

2019
Town of Forestburgh Newsletter

A graphic with the word "MARCH" in large, bold, purple letters. The letters are decorated with various colorful flowers (yellow, orange, green) and butterflies (yellow and black) scattered around them.

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Board and Committee News:

For a copy of the minutes and/or agendas, please visit our website at www.forestburgh.net . While on the website, please check the calendar for upcoming events and meetings.

Town Board

The monthly Forestburgh Town Board meetings are held the 1st Thursday of every month at 7pm in the Town Hall, located at 332 King Rd., Forestburgh. The regular monthly Town Board meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 7:00pm** in the Town Hall. At the April meeting there will be a public hearing at 7:00pm for the proposed subdivision upgrades and revisions. The Town Board is also working with the Forestburgh Fire Department to update the 911 signs to be uniform across the town.

Planning Board

The Planning Board met in February and provided feedback to an applicant who sought to carry out a 4 lot subdivision - and then transfer each new parcel to adjoining land owners. Their application will have to be revised, but has not yet been, therefore it will not be on March's agenda. The March meeting, will be held on Tuesday, **March 26th at 7:00pm** in the Town Hall and will include a mandated review of two local laws which have been introduced by the Town Board - including a new Sign law, and the Subdivision code.

Announcements:

Free Tax Preparation

FREE TAX HELP FROM AARP AND THE IRS

Would you like help with your income tax preparation and filing? If so, volunteers trained as tax counselors by the IRS will prepare and e-file your Federal and State tax returns at several sites around Sullivan County, including Monticello, Liberty, and Eldred.

For more information or to make an appointment at the Cornell Cooperative Extension in Liberty, call (845) 292-6180. To make an appointment at the Monticello Library, call (845) 794-4660, and for the Eldred Library, call (845) 557-6258.

Sponsored by the AARP and IRS, with help from the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County.

Highway Department

Just a reminder that winter is still not over. There is salt & sand for residents at the Town Barn. Plans have been made for Spring Clean Up! This year it will run from May 6th – May 10th 7am until 6pm and May 11th from 7am until 5pm. If you are disabled or a senior citizen and need assistance please contact to

Highway Superintendent, Joe Ruggeri, at 794-8069. Full information can be found on the flyer and on the website, forestburgh.net.

Forestburgh Wellness with OrganicWorld.us

Now held on Fridays starting at 4:00pm on Fridays. For full details see the flyer on our website- forestburgh.net- under Boards/Committees-Worksite Wellness. Bring your own yoga mat, water bottle, and a friend! It's a great time!!

Sullivan 180

Hello Healthy Forestburgh! Our first meeting on February 27th was awesome - we welcomed about 15 residents who shared innovative and (really) creative ideas with Sullivan180 representatives Sandi Rowland, Executive Director, Jessica Toscano, Volunteer Coordinator, and Karen Ellsweig, our Town Health Champion. We also engaged in spirited discussions about the three health topics Forestburgh residents voted to emphasize in 2019: (1) community walks; (2) exercise classes; and, (3) social connections. Each attendee was given a "homework assignment" to bring another resident along to our next meeting. Karen's homework assignment was to create and maintain a cumulative list of all the healthy ideas which will eventually be placed on our Healthy Forestburgh Facebook Page (in development). That way, everyone will be able to see what we are planning, and what events/activities are in the pipeline.

Our next meeting will be held on **Thursday, March 27th, from 5:30 to 6:30**, at Town Hall. Dr Bruce Ellsweig will lead a discussion on "Blue Zones - The Science of Living Longer". Blue zones are areas around the world where researchers have scientific evidence that people live the longest and healthiest lives. We could all use a bit of that, right? If you are interested in making a healthy difference in our community, please come to our next meeting to find out what the excitement is all about.

Forestburgh Senior Events Jan-Apr. 2019

Mar. 19, Tuesday, Lunch

Apple Valley Family Restaurant, Milford 1:00 pm

Apr. 3, Wednesday, Club Meeting 1:00 pm-Town Hall

Guest Speaker- Nadine Gallagher, "The Hospital and You"

Apr. 17, Wednesday, Lunch

Yiasou Café, Liberty 1:00 pm

EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

PLEASE RSVP TO VICE PRESIDENT, ILONA BUDOFKY, 707-4590

ATI Farm Stand Schedule for 2019

Action Toward Independence and Community Action has released their dates for their free farm stand for 2019. The farm stands will be held at 309 East Broadway in Monticello from 10 am to 1 pm. on the following dates (weather permitting): January 30, February 27, March 27, April 24, May 29, June 19, July 31, August 28, September 18, October 30, November 20 and December 18. For the most up-to-date information and cancellations, check out Action Toward Independence's Facebook page, or listen to WSUL (98.3), WVOG (95.9), Thunder 102.1 and WJFF (90.5)

Our Town (Submitted by Town Historian, Sabina Toomey)

Thank you to Rue Weinger, Bob Stewart, Carl Amaditz and John Cassidy for your long time service helping our community with free tax preparation. Two new volunteer to this program are Susan Hawvermale and Gifford Shriver. Forestburgh members make up five of the seven volunteers offering their expertise. Please take the time to check out the website of the Sullivan County Cornell Cooperative

Extension for a list of the many programs being offered to help us all be healthy, happy and well informed.

Spring is coming! "Blooming Buddies", new name for the Renaissance program in our Town, needs volunteers. Our town is getting a Dove and you can help make our town bloom by planting the garden around it and then helping complete the planned rock garden. Please help out if you can! Volunteering makes you feel really great on so many levels.

Forestburgh Fire Department

The Forestburgh Fire Company will hold its annual Corned Beef Dinner at the Firehouse on Saturday, March 16th, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Price is \$13.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children under 12. Children under 6 are free. It's always a great dinner, so come on out and support your local Fire Company.

Blooming Buddies

Volunteers are always needed, especially now with the Dove Trail project starting. We will be planning and planting a beautiful Dove garden. Anyone interested can contact Joanne Nagoda at 794-0611 ext. 21 for more information and meeting times.

Community Events

Boy Scout Troop 101 will be hosting a Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner on Saturday, April 6, 2019 from 4:00 – 7:30pm at the Rock Hill Firehouse. Adults \$9, children \$6, and children under 5 are FREE! Take out is available! For more information contact Lisa (845)791-9731.

Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library

The inaugural Sullivan County Youth Book Festival will take place on Saturday, May 25, 2019 from 10am-4pm. Many authors and illustrators of books for infants through young adults will be at the library to meet with visitors. Along with book readings, there will also be musical guests, crafts, face painting, character meet and greets, and more throughout the day. Author and illustrator, Lindsay Barrett George will present a workshop titled *Once Upon a Doodle*, where parents and children will work together to use their doodles to communicate thoughts and feelings. All are welcome! More information is available on the website, scybookfest.org or by following @scybookfest on Facebook or Twitter. You may also call 794-4660 ext.8 or email scybookfest@gmail.com for more information.

NYS Burn Ban

Please be aware that beginning on March 16, 2019 through May 16, 2019 there is a state wide burn ban in effect. This includes burning barrels, open fires, brush piles, construction debris, etc. The burning of grass, leaves, and garbage is prohibited at all times throughout New York State. Any questions can be directed to Chief Todd Petrowsky at 794-7899.

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ATTENTION YOUTH OF FORESTBURGH!

Are you interested in participating in one of the best summers of your life? If you answered yes, look no further. The Town of Forestburgh Recreation Program is looking to hire 2 Counselors and 1 lifeguard for their 2019 summer program. The Forestburgh Recreation Program gives you an opportunity to work with children and spend time soaking up the sun. With co-workers you can not only trust and rely on, but who will become your friend, the Forestburgh Day Camp is more of a family, than it is a job. The camp session runs for five weeks from July 8- August 16. Lifeguards will get additional hours as their season runs from approximately June 24th- Labor Day weekend. If you are interested in a position, either counselor or lifeguard, please contact our director, Courtney Wissman at forestburghrecreation@gmail.com or the town bookkeeper Wendy Wells, at forestburghbookkeeper@yahoo.com or by phone at 845-794-0611 ext. 28. Applicants must be 14 years of age or older and have their working papers. Lifeguards must be at least 16 years of age with current certifications. We look forward to you joining our family!

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