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NEWSLETTER

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Did You Know...

It is illegal To Plow Snow into A Street or Highway?

Winter is upon us, snow becomes the prevalent topic of conversation. With snow storms also comes the need for plowing, shoveling, and snow blowing of driveways, side-walks and parking lots.

Did you know that it is illegal to plow, shovel, or use a snow blower to put snow in a street or highway? Section 1219 of New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law prohibits doing this, along with other items likely to pose a hazard to motorists, including glass, nails, wire, cans, etc. and SNOW. Fines for a first offense include a \$100 fine and/or 15 days in jail, plus applicable surcharges.

This also means that, if you are a homeowner, and you hire a person to plow your driveway, and you permit him/her to plow the snow into the road, you could also be cited under this law.

So, even if the easiest way to rid your driveway, parking lot, or sidewalk of snow is to put it into the street or road and hope the next pass of the plow will take care of it, take note of this law and find another place to put the snow.



Please clear nearby fire hydrants

If you have a fire hydrant in front of or near your home, please make an effort to clear any snow and ice from around the hydrant. The effort could be a joint project between

several neighbors. In the event of a fire, the time spent by firemen clearing snow or ice from a hydrant could make a difference in the amount of damage done by the fire.

Please shovel your sidewalk.

Homeowners with a sidewalk in front of their home are responsible for keeping the sidewalk clear of snow and ice. We appreciate your consideration ... Thank you!

Snow from your driveway should never make it to the road.

It is essential to clear snow from your car’s roof, windshield, trunk and hood before you drive. Also make sure the headlights and taillights are clear. Snow left on vehicles roof can blow off onto the windshield of vehicles behind you causing an accident. In addition to causing accidents, failure to heed this advice can get you a traffic ticket.

Damage to mailboxes: Highway crews do their best to avoid mailboxes, but often times visibility, oncoming traffic and heavy snow work against them. The best method to protect your mailbox during the winter months is to ensure it is properly attached to the post and to keep the mailbox assembly simple to limit impact surface area for plowed snow. If damage is caused by snow removal, it is not done intentionally. It is, however, an unfortunate consequence of snow removal. As far as the particular agencies replacing damaged mailboxes,



it must be pointed out that there is no statutory or legal authority requiring them to do so. In fact, under Section 319 of the New York State Highway Law, mailboxes are considered high-way obstructions and are only “allowed” in the right-of-way as a convenience to the owner as it is understood they are required for mail delivery. Agencies may be inclined to replace a damaged mailbox under certain circumstances and at their discretion, if the damage was caused by the plows physically striking the mailbox. Typically, damage is caused by the weight of the snow being plowed off the road, in which case, the home-owner would be responsible for repair costs. Does your mailbox meet USPS specifications? Find out here:

https://www.usps.com/manage/mailboxes.htm

Please drive safe and be patient

Highway agencies spend a considerable amount of tax money to ensure the roads are cleared in an efficient manner after snow and ice events. Snow removal efforts do not guarantee bare or dry roads. The cost to provide these conditions would far outstrip what most tax payers would be willing to pay. Even when bare roads can be obtained, weather conditions such as wind and rapidly dropping temperatures can alter highway conditions dramatically from one area to the next. The best course of action for anyone traveling during the winter months is to adjust your driving to meet the conditions present. Allow for road conditions by leaving a little early, be patient and slow down.

Electronics Disposal Ban

As of January 1, 2015 – the full electronic disposal ban New York is in effect. Businesses and households are no longer allowed to dispose of their e-waste by placing it for collection intended for processing at a solid waste or hazardous waste management facility. In short, you can't place e-waste at the curb or give it to a company who is not a registered e-waste collector, consolidator or recycler. As a result, the Town Highway Department will no longer be hosting the annual clean up day.

Electronic Equipment Covered by the Law:

- **Computers** (including laptops, desktops, tablets and e-readers)
Consumers should erase all personal and confidential data before sending it for recycling or reuse. Reformatting your hard drive or deleting files does not destroy your data. Manufacturers must provide information on their public education websites on how consumers can destroy the data contained in their electronic waste. As previously mentioned, manufacturers may offer data security services as part of the electronic waste acceptance program, and may charge a fee for this type of “premium service”.
As a community service, [Home Electronic Services](#) of Delanson is offering **Village of Delanson residents complete & secure data removal from old computers for FREE!** To take advantage of this offer, simply call them at 518-231-3982 or visit their website at www.HESFixit.com.
- **Televisions**
- **Cathode ray tubes**
- **Computer peripherals** (including any cable, cord, or wiring accompanying the computer peripheral.)
 - Monitors
 - Electronic keyboards
 - Electronic mice or similar pointing devices
 - Facsimile machines, document scanners, and printers (only those intended for use with a computer and weighing less than 100 lbs.)
- **Small electronic equipment** (including any cable, cord, or wiring accompanying the small electronic equipment.)
 - VCRs
 - Digital video recorders (DVRs)
 - Portable digital music players
 - DVD players (including projectors with DVD player capabilities intended for home-use)
 - Digital converter boxes
 - Cable or satellite receivers (including digital media receivers)
 - Electronic or video game consoles (including both handheld devices and those intended for use with a video display device)
- **Small scale servers**



For more information, please visit the [N.Y.S. Dept of Environmental Conservation](#) website regarding the new electronic waste law and how to dispose of these electronics legally.

DFC Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 1st is the next pancake breakfast at the Delanson Firehouse. There will be 2 in March. March 1st and March 29th (because April 5th is Easter) April is usually the end of pancake breakfast season so the 29th is last breakfast for the season. They will be back in October!



Welcome to the new residents of Delanson! Be sure to check in with the Village Clerk to make sure your records are updated and visit the website at www.delanson.net for important information about Village goings on. You can also sign up for emergency email notifications, like water main breaks, etc.



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 breaks, 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 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?

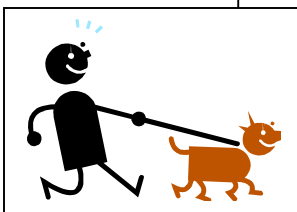
For more information on how you can help contact Jennifer

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. All dogs must be licensed; contact the Village Clerk.



At a regular meeting of the Delanson Village Board on January 12, 2015, a resolution was passed to allow the Schenectady County Board of Elections to conduct all future Village General Elections. Residents still request nominating petitions and absentee ballots from the Village Clerk and we will also select the election inspectors as we always have. All costs of administrating the Village elections will be absorbed by the Board of Elections, saving the Village hundreds of dollars each election year.

VILLAGE GENERAL ELECTIONS are elections that only Village residents are allowed to participate in. Residents vote for one Mayor and two Trustees and the candidates are your neighbors and friends. You must be 18 years of age, a resident of the Village for at least 30 days, a US citizen and registered to vote in Schenectady County. Terms of office are currently 4 years and elections are held in March.

There are no designated parties here in Delanson. Candidates are simply residents with a desire to be a positive contributor in the community in which they were raised or are raising their family. Candidates choose their own party name and symbol... one that best describes what they wish to accomplish.

If you want an opportunity to make great things happen in your community, you have that privilege. The next Village General Election will be held in March of 2017. Residents will vote for one Mayor and one Trustee for a 4 year term. Our Village remains one of over 500 independent communities in New York State. We are relatively young at just 6 years shy of 100! The next administration will have the honor of organizing our 100th Anniversary in 2021. That is a great thing!

Water Rents

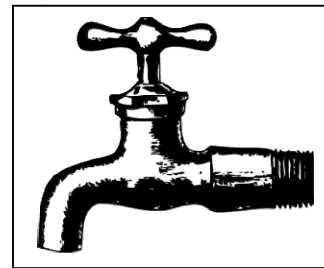
WATER RENTS are billed quarterly in July, October, January and April

1st Quarter - July through September due without penalty during July

2nd Quarter - October through December due w/o penalty during October

3rd Quarter - January through March due w/o penalty during January

4th Quarter - April - June due w/o penalty during April



Payments must be received no later than April 30th. Payments received after April 30th will be returned. Unpaid water rents for all Village Residents are re-levied May 15 annually to Village Tax.

Reminder – The Village Newsletter is available to view or print at Delanson.net.

Residents who prefer to view it online can email the Village Clerk clerk@delanson.net to be removed from the mailing list.

PLEASE CONSIDER THE ENVIRONMENT BEFORE PRINTING!

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

FEBRUARY 28, 2015 MAY 9, 2015

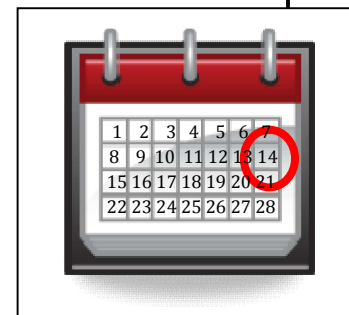
AUGUST 8, 2015 NOVEMBER 14, 2015

~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



Village Notes

VILLAGE TAXES are mailed May 31st.

Memorial Day Parade is in Delanson this year!!!!

VILLAGE WIDE GARAGE SALE IS JUNE 6TH!

Anyone interested in organizing this event should call Mayor Gifford at 895-2257.



Two Ways to Recycle Your Electronic Waste

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/66872.html>

Option 1: Use a Manufacturer's Takeback Program

1. **Go to DEC's** list of electronic equipment manufacturers registered in NYS, to find manufacturers, their brands electronic equipment covered by the law, and their electronic waste acceptance program websites and toll-free telephone numbers.

2. **Follow the specific instructions listed on the manufacturer's website or provided over the telephone.**

The manufacturer is required to provide information on how to recycle your equipment, free of charge. Please note: Manufacturers are required to accept their own brand of electronic equipment for recycling. They are also required to accept one piece of electronic waste *of any manufacturer's brand* if offered by a consumer with the purchase of electronic equipment covered by the law of the same type by a consumer.

- **Example:** If you purchase a new ABC-branded television and wish to recycle your old XYZ-branded television, you may use any free and convenient acceptance method provided by either ABC's or XYZ's manufacturer electronic waste acceptance program.

Option 2: Go to an Electronic Waste Collection Site

Residents in any part of the state can download the list of registered NYS Electronic Waste Collection Sites from the state website), sorted by county, to find a collection site near them.

Call ahead before using an electronic waste collection site as the site listed may not accept your particular type or brand of equipment. If the collection site is not affiliated with a manufacturer's acceptance program, **you may be charged a fee** to recycle your equipment. If you are looking for a free and convenient way to recycle your equipment, please first follow the Manufacturer Takeback Program steps above.

Schenectady County Waste Collection Sites:

ARC of Schenectady - Pine Ridge Industries	52 Market Street	Scotia	518-688-1932	00801
City of Schenectady Transfer Station	Weaver Street	Schenectady	518-785-7030	00652
Computer Answers of NY, Inc.	2330 Watt Street, Crosstown Plaza	Schenectady	518-346-0842	00316
Goodwill of Greater NY & NJ	1400 Altamont Avenue	Schenectady	518-355-4265	00487
Office Max	70 Campbell Road	Rotterdam	518-346-6007	00146
Omnis Computers	141 Erie Blvd.	Schenectady	518-372-7829	00336
Precision Industrial Maintenance	1710 Erie Blvd.	Schenectady	518-346-5800	00960
County Compost Facility	24 Hetcheltown Road	Glenville	518-399-6980	00390
Staples #0698	1350 Altamont Avenue	Rotterdam	518-356-3638	00687
The Salvation Army	282 Saratoga Road	Glenville	845-620-7220	00163
Town of Niskayuna	2555 River Road	Niskayuna	518-377-1400	00340
Verizon Wireless Retail Store	402 Balltown Road	Schenectady	518-688-1444	01057

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	895-6034	clerk@delanson.net

The Village Clerk is available to accept payments at her home or in the office. Call for a convenient appointment.

Treasurer	Nicole O' Connor	895-2199	treasurer@delanson.net
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Planning Board

Chairman	Al Zubal	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	

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Newsletter design courtesy of Village resident, Mary McLaughlin

What's Inside?

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