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Town of Forestburgh Newsletter

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. You can also see postings for upcoming meetings at the Forestburgh Firehouse, Forestburgh Town Hall and in the Sullivan County Democrat newspaper.

Town Board

The Town of Forestburgh Town Board monthly meeting is usually held on the first Thursday of the month at 6:00pm located in the Forestburgh Town Hall. The next monthly meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, May 2, 2024**. For the monthly agenda, meeting minutes and updates, please visit the town website at www.forestburgh.net. You can also see postings for upcoming meetings at the Forestburgh Firehouse, Forestburgh Town Hall and in the Sullivan County Democrat newspaper.

For more information, please call the Town Hall at 845-794-0611 ext. 21.

Planning Board

The Planning Board held its regular March meeting. Two items were on the agenda. Resolutions conditionally approving the Proposed 5 MW solar project on Rt. 42 and associated land division were made and approved. The second agenda item was an application for a special use permit and site plan approval for a commercial use in a residential zone by Trips to Win LLC. The application was determined to be incomplete, and the matter was then addressed as a sketch plan review, where a number of issues were discussed with the applicant. Since the March meeting, additional materials have been submitted by this applicant, the proposed site plan had been amended and an associated application for a lot improvement has been submitted. Trips to Win will be the only substantive matter on the Planning Board's agenda for the April 23 meeting. Materials can be accessed at <https://forestburgh.net/boards-and-committees/planning-board/pending-applications/>.

Announcements:

Dog Control Officer

Reminder to all dog owners: by law all dogs must have current RABIES vaccinations and be licensed. Rabies and license tags must be attached to the dog's collar or harness at all times. There has been a significant increase in abandoned dogs, dogs roaming loose and bite incidents. Letting dogs run loose is not only illegal it also creates a safety hazard for the public, the dog and other pets. Please be a responsible dog owner and a good neighbor.

Our Town (as submitted by Town Historian, Sabina Toomey)

Where do you live? Is your address part of Forestburgh History? If you live on Mill Rd, you know it has been changed from the Nancy Jones Road. Called that because Nancy Jones once lived there. A historical marker and name change state the fact that one of the most prolific lumber mills in our town once stood there. Burns Road, a rather obscure road in Cuddebackville, leads two houses and is part of land owned by one of the old families who settled there. Dill Rd has a sad story to tell, a man who was active in starting our Fire Company and his family were killed in a fire because, back in the day we depended on the fire company in Monticello to respond to any fire calls in our town. The Vincent Toomey's used the pond they

built with a pump and hose to protect our house and as I recall it reduced our home owners insurance. Plank Rd got its name because it was paved with hemlock planks to allow heavy load timber wagons to connect with Rt 42, then called Mt. Hope Lumberland Turnpike, down to the Delaware and on to Philadelphia where the timber became masts for sailing vessels. If you look at a map, you can see the River continues South as far as the Chesapeake Bay, eventually flowing into the Atlantic Ocean. The Historian plans to continue this project in greater depth for our Town Historical Site on the town's website. Enjoy the Spring with all its blooms. Stay well. If you have allergies, take some honey purchased from a local apiary. The bees work some magic which can help reduce the affects of pollen. Another Spring time hit is to plant bee and butterfly gardens to help nature out.



Highway Department

The Highway Department will be in Hartwood working on ditching and still cleaning up around town. Also, they will be busy doing maintenance on equipment for spring and summer. Please notice that the following seasonal roads in the Town of Forestburgh will be open as of April 30, 2024: Eden Rd (dirt section), King Rd from Town Hall to Plank Rd, Tannery Rd from Rt 42 to Sackett Lake Rd, Carpenter Rd from Rt 42 to County Rt 48, Whitehead Rd off of Hartwood Club Rd going into Town of Deerpark, and Burns Rd Hill will reopen as of April 1st. The top half of Burns Rd to Galligan Rd will be closed due to maintenance.



HIRING Summer Pool Staff

Help us to prepare for the 2024 summer season! The Town of Forestburgh Recreation Department has P/T Lifeguard opportunities available for the upcoming summer season. We are looking for 2 fully certified Lifeguards at least 17 years old and a fully certified Head Lifeguard at least 21 years old. A background clearance check and pre-employment drug test will be issued. **Certification reimbursement at the end of the season, must stay for entire season!** **Weekends and Holidays are a must!** Head Lifeguard MUST be available to open the pool in May and close the pool after Labor Day. Salary commensurate with experience. If interested, please call the Town Hall at (845)794-0611 ext. 21.

Forestburgh Fire Company

SAVE THE DATE!

There will be a fundraiser for the Forestburgh Fire Company on Friday, May 17th at the Forestburgh Playhouse Tavern featuring the fantastic local band "Far Beyond Gone". Come and join us for cocktails, tasty nosh and plenty of dancing. \$15 cover charge. Doors open at 6:30pm for dinner and drinks (not included in ticket price). Show starts at 8pm. Book your table and tickets by calling 845-794-1194 or go to www.fbplayhouse.org

The Forestburgh Fire company will host a pancake breakfast on Sunday, May 19th from 8am-11am at the Firehouse. Adults \$13 and Children under 12 \$8.



SULLIVAN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

FREE

RABIES CLINIC

FOR DOGS, CATS, AND FERRETS



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.
Sullivan County
Department of Public Health

Wednesday, June 5, 2024 6:00-7:30 PM
Town of Fallsburg, Morningside Park Pavilion
638 Brickman Rd. Hurleyville, NY

- All pet owners must clean up after their pets.
- All pets must be at least 3 months old.
- All pets must be in a carrier or on a leash.
- Aggressive dogs should be muzzled to prevent any biting incidents.
- Bring proof of prior rabies vaccination to receive a 3-year vaccination.
- If you do not have proof of prior rabies vaccination, your pet will receive a 1-year vaccination.

Sullivan County Residents Only!

- Please bring photo ID as proof of Sullivan County Residency.
- No Pre-registration at this time, there maybe pre-registration at future clinics.

If you have any questions, please call:
Sullivan County
Department of Public Health
at : 845-292-5910, Ext. 0.

Town of Forestburgh Spring Clean Up 2024

May 9th – May 11th

Residents must separate materials into the following categories prior to bringing it to the town barn.

- A. Appliances and scrap metal (washers, dryers, stoves, water heaters, pipes, etc)
- B. Construction and demolition debris and bulky waste (furniture, mattresses, carpets, etc)
- C. Recyclables

******ANY BULKY WASTE SHOULD BE NEAT AND TIED WITH ROPE******
(For Example: shingles)

We cannot accept the following items:

- No tires
- No refrigerators or air conditioners
- No item greater than 4 feet in length (please cut to proper size)
- No fuel tanks, oil drums or large propane tanks
- No full or partially full cans of paint, petroleum products, pesticides or any other hazardous waste
- No brush, yard waste, bags of leaves, stumps or rocks
- No explosives, ammunitions, radioactive material, medical waste, medications or car batteries
- No household garbage or commercial waste
- No asbestos or liquids
- No electronic scrap

HOURS OF OPERATON

Thursday through Friday 7:00 am to 6:00 pm
All day Saturday May 11th from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm

Please, no more than one pick-up truck load per family. We are only allocated for 12 tons.

IF YOU ARE DISABLED OR A SENIOR AND NEED ASSISTANCE
Please call the town barn at 845-794-8069
Joe Ruggeri – Highway Superintendent

Sullivan County Youth Book Festival

Door Prizes
Musical Guests
Face Painting & Crafts
Character Meet & Greets
Author & Illustrator Signings
Teen & Children's Books for Sale
Interactive Performance from Farm Arts Collective
And More...

This project is made possible with funds from the Statewide Community Regrant Program, a program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature and administered by Delaware Valley Arts Alliance.

DVA
DELAWARE VALLEY ARTS ALLIANCE
ADVANCING THE ARTS

Sunday, May 19th | 10:00-3:00
Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library
479 Broadway, Monticello
scybookfest.org

Grievance Day

2024 Grievance Day will be May 30th from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. You must fill out an application with attached comparables and bring in or mail in to the Assessor's office. The application can be picked up at the Town Hall or found on the Town website, forestburgh.net. Any questions, please contact the assessor's office at (845)794-0611 Ext. 27.

NYS Burning Ban

NYS Burn Ban is in effect until May 14th.

The burning of chemically treated wood such as pressure-treated lumber and plywood is always prohibited! **Burning trash is prohibited in all cases.** The burning of loose leaves or leaf piles is also prohibited in New York State. You may report polluters by calling the DEC hotline at 1-844-DEC-ECOS (1-844-332-3267). For more information on open burning and to check out other clips on NYS DEC, check out their YouTube Channel or click here: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/32060.html>

Easy Sauteed Asparagus

1 Tbls. unsalted butter

1 Tbls. Olive Oil

1 small red onion, sliced

1 bunch asparagus, trimmed and cut into 2-inch pieces

Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper

1 tsp lemon zest, for garnish

Heat the butter and oil in a large sauté pan over medium heat. Add the onion and cook until they begin to soften, about 1 minute. Add the asparagus and season with 1 tsp salt and some pepper. Cook the asparagus, stirring occasionally, until cooked through but still bright green, about 4 minutes. Transfer the asparagus to a platter and garnish with lemon zest.

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