield. 433 vehicles dropped off electronics to be recycled filling 3 semi-tractor trailer trucks. This event was made possible through grant funds awarded to each of the three towns. It was a huge success.

Chatfield Engineers is working away on the water feasibility study. Hopefully, we should have a report in the next several months. It is vitally important that we plan for the future of our town in order to protect its resources, as well as provide growth and development. This growth and development must include businesses, as well as agriculture and housing stock. Steady progress over time will yield economic and cultural benefits for everyone. Infrastructure investment is critically important to East Bloomfield.

Veterans Park continues to undergo improvements to the grounds as well as to the American Legion Building. We received grant funds from Senator Rich Funke that is allowing us to complete the unpaved section of the parking lot. In addition to completing the paving project, the funds will allow us to improve our athletic fields. The first step in that process is to extend our water, sewer and electric lines to the north end of the park. The next step after infrastructure development is to treat the fields, in order to have quality turf for athletic games such as soccer, softball and baseball.

We would like to welcome our newly elected officials to the East Bloomfield Town Team:

- Scott Kimball, elected Highway Superintendent
- Kathy Conradt, elected Town Councilmember
- Frank Fessner, re-elected Town Councilmember
- Margaret Gochenaur, re-elected Town Clerk
- Kathy Cooper, re-elected Tax Collector



We have a great government team, who is dedicated to public service and dedicated to making the Town of East Bloomfield a great place to live and work.

—Fred Wille, Supervisor

Town Board Meets

2nd & 4th Monday @ 7:00 pm

Town Court

Every Thursday @ 4:00 pm

Planning Board Meets

1st & 3rd Thursday @ 7:30 pm

Zoning Board Meets

4th Wednesday @ 7:30 pm

Town Board Members

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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 Veterans Park on the third Thursday of each month at 11:45 AM.

Two students from the Bloomfield School District were selected to attend NYS DEC Camp sponsored by the 7th District. Cam Smythe and Reba Klingensmith will represent our club. This will be a wonderful experience for these students.

Our next meeting on March 15th will be at Veterans' Park Joanne Crosan will give a slide presentation on the business of bee keeping and the environmental challenges facing the bees. Members or guests will be able to make a wax candle (kit \$4.00).

In April the club has our annual luncheon and appointment of Officers.

The month of May will be a busy month for our members. Members will be planting many plants around our village including Pickle Park. It is also our 44th annual plant sale which is held at the Historical Society Building on Friday, May 19th and Saturday, May 20. We do have available pre-order forms, please contact one of the members below to obtain a form. We will feature annuals, hanging baskets, herbs and home-grown perennials.

June 21st meeting, we will have Joyce Roeder, who will give a slide presentation "Magnificent Mansions of Newport". Meeting will be at Veterans' Park on June 21st at 11:45.

Our July 19th meeting will be our 2nd annual Bloomfield Garden Club Picnic. A potluck picnic of appetizers, main dishes, salads and desserts.

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 bxjauch@gmail.com for further information.

FROM THE HIGHWAY DEPT!



Happy New Year!

Winter is upon us, and all the work and fun that comes along with it. Shoveling, bundling up against the cold, sledding, skiing, and building snowmen. Keeping the roads free of snow & ice and as safe as we can for the traveling motorist is the Highway Departments priority. We here at the Highway Department have not only been busy with snow & ice events but have been busy doing outside weather permitted road work tasks such as: trimming brush, general shop maintenance, preventative maintenance on equipment and buildings. Lastly, working together as a team and preparing for summer projects to make sure we can be as efficient and cost effective as possible.

We have been working on our safety requirements. All mandated requirements have been brought up to where they need to be as town employees. As Highway Superintendent, and residents, we all should be very proud and fortunate of the crew we have working on our roads doing daily activities. Scott, Tripper, Karl, Mike, Bo's and Donny go above and beyond every day to make operations of the Highway Department the best and safest they possibly can. I believe team work; community input, and constructive criticism equals success.

Mailboxes:

Mailboxes shall be installed according to the United States postal service guidelines. The distance from center line of road to front of the 4"x4" mailbox post should be a minimum of 17', with a 43" clearance to the bottom of the mailbox or structure support arm for our plow wing to pass under it. Property owners shall assume the responsibility of proper placement and ensuring all components are free from rot deterioration, breakage, and are structurally sound in condition. If a mailbox meets all homeowner requirements and is damaged by a plow from the Town Highway Department, please notify the Highway Department within 24 hours of said damage at (585) 657-7727 or (585) 278-7549. Once notified, the Highway Department will repair it in a timely manner. Mailboxes that are knocked off due to deterioration condition, repairs/replacement will be the responsibility of the owner.

Safety Reminders:

Please do not follow town trucks too closely. Keep a safe distance behind any large vehicle and if you can not see their side mirrors they can't see you.

Lastly, please feel free to contact me for any reason or question(s) on the daily operations of OUR Highway Department. If you see something whether it be a hazard, a needed repair, or improvement, always contact me, or stop by the Highway garage and let me know.

Thank you.

—Scott Kimball/Highway Superintendent

BLOOMFIELD PTSA

Andrew Doell, the new Bloomfield CSD Superintendent, was the scheduled special guest for the February 13, 2018, PTSA meeting. The PTSA meets again on: Tuesday, March 13; Tuesday, April 10; Tuesday, May 8; and Tuesday, June 12 at the Bloomfield Elementary School Cafeteria, 7 pm.

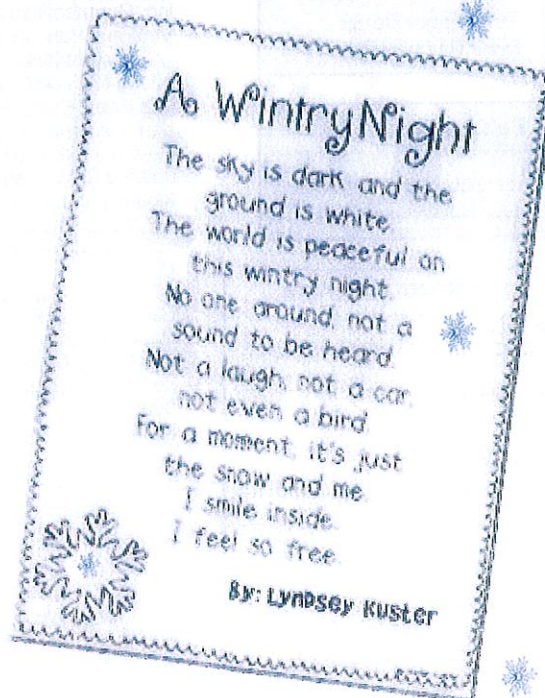
In February, the PTSA, in conjunction with the East Bloomfield Historical Society, presents "Dolls of the World" at the Elementary School. On display in the glass cabinets near the gymnasium.

In March, the PTSA will sell cookie dough and Entertainment coupon books, visit www.bloomfieldptsa.org for ordering information. Your purchases support the grants, scholarships, and events the PTSA provides to the school district and community. Thank you.

The Box Tops Collection Goal for Spring 2018 is 6,500 labels. Each label is worth ten cents. This goal means \$650 for our school. Labels can be dropped off at the Elementary School Office, mailed to the Bloomfield PTSA at 45 Maple Ave, Bloomfield, NY 14469, or taken to the Bloomfield Public Library. Box Tops for Education labels can be found on hundreds of food and household products at the grocery store.

Everyone who lives in the Bloomfield School District is invited to every PTSA event. New memberships are welcome any time of the year. Membership forms and a list of volunteer opportunities are available on the PTSA website.

Visit www.bloomfieldptsa.org
Email bloomfieldptsa@gmail.com





**Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction Benefit
for June Jacobs**

Where: Veterans Park When: April 28, 2018

Spaghetti Dinner: 4-7pm

Silent Auction doors open at 3

\$10.00 adults, children 5 and under \$6.00, Take-outs available

June Jacobs was born September 17, 2017 to proud parents, Benjamin and Adrienne Jacobs. Both Ben and Adrienne are life-long residents of Bloomfield and graduates of Bloomfield High School. It was with grand anticipation and excitement that they awaited the birth of their first born! But, after June took her first breath she was then immediately placed on a ventilator in order to continue breathing. Being hooked up to wires and tubes are all that this little one, who has been nicknamed Lady Bug, knows.

June was born with congenital heart disease. The first five days of June's life she was intubated with a breathing tube and remained at the Golisano Children's Hospital, a part of Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester, N.Y., until she was transported by helicopter to Columbia University Hospital in NYC where at the fragile age of two weeks little June had open heart surgery. June later developed complications and was transported to the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, where she received a procedure. After being stabilized, she was transported back to NYC where she remained for several months. At the age of four months, June was able to breath with a CPAP and was finally transported back to Strong Memorial Hospital to be closer to her family.

This is the update for June, alias Lady Bug. She is fed through a feeding tube and breathes with the help of a tracheotomy tube. All-in-all, this tiny Lady Bug is quite a fighter. She has already amassed more helicopter trips and has endured more challenges than a person ought to in a lifetime. Her journey is just beginning as the mounting medical bills are too.

The East Bloomfield United Methodist Church is spearheading a Community Fundraiser Event for June to help defray some of the extensive medical bills this young family is experiencing. We invite you to participate in this one day event held at Veterans Park, 6910 Rt. 5 & 20 in Bloomfield, NY 14469. There will be delicious spaghetti being served between 4 and 7 pm along with a silent auction and bake and craft sale. If you have any items you would like to donate towards the silent auction please do not hesitate to call (585) 657-7220. It takes a village and Bloomfield has what it takes! Thank you in advance.

From the Library:

The Board of Trustees is very pleased to share the news that the Bloomfield Public Library will be asking the residents of the Bloomfield Central School District to consider recreating the library to simplify the way the library is governed and funded. This model will make the library more equitable across the entire school district.

Currently, the Trustees that make the decisions for the library (things like when we are open and how we spend the tax money we receive) are appointed by the Town of East Bloomfield and must be East Bloomfield residents. If the vote passes everyone in the school district over the age of 18 will be eligible to run for Trustee and help make decisions for the library.

From a funding perspective, the Library's current budget is primarily made up of taxes received from the Town of East Bloomfield. Other sources of tax money include funds from the Town of West Bloomfield, the Village of Bloomfield, and the library tax on the Bloomfield Central School District bill. If the vote passes, school district residents would all pay one library tax that will appear on the school tax bill. The Library will no longer receive tax money from the Towns or Village.

By recreating the library so that it follows the school district boundaries for governance and funding, we will be making the library more equitable, democratic, transparent, and financially sustainable. Most importantly, we will be guaranteeing that the library remains open and available to the community.

For more information, stop in the library. For online information, please visit www.bloomfieldpubliclibrary.org/vote or contact Diana Thorn dthorn@pls-net.org.

If you can't stop into the library, the next best place to find up-to-date information is on our website www.bloomfieldpubliclibrary.org. You can get to OWWL.org the online catalog 24/7 to find books, magazines, movies and more. You can also access our electronic materials catalog OWWI.2Go where you can check out ebooks and downloadable audiobooks.

If you like free digital magazines, you can use our app RBDigital to check out magazines to read whenever you have time (RBDigital is a free app available for both Android and Apple devices – visit your app store to download it today).

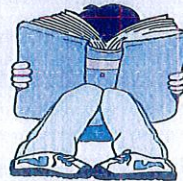
Speaking of free apps, Libby is the new app for our ebook and downloadable audiobook collection. Visit your app store and download Libby to get started!

Upcoming Events and Classes

- Feb 15th 6:30p –Basic Computer Skills Class–Join us to learn about creating, saving & printing documents, using email & more
- Feb. 16th 4p-6p - Take Your Child to the Library Event – multiple STEM activities, crafts, stories, refreshments and more
- Feb. 22nd 6:30p – Introduction to Social Media Class – join us to learn about the various social media sites and learn how to get started

Ongoing classes:

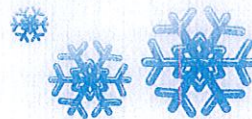
- Stories and More Tuesdays at 10:30a
- Simply Stories Thursdays at 10:30a
- Book Club – First Monday of the month at 2:30p – all welcome
- Knitting and more -- Fridays at 1p – all welcome (including beginners)
- Basic Yoga – dates are changing for February – please call the library Tuesdays at 4:30p in March
- STEM Fridays – third Friday of the month at 4p



Coming in March, AARP Safe Driver Class, Introduction to Needle Felting and more. Stop in or check our website for details. Friends of the Bloomfield Public Library Annual Book and Bake Sale May 4th and 5th Chicken Barbeque May 6th

Library Hours:

Monday	2:30 – 8
Tuesday	10 – 8
Wednesday	2:30 – 8
Thursday	10 – 8
Friday	2:30 – 6:30
Saturday	10 – 2



ANTIQUE WIRELESS MUSEUM

The construction of the all-purpose room neared completion during the first month of 2018. Chrisantha Construction completed the temporary wall to create the 28 ft by 28 ft room, installed the temporary dry wall, which was then painted along with the ceiling.

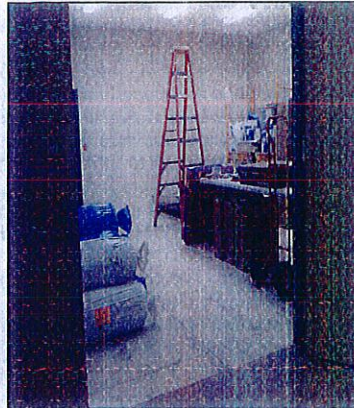
Sufficient electric outlets were installed by Steve Bradford along with new LED lighting. An additional heating and air conditioning unit, large enough to service the proposed auditorium/theater, when constructed, was installed prior to the installation of the plank flooring by Denisi Flooring, well ahead of the scheduled "After Hours at the Museum" presentation on March 7. The first of the "After Hours at the Museum" series of bi-monthly presentations will feature a "Live Radio Show and Music".

This room will provide seating for an audience of 77 and sufficient space for tables and chairs for a class room setting.

Additionally, the all-purpose room will return square footage to the south-east public area of the museum for additional exhibit space.

Progress continues in the design of the museum addition to house an amateur radio station and registrar workspace. There are updated plans for a squared off façade front entry on this addition matching the squared off main entry façade of the proposed 14 ft by 28 ft Sparton radio lobby on the main building.

Next, Chrisantha Construction will move to the Conference Center building to remove the deteriorated wallpaper in several areas of the building and prepare those walls for painting. Once the interior has been painted, Denisi Flooring will replace the similarly deteriorating carpeting with carpet tiles.



Ron Roach
Antique Wireless Operations Manager



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.

BLC will be performing our annual eye screening for preschool and kindergarten children in Bloomfield and Honeye Central Schools in the month of April. Lions Club motto of 'SIGHT FIRST' is and has been in the forefront of Lions work around the world. As a result of BLC eye screening efforts we were instrumental in prompting a local family to take action with their child ending with positive results. There is no cost to the family and we encourage all to take advantage of this program.

In 1967 the Leo Club Program was adopted by LCIF Board Members to provide youth with an opportunity for development and contribution. Today an internet of 6500 clubs in 140 countries participate with community service as the cornerstone of this program. Currently our Leo Club is working with all Lions Clubs in our district to make and distribute cards and gift bags to residents of the Canandaigua VA Medical Center. Funding for this program is being provide by participating district clubs including BLC.

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. Our three remaining Spaghetti Suppers for the spring session are February 14, March 14 and April 11. Dinner is served from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Our Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for March 4, 7:00am serving time.

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 President Bob Knopf at 585-281-3417.



From the desk of the Town Clerk:

OFFICE FOR THE AGING: located at 3010 County Complex Drive, Canandaigua offers some extremely helpful services. Here are just a few of many:

- Alzheimer's Association Counseling Services for Ontario County residents. The Alzheimer's Association provides counseling to anyone affected by Alzheimer's disease or related dementia, free of charge.
- Legal Services for older adults age 60 or over.
- Home Energy Assistance Programs.
- Social Adult Day Center.
- Community Dining Sites Schedule available.
- Ontario County Office for the Aging can be reached at (585) 396-4040 or (315)-781-1321.

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

UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS:

FEBRUARY:

- Legion Spaghetti Dinner at Veterans Park: 2nd Wednesday of the month (February 14th-Valentine's Day)
- Methodist Church Lunch: Thursday, February 15th Noon-1:00PM

MARCH:

- Legion Spaghetti Dinner at Veterans Park: 2nd Wednesday of the month: March 14th
- Methodist Church Lunch: Thursday, March 15th Noon-1:00PM

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.

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.

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.

Ontario County Public Health 2018 Rabies Prevention Clinic Dates and Locations are as follows:

ALL CLINIC TIMES ARE: 9AM – 12NOON

- Saturday April 7, 2018: Gorham Town Barns located at 3478 Lake to Lake Road, Gorham
- Saturday June 9, 2018: Geneva Hydrant Hose Co. located at 79 Geneva Street, Geneva
- Saturday August 11, 2018: South Bristol Town Barns, located at 6371 Route 64, Naples
- Saturday September 15, 2018: Hurley Building, located at 205 Saltonstall St., Canandaigua
- Saturday October 20, 2018: Farmington Highway Garage located at 985 Hook Road, Farmington



Clinics are FREE but donations are appreciated.
Animals must be healthy and at least 3 months old.
Please bring your animals rabies certificate, if any.
Pets must be on a leash or in a carrier, only one pet per carrier.

Consider Becoming a Member: The Ontario County Humane Society is a private, not-for-profit, organization. While we receive some support from the County, we rely greatly on donations from the public and fundraising events. Won't you support our work of caring for the neglected, abused and abandoned animals of Ontario County by becoming a member today. Visit our [website](http://www.ochs.org) and click on "Support OCHS" to find our membership form including levels of support available.

Please stop by the Town Clerk's Office for your Fishing License, and a copy of the 2018-19 Official Regulations Guide.

I have started a trophy wall and would greatly appreciate your prized photos that you would like to share with us. 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 or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support.

Margaret "Peggy" Gochenaur
Town Clerk



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