



Town of Westerlo Newsletter



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Westerlo Honors Veterans

The Westerlo Hometown Heroes Committee had a busy fall planning and hosting two events. On the 5th of November, the fifth annual Hometown Heroes Banner Closing Ceremony was held at the First Baptist Church of Westerlo. Over 150 community members and dignitaries were in attendance. Guests enjoyed hearing from Republican Congressional Candidate Liz Joy, a wife and mother of veterans, as she spoke about what she experienced during their time serving our country. Norwich University's elite regimental drill team, The Shock Platoon, performed maneuvers and wowed guests with their talents. Each family member and/or veteran who had a banner displayed this year was presented with their banner along with a flag flown over the New York State Capitol and proclamations from Assemblyman Chris Tague as well as from Albany County Executive Dan McCoy. Previous Town Historian Dennis Fancher and his wife Sue, displayed military memorabilia. Refreshments were enjoyed by everyone.

During the ceremony, the Committee announced two new programs. For a limited time, the Committee will be selling Westerlo commemorative keepsake coins. These coins honor those who have and are currently serving in the military. The cost of the coins are \$25 each. More information can be found on the Town's website and the Committee's Facebook page.



Continue reading on Westerlo Hometown Heroes Page!

WESTERLO TOWN HALL
933 COUNTY ROUTE 401
WESTERLO, NY 12193
(518) 797-3111

Supervisor
Matt Kryzak

Confidential Administrator
Rosemary McHugh
Ext. 1014

Monday-Thursday 9 am – 3 pm
By Appointment Only

Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Karla Weaver
Ext. 1011

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
7:30 am – 3:30 pm
Thursday 2 pm – 7 pm

Code Enforcement Officer
Jeff Pine
Ext. 1017
Thursday 5 pm – 7 pm

Town Assessor
Melanie Bunzey
Ext. 1016

Thursday 4:30 pm – 7 pm
or by appointment

Assessor/CEO Clerk
Claire Marshall
Ext. 1019

Monday-Wednesday 8 am – 1 pm
Thursday 2 pm – 7 pm

Highway Superintendent
Jody Ostrander
Highway Garage

671 County Route 401
(518) 797-3205

Winter Hours: Monday – Friday
7:30 am – 4 pm

Summer Hours (May 1st-Oct 1st):
Monday-Thursday 6:30 am – 5 pm

Transfer Station

88 Annabelle Rd
Westerlo, NY 12193
(518) 797-3536

Saturday 8 am – 3:45 pm
Sunday 8 am – 11:45 am
Tuesday 8 am – 3:45 pm

Justice Court

671 County Route 401
Westerlo, NY 12193
(518) 797-3239

Tuesday 4 pm – 6 pm
Wednesday 4 pm – 7 pm
Court Session
Wednesday 7 pm

All Town Offices are CLOSED on HOLIDAYS



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by special request. Please contact the
Town Clerk's office!



From the Supervisor's Desk



December 3rd marked the Town's Second Annual Tree Lighting ceremony here at the Richard Rapp Municipal Building. Santa and Mrs. Claus came to town with their reindeer to visit Westerlo children ahead of the holiday. Families came out to see Santa

light the tree in front of the Town Hall, support Westerlo children in need, take photos with Santa and partake in arts and crafts. All involved enjoyed seeing children's faces light up telling Santa if they were good boys and girls and what they wanted for Christmas.

A special thanks to Delmar Hannaford, Voorheesville Hannaford, Stewarts, Tops and all the helpful volunteers who made this event possible.

Thank you for sharing part of the holiday with us. It was a lot of fun and yet another successful event!

Taking a look back at 2022, most COVID restrictions were lifted which allowed the Town to resume in person meetings and events. There was a lot of business conducted in 2022, such as the appointment of Peter Mahan to the Town Board, the adoption of three local laws, hiring a new accountant and the renaming of the park just to name a few.

A few things to look forward to in 2023...

We hope to have more activities for seniors and to expand the youth program. Anyone wishing to volunteer for any events please contact the Town Clerk's office, they would be happy to have the help!

The Town is in the process of having the Town Hall parcel surveyed with the hopes that a piece can be subdivided for the Westerlo Vol. Fire Co. so they can build a new fire house. They are in desperate need of a new facility and this would allow them to continue serving the Town while the building is being constructed.

We listened to the residents and are working to find more vendors for this year's farmers market. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact the Town Hall.

Happy New Year!

Supervisor Matthew Kryzak



Boards and Committees

Town Board

Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month @ 6 pm

Broadband Research Committee

Meets 3rd Monday of the month @ 7 pm

Chairperson

Carrie Wallace

tow.brc.chair@gmail.com

Museum Board

Meets 2nd Thursday of the month @ 6 pm

Director/Curator

Mary-Jane Araldi

museum@townofwesterlony.com

Planning Board

Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 7 pm

Chairperson

Beau Loendorf

b.loendorf.pb@townofwesterlony.com

Water Committee

Meets 3rd Monday of March & October @ 6 pm

Chairperson

Jim Loux

louxjames@gmail.com

Westerlo Hometown Heroes

Meets 4th Tuesday of the month @ 6 pm

Chairperson

Amie Burnside

westerlohometownheroes@gmail.com

Zoning Board of Appeals

Meets 4th Monday of the month @ 7 pm

Chairperson

Rich Van Iderstine

r.vaniderstine.zb@townofwesterlony.com

Please check the Town's website for upcoming Town meetings, events and community news! You can view legal notices in the Altamont Enterprise.



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On the Road with the Highway Department

Please drive safely and responsibly this winter season. Did you put good snow tires on your vehicles? Remember to give snowplows plenty of space.

The Highway Department employees have prepared the ice rink which is ready for your enjoyment. There are bins of various size ice skates at the Town Hall that you are welcome to sign out for free. Just visit the Town Clerk's office.

On another note, 2023 Transfer Station permits are on sale now for \$25 for the year. Please submit an application along with the fee to either the Town Hall or Transfer Station.



It's the new year!

2022 was a difficult year overall for so many reasons, including the rising costs of food, electricity, heating oil and gasoline. No one made it out unscathed. There were, however, many Town events that made 2022 exceptional, such as the Museum's Winter Festival and Wreaths Across America Ceremony, the Easter EGGstravaganza, Fall Festival, Farmers Market, Youth Program, the Hometown Heroes Closing Ceremony and Veterans Monument Ceremony, ice skating and of course the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Let's be hopeful that 2023 will be a little easier for all of us. We wish all of you a happy and healthy new year!

Town Clerk's Corner

Fishing, hunting and marriage licenses may be obtained at the office of the Town Clerk, 933 County Route 401. The Town Clerk's office also issues dog licenses, parking permits for persons with disabilities, Certificates of Residence, transfer station permits (residents only), birth/death/marriage certificates and copies of vital records. They can also assist with genealogy searches, Freedom of Information (FOIL) requests as well as free notary services. Acceptable forms of payment include: cash, check, money order, credit/debit card. ***Please note: There's a fee for credit/debit cards however, they're NOT accepted for NYS DEC transactions***

NEW INFORMATION

- **2023 property tax bills were just mailed out. They are due without penalty by Jan. 31st. There is a 1% penalty for paying in February and a 2% penalty for paying in March. Any unpaid bills as of April 1st will be forwarded to Albany County Department of Finance. Please contact them to make payments after April 1st.**
- **Just a friendly reminder that every dog in town needs to be licensed**
- **2023 Transfer Station permits are required in order to dispose of your waste at the Transfer Station. Applications are available at the Town Clerk's office, Transfer Station and [online](#).**
- **Just like everything else, credit/debit cards fees have increased. Please keep this in mind when paying with a credit/debit card.**
- **A HUGE thank you to everyone who donated toward the food and toy drive at the Town Hall. It was amazing to see the generosity of residents and nonresidents this time of year. The next donation will be for the Hilltown Community Resource Center as well. They are in desperate need of toiletry items for people in the community. Thank you in advance for your help!**

Broadband Research Committee (BRC)

There is no new information to share this quarter.

The BRC is in need of volunteers in assisting the Chair. If you are in need of Internet, please consider helping. Anyone interested in joining should reach out to the Town Clerk's office.

The BRC meets the 3rd Monday of every month at 7 pm for anyone interested in attending. Please see the [website](#) for cancellation notices.

News from the Assessor

- The Assessor's office has mailed Agricultural Exemption renewal forms and Aged-All (Limited Income Seniors) Exemption renewal forms to residents currently receiving either or both of these exemptions. If you have not received your renewal form, please contact the Assessor's office. All exemption forms are due to the Assessor by March 1st, 2023!
- Any Veteran or disabled individual that has not yet inquired about a potential property tax exemption should contact the Assessor to check eligibility.
- Please make sure that you make us aware of any mailing address change.
- Any property owner turning 65 years old this year may be eligible for the Enhanced STAR exemption. Contact the Assessor for more information!
- The Assessor will continue to drive around town to take pictures of new structures when a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued to building permit holders. There will be a Town of Westerlo magnetic sign on the side of the vehicle used to accomplish this task. Do not hesitate to contact the Assessor's office if you have any questions.
- The Assessor's regular office hours are Thursdays from 4:30 pm to 7 pm however, this does not mean she is not in the office other times. The set hours from 4:30 pm to 7 pm are for the public to come to this office for assistance without an appointment. Please contact the Assessor if you need to make an appointment outside the set hours. Voicemail messages are checked daily and calls will be returned promptly. In most circumstances, calls are returned when the Assessor is in the office so that she can reference information only available at the office.
- The 2022 Final Assessment Roll was filed on July 1, 2022. It may be viewed on the Town's website.
- **Reminder: Can your house #'s be seen? This is very important for emergency services!**
- **If you need assistance, contact Claire Marshall, Clerk to the Assessor at (518) 797-3111 x 1019 Monday – Wednesday 8 am – 12 pm & Thursday 2 pm – 7 pm.**

Dear Code Enforcement Officer

Like "Dear Abby" but with a more practical application, Westerlo's Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) will answer questions here in the newsletter for the benefit of all residents. Questions do not need to be property or resident specific. Please submit your questions to: CodeEnforcement@TownOfWesterloNY.com. The CEO will pick one or two questions to answer in the next newsletter.

2022 has been a busy year for the building department and the planning and zoning boards.

The Town has reviewed and approved several new businesses this year.

We have a wedding and event venue located by the basic reservoir. This is the second wedding venue located in Town.

There is a three plex rental building located on the old Shepard farm resort. It is fully occupied with a hair salon, an abstract company and a private company office space.

Also located on the old Shepard farm resort is a new retail/ antique shop.

A flower shop has opened in the hamlet of South Westerlo in the building that once housed the original Bryant's market.

Catholic charities have completed renovations to their new location across from Hannay Reels. The new space should be a big improvement over the space they have been using at the Westerlo Reformed Church. The newly renovated space will contain office space in the converted house along with a food distribution center in the garage. There will be extra parking in the rear along with handicap access.

The diner in the hamlet of Westerlo is nearly done with their renovations and should be open shortly. Beside the existing gas pump the new owner will have sit down and takeout food service plus some retail sales items such as beer, eggs, milk, etc.

It is really great to see these new small businesses take root in Westerlo. Can't wait to see what is coming next year!

– Jeff Pine CEO

Westerlo Hometown Heroes

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In addition, the Committee is now offering banners to honor firefighters, law enforcement, EMS and dispatchers. As with our veteran banners those being honored must currently live in or have lived in the town of Westerlo. Proof of residency

(past or present) is required. The banners will cost \$200 and boast their own design. More information will be posted on the Town's website when it becomes available.



On November 13th, during Veterans' Day weekend, was the unveiling and dedication ceremony of Veterans' Garden in the Town of Westerlo's Veterans Memorial Park. Over 150 people were present to honor our nation's armed forces. As part of the ceremony, Supervisor Kryzak rededicated the town park as the Town of Westerlo Veterans' Memorial Park. In honor of this re-dedication, Assemblyman Chris Tague presented the Town with a flag flown over the New York State Capitol and a proclamation to historically mark the re-naming of the Town Park. A new sign was erected at the entrance of the park. The sign, its materials and the labor to create and install the sign was donated in its entirety by town resident Dave Burkhart. Flags for every branch of the military and the American flag were presented by Assemblyman Tague. They were hoisted for the first time by Greenville American Legion Post 291. The feature monument, one that pays tribute to all veterans who have or are currently serving, was unveiled by Town Supervisor, Matt Kryzak and his wife Becky. Westerlo Rural Cemetery President Betty Filkins and her husband Vietnam War Veteran Rich Filkins unveiled the POW/MIA monument. This monument, as well as the Battlefield Cross, was made possible with a grant through the Albany County Legislature and Westerlo Rural Cemetery. The Cemetery applied for and was awarded a grant by the Legislature to assist the Hometown Heroes Committee in honoring our veterans. The grant was sponsored by Legislators, Chris Smith and Zach Collins. The Battlefield Cross was unveiled by Ricky Haley Sr. and his wife Rachel who have many Westerlo Veterans in their family. Keynote speaker for the event was former Westerlo resident and hometown hero, Corporal Luke McDermott who left guests with some advice, "If you want to know the best way to thank a Veteran, it's to be a good American, help your neighbors and help your community." Future plans for Veterans' Garden include an annual Veterans Day Ceremony. Supervisor Kryzak also welcomes any veteran organization to reserve the Town Park at no cost for events.

Anyone wishing to participate in the 2023 Hometown Heroes Banners can download forms from the Committee's [Facebook page](#), the Town's [website](#) or stop by the Town Hall. Sponsors and donors are always welcome. Any amount is gratefully accepted so that we may continue to provide banners for those who are not able to purchase one on their own. Anyone who wishes to re-hang a banner must also complete a form. All forms and payments are due no later than April 1st – no exceptions. Please feel free to email the committee with any comments or questions. WesterloHometownHeroes@gmail.com

- Submitted by the Westerlo Hometown Heroes Committee



DEADLINE APRIL 1, 2023
Submit your applications, photos
and payment for new Veteran
Banners and/or First Responder
Banners or to re-hang a previous
year's banner.
WesterloHometownHeroes@gmail.com

Westerlo Historical Society

The Westerlo Historical Society meets
the third Monday of each month
September – June at 7 pm at the
Westerlo Reformed Church Hall.

New members welcome!



Museum News

The Museum Board has been busy during the holidays. Have you noticed the decorations at the Museum and on the signs around town?

Thanks to everyone who purchased baked goods at the Election Day bake sale and participated in the Chance Auction during the Tree Lighting event. They were both successful. All proceeds are going to the building fund.

The Wreaths Across America ceremony and laying of wreaths on Veteran's graves was initially scheduled for Saturday, December 17th, however; was delayed until Sunday due to a winter storm. Wreaths were laid at all three of the Town's cemeteries which was very moving. A special thank you to the New York Patriot Guard Riders who attacked as Color Guards, Brodie Shaver who sang the National Anthem and the Westerlo Fire Department Fire Police for traffic control.



Upcoming events:

The Second Annual Winter Festival will be on Saturday, February 4th from 12 pm to 3 pm. Snow date is Sunday, February 5th.

The second year for "Brunch for Mom" will be held Sunday, May 7th. Honor your mother the week before Mother's Day! Stay tuned for more information.

Westerlo History

Fords Corners (corner of route 85 and route 143 by M&B's gas station)
How was this named? Who were the Ford's?

In 1788, Colonel Jacob Ford (1744-1837), an officer in the Revolution and resident of Austerlitz, NY, purchased Lot # 318 from Stephen Van Rensselaer. He erected a simple house on it which burned down prior to 1822 when a new home was erected. Colonel Ford then either gave or sold this parcel of land to his son, Sylvester Ford (who built the second house) and lived in it as a farmer for more than 40 years. The homestead was where the old Army Core of Engineers building currently stands. Sylvester married Lydia Reed (a descendant of John Reed, one of Cromwell's officers hailing from Cornwall England).

Sylvester was "one of the substantial men of his time" being a member of the Assembly in 1815 and Westerlo Town Supervisor in 1820. He was also very active in the Baptist Church and the mission's society. In 1837, his wife and he moved to Oneonta for their retirement years. Prior to leaving Westerlo, he passed the farm to his son, Alexander Hamilton Ford, who also raised his family on this site. Alexander married Julia Atkins and had two children, Henry Atkins Ford and Lydia Reed Ford. Upon Julia's death at age 57, Alexander married Julia's younger sister, Martha.

Upon Alexanders death, the homestead was bequeathed to his son, Henry Atkins Ford, who was a farmer, a shoemaker and ran a sawmill. Henry and his wife Christiana Jones, cared for Martha until her death. Henry and Christiana had 7 children, only 3 survived past their 30s and 3 out of the remaining 4 died in infancy. All but one is buried in the Westerlo Rural Cemetery. Their daughter Martha married Edwin Hannay and were the parents of Clifford Beaman Hannay, founder of Hannay Reels. So, many local surnames intermarried with the Ford family (Atkins, Jones, Reed, Hannay, etc.) including Helen Bell who was Henry Ford's granddaughter through his daughter, Lydia Reed Ford Taylor!

Written by Gayle Hannay, Town Historian

Source: The Ford Genealogy, by Eliakim Reed Ford

See the "Mark Your Calendar Page" for upcoming events! Check the Town [website](#) for updates!

What's Hot with The Westerlo Fire Company

We want to thank everyone who has dropped off returnable cans and bottles at the Westerlo firehouse on State Route 143! We have returned well over \$3,000 worth so far and that money is going into our new building fund. Special thanks to Ricky and Rachael Haley who have made most of the runs to Jennifer at CC Recycling in East Durham, who count them all for us!

We are having our "annual" banquet in January which we were unable to host for the past three years due to COVID restrictions. This is to swear in our new officers and to honor those who respond to calls on a regular basis as volunteers. This event is paid for with what is known as 2% money we get that can only be spent on the Volunteers.

The breakfasts are back! Join us February 25th, March 25th and April 22nd. Keep an eye on the sign boards for more information!

Hilltowns Community Resource Center

Things have been very busy at the Resource Center. Our free clothes store at Woodman's Hall was a huge success. We served over 400+ individuals with clothing and housewares. Thanks to the Helderberg Kiwanis that ran the program and did a fantastic job setting up the store, breaking down the store and assisting people as they shopped. Also, a BIG thank you to the Westerlo Vol. Fire Dept. for letting us use their space once again. We can't run these programs without everyone's support.

We have been very busy moving our Resource Center to its new home at 562 State Route 143, Westerlo. The Food Pantry is located in the rear of the building. If anyone is in need of help with food please feel free to contact the office at (518) 966-7380 or email Mary Beth at marybethp@cclbany.org. If you cannot get to the pantry, we will be happy to deliver food to your home. We've also been busy assisting community members with HEAP and SNAP applications. If you have a need that is not being met and need assistance, please feel free to reach out to us. We will find the resources necessary to assist you.

A huge thank you to the Westerlo Reformed Church for hosting our food pantry in their space the past 11 years. We have been blessed with lifelong friends that have been there for us through the good times and the rough times. We look forward to continue working with these wonderful people in the future.

Lastly, we would like to thank everyone that supported the Toy Drive and Food drive at the Town Hall there are so many families right in our community that will benefit from your kindness. Town Clerk, Karla Weaver, did an amazing job organizing the drives and is always so supportive of our mission.

A Happy and Healthy New Year.

Mary Beth Peterson

Food Pantry Information



Hilltown Community Resource Center

Hours: Monday – Friday 10 am – 4 pm. Pantries are by appointment only!

New location: 562 NY 143, Westerlo

Contact: Mary Beth Peterson (518) 966-7380

Hugs for the Hilltowns

Hours: Friday 9 am – 12 pm

Location: Helderberg Lutheran Church basement

Contact: Jean Guarino (631) 626-5191 or Carrie Stewart Needham (518) 273-1568 or Kav Mann (518) 944-4588

Rock Road Community Storehouse

Hours: Wednesdays & Saturdays 7 am – 9 am

Location: Rock Road Chapel 96 Rock Rd., Berne

Contact: Martha Davis (518) 221-2479

The Little Free Food Pantries

Hours: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Location: Knox Town Hall and behind Helderberg Lutheran Church

Contact: Ted Kunker, kunker4@hotmail.com H. (518) 872-1724, W. (518) 456-5810, C. (518) 275-9506

Potter Hollow Food Pantry

Hours: 2nd & 3rd Saturday of the month 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Location: Potter Hollow Union Church
4824 Potter Hollow Rd., Potter Hollow

Contact: Carol Miles (518) 860-3061

(You don't have to live in the town to utilize any food pantry listed!)



Read Up on the Library

Adult Programs

Spice Sampling – Every month the library has a spice take and make, with spice samples and three recipes.

The Westerlo Public Library has a Book Club. Meetings are the third Thursday of each month at 4 pm (please note new time) in the library. Copies of the current book are available at the circulation desk.

Youth Programs

Lego Club is Mondays at 3:30 pm – 5 pm.

Storytime is Wednesdays at 10:30 am.

Homework Club and STEM activities are Thursdays at 3:30 pm – 5 pm.

Technology

Have questions about technology? We can help! If we don't have the answers, we can find them for you.

The library has 24/7 WiFi that is available outside. There are charging stations (USB and regular plugs) available around the patio.

There are computers available for use in the library.

Digital Collection

There are two ways to get e-books, audiobooks, comics, magazines, television, music, and movies through the library. First, there is Libby, an app that you can download from the App Store (Apple devices) or Google Play (Android) that gets you access to books, audiobooks, and magazines.

We also have Hoopla (another app) that has e-books, audiobooks, movies, television, music, and comics. Stop by the library for help getting started!

Gallery Space The library has Gallery space that exhibits a local artist every 2 months. Look for an announcement of the January/February exhibit.



Westerlo Library
604 NY 143

Westerlo, NY 12193

Hours:

Mon – 2 pm – 7 pm

Tues – 2 pm – 7 pm

Wed – 9 am – 2 pm

Thurs – 2 pm – 7 pm

Fri – 2 pm – 7 pm

Sat – 9 am – 2 pm

Sun – Closed

For more information call:

(518) 797-3415

Amy Powarzynski

Library Manager

director@WesterloLibrary.org

Westerlo Library Community Room

The Westerlo Library has a lovely community room for use by groups for meetings. Stop by for an application for use, or email director@westerlolibrary.org, for more information.

2023 Trustee Meetings – 7 pm in the Hannay Community Room

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

Wednesday, July 12, 2023

Wednesday, August 9, 2023

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

Wednesday, October 11, 2023

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

HOLIDAY CLOSINGS FOR 2023

JANUARY

Monday, January 2 – New Year's Day
Observed

Monday, January 16 – Martin Luther King Jr.'s Day

FEBRUARY

Monday, February 20 – Presidents' Day

MAY

Monday, May 29 – Memorial Day

JUNE

Monday, June 19 – Juneteenth

JULY

Tuesday, July 4 – Independence Day

SEPTEMBER

Monday, September 4 – Labor Day

OCTOBER

Monday, October 9 – Indigenous Peoples' Day

NOVEMBER

Saturday, November 11 – Veterans Day

Thursday, November 23 – Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER

Monday, December 25 – Christmas Day

Westerlo Rural Cemetery - Route 143

We underwent a State Audit on December 28th 2022 and our affairs were in immaculate order therefore the next audit will be in one year after we pay this year's burial fees to the state! Because of COVID and a shortage of auditors we had not been audited in 10 years. They recommended the purchase of a fire/water proof safe especially in light of all the cemetery records being destroyed about 50 years ago, in a previous Secretary's garage. We owe a large thanks to our past Historian, Thurman Bishop, for recreating all the cemetery records by recording every stone in our cemetery. The only concern is, if the family did not place a stone, there is no record of the death. If anyone has any knowledge of a deceased person without a monument, please send information to: Westerlo Rural Cemetery, PO Box 29, Westerlo, NY 12193.

We will hold our State mandated annual meeting on **Thursday, March 30th at 7 pm** at the Town Hall. All plot owners are able to vote (one vote per deeded cemetery lot) at these meetings; meetings are open to the public. Election of officers and Trustees will be held at this meeting so if you are interested in running, please attend. You must be a plot owner to be an officer or Trustee.

Spring cleanup is currently scheduled for April 15, 2023 (Easter is the 9th). Pray that snow is over by then.... We will start at 10 am and would really appreciate it if you could join all the volunteers who work so hard to make this a beautiful resting place for our ancestors and loved ones. Last year's cleanup was a HUGE success and we were even able to complete it in four hours rather than three days thanks to the many folks that helped us and those that brought their own equipment!

We received a letter of recognition from the Division of Cemeteries, State of New York, Department of State this fall which stated we had no violations and congratulated us on the appearance of our not-for-profit cemetery!

The Westerlo Rural Cemetery and the Hometown Heroes jointly applied for an Albany County Grant to honor all Veterans, by placing monuments in the "Veterans Garden" in the newly renamed "Town of Westerlo Veterans Memorial Park" on CR 401 in Westerlo. The Albany County Grant was approved and \$6,650 was awarded from three Albany County Legislators. Each one is given money to award and our application received two full awards and a partial third one! Please visit the park and see the beautiful Veterans Monuments.

Next year, the plan is to apply for grants for a columbarium as so many folks are opting for cremation to save money. We spoke to Cunningham's Funeral Home and they've indicated there is a great need for one in this area as currently all of the ones locally are full, but in reality, basically non-existent. We are researching prices and what we need to for a base in the cemetery as well as contracting contractors to put in a base. Some folks are keeping grandma and grandpa on the shelf but eventually the family may want to find a final resting place for them and we are hoping to be able to provide that.

As always, donations are appreciated and we are a NYS state registered 501-c not for profit under the guidance of the NYS Cemetery Association, therefore your donation to the Westerlo Rural Cemetery is tax deductible. If you would like a receipt for your donation, other than your check receipt, please indicate such with your donation and mail it to:

*Westerlo Rural Cemetery,
PO Box 29, Westerlo NY, 12193*

Westerlo Central Cemetery Route 401

If you need to contact someone at the Westerlo Central Cemetery, please call:
Dennis Boomhower, President: (518) 488-2285
Diane Carl, Treasurer/Secretary: (518) 527-7850

Hannacroix Rural Cemetery Route 411

The Hannacroix Cemetery is located on Rt 411 in Dormansville/Westerlo. A special thanks to all who have contributed to the cemetery in the past. We are now starting to collect for the 2023 mowing season. Whether you have a loved one buried there or would just like to give a donation, it would be greatly appreciated. We need your help to keep the cemetery maintained. Contributions can be sent to:

**Hannacroix Rural Cemetery
C/O Linda Smith, Treasurer
115 SR 143, Westerlo, NY 12193**

Many thanks to all who have helped in the past.

Cemetery Contact information

Westerlo Rural Cemetery

Betty Filkins
(518) 275-2935
Bettyfilkins@protonmail.com

Hannacroix Rural Cemetery

Linda Smith
(518) 928-3428

Westerlo Central Cemetery

Dennis Boomhower
(518) 488-2285

VETERAN INFORMATION



Helderberg Heroes Project is a grass roots, all volunteer effort to support the courageous men and women who are serving our country. Their goal is simple, express gratitude and provide encouragement by sending care packages of “goodies,” letters and cards to deployed soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines around the world. A little bit of kindness goes a long way for a lonely soldier away from home.

Helderberg Heroes Project is an ambitious project which will require the support of many caring individuals, organizations and businesses. All donations will go directly to the benefit of our active military service personnel. The success will depend on the generosity of others.

Ways You Can Help

- Monetary donation: Make a donation to facilitate the purchase of supplies and mailing fees.
- Donate supplies: Donate or organize a collection of needed volunteers at one of our packing events. Register to be notified of future packing events.
- Upcoming packing events: November 6th.
- Register the name of a deployed soldier, airman, sailor or Marine. Write letters or cards: host a letter writing or card writing event.
- Share the word with family, friends, co-workers, your church or other groups you may be associated with.

For more information or questions email:
Connect@HelderbergFCO.com



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Looking for Drug-free Pain Relief?

Ask your VA health care team about Battlefield Acupuncture (BFA). BFA provides pain relief for many Veterans and can reduce the need for prescription pain medication. Unlike traditional acupuncture, BFA is performed only on the ear using 5 – 10 tiny needles.

Albany County Veteran Services Bureau



Albany County Veterans Service Bureau can help veterans with many items such as medical care, disability, and compensation, pensions, education benefits, burial assistance, VA home loans, job referrals, return the favor card and more!

Please note, The Albany VA Medical Center is providing COVID-19 and flu vaccinations. If you are a veteran, please call (518) 626-7228, option 2 to schedule an appointment. They are also providing COVID-19 booster shots for veterans 65 and older. More information can be found at

<https://www.va.gov/health-care/covid-19-vaccine/>

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Albany County Veterans Service Bureau

Attn: Ken Secor, Director

New Address: Shaker Place
100 Heritage Ln.
Albany, NY 12211

Phone: (518) 447-7710

Email: kenneth.secor@albanycountyny.com

Website:

<https://www.albanycounty.com/departments/veterans-service-bureau>

Office Hours:

Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

See calendar page for a list of Veteran events!

Reoccurring Veteran related events:

Mon-Fri 9 am – 3 pm Covid Vaccine Clinic (Walk-In)

Albany Co. Dept. of Health

Mon-Fri 9 am – 3:30 pm Covid Vaccine Clinic (By Appt.)

Albany Stratton VAMC

Every Tuesday 9 am – 11 am Veteran Services Remote Site

Veterans Miracle Center, Albany

Every Friday 9 am – noon Art4Vets @ Am. Legion Zaloga Post, Albany

Every Friday 8 am Veterans & Friends Breakfast

Gateway Diner, Albany



VETERAN INFORMATION

PACT ACT

On August 10th of last year, President Biden signed the Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxins, otherwise known as the PACT Act. The PACT Act is a historic new law that will help the VA deliver for millions of Veterans – and their survivors – by empowering them to presumptively provide care and benefits to Vets suffering from more than 20 toxic exposure-related conditions. It will also bring generations of Veterans into VA health care, which will improve Veteran health outcomes across the board.

The VA is ready to implement the PACT Act and deliver for toxic-exposed Veterans and their survivors. If you think you might be eligible for PACT Act benefits, here's what you need to know:

- You can apply for PACT Act benefits now by filing a claim.
- As President Biden announced at the bill signing, all 23 presumptive conditions in the PACT Act are eligible for benefits effective August 10th.
- You can learn more about the PACT Act by visiting [VA.gov/PACT](https://va.gov/PACT) or by calling 1-800-MyVA411.

This bill includes a wide range of improvements such as:

- New presumptive conditions for exposure to toxic fumes from burn pits.
- New geographic areas for the presumption of burn pit exposure.
- Adding hypertension and monoclonal gammopathy as presumptive conditions for Vietnam War veterans.
- New geographic areas for the presumption of agent orange exposure.
- Expanding health care eligibility for veterans exposed in service to toxins requiring new data collection & analysis from VA and DoD.

Veterans/Military Crisis Line (800) 273-8255 press 1

Connects Service Members and Veterans in crisis, as well as their family members and friends with qualified, caring VA responders through a confidential toll-free hotline, online chat or text messaging service.

This free support is confidential and available every day, 24/7 to all Veterans, Service Members, National Guard & Reserve, family members & friends.

<https://www.veteranscrisisline.net>



Return the F.A.V.O.R. Discount for Veterans

Return the F.A.V.O.R. (Find & Assist Veterans of Record) is a merchant discount program for eligible Albany Co. Veterans. The program provides veterans with discounts on services or purchases at participating merchants. To enroll, bring your DD-214 to the Albany Co. Veteran Services Bureau Monday – Friday 9 am – 4 pm. Download the application at

<https://www.albanycounty.com/departments/veterans-service-bureau>



BERNE-KNOX-WESTERLO
CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Here at Berne-Knox-Westerlo Central School District, we are proud to have maintained the weekend Backpack Program for over 10 years. This program supports our students by providing nutritional meals each weekend throughout the school year. We are reaching out today in hopes to create connections for and in support of this program.

With the rising cost in food across the nation, the BKW community has felt this impact as well. This year, for the first time in many years, the cost of supporting one student with a backpack has increased \$45/student, making the total cost approximately \$230/student this school year. Last year, the BKW Backpack Program provided 35 students with weekend meals and extra food during holiday breaks. This year we anticipate that the number of students in need will increase.

We know research shows that students who have enough nutritional support are not only physically healthier, but emotionally and mentally, as well. They have an advantage of being better learners, maintain higher overall attendance and increase social ties within the community.

In the past, we have relied on the generous support of our community partners to help facilitate this program. Today, we are asking for your support once again. We are hoping you can help us to maintain this vital program for the well-being of our school community through your generous monetary donation.

If you would like to support our program, a check can be made out to:

Regional Food Bank of Northeastern NY

Please include 'BKW Backpack Program' on the memo line.

Checks can be sent directly to the school:

**1738 Helderberg Trail
Berne, NY 12023
Attention: Katie Johnson**

If you have any questions, please reach out to us at any time.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Colleen DeMuth
Retired Elementary Nurse
Colleen.demuth@bkwschools.org

Katie Johnson
BKW Elementary Nurse
Katie.johnson@bkwschools.org
(518) 872-2030

BKW

BKW now has a "Parent Square" Link for community members! This is to receive notifications about what's going on at the school. It's very helpful if school is cancelled or if you are the person picking up the kids off the bus!

Please sign up at:

<https://www.bkwschools.org/parentsquare-for-school-communications/>

BKW Alumni Basketball Game

When: Saturday, January 7th. Game starts @ 6 pm, Players, please arrive @ 5:30 pm for warm-ups.

Where: BKW High School Gym

Cost: Free with donation at the door

Extras: 50/50 tickets will be available at the door

If you are interested in playing, please provide your shirt size and contact Tom Galvin @ (518) 364-0744 or email: Tom.Galvin@bkwschools.org

BKW Bulldog Alumni

Are you a BKW alumni? Stay connected with the BKW Alumni Association on their Facebook page: "Official BKW Alumni Page".

Your help is needed to keep the alumni mailing list up to date. Please share your current address and contact information with the BKW Alumni Association by contacting one of the Committee Members; Sandra Quay:

squay@nycap.rr.com or Sharon Nevins:

snevinsl@nycap.rr.com

BKW Alumni Association has a page on the BKW school website:

<https://www.bkwschools.org/where-are-they-now-bkw-alumni-updates/>

TOWN OF WESTERLO MUSEUM PRESENTS

WINTER *Festival*

FOOD & DRINKS
FOR SALE

SOUP CONTEST
GAMES

SNOW MAN CONTEST

(bring your own supplies)

4
FEB

12PM - 3PM

All proceeds benefit
the Museum's
building fund!

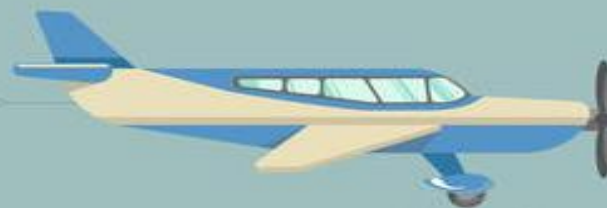
WESTERLO TOWN HALL

ICE SKATING AT THE PARK

Please contact Town Clerk's Office to enter soup contest (518) 797-3111 opt. 2

Snow day February 5

HELPFUL RESOURCES



Hilltown Community Resource Center

The Hilltown Community Resource Center is a great resource for anyone in need of FREE grocery items, assistance applying for SNAP or HEAP and many, many, other things!

The Community Center recently moved from behind the Reformed Church to 562 SR 143.

Feel free to call them at (518) 966-7380 they are happy to help!



<https://www.facebook.com/Hilltowns>

Healthy Homes Program

The Healthy Homes Program is brought to you by Cornell Cooperative Extension for residents living in Berne, Knox, Rensselaerville and Westerlo.

They will supply free products such as:

- Home safety products - smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, and fire extinguishers
- Child safety products - cabinet locks, shock stoppers, doorknob covers, and corner protectors
- Asthma control items in conjunction with Asthma Education Program - allergen barrier mattress and pillow covers
- Cleaning supplies - wipes, baking soda and vinegar
- Safety products - flashlights and nightlights
- Pest management products to control mice

To schedule a Healthy Home visit:

Call: (518) 765-3512 Email: dfp46@cornell.edu

Free Water Testing Kits

Would you like to know what's in your water?

Stop by the Albany County SWCD Office to receive a FREE Home Water Analysis Kit!

Kit includes tests for:

- | | |
|--------------|------------|
| 1-Bacteria | 1- Lead |
| 2-Nitrates | 2-Nitrites |
| 2-Chlorine | 2-Iron |
| 2-Copper | 2-pH |
| 2-Alkalinity | 2-Hardness |
| 1-Pesticide | |

Please call before stopping by to ensure staff availability.

(518) 765-7923

Division on Addictions

Division On Addictions is an organization that helps vulnerable NY residents who are addicted to drugs or alcohol locate proper treatment options. Alcoholism and drug addiction are terrible crises affecting all ages in our communities – from teenagers to senior citizens.

Finding treatment facilities that are able to understand the underlying causes of the addiction, and that are able to cure an individual so as to prevent any relapse, is often a very hard task. This is where we come in. We help those in greatest need to find addiction treatment options that are the best for each individual situation. Our services are 100% free.

For more information, please visit their website at

<https://www.divisiononaddiction.org/>

Senior Happenings

Hilltown Senior Citizen

Have you signed up with the seniors yet? We meet one Saturday a month at the Community and Senior Services Center at 1360 Helderberg Trail in Berne. At which time we share a covered dish and go over events and news that may be of interest to the senior crowd. We usually have a speaker each month unless we are holding a special event like we did at Christmas when we had a lot of laughs and enjoyed a buffet from the Babbling Brook!

Trips we are considering for 2023 are:

Tennessee-Nashville and Memphis tour (9 days)
Pennsylvania sight and sound - Moses (3 days)
Boothbay Harbor in Maine (3 days)
Yellowstone, Mount Rushmore (14 days)
There will be a few one-day trips as well!

Come sign up and see what might interest you!

Lunches are served for seniors every Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 11:30 am – 12:30 pm. Doors open at 11:00 am. Please call (518) 937-5963 the day before by 11:00 am to reserve a lunch!
We are concerned they will stop the service for the Hilltowns if we don't have enough folks to come and enjoy a free lunch.

The Gathering Place

50 Plus Community Center
127 Kenyon Rd.
Cobleskill, NY

Monday – Wednesday & Saturday

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Thursday & Friday 9:00 am – 7:00 pm

Closed Sunday

Their mission is to provide cultural, social, and recreational activities and help meet the needs of the 50 plus community in Schoharie County and surrounding areas.

Call (518) 823-4338

Member and Non-Members can join for all activities!

Silver Sneaker classes, trips, learn to play the casino, play cards, games, join book club, pool table available, learn how to use your computer and **MORE!**

Visit The Gathering Place at:

<https://www.schoharieseniors.com/community-center>

Find applications online.

Memberships are \$25 a year which gives you access to all programs, amenities and services.

Please note: there are small fees for some of the classes to cover costs.

Senior Transportation Available

Are you a senior who needs transportation to doctor's appointments or to the Westerlo Food Pantry? If so, we can help!

To make arrangements, please call the Town of Rensselaerville Town Clerk's office at (518) 239-4225

There is no cost for this service!



DID YOU KNOW?

Most Medicare Supplement insurance plans include using the YMCA for free! There is a YMCA in Delmar and Coxsackie. Call them and they can tell you if you can get a free membership. Delmar even has a pool and free classes for older adults!

Hours vary so call before you go!

Bethlehem YMCA- (518) 439-4394

Coxsackie YMCA- (518) 731-7529

The Town is looking to host more events for seniors. If you are interested in a game night at the Town Hall (Bingo, cards, board games, movies, etc.) please contact the Town Clerk's office @ (518) 797-3111, option 2. We are open to your suggestions!!

Senior Happenings



Hours: Wednesday & Saturday

9 am – 1 pm.

Location: 112 Church Road, Berne

Department for Aging

Older residents who are home-bound and in need of day-to-day assistance, including home-delivered meals, should contact Albany County NY Connects @ (518) 447-7177 or <https://www.albanycounty.com/departments/aging>

Upcoming Town Events & Items of Interest

- The Westerlo Fire Co. has three breakfasts scheduled in 2023. Saturday, Feb. 25th, March 25th and April 22nd from 8 am – 11 am at Woodman's Hall.
- Take advantage of the library's spice of the month. Comes with three recipes! They also have a book club! See Library page for more information!
- If you are 65 or older, you may qualify for the Enhanced STAR exemption. Contact the Town Assessor to inquire!
- There are many events going on in Town throughout the year. If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to the Town Clerk's office!



If you would like to receive this newsletter by mail, please contact the Town Clerk at (518) 797-3111, opt. 2



There's a new business in town!

Westerlo has a new and wonderful retail store, Vintage, Treasures & Home, located in a renovated building within the old Shepards Farm on Route 32.

It's run by South Westerlo resident Ray Carucci who explains this store is "filled with designs from all the different eras of the 20th Century. From furnishings, lighting, rugs and smalls, we have many items to help you deck out your home. We have gifts galore for everyone. Man toys, ladies' jewelry, and wonderful Christmas ornaments. Come join us for some cider and a wonderful time shopping for your holiday."

Vintage, Treasures & Home is at 6859 Route 32 in South Westerlo, a short distance north of the blinker at 405, and is open 10 am – 4 pm daily through the holidays.



Attention All Men & Boys 14+

2023 SPORTSMAN'S



300+ Men & Boys

Dinner

No Cost

February 11th, 2023

Vendors, Seminars, Dinner, Keynote, Door Prizes

Demonstrations & Early Door Prizes at 1:00pm

Seminars Run from 2:00 – 5:00pm

Dinner & Program Starts at 5:30pm

Westerlo Baptist Church - 618 SR 143 Westerlo, NY

Keynote Speaker Bill Pitcher

Seminars



Vendors



For Tickets

Email your name, phone number, and number of guests to:

fbcwsportsman@gmail.com

or call Kelly at (518) 669-3932

Westerlo Baptist Church

618 SR 143, Westerlo, NY 12193

Sunday Worship Service – 9:30 am

Sunday School 11:15 am – 12:15 pm

<https://www.facebook.com/westerlobaptist>

Westerlo Reformed Church

564 SR 143, Westerlo, NY 12193

Pastor Chris Allen

Home: (518) 797-9203

Services begin at 9 am on Sundays!

Donations are welcome toward senior care.

Please make checks payable to "Westerlo Reformed Church" and write "For Senior care" in the memo and mail to address above.

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=10064837502467>

Westerlo Historical Society

The Westerlo Historical Society meets the third Monday of each month September – June at 7 pm at the Westerlo Reformed Church Hall.

New members welcome!

South Westerlo Congregational Christian Church

282 CR 405, So. Westerlo, NY 12083

Pastor Will Balta (518) 966-5094

Services begin at 10:30 am on Sundays!

Ladies Bible Study is at 1 pm on Wednesdays.

Men's Bible Study is at 8 am on Saturdays.

Trail Life USA (Boys ministry) & American Heritage Girls (Girl's ministry)

6:30 pm – 8 pm every 2nd & 4th Wednesday.

Senior Lunch 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month. Apps at 11 am, lunch at noon.

<https://www.facebook.com/SouthWesterloChristianChurch>

Dormansville United Methodist Church

21 CR 312, Westerlo, NY 12193

Contact Betty-Jean Mueller

Cell: (845) 532-0057

Services are 8:45 am – 10 am Sundays!

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064440321>



Post 291 American Legion



Auxiliary

Community dinner open to everyone and available for eat in or take out every 2nd

Friday of the month at the post located at 54 Maple Ave, Greenville from 4:30 pm - 7 pm from September through April!

The legion will be coming to the Westerlo Veterans Memorial Park on Sunday, May 28th at 9:15 am for a short memorial service with a 21-gun salute and to play taps. They will also stop at the memorial in South Westerlo.

Greenville Post 291 is always looking for new members. Please contact Dave Raffo at draffo1@hotmail.com if you are interested or have questions.

<https://www.facebook.com/ALpost291>

The Town of Westerlo will be collecting toiletry items for the Hilltown Community Resource Center over the next few months. The many people who utilize the Resource Center will greatly appreciate your generosity as these items are expensive.

See flyer below for more details and a list of items that are so desperately needed!

New, unused items should be dropped off at the Town Hall. There is a bin in the meeting room in front of the bench. See flyer within the newsletter for more information.



SNOWMOBILING COMMUNITY

Trails open January 1st!

Club Officers

President Gerry Lenseth	(518) 330-7373
Vice Pres Mary Ann Nickloy	(518) 895-2595
Treasurer Tammy Saddlemire	(518) 872-2125
Secretary Your Name Here	(518) 555-2368

Trail Boss Contacts

Brian Buchardt	East Berne	(518) 872-1878
Don Bauer	Warner Lake	(518) 337-1985
Zach Simeon	Knox	(518) 860-2325
Skip Murrell	Township	(518) 867-1235
Joel Church	Wright	(518) 895-5451
Casey LeClair	Duanesburg	
Tom Rulison	Esperance	(518) 875-9229
Laudy Hoyenga	Sloansville	(518) 868-2092
Mark VanWoeart	Mariaville	(518) 376-0063
Scott Claus	Burtonsville	(518) 848-0524
Yancey Zimmer	Charleston	(518) 657-9588

Want to help?

The Frontier Sno-Riders are looking for a volunteer to take on the Secretary office. Please contact Gerry Lenseth at (518) 330-7373 for more information.

<https://www.remind.com/join/workpa>

Potentially exciting news!

A new law gives municipalities, school districts and fire districts throughout the State the option to provide a property tax exemption of up to 10% to volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers. Any such exemption would be valid only on property used exclusively for residential purposes. The Town Board is expected to discuss this in upcoming meetings. Stay tuned!



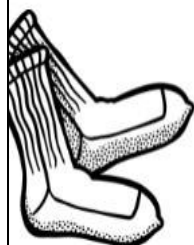
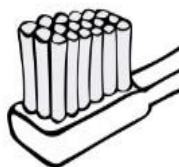
TOWN OF WESTERLO

TOILETRIES DRIVE

FOR HILLTOWN COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

WE NEED:

Shampoos
Conditioners
Bar Soaps
Toothpaste/toothbrushes/
dental floss
Deodorants
Pocket-sized kleenex
Disposable wipes
Toilet paper
Razors
Shower gels
Hair brushes/combs
Sanitary items for women



WESTERLO TOWN HALL

Please contact the Town Clerk's office for more information 518-797-3111 x 2

HOP ON DOWN TO HAVE SOME FUN

EASTER



EGG HUNT



PHOTOS WITH EASTER
BUNNY AND MUCH
MORE!

4:30PM - 7:30PM

FRIDAY, APRIL 1st 2023

WESTERLO TOWN HALL

PLEASE CALL THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE FOR MORE
INFORMATION 518-797-3111 X 2

Donations to support
The Westerlo Heritage Museum Building Fund

Brunch for Mom

Sunday, May 7th
10AM - 1PM

Buffet style | Drinks | Coffee

Westerlo Town Hall
933 CR 401
Westerlo, NY 12193

www.townofwesterlony.com

Newsletter Information

The newsletter is created in the Town Clerk's office. If you are interested in submitting information for an upcoming newsletter issue, deadlines are as follows:

March 10, 2023

For April 2023 Newsletter

June 10, 2023

For July 2023 Newsletter

September 10, 2023

For October 2023 Newsletter

December 10, 2023

For January 2024 Newsletter

**For newsletter comments or suggestions, contact
Betty Filkins – (518) 275-2935
WesterloNews@gmail.com**

We will do our best to accommodate your suggestion as space allows. We reserve the right to edit articles for grammar, spelling, spacing and content based on available space.

*****The newsletter is usually posted the first week of the month but may be delayed*****

Justice Court

Location: 671 County Route 401,
Westerlo, NY 12193

Phone: (518) 797-3239 Fax: (518) 797-3598

Court Session Hours: Wednesday @ 7 pm

Town Justice – Kenneth Mackey Sr.

Email: KMackey@NYcourts.gov

Town Justice – Robert A. Carl

Email: RACarl@NYcourts.gov

Court Clerk – Jaimee Motschmann

Email: Jmotschmann@NYcourts.gov

Clerk to the Justices Hours:

Tuesday 4 pm – 6 pm

Wednesday 4 pm – 7 pm

Forms of payment: cash, money orders, personal check
or credit card

Closed on holidays

Check out these Facebook pages

[Town of Westerlo Government News](#)

[Westerlo Hwy Dept](#)

[Westerlo Public Library](#)

[Westerlo Heritage Museum](#)

[Westerlo Hometown Heroes](#)

[Westerlo Rural Cemetery](#)

[Official BKW Alumni Page](#)

[Heiderberg Family Community Organization- HFCO](#)



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**Stay up to date with the latest news and meeting
announcements by visiting the Town website**

www.townofwesterlony.com



933 County Route 401

Westerlo, NY 12193

Phone: (518) 797-3111

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

2023

January

- 4th – Town Board Organizational Mtg 6 pm (Wednesday)
- 7th – BKW Alumni Basketball game 6 pm @ BKW High School Gym
- 10th – Planning Board Mtg 7 pm
- 11th – Library Trustee Mtg 7 pm @ Hannay Community Room
- 12th – Museum Board Mtg 6 pm
- 13th – Greenville Legion Post 291 Spaghetti Dinner 4:30 pm – 7 pm @ 54 Maple Ave, Greenville
- 16th – BRC Mtg 7 pm (Cancelled)
- 16th – Historical Society Mtg 7 pm @ Reformed Church
- 17th – Town Board Mtg 6 pm
- 23rd – ZBA Mtg 7 pm
- 24th – Hometown Heroes Mtg 7 pm

February

- 7th – Town Board Workshop Mtg 6 pm
- 8th – Library Trustee Mtg 7 pm @ Hannay Community Room
- 9th – Museum Board Mtg 6 pm
- 10th – Greenville Legion Post 291 Spaghetti Dinner 4:30 pm – 7 pm @ 54 Maple Ave, Greenville
- 11th – Westerlo Baptist Church Sportsman's Dinner
- 14th – Planning Board Mtg 7 pm
- 18th – Greenville Post 291 American Legion Cabin Fever Party 5 pm – bring a covered dish
- 20th – BRC Mtg 7 pm
- 20th – Historical Society 7 pm @ Westerlo Reformed Church
- 21st – Town Board Mtg 6 pm
- 25th – TWFD Breakfast 8 am – 11 am @ Woodman's Hall
- 27th – ZBA Mtg 7 pm
- 28th – Hometown Heroes Mtg 7 pm

March

- 7th – Town Board Workshop Mtg 6 pm
- 8th – Library Trustee Mtg 7 pm @ Hannay Community Room
- 9th – Museum Board Mtg 6 pm
- 10th – Greenville Legion Post 291 Spaghetti Dinner 4:30 pm – 7 pm @ 54 Maple Ave, Greenville
- 14th – Planning Board Mtg 7 pm
- 18th – Greenville Legion Post 291 Bowling at Middleburgh Lanes 1 pm for members and their guests only
- 20th – BRC Mtg 7 pm
- 20th – Historical Society 7 pm @ Westerlo Reformed Church
- 21st – Town Board Mtg 6 pm
- 25th – TWFD Breakfast 8 am – 11 am @ Woodman's Hall
- 27th – ZBA Mtg 7 pm
- 28th – Hometown Heroes Mtg 7 pm
- 30th – Westerlo Rural Cemetery Mtg 7 pm @ Town Hall

April

- 2nd – Westerlo Baptist Church Palm Sunday Service @ 9:30 am
- 4th – Town Board Workshop Mtg 6 pm
- 7th – Westerlo Baptist Church Good Friday Service @ 7 pm
- 9th – Westerlo Baptist Church Easter Sunday Worship @ 9:30 am
- 11th – Planning Board Mtg 7 pm
- 12th – Library Trustee Mtg 7 pm @ Hannay Community Room
- 13th – Museum Board Mtg 6 pm
- 14th – Greenville Legion Post 291 Dinner 4:30 pm – 7 pm @ 54 Maple Ave, Greenville
- 17th – BRC Mtg 7 pm
- 17th – Historical Society Mtg 7 pm @ Westerlo Reformed Church
- 18th – Town Board Mtg 6 pm
- 22nd – TWFD Breakfast 8 am – 11 am @ Woodman's Hall
- 24th – ZBA Mtg 7 pm
- 25th – Hometown Heroes Mtg 7 pm

May

- 2nd – Town Board Workshop Mtg 6 pm
- 7th – Brunch for Mom @ Town Hall 10 am – 1 pm
- 9th – Planning Board Mtg 7 pm
- 10th – Library Trustee Mtg 7 pm @ Hannay Community Room
- 11th – Museum Board Mtg 6 pm
- 15th – BRC Mtg 7 pm
- 15th – Historical Society Mtg 7 pm @ Westerlo Reformed Church
- 16th – Town Board Mtg 6 pm
- 22nd – ZBA Mtg 7 pm
- 23rd – Hometown Heroes Mtg 7 pm

June

- 6th – Town Board Workshop Mtg 6 pm
- 8th – Museum Board Mtg 6 pm
- 13th – Planning Board Mtg 7 pm
- 14th – Library Trustee Mtg 7 pm @ Hannay Community Room
- 19th – BRC Mtg 7 pm
- 19th – Historical Society Mtg 7 pm @ Westerlo Reformed Church
- 20th – Town Board Mtg 6 pm
- 26th – ZBA Mtg 7 pm
- 27th – Hometown Heroes Mtg 7 pm

Greenville American Legion Post 291
meets on the first Thursday of the
month at 7 pm!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

2023

July

- 5th – Town Board Workshop Mtg 6 pm
- 11th – Planning Board Mtg 7 pm
- 12th – Library Trustee Mtg 7 pm @ Hannay Community Room
- 13th – Museum Board Mtg 6 pm
- 17th – BRC Mtg 7 pm
- 18th – Town Board Mtg 6 pm
- 24th – ZBA Mtg 7 pm
- 25th – Hometown Heroes Mtg 7 pm

August

- 1st – Town Board Workshop Mtg 6 pm
- 8th – Planning Board Mtg 7 pm
- 9th – Library Trustee Mtg 7 pm @ Hannay Community Room
- 10th – Museum Board Mtg 6 pm
- 15th – Town Board Mtg 6 pm
- 21st – BRC Mtg 7 pm
- 22nd – Hometown Heroes Mtg 7 pm
- 28th – ZBA Mtg 7 pm

September

- 5th – Town Board Workshop Mtg 6 pm
- 8th – Greenville Legion Post 291 Dinner 4:30 pm – 7 pm @ 54 Maple Ave, Greenville
- 12th – Planning Board Mtg 7 pm
- 13th – Library Trustee Mtg 7 pm @ Hannay Community Room
- 14th – Museum Board Mtg 6 pm
- 18th – BRC Mtg 7 pm
- 18th – Historical Society Mtg 7 pm @ Reformed Church
- 19th – Town Board Mtg 6 pm
- 25th – ZBA Mtg 7 pm
- 26th – Hometown Heroes Mtg 7 pm

Yoga classes every Tuesday at the
Greenville Legion @ 7 pm.
Contact Tina (631) 374-0928

2022 Festival of Trees

Behind Knox Fire Dept.
through Jan. 7th



October

- 3rd – Town Board Workshop Mtg 6 pm
- 10th – Planning Board Mtg 7 pm
- 11th – Library Trustee Mtg 7 pm @ Hannay Community Room
- 12th – Museum Board Mtg 6 pm
- 13th – Greenville Legion Post 291 Dinner 4:30 pm – 7 pm @ 54 Maple Ave, Greenville
- 16th – BRC Mtg 7 pm
- 16th – Historical Society Mtg 7 pm @ Westerlo Reformed Church
- 17th – Town Board Mtg 6 pm
- 19th – Learn the signs of identity theft 11 am @ Library
- 23rd – ZBA Mtg 7 pm
- 24th – Hometown Heroes Mtg 7 pm

November

- 4th – Westerlo Museum open 9 am – 11 am
- 7th – General Election @ Westerlo Town Hall 6 am – 9 pm
- 8th – Town Board Workshop Mtg 6 pm (Wednesday)
- 9th – Museum Board Mtg 6 pm
- 10th – Greenville Legion Post 291 Dinner 4:30 pm – 7 pm @ 54 Maple Ave, Greenville
- 14th – Planning Board Mtg 7 pm
- 20th – BRC Mtg 7 pm
- 20th – Historical Society Mtg 7 pm @ Westerlo Reformed Church
- 21st – Town Board Mtg 6 pm
- 27th – ZBA Mtg 7 pm
- 28th – Hometown Heroes Mtg 7 pm

December

- 5th – Town Board Workshop Mtg 6 pm
- 8th – Greenville Legion Post 291 Dinner 4:30 pm – 7 pm @ 54 Maple Ave, Greenville
- 12th – Planning Board Mtg 7 pm
- 13th – Library Trustee Mtg 7 pm @ Hannay Community Room
- 14th – Museum Board Mtg 6 pm
- 18th – BRC Mtg 7 pm
- 18th – Historical Society Mtg 7 pm @ Westerlo Reformed Church
- 19th – Town Board Mtg 6 pm
- 25th – ZBA Mtg 7 pm cancelled – may be rescheduled
- 26th – Hometown Heroes Mtg 7 pm

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