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## VILLAGE OF HUDSON FALLS WINTER/SPRING 2013 NEWSLETTER

## **MAYOR'S VIEW**

Well, when you receive this letter Spring will be around the corner. Soon it will be time for yard clean-up. Please note the leaf/brush pick-up section of this letter.

The resurrection of our Main Street corridor has started. We have had numerous businesses take advantage of grant money for facade improvements. Peter Hoffman's rehabilitation of Bank Commons property is an exciting project for the continued success of our downtown.

We are currently investigating sharing our Village Hall with the Town which will help move the Strand Theatre project forward. Part of this vision includes the Wall Street pond area. We have started some brush removal to open this area for a musical/arts type venue.

In closing, I must say I am very excited about the future of our Village with many great projects moving forward. During the Route 4 reconstruction phase, exercise caution and patience and more importantly, continue to support all of our local businesses during this time frame. We must help them "weather the storm".

Sincerely, Mayor John Barton

## **RT 4 RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

The long awaited Route 4 Reconstruction Project has finally begun. The project includes a new drainage system, new water line and sewer line with new house connections and new sidewalks. It will take approximately two years to complete. Please be patient and aware of the dangers involved in a road construction project. Once completed the Village will have a facelift we can all be proud of.

### **BANK COMMONS**

With assistance from a RESTORE NY Grant and a NYS Main Street Grant, developer Peter Hoffman has rehabilitated the former TD Bank building and the Parkside Flowers building. Three (3) apartments have been completely renovated on the upper floors and the remaining portions of the bank building will be filled with commercial businesses. The parking lot has been renovated to include period lighting. The Village is excited to see new life brought to the corner and to downtown.

### **REMINDERS - SPRING IS COMING** Let's Improve our Quality of Life and Property Values in the Village

STORAGE/PARKING RVs/CAMPERS/BOATS. It shall be unlawful to stand or park a recreation vehicle in the Village right-of-way; no recreation vehicle shall be used as a residential dwelling; it must be operable and in condition for its intended use; and it must be stored behind the front setback or building line.

# USE OF OFF ROAD RECREATION VEHICLE.

It is unlawful to operate an off-road recreational vehicle for sport or recreation from 8 pm to 9 am; it shall be unlawful to operate an off-road recreational vehicle within 100 feet of a dwelling other than the owner or operator of the vehicle; it shall be unlawful to operate an off-road vehicle within 75 feet of a right of way or highway.

STORAGE ON PORCHES. Upholstered furniture, mattresses, appliances and items not intended for outdoor use on residential premises may not be stored on front and side porches of residential properties. This can be unsightly and can impact the use and enjoyment of your neighbor's property.

**CATS** - You must keep your cats on your own property. Please respect your neighbors. Cats make wonderful pets, but they can become a nuisance. Uncared for cats can become a health concern.

**DOGS** – Please respect your neighbor, don't allow your dog to habitually bark. Clean up all feces immediately from streets and sidewalk areas. It is unlawful for the owner of a dog to allow a dog to defecate on the property of another.

**GARAGE SALES/YARD SALES:** It is unlawful to conduct a garage sale or yard sale for more than three (3) consecutive days and more than two (2) times per calendar year.

**TEMPORARY SIGNS.** Temporary signs are signs which may advertise political campaigns, community events, garage sales and real estate. Temporary signs may <u>not</u> be posted in the village or state right away, are restricted to no more than 2 per parcel and shall be placed no closer than five (5) feet from the front or side lot line of the parcel. Signs advertising garage sales may <u>not</u> be posted for more than four (4) days. All other signs require a permit. We ask your cooperation in keeping with these regulations to ensure and improve the appearance of the Village.

**OPEN BURNING**. Outdoor recreational fires are permitted so long as they are contained to three (3) feet in diameter & three (3) feet in height.

**SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE**. Maintenance of sidewalks is the responsibility of abutting property owners.

## WANTED - COMMUNITY MINDED VILLAGE RESIDENTS

**Board Vacancies.** The Zoning Board of Appeals is in need of alternate board members. If you are interested contact the Village offices at 747-5426.

## VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS

The Village Board meets the second Monday of every month at 6 p.m. (June – Sept at 4pm) all residents are encouraged to attend.

### **EMPLOYEE SERVICE RECOGNITION**

We would like to thank the following employees for their years of dedicated service to the Village:

Michael Fiorillo – 35 Years on 7/3/13 Phillip Omiecinski – 33 Years on 3/15/13 Curtis Pedone – 33 Years on 5/10/80 David Willis – 33 Years on 7/18/13 Andrew Szostak – 29 Years on 7/23/84 Randy Diamond – 28 Years on 11/1/85 Stephen Fiorillo – 28 Years on 12/2/85 Kelly Sawyer - 21 Years on 1/6/92 Robert Lindsay - 21 Years 4/20/92 Paul Loding - 20 years on 6/1/93 Thomas Fiorillo – 20 Years 9/27/93Earl MacDuff, Jr. - 18 Years on 9/5/95 James Rivers Jr. - 17 Years on 4/1/96 Scott Gillis – 17 Years on 7/29/96 Andrew Hogan - 16 Years on 4/7/97 William Morehouse - 15 Years on 8/31/98

## DID YOU KNOW?

#### LEAF & BRUSH PICKUP INFO:

**SPRING:** April 1<sup>st</sup> to May 30<sup>th</sup> - DPW will pick up loose leaves and brush (must be in separate piles – no complete trees or stumps).

**SUMMER:** June 1<sup>st</sup> to October 4<sup>th</sup> – Monday pickup of bagged leaves and bundled trimmings. Tree trimmings must be bundled and should be no longer than 6 feet.

**PARKING RESTRICTION:** December 1<sup>st</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup> no parking on Village Streets between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.

**TRASH RECEIPTICLES:** Trash receptacles must be removed from the village right-of-way within 24 hours of trash pickup.

## VILLAGE INFORMATION

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