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NEWSLETTER

VILLAGE OF DELANSON

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Village Notes:



Village Speed Limit is 30!



Fall Leaf Pick-up

Friday, November 21st and Monday, November 24th
Town Highway crew has scheduled as the leaf pick-up days. Leaves must be in bio-degradable bags. Remember to rake the leaves only. Bags containing anything other than leaves will be refused.

PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE!



*Hydrant Flushing Saturday,
November 8th*

7:00 am – 4:30 pm

Residents should avoid doing laundry during this time and expect water discoloration for a period of 24 hours.



*Canadian Pacific
Railway
Holiday Train
Fights Hunger*

Friday, November 28, 2014 at 5:00 pm!
11th Annual Holiday Train Celebration in Delanson



Toys for Tots Train

comes to Delanson!

When: December 6th at 4:00 pm (approx. arrival)

Where: Main Street Crossing, Firehouse side

Winter On-Street Parking Regulations

Effective November 15th through April 15th, no on-street parking is allowed anywhere on State Highway 395 within the Village limits, when a three inch snowfall (or greater) has been forecast, and for a 24-hour period after the snow event has ended. The Village has designated News Channel 6 – CBS 6, as the official station for snowfall forecast amounts. Parking is available in the Village Hall parking lot. Enforcement may include ticketing and/or towing at the owners expense. This local law is intended to provide safety to not only pedestrians and vehicular traffic, but to allow adequate access for snowplowing.

Residents on all Village streets are encouraged to follow the parking regulations, as well. You're cooperation will help ensure the prompt delivery of services, and enable crews to efficiently maintain the roadways.

To report road conditions within the Village, that present an immediate hazard, please contact the Town Highway Department at 895-2772. To register complaints, of a non-emergency nature, please call Mayor Gayle Gifford at 895-2199 or 895-2257.

Garbage Pickup

Garbage pickup is every Wednesday unless it is a holiday. If it falls on a holiday, garbage will be picked up the next day. Please have your garbage placed by the curb before 8:00AM. Thank you.

The *Village Board* meets at the Firehouse at 7:00 pm the 2nd Monday December thru September and the first Monday in October & November.



CP Rail Community Connection Line – Complaints for Idling Trains

Complaints of trains idling for prolonged periods of time should be directed to the CP Railway Community Connects Line at 1-800- 766-7912 or by email

at: communityconnects@cpr.ca

For a thorough investigation of the incident, the following facts must be presented at the time of the complaint.

Date:

Time:

Location: **crossing # 250195D, Main Street, Delanson**

Engine Number: **(number off of first engine)**

Incidents must be reported within 24 – 48 hours of the occurrence to be investigated.



Email Notification System

The Village of Delanson has initiated an Email Notification system whereby residents can be notified by email immediately of important information or any emergency situation that has developed in the Village. Examples would be water main brakes, water main repairs, hydrant flushing, sudden changes in Village services such as garbage pickup or snow plowing, flooding, road closings, damaged roads etc.. Emails will not be sent for normal news items, notices or scheduled events. In addition, updates will be emailed to keep residents informed of the ongoing circumstances as new information is received by the Village until the event or emergency is over.

There is no cost for this service. Please go to our website, www.delanson.net and on the home page on the left side enter your email address. You will receive an email asking you to confirm your decision to receive these bulletins. Once we receive your confirmation, you will be added to our mailing list to receive these notices. Your privacy is important to us, so your email address will not be shared, sold or used in any other capacity and you may [unsubscribe](#) at any time by clicking on the [unsubscribe link](#) on any email you receive or by contacting the web master at webmaster@delanson.net. We hope this new feature will not only help keep our residents not only well informed but safer during emergency situations.

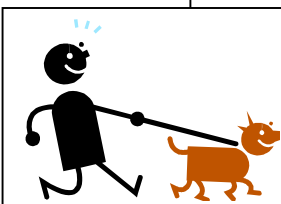
Delanson Firefighter Volunteers Are Needed!

Many levels of participation are needed.

Will you donate your time to help your community?

For more information on how you can help contact Jennifer

Friello at delansonfd@yahoo.com



Leash Law in Effect

Please call animal control officer Darla Gullotta at 860-3179 if you see a pet running loose, the owner will be grateful you did. Thank you for cleaning up after your pets, your neighbors appreciate your consideration. Remember Village Law prohibits the feeding of animals outdoors.

Clear Choice

Tree Service

will be decorating our Christmas Tree in the park! Watch for an awesome display!!!

Thanks Doug and Whitney!



Please be considerate



of your neighbors and keep your dogs from barking outside for any length of time especially in the middle of the night.

DFC Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, November 2nd is the next pancake breakfast at the Delanson Firehouse. Every first Sunday of the month the air fills with the smell of freshly made pancakes and sausage. Come on in and enjoy a cup of coffee and casual conversation with neighbors and friends while breakfast is made and served by Delanson's Finest! Remember to look around and enjoy the old photos of the Village of yesteryear. And don't forget to thank them for doing what they do for you!



Annual Financial Report

The Annual Financial Report has been completed and filed on time with the NYS Comptroller's office. Anyone wishing to inspect the report may do so by calling the Village Clerk at 895-2199 to make an appointment.

Upcoming Delanson Events

All events at Village Hall

November 2

Fireman's Pancake Breakfast

November 3

Village Board Meeting - 7:00pm

November 8

Hydrant Flushing

November 21 & 24

Leaf pick up

November 28

Holiday Train

December 6

Toys for Tots Train

Schedule of Hydrant Flushing

The following schedule has been produced in an effort to give residents a more advanced warning of upcoming hydrant flushing's:

Flushing will be done 7:00am-4:30pm

NOVEMBER 8, 2014 FEBRUARY 14, 2015

MAY 9, 2015 AUGUST 8, 2015

NOVEMBER 14, 2015

- ~Avoid doing laundry
- ~Expect water discoloration for a period of 24 hours
- ~Cancelled or rescheduled flushing will be posted on the website, post office, and clerk's office.

WATER COMMISSIONER – JEFF IVESON – 895-8926



Waiver Allows Fire Department to Expand

Small rural villages and towns have had difficulty recruiting fire fighters due to small populations and the requirement that no more than 45% of the active firefighters in the department live outside village they serve.

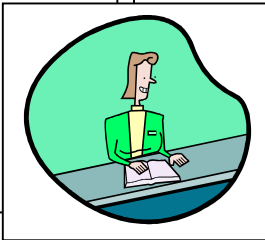
A bill which was signed into law by Gov. Andrew Cuomo and was authored by Assemblyman Angelo Santabarbara, D-Rotterdam, and sponsored in the Senate by Cecilia Tkaczyk, D-Duanesburg, waives this requirement. This bill would allow the Delanson Volunteer Fire Department to go from 13 volunteers to perhaps 20.

Fire Chief Kevin Morrison mentioned that some of the surrounding fire departments are well staffed and are denying membership to perspective volunteers. Kevin hopes some Town of Duanesburg residents will be interested in volunteering in Delanson.

New Clerk & Clerk Hours

Please welcome our new Village Clerk: Isabelle Mormando.

Effective immediately and until further notice office hours will be by appointment only. Please call Mayor Gifford at 895-2257 or 895-2199 for an appointment. Please leave a message if no one is available.



Receive the Newsletter Electronically

In order to help save postage and the Village budget, email the Clerk clerk@delanson.net and in the subject line, put: **add me to list to receive the Village newsletter via email.**

Delanson Fire Company Winter Safety Guidelines

SMOKE DETECTORS:

They save lives. Don't have any? Buy some NOW! Change the batteries in existing detectors right now while you are thinking about it.

CO DETECTORS:

A great gift idea. If yours goes off, leave your home immediately and call 911 from your cell phone or from a neighbor's house. The fire department will respond with a CO meter.

BURNING WOOD?

Have your chimney cleaned and inspected. New installations need to be checked by the Building Inspector. Burn only seasoned wood, and watch for creosol build-up.

ALTERNATIVE HEATING SOURCE:

Kerosene heaters, pellet stoves, ceramic heaters, ventless fireplaces can be very dangerous. Some have open flames, and some contribute to poor air quality. Their use must be continuously monitored.

POWER OUTAGES:

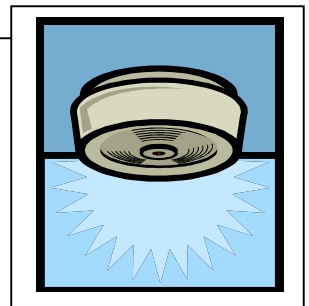
Have flashlights and a battery operated radio available. Your firehouse has heat, electricity, water and cooking facilities available for your use.

CANDLES:

Did you know that they are one of the leading causes of house fires? If you must use them, please do so with extreme caution.

FIRE HYDRANTS:

Please help us keep them clear when it snows!



Water System Breaks

You should notify the Water Commissioner immediately if you have low water pressure or no water and you have verified the problem is not at your residence, i.e., blocked faucet screens or frozen/broken pipes, etc. A call to your neighbor to inquire if they have water is also recommended.

Guidelines During/After a Water Main Break

The Water Department suggests the following actions to lessen the impacts of water main breaks on residents during and following the event. We appreciate your patience and cooperation.

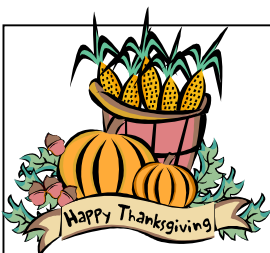
1. Please make every effort to conserve water during a water main break. This means only essential water use. Avoid doing laundry, washing cars, watering lawns, running the dish washer, etc.
2. When water service is restored, if weather conditions permit, run water (preferably from an outside faucet) to clear possible sediment from pipes. If water must be run from an inside faucet, it's recommended you remove the screen from the faucet to allow any sediment that may have collected to flow without restriction.
3. Department of Health regulations require an elevated, but safe, level of chlorine be present in the water for a period of time after the repair of a water main break. You may notice the odor of chlorine in your water after the repair is complete. This is normal and not dangerous to humans.

Remember to sign up for emergency email notifications at www.delanson.net for updated information.

Within the Village there are several distribution mains, which supply water to your home and the fire hydrants. Most of these mains are over 100 years old and are undersized. Because the location of the water main was not clearly known, it actually runs under basements in some homes within the Village! We now have GIS mapping that allows us to see where the water mains are and even allows us to calculate alternative routes, if need be.

Past efforts of administrators to present projects to replace our aging infrastructure have been voted down for various reasons, but the need is still very real. Our only alternative is to continue repairing the system in the most cost effective way possible while looking for funding that would allow another project to be presented in the future.

One very important element of securing funds is proving need or hardship within our community. The most effective way to determine this is by asking residents (renters & owners) to complete an income survey. There are many different factors that a grant writer must consider in addition to income. They take into consideration the racial structure of a community as well as minority including elderly. All this information is needed to make a determination and to avoid discrimination issues. Residents may be asked to complete the survey which is generally processed through an independent firm. The Village Board asks your consideration in completing and mailing the survey back as soon as possible. So whether you rent or own, your information is extremely critical in determining eligibility for funding in our community.



***The Village Officials
Wish You and Your's
Merry Christmas &
Happy Holidays!***



Local Law #1- 2008

In 2008 a Local Law was adopted prohibiting outdoor wood burning furnaces within the Village of Delanson. The use of outdoor wood burning furnaces may provide an economical alternative to conventional heating systems. Concerns have been raised, however, regarding the safety and environmental impacts of these heating devices, particularly the production of offensive odors and health effects of uncontrolled emissions. The Local Law may be reviewed at the Village Clerk's office, during office hours.

Local Law 1-2012 Animal Law

Section 5 **Feeding of Cats:**

This law prohibits the feeding of domestic cats outside the owners dwelling, unless the food is in a shelter where it cannot be penetrated by wild animals. Food or food vessels left outside for the purpose of feeding wild animals is strictly prohibited, with the exception of birds. Non-domestic cats are considered wild animals. *(To read this Local Law in its entirety visit the website or obtain a copy from the Village Clerk). The purpose of this section is intended to limit the food source for predatory animals and limit potential health hazards for Village residents.*

Preparing for an Emergency

The best way to survive an emergency is to plan ahead. Some of the things you can do to prepare for the unexpected, such as assembling a supply kit or "go bag" and developing a family communications plan, are the same for both a natural or man-made emergency. But different actions may be required for different emergencies. For example, a sudden emergency may force you to evacuate your home while an outbreak of pandemic flu could keep you home bound for up to two weeks. The Schenectady County Office of Emergency Management wants to help all residents be prepared for all emergency situations. Information is available in the Village Clerk office and on the website.

Create a Kit of Emergency Supplies

A basic emergency supply kit could include the following recommended items:

- Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation.
- Food, at least a three day supply of non-perishable food
- Battery powered or hand-crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Dust mask to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- manual can opener for food
- Local maps
- Cell phone with chargers, inverter or solar charger.

Schenectady County Voluntary Evacuation Registry

Every minute counts in an emergency. That is why we are pleased to announce the new Schenectady County Voluntary Evacuation Registry. The registry will help make sure our seniors and special needs residents get the assistance they need during an emergency evacuation. The Registration form is available in the Village Clerks office and on the website.

Village Officials & Phone Numbers

VILLAGE BOARD MEETS SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH 7PM - PLEASE JOIN US!

Government

Mayor	Gayle Gifford	895-2257	mayor@delanson.net
Trustee/ Deputy Mayor	Joshua O'Connor	256-6465	joshuadoconnor@delanson.net
Trustee	George "Bucky" Grenier	895-2199	info@delanson.net
Clerk	Isabelle Mormando	895-2199	clerk@delanson.net
Treasurer	Nicole O' Connor	895-2199	treasurer@delanson.net

Planning Board

Chairman	Al Zupal	895-9063	zoning@delanson.net
Secretary	Jim Donnelly	895-2199	zoning@delanson.net

Zoning Board of Appeals

Chairman	Larry O'Connor	495-7504
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Fire Department

Fire Chief / Treasurer	Kevin Morrison	895-2100	firechief@delanson.net
Asst. Chief	Dom Friello Jr.	895-2100	delansonfd@yahoo.com
President / Secretary	Jennifer Friello	895-2100	delansonfd@yahoo.com

Water Department

Water Commissioner	Jeff Iveson	895-8926	water@delanson.net
Assist. Water Comm.	Steve Micheli	895-8859	water@delanson.net

Building Permits

Building Inspector	Dale Warner	895-2040 x108	buildinginspector@delanson.net
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Animal Control

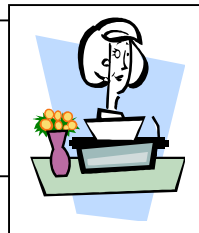
Animal Control	Darla Gullotta	860-3179	animalcontrol@delanson.net
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Other

Garbage Pickup	Pollard Disposal	861-6452	
Delanson Post Office		895-8810	
Duanesburg Town Clerk	Leah Lennon	895-8920 ext 100	llennon@duanesburg.net
Web Master	Bruce A. Barton		webmaster@delanson.net
Going to dig in the Village?	Call Dig Safely at then contact the Village	811 895-2199	Digsafely@delanson.net
Time Warner Cable		866-321-2225	
National Grid		800-642-4272	

Village Clerk's Office Hours

Call for appointment
518-895-2199



Website designed and
maintained by the voluntary
efforts of Village resident
Bruce Barton...
the Webguy!

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Newsletter courtesy of
Village resident
Mary McLaughlin

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