

# Victory Voice

Spring/Summer 2023



TOWN & VILLAGE  
**NEWSLETTER**

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## TRY SOMETHING NEW THIS YEAR

Check out the programs this season in the Victor Parks & Recreation Activity Guide!

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IS AVAILABLE ONLINE ONLY.**

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## Town Supervisor's News

I am sure that the residents that enjoy the outdoor winter weather have been a little disappointed this year. For the Town's Highway and Parks staff it has been an opportunity to either catch up from 2022 or get a head start on this year's projects. Both crews have had the time to work on drainage improvements, gutter repairs and tree trimming.

As winter has been lighter than past years from a snow accumulation perspective, I do want to thank both the Highway and Parks Department employees for always being ready to assist in clearing our roads and municipal buildings regardless of the amount of snowfall.



Jack Marren,  
Town Supervisor,  
(585) 742-5020

### NEWSWORTHY ITEMS

In the Fall of 2022, I wrote about the Climb Aboard Event that took place over the Labor Day weekend. Plans are underway to repeat this very popular **family event**. The one change I know of right now is that the event will not be over the Labor Day weekend. Mark your calendars for Saturday September 16, 2023, from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. When more details are finalized, we will add this information to the Town's website.

On May 11th, the Victor Local Development Corporation (VLDC) will be holding their 17th Annual Victor Business Awards Luncheon. This year the VLDC staff asked the public for the first time to submit nominations, either electronically, mailed, or in-person. I have been told that we received a significant number of nominations for this award program. **THANK YOU!**

The Town of Victor Wellness Committee hosted a Health & Wellness Fair last fall, at Town Hall. This was an interactive and informative event for employees, retirees and residents. More than 40 vendors participated and promoted therapy dogs, fitness, nutrition, massage, stretch and physical therapy, elder care and much more. The event was a huge success with positive feedback received from all. We look forward to this becoming an annual event.

Back in 2014 I asked the Customer Service Committee to investigate the possibility of creating a Service Awards Program for our Victor employees. The Town Board officially approved this program in December of 2014. I have always felt it was important to identify and thank our employees for their years of service to this community. The milestones start at 5 years and have gone as high as 35 years, and this year we are recognizing five employees: Town Clerk Karen Bodine with 5 years; Victor Gaspar & Tom Stirone both with 10 years; Michael Stockman

with 15 years; and Bill Brown with 30 years. If you meet any of these dedicated employees, please join me in thanking them for their many years of service.

The 2023 Ontario County Special Collection Events Schedule is now on the Town's website. The County is offering six different types of collection events with multiple dates and locations for each one. The events are as follows: Household Hazardous Waste, Electronic Waste, Tire Collection, Paper Shredding, Mattress Collection, and the Pumpkin Collection. I hope you take advantage of these events.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY IN OUR COMMUNITY**

I want you to know that the Town Board recognizes that we have a speeding issue throughout the Town. And to address that we have increased our hours per week with the Sheriff's department contract for **Enhanced Road Patrol support**. We continually ask the State Police to also monitor speeders throughout the Town, and are adding additional solar powered radar signs to remind motorists to abide by the posted speed limits.

I am also asking for your support in **Protecting Your Homes**. We can protect ourselves against break-ins! Most intruders seek easy targets, and they want to get in quickly, quietly, and unseen! The harder you make it for them, the lower your

risk of a break-in. Lock your doors, windows, and secure your sliding glass doors. Close and lock your garage doors, as this allows easy access into your homes if a side door into your house is not locked. Final reminder, lock up your cars! These individuals will take anything of value, and **most importantly they'll take your garage door opener and come back when no one is home**. If you see strange vehicles that appear suspicious driving through your development or in the driveway of someone you know is away, please don't play hero, **call 911!**

## **SAVE THE DATE:**

Memorial Day Parade – Monday May 29th, 10:30 A.M. This year we have added bagpipes, and working on some additional music and other groups. We are looking to enhance the sound system at the Village Hall parking lot for the American Legion Post 931 Ceremony following the parade. We are encouraging more residents to come and join us and **Remember and Honor our Veterans**.

## **GROWING OUR AUDIENCE:**

Several years ago, we stopped printing and mailing the newsletter and Parks & Recreation brochure. MPN was bought out by Gannett, and we were notified that they would no longer be printing. MPN used to do both the designing and printing for us, which was very convenient. In

researching other alternatives, we found fewer options and the ones that we found were more expensive.

We do realize that not everyone has available resources to read the newsletter. Below are the steps taken to attempt to reach most of our residents with the electronic version:

- Email goes out to residents who have signed up through the website (Civic Plus) using 'Notify Me'.
- Email goes out to residents who have signed up for programming with Parks & Rec through CivicRec software.
- Email to Employees
- Email to Victor Roundtable group
- Email to the Business group through Constant Contact (Economic Development)
- Post to Facebook
- Post to Nextdoor

I am asking each resident who reads these newsletters to **contact 5 friends and ask them to sign up through 'Notify Me' on the website to receive notifications for various items**.

Please feel free to contact me at 585-742-5020 or at [supervisor@town-victor-ny.us](mailto:supervisor@town-victor-ny.us) with any questions or concerns you may have. Please take advantage of our comment cards on the Town's website at [www.victor.org](http://www.victor.org) to let us know how we are doing or to offer suggestions on how to make Victor an even better place to live.



## News from the Town Clerk's Office

*Hello Spring!*

### TAX COLLECTION 2023

Thank you to our residents for their patience with the Town and County Taxes in January. This year, all Towns switched to a new program and some of the features like finding your tax bills online and paid receipts were a bit different for residents. We also used a different online credit card service. We were fortunate to have great support and worked through the process.

### NEW RESIDENTS TO THE TOWN

If you have recently moved into the Town of Victor, remember to stop by the Clerk's office and pick up your "WELCOME PACKET"

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This contains useful information about services the Town provides. And as always, the Clerk's office can answer any questions you may have.

### TOWN CLERK OFFICE HOURS

Our office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM. There is a DROP BOX located at the back of the building for your convenience. We will also accommodate anyone who cannot make it into the office during regular business hours, you may call Karen Bodine to schedule an appointment (585)-742-5080.

### DOG LICENSES

Please take advantage of the online dog licensing portal to **renew existing**

dog licenses. Unfortunately, the portal cannot be used to register a new dog. In order to renew online, your dog's rabies vaccination must be valid. You can email the rabies information to the clerk's office at [townclerk@town-victor-ny.us](mailto:townclerk@town-victor-ny.us) or call so we can update the record. Note: there is a small fee to use the online dog portal; \$3.00 for credit/debit card and \$1.75 for an e-check. (fee



charged by processor, not the Town of Victor)

\*We ask that you update any changes concerning your dog's license. Thank you.

### BOUGHTON PARK PASSES

The Clerk's office issues hang tags for Boughton Park. You must be a Victor resident or Town of Victor taxpayer to obtain a Boughton Park Pass. Your current registration is required to receive a pass. If you have questions, please call the office (585)-742-5080.



### FREE FISHING DAYS!

Free fishing days offer residents and non-residents who are 16 and older\* to fish without a freshwater fishing license or recreational marine fishing registration.

**\*Kids under 16 can always fish for free!**

**JUNE 24-25**

**SEPTEMBER 23**

(National Hunting & Fishing Day)

**NOVEMBER 11**

(Veterans Day)

### HOW TO OBTAIN A MARRIAGE LICENSE

It is not necessary to obtain a Marriage License in the municipality in which the applicants are being married and you do not need to be a resident of the Town of Victor to apply in our office. Marriage Licenses applied for in any Clerks office are valid

for ceremonies held within New York State. For more information on getting married in New York State, including who can perform a marriage ceremony, please visit the New York State Department of Health's website.

**CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE**

The cost is \$40.

*Town of Victor  
Marriage Officer*

Contact the Town Marriage Officer  
Roxann Ammerman  
at **585-967-6399** or by email at  
**pebbs2258@yahoo.com.**

### FREE RABIES CLINICS

Ontario County will be holding free rabies clinics at the **Ontario County Public Works**, 2962 County Road 48 in Canandaigua. All clinics will be held from

**9:00AM-NOON**

**Saturday, April 29th**

**Saturday, June 17th**

**Saturday, August 5th**

**Saturday, September 16th**

**Saturday, October 28th**



**\*Clinics are FREE, but Donations are appreciated. Animals must be healthy and at least 3 months old. Pets must be on a leash or in a carrier, one pet per carrier. Please bring your animals past rabies certificate, if you have one.**

## Greetings from the Assessor's Office

By Marlene Murnan, Assessor and Erin Brandt, Assessor Aide

### **GRIEVANCE DAY - TUESDAY MAY 23, 2023, 4 P.M. - 8 P.M.**

Grievance Day is an opportunity for you to present information concerning the value of your property to an impartial community board, the Board of Assessment Review (BAR). This is the official start of the formal assessment complaint procedure and is a requirement for the later filing of a Small Claims Assessment Review or Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) Article Seven petition.

The tentative assessment roll comes out on May 1st and if you are not satisfied with your tentative assessment, you have the right to file a grievance to contest the assessment. **Only the property owner(s) or a designated representative can file the grievance complaint.**

To start the process a complaint form must be filled out and submitted to the Assessor's

Office. The form, RP-524, can be found in the Assessor's office or online under the Assessment Department on the Town of Victor's website. **All Grievance applications MUST be completed and submitted by 8 P.M. on Tuesday May 23, 2023.** Any applications received after this time **CANNOT** be reviewed.

Along with your completed application, please provide documentation to support your estimate of the property's assessment value. Examples of documentation include:

- A recent listing of the property showing the asking price, time on the market and any purchase offer made.
- A recent sale of the property (submit copies of the signed purchase contract and closing statement).
- Recent selling prices of similar properties in similar neighborhoods.
- A recent appraisal

of the property. If an appraisal is submitted specifically for an assessment challenge, the valuation date of the appraisal must be July 1, 2022.

- Photographs showing any items you wish to have considered.
- Any additional information you feel would establish the property's current market value.

Once the completed application is submitted, the BAR will review your information. If you would like to present your case to the BAR, please contact the Assessor's office and we can set up an appointment. All appointments are 15 minutes long and will be on May 23rd between 4 and 8 P.M. The BAR will only discuss your property's full market value or exemption removal but will not discuss taxes.

Please contact the Assessor's Office at (585) 742-5010 with any questions.



Roxann Ammerman

Deputy Roxann Ammerman has now retired after 16 years of service in the Town Clerk's office. We will miss her friendly customer service and we thank her for her dedication to the town. She loved serving the residents and as a Marriage Officiant, she married many couples throughout her career. Roxy was known for her love of dressing up

for holidays, always being the first one to volunteer to decorate and participate in many of our employee events. Congratulations and many well wishes for her retirement!

*Happy retirement*



## Stay Connected with Notify Me®

Notify Me® is a way to stay connected with the Town of Victor. Sign-up today to receive notifications from a number of email lists. Subscribe to receive email or text message updates regarding the information you have requested.

Notify Me® is on the home page of the Victor website: <https://www.victorny.org/> or directly at: <https://www.victorny.org/list.aspx>

## Town of Victor Photo Gallery

Do you have a favorite place in Victor that offers the perfect photo opportunity? Do you attend community-sponsored events, concerts in Victor Municipal Park, or hike one of our many trails? Do you take pictures during these times? Do you have photos that you would be willing to share?

We are looking to build a Photo Gallery that can be viewed by all users and can be used by Victor Town staff in future newsletters, publications, and pages on

the website. **Please do not submit copyrighted materials and complete all information on the submittal form.** You will receive full credit for your photo.

The Town of [Victor Photo Gallery Submission Form](#) can be found on the website under the Community tab, then Photo Gallery.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the Town of Victor's IT office at 585-742-5051 or email Suzy Mandrino.

Thank you!

**CLICK TO VISIT THE TOWN OF VICTOR PHOTO GALLERY**



# Town of Victor Highway Department

The Town Highway Department spring/summer hours are 6:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M., Monday through Thursday, April 3rd through October 27th. Beginning October 30th, the hours will be 7:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M., Monday through Friday. Please note the Highway/Transfer Station Office hours are **Monday – Friday 7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M. year-round.**

## BRUSH

There is no roadside brush pick up within the Town. Brush and yard debris can be dumped, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M., Wednesday, 7:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. and Saturday 7:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. In order to dump brush, you must have a Transfer Station permit.

## ROAD CONSTRUCTION

The following is the roadwork scheduled for the 2023 construction season:

**Milling and Paving (DI & Gutterwork as needed)** – Chapel Hill (Phase 1, Wellington Drive, Oak Ridge Drive, Pine Tree Drive and Bramwell Park

**Crack Filling** – High Street, Anton Rise, Canterbury Trail, Chestnut Hill, Dorsett Trail, Kensington Court, Taylor Rise, and Whistlestop Road

**Chip sealing** – Strong Road (County Road 41 to NYS 251), Modock Road, Taylor Road, Harloff Road, Malone Road (County Road 41 to Dryer

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Road), Turner Drive, Pilgrim Pass, and Oakwood Drive

**Reprofiling** – Blazey Road, Bortle Road, Brownsville Road, Cline Road, Gillis Road (County Road 9 to Cline Road), Lane Road (High Street to County Road 9), Richardson Road, and Lynaugh Road

**Micropaving** – Burlington Road, Golfview Rise, Hillside Drive, Rabbit Ear Pass, Silver Hill Path and Song Hill Lane

**Capital Road Projects** – Willis Hill Road and Railroad Mills Road (Engineering)

**Pipe Replacements** – Golfview Rise, Rabbit Ear Pass, Valentown Road and Dryer Road (School Road to NY 444)

**Drainage Work** – Chapel Hill (Phase 1), Wellington Drive, Oak Ridge Drive, Pine Tree Drive and Bramwell Park

## DEER REMOVAL

Undoubtedly, there will be some deer carcasses that are found in the public right-of-ways. Please report any deer found as follows:

- On County Roadways call 396-4000
- On State Roadways call 396-4955
- On Village Roadways call 924-3311
- On Town Roadways call 742-5094
- Deer/wildlife removal outside of the public right-of-way can be removed by animal removal services.

Please contact the Highway Department at 742-5094 extension 2201 with any

questions you have regarding the Town roadways.

## TRANSFER STATION

The Town of Victor established the Transfer Station for residents to dispose of garbage and recyclable materials many years ago. This is not intended to be used as a place for residents who own contracting businesses and reside in the Town to dispose of large quantities of construction materials, tree/yard debris, recyclables (we will take commercial businesses recyclables, but only in manageable quantities) or refuse. We do not have the space to accommodate these quantities of materials and it is an added burden to all tax payers, when it is used in that capacity. Please respect the rules set into place, so that we can retain this great asset for our community and manage the costs to run the facility.



**Mark Years,**  
Town Highway  
Superintendent,  
(585) 742-5094  
Office Hours:  
7:00 A.M. -  
3:30 P.M.,  
Monday-Friday

**OFFICE HOURS:**  
7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.  
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY



TOWN NEWS

**SAME HOURS YEAR ROUND  
Refuse/Recycle Department  
Transfer Station Hours of  
Operation**

Monday 7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.  
Wednesday 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.  
Friday 7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.  
Saturday 7:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

**Transfer Station Holiday  
Closings**

May 30th  
(Open Saturday, May 27th)  
**OPEN** Monday, July 3rd  
**(Office will be closed 3rd & 4th)**  
September 4th  
(Open Saturday, September 2nd)  
October 9th  
(Open Saturday, October 7th)  
November 10th  
(Open Saturday, November 11th)  
November 23rd and 24th  
(Open Saturday, November 25th)  
December 25th  
(Open Saturday, December 23rd)  
January 1st  
(Open Saturday, December 30th)

**Transfer Station Permits:**

Transfer Station/Recycle permits can be purchased at the Highway Department, 60 Rawson Road, Building “B”. Transfer station permits are for disposal of household garbage, recyclables, tree, and brush debris, four (4) tires, use of the Swap Shop and the mulch.

Residential transfer station/recycle permits are \$140 (2 per residence). Proof of residency and the registration of the vehicle (s) that will be used in the facility will be required.

Senior transfer station/recycle permits (must be 65 or older – proof is required at

time of purchase) are \$125 (2 per residence). Must have proof of residency and the registration of the vehicle (s) that will be used in the facility will be required.

Commercial recycle permits are \$140 (2 per business). Commercial permits are for **recyclable materials only**. Proof that your business is a Village or Town business will be required, along with the registration of the vehicle(s) that will be used in the facility.

Payment in the form of cash, check (payable to the Town of Victor) or credit card (2.15% fee) are accepted.

**Permit Renewals:**

Permit holders will receive a renewal letter 2-3 weeks prior to expiration of the Transfer Station/Recycle permit. Permits can be renewed by mailing a check (payable to Town of Victor) for \$140 or \$125 (65 or older, proof required) along with any vehicle changes to the Transfer Station Office at 60 Rawson Road, Building B, Victor, NY 14564. Permits can also be renewed in person at the Transfer Station Office or placed in the drop box when the office is closed.

**\*NEW\* Organics Only Permits** are \$100 (2 per household) for tree and brush debris and bucket exchange program for food scraps **only**. Must have proof of residency and registration of the vehicle (s) that will be used in the facility.

**Punch Cards:**

A punch card will be required to dump large items (sofa, entertainment centers, mattresses, box springs), construction type material (wood, shingles, rugs, tiles, cabinets, linoleum, old workout equipment, riding lawn mowers, etc.) and miscellaneous material from garage or basement cleanouts. **This will be required for dumping any amount of this type of material.** The cost for the card is \$130 (5 punches) and is valid until all 5 punches are used. Only **one card will be issued per year**. Proof of residency is required at time of purchase.

- 1 punch = 1 large item or 1 truck, car or utility trailer load of debris
- 2 punches = Utility trailer larger than 10’ long or a truck/car + utility trailer load of material

**Clean metal will be accepted as recyclable material and will not require purchase of a punch card (example – metal bed frames, springs, metal appliances, copper/metal piping, metal stakes, metal grills, etc.) – NO REFRIGERATORS**

**Electronics:**

We **do not** accept electronics at the Transfer Station. Electronics can be recycled through E-waste, 7318 Victor-Mendon Road (Rt. 251), Victor, New York 14564. Drop off hours are Monday – Friday, 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. For more

details or for additional drop-off locations go to [www.ewaste.com](http://www.ewaste.com).

**PLEASE CLICK HERE TO SEE THE ONTARIO COUNTY WEBSITE FOR UPCOMING E-WASTE RECYCLING EVENTS**

**RECYCLABLES (Please sort as follows and do not place recyclables in plastic bags)**

**Tires:**

There is a four (4) tire limit for recycling tires. Coupons are issued at time of permit purchase or renewal. The tire bin is inside the Transfer Station and tires **will not** be accepted without the coupons.

**Metal:**

Metal food and beverage containers please rinse

Appliances (**NO refrigerators** – can be taken to ALPCO)

Any ferrous and non-ferrous metals (steel, aluminum, copper, tin, brass)

**NO** Propane tanks - can be disposed of at ALPCO for free

**Plastics:**

Milk and juice containers, laundry and cleaning jugs, large snack containers and vitamin bottles

**NO** thermoform containers (lettuce, berry, takeout and fruit packaging)

**NO** Toys, hangers

**Glass:**

Bottles, jars

**Cardboard:**

Corrugated cardboard (wavy center layer)

**Paper:**

Dry food boxes, paper bags, paper egg cartons, junk mail, periodicals, newspaper, catalogs, office paper, and shredded paper

**NO HARDCOVER BOOKS, TISSUES, TOILET PAPER or WAX COATED CONTAINERS**

**Organics: (Bucket Exchange Program through Impact Earth)**

Food scraps – vegetables, fruits, eggshells, dairy, meat, bones, coffee grounds, tea bags.

Please stop by the Transfer Station Office or email [victorhighway@town-victor-ny](mailto:victorhighway@town-victor-ny). us for more information on this program.



**BRUSH AND MULCH AREA:**

Must have a Transfer Station Permit.

Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 7:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.; Wednesday 7 A.M. – 8 P.M. and Saturday 7 A.M. – 1 P.M.

**Plan ahead and make sure you dump debris before closing time. Gates will be closed at 3:30 P.M.!!**

**NEW SORT PROCEDURES**

Please place all grass and loose leaves on left side of bin and wood and branches on right side of bin. This is part of our waste diversion initiative and will help with processing mulch.

When dumping brush or related items, such as grass clippings, please remember – **NO plastic bags**. Much of this material is turned into mulch and made available to residents.

**VALID PERMITS MUST BE DISPLAYED OR HANDED TO THE ATTENDANTS IN ORDER TO DUMP AT THE TRANSFER STATION. NO PERMIT, NO DUMPING WILL BE ALLOWED.**

**WHEN ENTERING THE TRANSFER STATION, PLEASE MAKE SURE THE ONLY ITEMS IN YOUR TRUNK OR BACK OF VEHICLE ARE YOUR REFUSE/RECYCLING. MISSING ITEMS WILL NOT BE COMPENSATED FOR OR REPLACED!**

**ALL CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS REQUIRES THE PURCHASE OF A PUNCH CARD**

**NO GARBAGE CANS OVER 75 POUNDS**

**ABSOLUTELY NO DUMP TRUCKS/TRAILERS ALLOWED IN THE RECYCLE FACILITY**

## **SAFETY**

Please be aware of attendants while unloading and moving through the building. Again, thank you for “thinking safety” while using this facility.

Due to liability and safety concerns, NO LOITERING or going through containers will be allowed at the Transfer Station. Anyone caught doing so, will be asked to leave the facility.

Should you have any questions on where an item should go, please see an attendant. Thank you again for your continued safe use of this facility.

## **RECYCLING OPTIONS THROUGH ONTARIO COUNTY**

Ontario County offers special collection events throughout the year for shredding, electronic waste, hazardous materials, and pharmaceutical recycling. For more information on upcoming events please go to the Ontario County website <https://ontariocountyrecycles.org/150/Events>.

## **SWAP SHOP**

FREE AND OPEN TO ALL TOWN AND VILLAGE RESIDENTS

ALL ITEMS ARE FREE  
**Seasonal - May 6th to October 28th (weather dependent)**

### **Hours of operation:**

Tuesday	10:00 A.M. – Noon
Wednesday	9:00 – 11:00A.M. 4:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Friday	10:00 A.M – Noon
Saturday	8:00 – 11:00A.M.

**\*\*PLEASE DO NO DROP OFF ITEMS FOR THE SWAP SHOP WHEN IT IS CLOSED\*\***

To volunteer at the Swap Shop, please contact Pat Bartholomew at [pattyj7586@gmail.com](mailto:pattyj7586@gmail.com) or call Casey Paige at 585-742-5094 or email [victorhighway@town-victor-ny.us](mailto:victorhighway@town-victor-ny.us).

Swap shop stickers are available at the Swap Shop during Swap Shop hours or at the Highway/Recycle Office, 60 Rawson Road, Building “B”. These stickers are available to Town and Village residents at no charge with proof of residency.

## **JOIN OUR NEW SWAP SHOP FACEBOOK GROUP**

[www.facebook.com/groups/victorcommunityswapshop](http://www.facebook.com/groups/victorcommunityswapshop)

- Post larger items or items that cannot be taken to the Swap Shop.
- Great resource for those residents who have no way to transport items to the Swap Shop or want to get rid of gently used items during the winter months.
- Take photo and post items right from home.
- Answer membership questions and be a part of this group!

## **Tell Us What You Think**

Customer Comment Cards are available at all of the Town of Victor office counters. Please fill them out and help us to improve our customer service, recognize employees who have given exceptional service, and/or provide us with your suggestions for improvements. Cards can be mailed back to the Town Supervisor or placed in the comment card boxes located at all Town offices.

Or if you prefer, you can fill one out online. Go to [www.victoryny.org](http://www.victoryny.org) it is at the bottom of the home page.





# REMINDER

## ALL Town & Village Residents

The Transfer Station is available to you for all your household garbage, recycling, leaves & brush for only a \$140.00 per year or \$125.00 per year for our senior residents!

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### REASONS TO CONSIDER USING THE TRANSFER STATION:

- **Save Money** - Many disposal companies charge between \$800-\$1,000 **per year** for curbside pick up
- Central Location
- Staff on premises to assist you
- Covered pull through garage where garbage and recycling are unloaded for you
- Organics Recycling offered
- No more dragging heavy, large garbage cans to the end of the driveway during inclement weather
- Have more time options to get rid of garbage than just one day a week
- Easy access to get rid of yard debris
- No more recycling waste blowing along the streets
- Bottle and Can Collection for Local Non-Profit Organizations and Clubs
- Available punch card with 5 punches for \$130.00 for disposal of large items and construction debris that does not expire until all punches are used.

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### PLEASE GO TO [WWW.VICTORNY.ORG](http://WWW.VICTORNY.ORG)

or call (585) 742-5094 for more information or if you are interested in getting a permit, please visit:

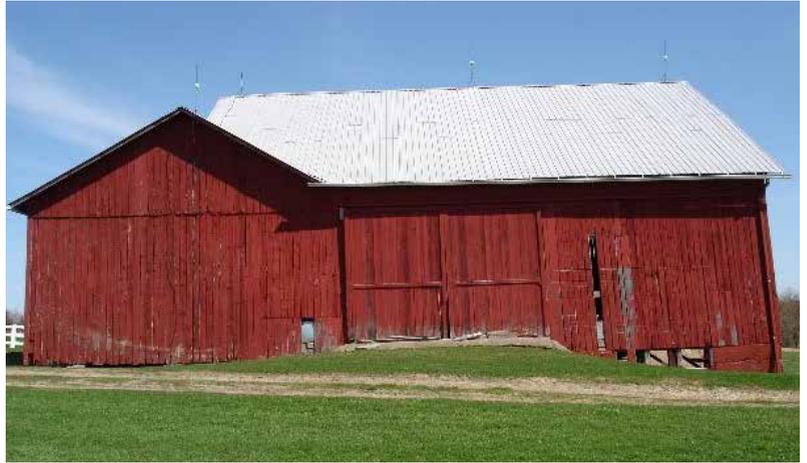
Highway/Recycling Center Office  
60 Rawson Road, Building B

**AS ALWAYS WE WILL BE HAPPY TO ASSIST YOU!**

# The Town of Victor will be having a *Celebration of Barns in 2023* By Babette Huber, Town of Victor Historian

## PLANS FOR THIS YEARLONG EVENT WILL BE

- A survey of barns by the Landmark Society of Western NY (to identify and collect information on our remaining barns);
- A lecture about the history of Victor's barns on Sunday, June 25th, 2:00 P.M. as part of the Historic Lecture Series (Did you know that about 30% of Victor's barns have been lost in the last 20 years?);
- An art display and reception on June 25th (after the barns lecture) by the Creative Workshop of the Rochester Memorial Art Gallery. Artists will paint some of our Victor barns in watercolor;
- A book on Victor's barns (which will identify and give history on Victor's rich barn's stewardship);
- Information is available on the brand-new New York State Historic Barn Rehabilitation Tax Credit (how owners can easily apply to help preserve their barns).



## YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THAT PROGRAM HERE!

- An initial meeting with barns owners can be seen at:

[CLICK HERE!](#)

2023 Historic Barn Celebration  
(1/18/2023) can be watched at

[CLICK HERE!](#)

Keep up with all of these events by going to the home page of the Town of Victor at <https://www.victorny.org/> and scroll down to News & Announcements.

**Questions???** Email Babette Huber at [historian@town-victor-ny.us](mailto:historian@town-victor-ny.us)

# Cemetery Preservation and Restoration Committee

By Bob Kelly, Chairperson

We as Americans owe a tremendous debt to our veterans who have sacrificed to create our great country and keep it free. Victor's Old Village Cemetery is the final resting place for a number of veterans whose service spans the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, The Mexican-American War, and the Civil War. The round iron markers identify their graves. The sandstone and granite monuments above their graves identify the veterans' names and when they were born and died. The monuments had become worn, coated with mold, lichen and grime that left them difficult to read. Along came some young citizens honoring our veterans in a unique way.

Volunteers from the Victor Central School's Key Club, a high school branch of Kiwanis, volunteered to clean and treat the monuments that marked the veterans' grave sites. On a cold day in November six students met and began the task of cleaning monuments. The students, Reyna Ottnod, Elizabeth Davis, Evalien VanManen, Lenore Shields, Soraya Hammer, and Talon DeLorme, set about applying cleaning solution and scrubbing the monuments. With cheerfulness and enthusiasm, the young volunteers applied the cleaning solution and scrubbed the monuments. Stone gravestones that had been black and moss covered became noticeably more distinct and legible. Names, dates, and other inscriptions previously lost to the casual eye, became easier to read. The cleaning solution continues to work over the winter months so we anticipate that come spring, monuments will be even more improved.

The monuments that were cleaned were for veterans like Israel Blood and Jonathan Rawson, who fought in the American Revolutionary War, R.S. Richardson, and Amos Mallison, who both served in the War of 1812, George Washington Torrence, who served in the Mexican War, and Benjamin Lewis, John Blood, and Walter Clement, who all served in the American Civil War. Because of their service our country has continued to thrive and to become a better nation. Time should not diminish the honor and gratitude that we owe. For, certainly, we all should be thankful to our veterans of previous wars buried in the Old Village Cemetery, to our veterans of more recent wars and conflicts, and to our current service men and women who continue to serve.

It is right and proper that we should honor our service people. We owe them a special debt. The young volunteers from the Key Club who came out on a cold autumn day are acknowledging that debt and serve as a reminder for us all to be thankful to our veterans.



L-R: Lenore Shields, Elizabeth Davis, Reyna Ottnod, and Evalien VanManen



L-R: Talon DeLorme and Soraya Hammer

# There's something for everyone in the Park

Article submitted by Christian Culbertson and Sam Huber

Boughton Park continues to be an oasis across all four seasons for Victor and Bloomfield residents. Thanks to community volunteers, Park Commission members, and collaborations with Victor Hiking Trails, the park has made huge steps toward sustainability and community partnerships.

Effective this spring, Boughton Park is now a “pack-in, pack-out” park. Garbage cans have been removed from the parking lots and we encourage everyone to help with keeping our park clean and natural. Please take any trash (and pet waste) with you when you leave.

Have you seen small colored flags in the woods or along the trails? These mark a newly planted tree! Thanks to a generous donation from avid hiker and Park Commission member. The Boughton Park Commission has hosted an Arbor Day family tree planting



Young trees ready for planting



A sapling growing in the woods

event for the past several years. This year's event is Sunday April 23rd starting at 9:00 A.M. Please be on the lookout for additional details though the school districts, MeetUp, and Facebook.

Over the past few years, the Park Commission and other volunteers have been spending time in the park to improve trail conditions and make the trails more safe, enjoyable, and sustainable. The work includes removing low hanging limbs, installing culverts to help water drainage, signage, and seating. Between the wind and ice damage and an active beaver population, there are plenty of potential projects



A recent trail project



A new restroom near Stirnie Road

for this year. Volunteers are always welcome.

Another large project in the park has been to upgrade the toilet facilities. Being able to remove the traditional porta-potties has been a win for the budget and park experience. Park goers have been very pleased with the new buildings. Over the winter, the third outhouse was built beside the Stirnie Road lot. Many thanks to the build team. Please help us keep these facilities operating well and looking nice for all park users. There have been a few instances of vandalism in the past - let's work together to keep our park in top shape for everyone.

Boughton Park continues to be a host for community events and competitions. On July 11, 2022, the Canandaigua chapter of Trout Unlimited hosted the Jr. Fishing Bass and Pan Fishing Invitational. The kids and fishing clubs who participated thoroughly enjoyed their time in the park and were able to share important information about the fish population with

the Park Commission. The Boughton Park ponds continue to be a great place for anglers year-round. Please remember that catch-and-release helps maintain the environment for all of us.

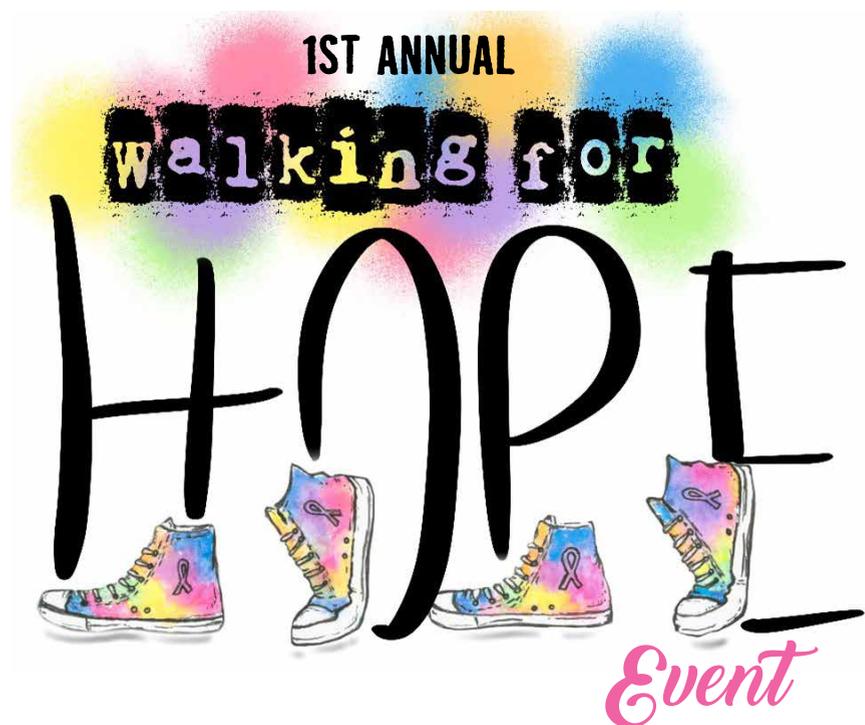
Trail runners have been in the Park as well. On September 25, 2022, the “Unlimited Breadsticks Trail Half Marathon” presented by Yuengling “Flight” utilized the park as part of their extended route. This type of event allowed runners to experience all the wonderful aspects of the park even if they were focused on getting through as fast as possible!

Finally, Boughton Park has been the winter home for some special guests. At least one Bald Eagle has been visiting the park! Keep your eyes up and see what you can spot. If you share a wildlife picture with us on social media, it might end up in the next Boughton Park update! See you in the Park!



A Bald Eagle perched regally in Boughton Park this winter

**Volunteers are always welcome to help with trail maintenance, tree planting, and introducing community members to the park. Follow “Friends of Boughton Park” on Facebook for updates.**



**AUGUST 12, 2023**

**12:00-8:00 P.M.**

Dryer Road Park | Victor, NY

The event will be like the American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life.

We will, however, be keeping the funds here, to help assist local families who are battling an illness and need some assistance with their everyday expenses. We encourage you to get your team to sign up and start fundraising.

**Two great events happening in Victor that day. If you are in the area, please stop by and help us help others.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL,  
WalkingforHopeVictor@gmail.com**



## **PERMIT, EVENT AND BOAT RACK REGULATIONS**

### **Park Use by Permit ONLY**

- Free permits are issued by Town Clerk to residents of the Towns of East Bloomfield, West Bloomfield and Victor.
- You must apply to the Town Clerk in the township where you live
- All permits must be displayed prominently

### ***Boughton Park Hang Tag Permit Process - New:***

When applying for a new Boughton Park Hang Tag Permit:

1. You must bring your driver's license, car registration and proof of residency to the Town Clerk's office where you live
2. A new tag will be issued

### ***Boughton Park Hang Tag Process - Renewal:***

To renew your expired hang tag permit:

1. You must bring in your expired hang tag to the Town Clerk's Office.
2. There will be a \$5.00 charge if expired permit is not returned at the time of renewal
3. You must bring your driver's license, car registration and proof of residency.
4. A new tag will be issued.

## **EAST BLOOMFIELD DOG CONTROL LAW**

As of November 2014, the Town of East Bloomfield has adopted a Dog Control Law that pertains to all dog owners within the town limits. This includes Boughton Park. All owners must be in complete control of their dog at all times while in Boughton Park, as well as anywhere within the Town

of East Bloomfield. Contact the East Bloomfield Town Clerk at 585-657-6515 for a copy of the Dog Control Law, Local Law #2 of 2014.

## **EVENT POLICY**

The Boughton Park Board of Directors periodically receives requests for organized group events within the Park. It is difficult to predict the impact of these events, i.e., size of the group, needed parking, the number of other visitors in the park, etc. As a result, the following policy applies to all group events in the Park:

Organized town groups (churches, scouts, Bloomfield or Victor School classes, etc.) should contact Member Claudia Walsh by email at: [boughtonparkinfo@gmail.com](mailto:boughtonparkinfo@gmail.com) at least two months in advance, to discuss specific details for any desired Park event.

**For other private groups & organizations, the following rules apply:**

- The maximum size of the group is 25 people.
- The maximum number of cars for the group is limited to 10.
- Either or both parking lots may be used, however the maximum still applies.
- The Stirnie Road picnic pavilion may be used. The reservation system should be used by contacting Member Claudia Walsh by email at: [boughtonparkinfo@gmail.com](mailto:boughtonparkinfo@gmail.com) as early as possible, as this is a limited resource available to all residents.
- No permanent or temporary structures can be brought in or constructed in the Park for any event.
- A representative of the event must make a request & provide documented details to the Boughton Park Board of Directors at least 2 months in advance of the planned event date.
- Depending on the size, the group must pay in advance, the rental fee for any additional porta-johns on site during the event. The Boughton Park Board of Directors will schedule the drop-off & pickup of the unit.
- Only 1 event can be scheduled on any one day in the Park. First requested is first granted.
- The group must identify one responsible individual to act as contact for the Town & Park. This representative will attend the event & be responsible for the event and its use of the Park before, during, and immediately after the event (i.e., including cleanup).

**DONATIONS TO THE PARK ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.**

**All other Park rules and regulations apply, including:**

- All parked cars must have a tag and be within the two designated parking areas.
- All fishing is CATCH & RELEASE ONLY
- No alcohol in the Park.
- Swimming is prohibited anywhere in the Park.
- This is a carry-in carry-out Park. Nothing is to be left in the Park after the event.

**SPECIAL USE PERMITS**

Groups of 25 or more require Special Use Permits. These permits are issued by the Boughton Park Board of Directors. Applications shall be in writing including dates, specific use, and insurance coverage where applicable. Contact Member Claudia Walsh by email at: [boughtonparkinfo@gmail.com](mailto:boughtonparkinfo@gmail.com) for more information.

**BOAT RACK POLICY**

Applications will be accepted at the East Bloomfield Town Hall, beginning the 2nd Monday in March of each year.

**Applications will be accepted on a first come first served basis, with preference going to:**

- Handicapped first
- Seniors Citizens second
- Opened to all if spaces are left
- Permits may be picked up by April 15th
- Permits that are not picked up by April 30 will be given to the next person on the list.
- All boats must be removed by November 15th or they will be moved to the barn at

a cost of \$15.00 and charged a daily rent in the amount of \$5.00 per day with a maximum of \$100.00.

- The canoes will be considered abandoned by January 1 and will be sold at auction on April 15 of the following year.

**Canoe/Boat Permit holders are required to use their slips by July 1st or forfeit the permits. Usage will be monitored and if it is observed that the slips are infrequently utilized, the permit may be revoked and the slip assigned to another user.**

## Tell Us What You Think

Customer Comment Cards are available at all of the Town of Victor office counters. Please fill them out and help us to improve our customer service, recognize employees who have given exceptional service, and/or provide us with your suggestions for improvements. Cards can be mailed back to the Town Supervisor or placed in the comment card boxes located at all Town offices.

Or if you prefer, you can fill one out online. Go to [www.victorny.org](http://www.victorny.org) it is at the bottom of the home page.



# Victor Hiking Trails

By Lisa Roberts, VHT Secretary

**HIKING IS NOT ESCAPISM; IT'S REALISM. THE PEOPLE WHO CHOOSE TO SPEND TIME OUTDOORS ARE NOT RUNNING AWAY FROM ANYTHING; WE ARE RETURNING TO WHERE WE BELONG.**

*-Jennifer Pharr Davis*



WEDNESDAY WALKERS ENJOYING A LOCAL TRAIL



VHT VOLUNTEERS WORKING WITH VPR'S ADAM REITZ ON THE NEW RED TRAIL IN FISHERS PARK

## Think Spring!

Victor Hiking Trails (VHT) looks forward to another spring full of fun, active events. Like a garden with annual and perennial flowers, VHT has a mix of traditional yearly events and new projects this spring.

Join us any Wednesday at 9:05 A.M. at the Victor Farmington Library for a Wednesday Walk. You won't be a newcomer long in this welcoming group that's now made up of friends. Enjoy a walk of about two miles, spending 90 minutes at a local trail or park, then stay for coffee or a snack at a local cafe afterwards. As the weather improves, the group will use the Auburn or Lehigh rail trail for an occasional leisurely bike ride. Summer

months we sometimes have a picnic lunch afterwards.

VHT and Victor Parks and Recreation (VPR) will continue working together to improve trail accessibility and sustainability. Have you been on the newly relocated and widened red trail in the upper wooded area of Fishers Park? Enjoy the slightly undulating trail and view down the hillside to the north while walking on the improved trail.

Again this year, VHT, VPR, and the GROC mountain bike group will continue working at Dryer Road Park, making new trails that are more sustainable and accessible to all ages and abilities. If you want to lend a hand or

find out more about what's planned for the park, contact park steward Paul Moszak. He can be tracked down at the park's main parking lot every Tuesday at 5:45 P.M. The trail maintenance schedule is also on the GROC Meetup page.

Our annual Earth Day cleanup will be on Saturday, April 22nd. Thanks to VPR staff for transporting the truckload or more of trash that will be picked up along the Seneca Trail.

VHT has partnered with the

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**TRAIN SCULPTURE BY LOCAL ARTIST MIKE HOUSER AT THE MAPLE AVENUE/AUBURN TRAIL KIOSK**



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Victor Tree Board since 2016. This year's tree planting is on April 29th. You can enjoy last year's project along the village section of Rawson Road. This year trees will be planted on the south side of that road.

Mark your calendar for National Trails Day, June 3rd, at the VPR Center, 7891 Lehigh Crossing. There will be multiple hikes, bike rides and a free continental breakfast and picnic lunch provided by VHT at the day-long event. Stop out for part or all of the day.

Did you know that VHT has monthly Educational Outings? In January, we visited local blacksmith and artist Mike Houser at his studio. You will find Mike's pieces around Victor and in Boughton Park. One of the most recognizable is the train engine sculptures next to the kiosk on the Auburn Trail at Maple Avenue, and in Fishers behind the Fire Hall, both installed in 2009.

Join us at future events including a visit to Lazy Acre Alpacas, Bird Watching with Liz Magnanti of The Bird House, or star gazing at CEK Mees Observatory in Ontario County Park. All activities include a presentation by an expert host, and we finish the afternoon with a stop at a local watering hole.

Our Trail Boss is putting together this year's maintenance schedule to make sure the trails stay in great shape. New this year, we're adding small beautification projects to the schedule, would you like to help update or add way-finding signs, remove

invasive species, or plant native flowers? Do you have an idea that would add to your favorite trail or contemplative spot? Email suggestions to: [secretary@victorhikingtrails.org](mailto:secretary@victorhikingtrails.org)

All the above events, monthly hikes, and trail maintenance sessions are listed on our Meetup calendar and web page: <https://victorhikingtrails.org> and <https://www.meetup.com/victor-hiking-trails-meetup/>

Looking to the future, VHT is working with the Genesee Land Trust (GLT) to preserve open space in the town. VHT first worked with GLT in 2019 on land north of Valentown Road. VHT created and now maintains a trail on the parcel. As new development progresses adjacent to East Victor Road, GLT, and VHT are working together to preserve a large parcel of land for trails. The GLT trail adjacent to Valentown Road and all our trail locations may be found on our trail map page: <https://victorhikingtrails.org/map/>

As VHT starts its 31st year, we continue to expand our reach and impact. Consider becoming a member of VHT to help us continue our work building, maintaining, and enjoying local trails, with the added benefit of making new friends and learning about interesting places or people in our community. Visit our web page and click on the Join button in the top right corner.

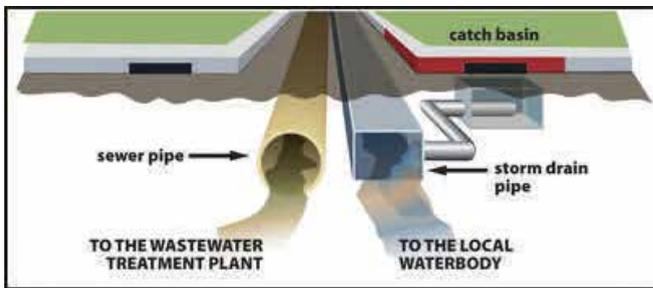
**MAKE VHT YOUR CONNECTION TO THE OUTSIDE!**

# Stormwater Management

By Keith Maynard, Stormwater Program Manager

## ILLICIT DISCHARGE DETECTION & ELIMINATION IN THE TOWN OF VICTOR

Illicit discharge is defined as any discharge to the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) that is not composed entirely of storm water. The storm drain system does not flow to the wastewater treatment plant. In many cases the storm drain system drains directly to a waterway. Illicit discharges may enter the engineered storm drain system through direct or indirect connections, such as: cross-connections of sewer services to engineered storm drain systems, leaking septic systems, intentional discharge of pollutants to catch basins, connected floor drains, and spills of pollutants on the ground that goes into the storm drain system.



## VICTOR TOWN CODE

The Town of Victor adopted Local Law No. 8-2006 to prohibit illegal connections and illicit discharges to the storm sewer system. This Law can be found in Chapter 175 of the Victor Town Code.



## DETECTING ILLICIT DISCHARGE

The tracking, detection, and mitigation of illicit discharges is known as IDDE. The Town of Victor has a GIS-based inventory of all outfalls from the Town storm drain system. These outfalls are routinely dry weather inspected. Dry weather inspection is a visual inspection after three days of dry weather. The inspector looks for indicators such as foam, oil sheen, sanitary waste, or irregular staining on the pipe. Many times, an illicit discharge will be identified during one of these inspections.

## TRAINING

Town of Victor Staff receives IDDE training annually. Trained staff who are regularly in the field can help identify illicit discharges.

## ENFORCEMENT AND ELIMINATION OF ILLICIT DISCHARGE

If an illicit discharge is detected the Town of Victor Stormwater Program Manager works with the property owner to eliminate the illicit discharge. Enforcement procedures outlined in Chapter 175 of the Victor Town Code are used if necessary.



During the 2022-2023 MS4 reporting period four illicit discharges have been identified in the Town of Victor and all have been eliminated.

To report an illicit discharge contact Town of Victor Stormwater Program Manager at 585-742-5035 or email:

[kmaynard@town-victor-ny.us](mailto:kmaynard@town-victor-ny.us)

For more information on the Town of Victor's Stormwater Management Program and contact information please visit <https://www.victorny.org/169/Stormwater-MS4-Program>



# VICTOR PARKS AND RECREATION Citizen's Advisory Committee

By Mark Robbins, CAC Chair, markerino@gmail.com

## UPDATES AND INVITATION TO GET INVOLVED

### The Committee:

“The Town of Victor’s Parks and Recreation Citizens’ Advisory Committee (CAC) was created in an effort to enhance, improve, and expand the level of recreation, parks, and leisure services in the community and support the Department of Parks and Recreation in its mission. This mission statement reflects the town’s commitment to offering residents a balanced system of park lands and recreation areas, preservation of open space, and broad-based leisure opportunities that will foster growth of healthy lifestyles.” The CAC serves as the community’s voice

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and champion for parks and recreation. The CAC reviews plans and proposals for the acquisition and development of park lands and recreation areas, offers input around programs and activities offered through the P&R Department, and its members assist at planned P&R events. We played a significant role in the development of the updated Parks and Recreation Master Plan adopted in 2019.

**For more information regarding the CAC, including:** mission, make-up and current membership, please visit the Parks and Recreation Citizen’s Advisory Committee webpage.

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE](#)

[VIEW THE 2019 MASTER PLAN](#)

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE DOG PARK THAT IS COMING TO VICTOR!](#)

## CAC UPDATE Victor Dog Park Construction Begins Soon

Public input/survey responses leading to the development of the 2019 P&R Master Plan indicated that a dog park was ranked as the 4th most desired P&R amenity. Starting this April, a Dog Park will be created at Harlan Fisher Park. Based on public sessions and community input over the past 2 years the dog park will include separate areas for large and small dogs, a fob-controlled gate, walking paths, a dog wash area, agility area and seating for people. The parking lot will be improved and expanded, and the design will take advantage of existing trees to provide shade. The park will remain

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open during construction. We expect the dog park to open in Spring '24. Major funding for the project comes from the Town's Parks and Rec. Trust Fund. Please visit our webpage for additional information on the dog park including an updated drawing.

### **Community Requests & Future Planning**

A main focus of the CAC is to advise the P&R Department and the Town Board about future needs. In the process of developing the 2019 P&R Master Plan update we conducted extensive surveying and public outreach. As a community, you indicated interest in adding a splash pad, more bicycle/pedestrian amenities, a community garden, and outdoor classrooms. The highest priority project you identified in '19 was building a town-owned P&R facility (we rent our current facility, which has limited capacity and functionality at a significant expense). Newly identified priorities include additional pickle board courts and an action sports park. None of the above items are currently funded.

### **Future Funding is Running Out**

For the last 20 years, major funding for park acquisition, development of park amenities and capital improvements to existing park assets has been paid for by new housing development. The Parks and Rec Trust Fund, authorized by state law, was established in 2003 to support the growing needs of park and

recreation facilities during rapid residential development like we have experienced. When a new residence is built in Victor, the first owner pays a \$2,000 one-time fee into the fund. Between 2003 and the end of 2024, the Town trust fund will have invested \$2.8 million in park development - with tremendous benefits to our entire community.

**VIEW THE PARKS AND RECREATION TRUST FUND**

### **Here's a partial listing of amenities that the fund has paid for:**

- **Dryer Road Park:** playground and picnic shelter, athletic fields, parking lot, bathroom facilities, and box rink
- **Victor Municipal Park:** playground, picnic shelter, lodge, parking lot, and bandshell/amphitheater
- **Fishers Park:** eight pickle ball courts
- **Mary Frances Bluebird Haven:** cottage improvements and fishing dock
- **Harlan Fisher Park:** building a town Dog Park (2023-24)

The dog park will nearly deplete the trust fund in the coming year - and there are still many capital improvements needed to existing facilities, as well as new amenities that the community wants. At the same time, residential development is expected to slow down significantly in the coming years which will significantly impact trust fund replenishment. The CAC has identified a need to work with

the Town Board to identify additional funding sources. It will take community-wide support to maintain and improve the parks and recreation areas you love.

### **Get Involved**

All town residents are invited to attend our monthly CAC Meetings, which are held at 7pm on the first Tuesday of the month at the Victor Parks and Rec. building at 7891 Lehigh Crossing. Agendas are posted approximately 1 week prior to each meeting on the Town of Victor Agenda Center where you can also access all approved meeting minutes. Anyone wishing to attend a meeting is encouraged to email the Current CAC Chair in advance. Please also feel free to send any "P&R" suggestions you might have to the same email address. We would love to hear your thoughts on what you want to see in Victor. We look forward to hearing from you!

**SEND MARK AN EMAIL**

**TOWN OF VICTOR AGENDA CENTER**

## **WE CAN'T WAIT FOR THE NEW DOG PARK!**



## Mobile App for the Town of Victor NY!

The Town of Victor has a mobile app called Town of Victor NY. This digital tool will provide a connection for individuals seeking Victor resources, news, and information from their smart phones, tablets or hand-held devices.

The Town of Victor NY app can be used to enjoy convenient access to services such as Parks and Recreation programs, up-to-date Victor announcements, upcoming meeting agendas, Community Calendar of events, and much more.

You may also find current employment opportunities or contact information for Victor departments.

**APPLE USERS CLICK HERE!**

**ANDROID USERS CLICK HERE!**



**Download the app and  
connect with the  
Town of Victor!**



## Victor Farmington Ambulance

Michael J Carlotta BS EMT-P Chief of Operations

It's a brand-new year and I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season. Everyone at Victor Farmington Ambulance is excited to continue forward in 2023 with the same success and exuberance as we did in 2022. 2022 was the busiest year for emergency calls in our illustrious 52-year history. We received 3,001 requests for service in 2022, which was 153 more requests than in 2021. To put this in some perspective we received 2,308 requests for service in 2017 and 2,402 requests for service in 2018. I am proud to say that Victor Farmington Ambulance has adapted very successfully to the growth of population in our two towns, and we will continue to adapt in the years to come.

I would like to congratulate Deputy Chief Jared Palmer on his appointment to Chief Executive Officer of Victor Farmington Ambulance. Jared has been an invaluable asset in the 12 years he has been a member of Victor Farmington and he will continue to make Victor Farmington Ambulance the premier ambulance service in Ontario County. On a personal level, Chief Palmer has helped me to become a better leader and I would not have had the success I have achieved in my role as Chief without his support. Chief Palmer will focus mainly on the many administrative tasks and responsibilities, allowing me to focus on my role as Chief of Operations. Be sure to congratulate Chief Palmer when you see him around town.

COVID-19 responses are continuing to occur. All our providers are required to wear surgical masks on all calls, and we are continuing to take every precaution to ensure our equipment and vehicles are clean, and our patients and providers are safe.

I am excited to announce that several of our staff took part in the Child Passenger Safety Technician course the last week of February. This was a week-long course that now allows our staff to properly inspect and install car seats in vehicles. We will now be offering car seat inspections and installations to residents. We continue to offer community CPR and First aid classes on a regular basis, and we will be having another BLAST (Babysitter Lessons and Safety Training) course sometime in the Spring.

I hope everyone had a safe and wonderful holiday season. I am excited to see what 2023 brings to us. I thank all of you for your continued support as we continue to make our community a safe and happy place for all. If you see us out in the community at an event, come say hi and introduce yourself. We enjoy getting to know you and serving the community.



We are preparing for a busy summer here at Victor Fire. Not only are we constantly training and preparing for responding to whatever emergencies we are dispatched, our summer is shaping up to be a busy one!

Our operational officers for 2023 included Chief Mark Eifert, Deputy Chief Steve Lamarco, Assistant Chief Mark Militello, and Lieutenant Lucas Gruenfelder. The business officers include President Linda Tice, Vice President Jason Shelton, Secretary Kate Gruenfelder, and Treasurer Cathy Benjamin. These volunteers lend their time and considerable talents to keep the wheels of the organization moving.

Congratulations also to Gerald Barry, who was elected in December to a full 5-year term as Fire Commissioner. The Fire Commissioners are also volunteers, receiving no compensation for their work. Our Board of Fire Commissioners generally meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 P.M. There is a bulletin board outside our principal door on the Maple Avenue side of the fire hall for dates, notices of changes, and other public information. You can also check out the District's website at: <https://victorfire.com>, or the department's Facebook page, @victorvolunteerfiredepartment.

Speaking of the website, earlier this year we launched a new look to our website. We hope it will be easier for the public to find the information they need.

This summer we are planning on holding three chicken barbecues and our Memorial Day breakfast. If you've never sampled our chicken barbecue, make this year be the first! You can either pre-order up to a week before or stop in that day and pay at the door. We make it easy for you as well – you can use the “drive thru” and never step out of your vehicle, or you walk up and eat in the firehouse. We open the line at 4:00 P.M. and stay until we sell out.

The proceeds of the barbecue, breakfast, and the fund drive all go the Victor Fire Department. The tax revenue goes to the Victor Fire District and is used for fire department operations - everything needed to respond for service to the community, such as the building, fire apparatus, firefighting gear and equipment. The fundraisers go to the Victor Fire Department, Inc., a 501(c)3 corporation comprising the volunteer firefighters. This money is used by the members for maintaining Fireman's' Field, the historic firehouse at 5 West Main, and for providing a thank you to these members who dedicate their time, talents, and energy to the organization.

We are always seeking to welcome new volunteers, to train and answer the calls for service. We are dedicated to being a primarily volunteer organization, using neighbors to help our neighbors. Keep an eye out for our upcoming recruitment information nights at the Victor Fire Hall. We will start at 7:00 P.M. and be done no later than 8:00 P.M. These are strictly an informational night, an opportunity to hear about what it means to volunteer for the Victor

Fire Department. The myths and fears of being a firefighter are one of our biggest hurdles to bringing volunteers into the department. One of our volunteers, a former VCS hockey player and now lieutenant with the US Army, once told us “Had I known how much fun this was, I would have joined sooner.”

Our information night will be just that: a chance to hear what we do, and the benefits of being a member of Victor Fire. In the end, we are simply a family dedicated to helping our community. Many of our members have awakened passions and gone on to jobs as paid firefighters, EMTs, nurses, dispatchers, law enforcement, fire protection specialists, county and state fire instructors, or private sector jobs in fire prevention, finance, and maintenance.

If you have any questions about the fire department, its activities or needs, please call us at 585-924-3321 or email [info@victorfire.com](mailto:info@victorfire.com).

## 2022 IN REVIEW:

- 411 calls, including:
  - 13 fires, including 2 building fires
  - 53 MVAs/person trapped
  - 91 calls for mutual aid to 8 different departments
  - Received mutual aid 34 times from 4 different departments
  - 65 EMS calls
  - 92 false alarms
  - 46 members provided 1,663 hours on scene
  - 51 members participated in 3,212 hours of training – average of 63.0 hours per person
  - 139 other events (meetings, cleaning details, fundraisers)

# Conservation Board

## CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

In Victor, we are blessed to be home to many unique natural resources - drumlins, creeks, wetlands, moraines, and kettles to name a few. The beautiful landscape is part of what makes Victor one of the fastest growing communities in our region, and whose growth must be balanced with the protection of these natural resources. Along with our Comprehensive plan, dedicated Town Officials and Boards, and involved citizenry, the Victor Conservation Board utilizes conservation easements to help strike that balance between Development and Preservation.

Conservation easements are legal agreements that allow landowners or municipalities to protect their properties from development or other forms of use for a period, or in perpetuity. In essence, conservation easements are a way for landowners to voluntarily give up some of their rights to use their land in exchange for preserving its natural, scenic, or historic value.

Conservation easements also provide benefits to the broader community. By protecting natural

resources and open space, they help to maintain biodiversity, protect wildlife habitat, and ensure the availability of clean water. They could also provide recreational opportunities, such as hiking, fishing, and hunting, that can benefit local residents and visitors.

The Town of Victor has hundreds of conservation easements within it, and in recent years, the Town has required new developments to include at least half of its developing property to remain green space, most commonly in the form of conservation easements.

Conservation easements can be placed on any type of property, including farms, ranches, forests, wetlands, and scenic landscapes. The Town of Victor has an abundance of natural resources and wildlife, and conservation easements allow residents to collectively protect these resources for years to come.

Some conservation easements allow landowners to maintain ownership and control over their land, while others are more restrictive. In some cases, landowners can continue to use their land for a variety of purposes, including

agriculture, forestry, and recreation. However, they are prohibited from engaging in activities that would damage the natural or scenic value of the land - restrictive activities to include permanent structures, pools, etc. More restrictive easements prohibit any activity within the area of the easement and are intended to be “no touch” easements.

The Town of Victor requires easements to be marked at least every 200 feet, and at each intersecting point. The most common marker is a 4” by 4” wooden post with a placard including the verbiage: **“Town Conservation Easement-Restricted Use. Call 742-5035”**. Other markers include boulders and other durable, natural markers. Once completed these easements are recorded on the property’s Deed and recorded with the Ontario County clerk. Easements survive a change in property ownership.

Conservation easements provide landowners with a way to protect their land while also benefiting the broader community. With careful planning and management, conservation easements can help to ensure that our natural resources are preserved for future generations.



# News from Victor Community Development Office



L-R: Kathy Rayburn, Gina Ko



[VictorCDO.org](http://VictorCDO.org)

## Economic Development/Victor LDC

By Kathy Rayburn, Director

### ANNUAL VICTOR BUSINESS AWARDS - THURSDAY MAY 11TH

We've started the planning for the 2023 Victor Business Awards and have selected this year's award recipients! We have always counted on community members to nominate local Victor businesses but this year we were able to elevate that effort through social media and an on-line form submission. The response was steady and gave the committee a lot to think about.



L-R: Chris DeBolt, County Administrator; Jeff Gallahan, Assemblyman; Jack Marren, Supervisor; Bill Foster, CEO BioWorks; Peter Epperia, Director, Technical Services (Bioworks); Kathy Rayburn, Executive Director VLDC; Mike Crowley, Village Trustee; Jim Guelzow, LSI

Bill Foster, CEO of Bioworks Inc., will be delivering the keynote this year as Bioworks was the recipient of the Business of the Year award in 2022. As I'm writing this article for the newsletter, we are in the process of notifying the award winners. The complete list of winners will be posted on the website at [www.victorcdo.org](http://www.victorcdo.org). We have a couple surprises for people who have been outstanding members of this community!!

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TOWN NEWS

### FAÇADE PROGRAM

The Victor LDC and the Village Urban Renewal Agency launched a revamped Village Façade Improvement program for 2023 this past March. VLDC Director Joe Corsi, Village Trustee Carol Comisso, and I met to review the program that was last implemented in 2020. We reviewed the criteria and made necessary adjustments to enhance the benefit to the applicants and gain the most visual impact to enhance Village commercial properties. At the February 28th VLDC meeting, they finalized their budget designating funds to this year's program. Business and building owners were notified in March.

The Façade Improvement program was started in 2007 and was funded by the VLDC and the Village Urban Renewal Agency as a matching grant program. We are pleased to report that from 2007 through 2019 we funded: 74 façade projects totaling \$104,000 in grant funding and \$360,000 in overall dollars invested by building/business owners on these projects. In 2020 we used the funds to offer grants to businesses that needed to cover COVID related expenses and not specific façade projects.

### WHO ARE THE FACES OF THE VICTOR LOCAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

I am very lucky to be working with this group of talented and dedicated board members. At our January meeting we reappointed the current slate of board members and made some position changes. The complete list of VLDC board members are below:

**President** – Liz Biehler

**VP** – Alyssa Serenis

**Secretary/Director** – Joe Corsi

**Director** – Mike Guinan

**Director** – Ted Rund

**Director** – Vince Pettrone

**Director** – Brett Owen

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**NEW BUSINESSES AND NEW LOCATIONS TO CHECK OUT!**

It is so important that we consider the local businesses when considering a purchase, service or dining. Below are a few new Victor businesses to visit as well as existing businesses that have moved/expanded.

- **School Of Rock**  
235 High Street Ext.
- **Kiko's Den Boutique**  
33 West Main Street
- **The Collected Home**  
72 West Main Street  
(The barn next to Lovely)
- **Congresswoman Claudia Tenney**  
New office located at  
7170 Route 96

**HIGH TECH ROUNDTABLE**

On March 29th the Town Economic Development office and the Ontario County Chamber hosted a discussion forum with representatives from Victor's Technology & Manufacturing businesses. The purpose is to provide an opportunity to engage in open discussion regarding what is working, obstacles and where the County, Town & Chamber can assist. Email invitations went out on 2/20. The forum was held at FLCC Victor campus.



## Planning & Building Department

By Kim Kinsella, Project Coordinator

It continues to be evident that Victor is a great place to live, work and play! 2022 was a record year for the Town of Victor's Planning and Building Department with the number of permits that were issued totaling 803 as compared to 2021 with 712. Out of the 803 permits, 125 were for new single-family homes, which included townhouse buildings.

Other permits that were issued were for accessory structures such as sheds, decks, fences, pools, and hot tubs. New roof permits, generators, windows, electrical work, basement renovations, structural changes, and commercial permits rounded out the rest.

As you can imagine with issuing 803 permits throughout the year comes the work of, first, reviewing all of the permit

applications for zoning and building code compliance before issuance, and second, managing and scheduling multiple inspections, follow ups, phone calls, and data entry of inspections, just to name a few. It keeps staff very busy, especially during the spring and summer seasons when everyone is looking to get started on their project and then in the fall, wrapping up their projects before the winter weather hits.

In handling all of the work that 803 permits bring, staff also manages daily inquiries from phone calls, emails, letters and visitors. New challenges and situations arise every day and we do our best to listen carefully, provide accurate information, and educate. No matter how busy we get, we are always happy help!

## Farmington Sewer

Farmington Water-Sewer and Victor sewer customers will be able to have more options available to them to view and pay their sewer bill. We expect this option to be available towards the end of May 2023.

Pump Station 7 on East Victor Road will be a complete rebuild and is on schedule to be completed by the end of April. This project will increase the sewer flow capacity for future growth.

Follow us on Facebook!  
Town of Victor or the Victor Parks & Recreation Facebook page.



## Fishers Fire District

By Chief Dan Chapman



Dan Chapman  
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calls. Today's firefighters have so much more that they must train for and be ready for at a moment's notice. The world and our own district are much different today than even 10 years ago. Many of the changes are for the betterment of society, but now we must prepare for things like pandemics and mass casualty incidents.

It is getting harder than ever to find both volunteer and career firefighters today for many reasons. One reason is the time commitment for a volunteer that is required by the State. Another is that people look at this as a risky job that they, or more importantly their families, do not want to take to help a stranger. We must think outside the box on how we can

provide a quality service while maintaining fiscal responsibility. I am committed to this platform and feel that it can be done effectively with a combination service model of volunteers and career members. The second part of this is working closer than ever with our neighboring districts and departments.

It is my intention to maximize our relationships to limit duplication of equipment and work to have complimenting equipment. As I have learned over time anyone in our community can be a volunteer, so please contact us if interested.

As I begin my fifth year here at the Fishers Fire District and my thirty-sixth year in emergency services, I am truly surprised by the changes I have seen. With two years left on my contract, my focus for this year will be on the members. Our firefighters are our largest investment and are truly the heart of our service. Both career & volunteer firefighters get into this field because of their sense of servitude and responsibility to their community. When I joined, it was much more of a fire service with occasional rescue or hazardous material

# THE FARMERS' MARKET

OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY | Village Hall Parking Lot | 60 E Main Street

JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> - OCTOBER 25<sup>TH</sup>

3:00-6:00 P.M.



## From the Library Director

Tim Niver, Director, [tniver@owwl.org](mailto:tniver@owwl.org)

The Friends of the Victor Farmington Library will once again be holding a book sale at the end of April at Eastview Mall. As of this writing, dates and a specific store front within the mall have not been finalized, so please check our website or Facebook page for up-to-date information. The Friends of the Library is a separate not-for-profit organization that assists the library through fundraising efforts and general support. The book sale is the largest fundraising event for the group, and it's a great opportunity to purchase like-new books at a very reasonable cost. Last autumn, the sale was moved from the large meeting room of the library to Eastview Mall and sales flourished. We saw increased foot traffic and had much more space to hold more books. Additionally, we didn't have to use our large meeting room for the book sale, allowing us to continue to host library programs and events. We hope you'll find an opportunity to visit the sale this year and find some great deals.

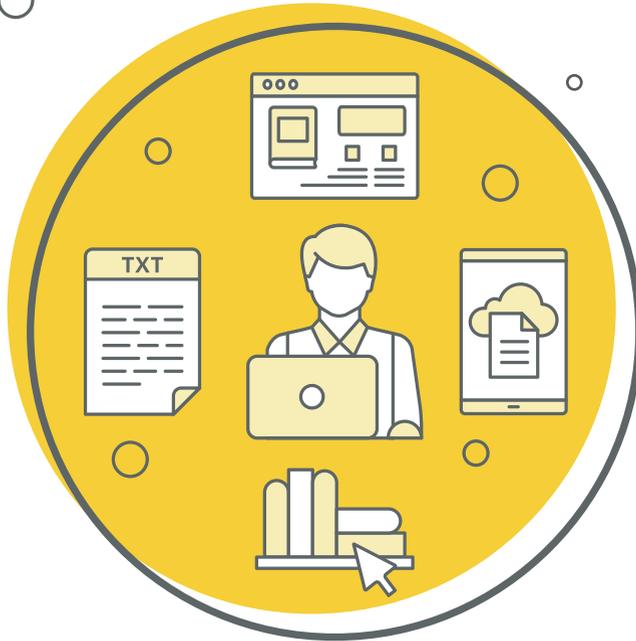
Moving on to a slightly different topic, did you know the library's financial information can be found on our website? There has always been a general annual budget available online, but a few years ago, New York State made it a requirement for public libraries to post that information. In addition to this general budget being made available for public viewing, you can find our IRS Form 990 (a financial form all not-for-profit organizations must submit) online through websites such as GuideStar and others. Go to [guidestar.com](http://guidestar.com) and search for the Victor Farmington Library and you'll find our 990 for the last few years. In fact, the library earned a 2023 Gold Seal from Guidestar for our financial transparency,

something we're very proud of. If you can't find the previous year's 990, it's because the government hasn't populated it to the website yet. If that's the case and you would like to see it, please feel free to contact me at the library and I'll be happy to send it along. Lastly, there is an annual report to the community that is available on our website. This not only explains the library's expenses and revenue, but also contains various statistics like circulation numbers, number of people that entered the library, how many people attended library programs, and a few other interesting facts and figures. Many of these statistics are also supplied to New York State as part of our required record-keeping.

Did you also know the Victor Farmington Library is an independent organization that is not affiliated with the town or village of Victor? The library happily serves the residents of Victor and a portion of Farmington, but New York State law says the library is an Association Library and therefore governed and owned by a board of directors. This is a very similar concept to a Homeowner's Association for a townhouse complex. The Homeowner's Association is governed by a board of elected officials, and Association libraries are operated in a similar fashion. There are many Association libraries throughout the state, with some neighboring towns also having an Association library. For this reason, the town supervisor and village mayor may not be able to answer questions about the library's finances, because they just don't have direct access to that information. If there are questions about the library's finances or operations, I would be happy to have a discussion.

# So Much More Than “Just” Books

Jessica Pritchard, Development Manager, [jpritchard@owwl.org](mailto:jpritchard@owwl.org)



Candi, Circulation Desk at the Victor Farmington Library

One busy day at the library, I asked Candi who works at the Circulation Desk to tell me what three things surprise people most about the library. “How popular our puzzles and museum passes are,” she replied. “I can’t tell you how often people are amazed to hear they can borrow an Empire Pass for complimentary entry to most New York State Parks and State Dept. of Environmental Conservation sites including forests, beaches, trails, and more. Our RMSC pass offers free admission for two adults and children to the Rochester Museum and Science Center. Or, use it for free admittance to the Cummings Nature Center in Naples, which features over 15 miles of trails.”

From her station at a nearby computer,

Laura adds, “I’m always surprised about the demand for faxing. It’s not easy to find a fax machine these days.” She continues, “Faxing costs \$2 for the first page and \$1 for each additional page. To avoid the cost we’ll help people scan to email for free. I also love seeing parents chatting over coffee at “Play Cafés” on Wednesday mornings. Plus, as a mom, this is a great place for the kids to study or meet with a tutor”, she finishes.

Curious, I asked Candi and Laura to pick one thing they wish people knew about the library. Simultaneously they replied, “I wish people knew how many things you can do over the telephone.” You can renew a loan, or even your library card, from the comfort of your home!



## Victor Farmington Library Children's Services News

Krystina Dippel, Children's Librarian, [kdippel@owwl.org](mailto:kdippel@owwl.org)

We are busy planning for summer here at the library! The 2023 Summer Reading Program will begin Monday, June 27th, and will offer six weeks filled with events for children and teens, as well as a summer-long reading challenge that can be completed any time before September. Programs for children will include storytimes, open playtimes lots of crafts, and weekly special guests such

as The Great and Powerful Dave, Mayukwa from Building Families First, a cartooning class with Rick Stromoski, and a Circus Arts Workshop with Benjamin Berry! Our children's Summer Reading Challenge will give participants reading and activity prompts to complete, and when they hit certain milestones, they'll be able to come in and get prizes! Participating in our summer reading program is a fun and

free way to remain social and continue learning throughout the summer.

Keep an eye out for our spring and summer programs at [www.victorfarmingtonlibrary.org](http://www.victorfarmingtonlibrary.org).

Make sure you are following the library on social media for regular updates! Check us out on Facebook at [facebook.com/victorfarmingtonlibrary](https://facebook.com/victorfarmingtonlibrary) and follow us on Instagram at [@victorfarmingtonlibrary](https://instagram.com/victorfarmingtonlibrary).



# Victor Farmington Library Teen Services News

Whitney Whitfield, Teen Librarian, [wwhitfield@owwl.org](mailto:wwhitfield@owwl.org)

We are having a fantastic spring season here at the library! I am so excited to see our Teen patrons at our upcoming programs. We have many fun things planned, both in-person and take-and-makes, so I hope you're able to participate!

The 2023 Summer Reading theme is "All Together Now," and we will have fun community-themed activities all summer long, including in-person programs, visits from the Seneca Park Zoomobile, and take-and-make crafts. We will once again be offering our Summer Reading Challenges for children, teens, and adults. The teen challenge will be themed around Pokémon and will give participants reading and activity prompts to complete for a badge. Earn all eight badges and you will be entered into a raffle at the end of Summer Reading! There will also be small prizes upon registration.

Keep an eye out for our spring and summer programs at [www.victorfarmingtonlibrary.org](http://www.victorfarmingtonlibrary.org).

Make sure you are following the library on social media for regular updates! Check us out on Facebook at [facebook.com/victorfreelibrary](https://facebook.com/victorfreelibrary) and follow us in Instagram at [@victorfarmingtonlibrary](https://instagram.com/victorfarmingtonlibrary).



# Victor Farmington Library Adult Events & Community News

Greta Selin-Love, Community Services Librarian, [gselin@owwl.org](mailto:gselin@owwl.org)



Wondering what's new at the library? Check out the all-new library of things, now prominently located at the front of the library. You can now borrow a variety of non-traditional items to help explore the world around you. Want to study the stars? Borrow a telescope! Are you curious about learning a new instrument? Check out the ukelele! Keep an eye out for migrating birds with a pair of binoculars and a bird field guide. The library offers so much more than books, but don't hesitate to come in to borrow the latest bestselling novel. We also have a huge selection of large print titles, as well as movie DVDs and magazines. There is something for everyone.

Now is the perfect time to drop into the library to see what's happening. With the arrival of warm weather, several of our programs will be held outside. If you prefer staying cozy inside, be sure to participate in our Adult Summer Reading (ASR) Challenge, beginning in June and running through August. ASR is a great way to expand your reading habits by moving out of your reading comfort zone and to discover new favorite authors.

## Following are some of the library's upcoming spring/summer program offerings:

- Wildflower and nature walks
- Basics of the Erie Canal
- Birdwatching
- Natural History programs
- Healthy Living classes
- Basic bicycle repair
- Repair Café©
- Adult Crafts
- Beginning eBay classes
- Beginning Mah Jongg classes
- A variety of games: Euchre, Hand and Foot, Mah Jongg
- Alzheimer's Association monthly educational series and support group
- Monthly book discussion groups
- Adult Summer Reading (ASR) Challenge



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Library Walkers at Fishers Park

Our Library Walkers group has grown this past year into a fun-loving bunch who walk in any weather. Led by Victor Hiking Trails (VHT) members, this group hikes in Victor, Farmington and occasionally other nearby towns, exploring the natural history as well as the local history of the area. If you enjoy hiking and want to meet like-minded people, this group is for you!

To see library programs for all ages and to register for your favorites, please pick up a monthly event calendar at the library, or view our online calendar at [www.victorfarmingtonlibrary.org](http://www.victorfarmingtonlibrary.org), and be sure to follow us on Facebook for timely announcements and updates. We hope to see you soon!





## Victor Farmington Library

### Recurring Events

#### MAH JONGG

Mondays 2:00–4:00 P.M.  
Join other Mah Jongg  
enthusiasts!

#### HAND AND FOOT GAMES

Every Monday, 6:00-7:30 P.M.  
Join us for this fun canasta style  
game!

#### CHAIR YOGA

Mondays 12:15 P.M. &  
Thursdays 11:00 A.M.  
Suggested donation: \$3/class

#### BOOK CLUBS

**BOOK BUZZ & BOOKED FOR  
THE EVENING**  
Second Tuesdays  
11:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

#### EUCHRE AND HAND & FOOT GAMES

Every Wednesday, 2-4 P.M.

#### LIBRARY WALKERS

Every Wednesday Morning at  
9:15 A.M.



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Parks & Recreation  
Facebook page.



# Coloring Fun



# Calendar of Events

APRIL - SEPTEMBER 2023

Connect with us!  



## APRIL 20-23

### Friends of the Victor Farmington Library Book Sale;

Eastview Mall, next to *Lush*,  
Main Court Entrance Door 4  
11:00 A.M. Thurs/Fri  
1:00 P.M. Sat/Sun

## 22

### Ontario County Household Hazardous Waste Collection;

7:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M., Casella Recycling  
Facility & Landfill, 3555 County  
Road 49, Stanley NY 14561. PRE-  
REGISTRATION & PROOF OF RESIDENCY  
ARE REQUIRED. For details go to: [https://  
ontariocountyrecycles.org](https://ontariocountyrecycles.org)

### Earth Day Trail Cleanup with Victor Hiking Trails;

Cobblestone Court Drive, Meet next to TJ  
MAXX, 9:00 A.M. For more details go to:  
[www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org).

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### Victor Hiking Trails Family Arbor Day Tree Planting,

9:00 A.M., Boughton Park, meet at the  
Boughton Road parking lot. For more  
details go to:  
[www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org).

## 29

### Village Tree Board; Arbor Day Event, Tree Planting,

9:00 A.M., Rawson Road by the Town  
Barn. Questions – call the Village Hall at  
585-924-3311.

## MAY 6

### Ontario County Residential Tire Collection;

8:00-11:00 A.M., Town of Canandaigua  
Highway Facility. For details go to:  
<https://ontariocountyrecycles.org>

## 11

### Victor Business Awards Luncheon;

Cobblestone Creek Country Club,  
11:30 A.M.

## 13

### Victor Hiking Trails Monthly Hike;

Gateway Trail, 8:30 A.M., meet behind  
the Town Hall. For more details go to:  
[www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org)

### Kids (and Family) Friendly Bike Fest;

P&R Center, 7891 Lehigh Crossing,  
10:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

### Chicken BBQ;

Victor Fire Department, 34 Maple Avenue,  
4:00 P.M.

## 20

### Ontario County Electronic Waste Collection;

8:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M., Town of Bristol  
Highway Facility. For details go to:  
<https://ontariocountyrecycles.org>

## 29

### Memorial Day Breakfast;

Victor Fire Hall, 34 Maple Ave,  
6:00-9:00 A.M.

### Memorial Day Parade;

Main Street, 10:00 A.M.

## JUNE 1

### Historic Lecture Series,

"Stock Car Racing: The Ewing Racing  
Team," Old Men from McDonald's; Victor  
Town Hall, 7:00 P.M.

## 3

### Ontario County Residential Mattress Collection;

8:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M., Town of  
Farmington Highway Facility. For details  
go to: <https://ontariocountyrecycles.org>

### National Trails Day;

Parks & Rec Facility, 7891 Lehigh  
Crossing, 8:30 A.M.-2:00 P.M. Call  
Victor Hiking Trails at (585) 234-8226  
or go to [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org) for  
more info.

## 7

Opening of \*Victor Farmers' Market;  
Village Hall Parking lot, 3:00-6:00 P.M.

## 10

### Chicken BBQ;

Victor Fire Department, 34 Maple Avenue,  
4:00 P.M.

## 15

### Sid Partington Memorial Concert:

*The Breakfast Club*, Victor Municipal  
Park, Food Truck-Tony Tomatoes Tuscan  
Wood Fired Pizza, 7:00-8:30P.M.

## 17

### Annual "Gone Fishin" Youth Fishing Derby;

Victor Municipal Park, 9:00-10:30 A.M.



## JUNE 20

### Taco Tuesday at DRP:

Tacos, Music, Trails & Ales; Cold Chocolate, Dryer Road Park, 5:30-8:30 P.M.

## 22

### Sid Partington Memorial Concert:

*Victor Community Pops Band & Chorus*, Victor Municipal Park, Food Truck-Eat Greek!, 7:00 to 8:30 P.M.

## 25

### Historic Lecture Series,

"Victor Barns and Agricultural History," Babette Huber, Town & Village Historian; Victor Town Hall, 2:00 P.M.

## 29

### Sid Partington Memorial Concert:

*MoJo Blue Band*, Victor Municipal Park, Food Truck-Rob's Kabobs, 7:00-8:30 P.M.

## JULY 13

### Sid Partington Memorial Concert:

*Jumbo Shrimp*, Victor Municipal Park, Food Truck-Bay Vista Taqueria, 7:00-8:30 P.M.

## 18

### Taco Tuesday at DRP:

Tacos, Music, Trails & Ales; Nate Coffey & Matt Sauer, Dryer Road Park, 5:30-8:30 P.M.

## 20

### Sid Partington Memorial Concert:

*The Buffalo Bluegrass All-Stars*, Victor Municipal Park, Food Truck-Chef's Mobile Kitchen, 7:00-8:30 P.M.

## 22-23

### Indigenous Music & Arts Festival at Ganondagan,

1488 State Route 444, Victor, 10:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M.

## AUGUST 15

### Taco Tuesday at DRP:

Tacos, Music, Trails & Ales; Claudia Hoyser, Dryer Road Park, 5:30-8:30 P.M.

## SEPTEMBER 9

**Hometown Day**, Sidewalk Sale on Main Street, 10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

### Victor Hiking Trails Monthly Hike;

TBD, 9:00 A.M. For more details go to: [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org)

## 16

### Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day,

Town of Farmington Highway Facility, from 7:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M.

PRE-REGISTRATION & PROOF OF RESIDENCY ARE REQUIRED. For details go to: <https://ontariocountyrecycles.org>

### Climb Aboard Victor;

Village; 10:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M.

## 19

### Taco Tuesday at DRP:

Tacos, Music, Trails & Ales; Wheeler Station, Dryer Road Park, 5:30 to 8:30 P.M.

## JULY 6

### Sid Partington Memorial Concert:

*Mambo Kings*, Victor Municipal Park, Food Truck-Wraps on Wheels, 7:00-8:30 P.M.

## 8

### Victor Hiking Trails Monthly Hike;

Ontario Pathways Bike Ride, 9:00 A.M., meet behind Town Hall. For more details go to: [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org)

## AUGUST 12

### Victor Hiking Trails Monthly Hike;

TBD, 9:00 A.M. For more details go to: [www.victorhikingtrails.org](http://www.victorhikingtrails.org)

### Chicken BBQ;

Victor Fire Department, 34 Maple Avenue, 4:00 P.M.

### Victor Music & Food Fest,

Mead Square; 4:00 to 10:00 P.M. Bands, food, and beverage – FREE community event put on by the Village.

ALL THESE EVENTS AND MORE CAN BE FOUND ON THE VICTOR WEBSITE UNDER THE COMMUNITY CALENDAR AT

**WWW.VICTORNY.ORG/  
CALENDAR.ASPX**



## Letter from the Village Mayor

Hello to all,

As I write this letter, we are one month away from spring by the calendar. Maybe I shouldn't say this but, it has been a remarkably mild winter thus far.

### **BUDGET**

Currently the Village Board of Trustees is in the process of finalizing the annual budget. The fiscal year will run from June 1, 2023, thru May 31, 2024. By the time this newsletter reaches you we should have adopted the budget after multiple

budget workshops and a public hearing in April. Our calculations prepared by our Village Treasurer puts our tax rate for this budget at \$3.95 up from \$3.91 per thousand dollars of assessed property value. The tax levy then according to the State Comptrollers formula would put us right at the 2% tax cap. We chose to pass a local law to override the state tax cap after a public hearing on Feb 20, 2023. This was done as a precautionary measure in case of any possible miscalculation on our part that could result in going over the tax cap.

Inflation at 8.6% is affecting nearly all functions of local government just as it is affecting your own budgets. The costs for construction materials and for labor when needed outside the scope of the DPW on some large contracts presents a financial challenge. Additionally, insurance costs have risen with inflation as well. We are utilizing reserves to offset the direct impact on the tax rate. The following are some budget highlights.



**Gary Hadden**  
Village of  
Victor Mayor,  
(585) 924-3311



## DPW PROJECTS

- Reconstruction of South High St. This includes drainage, sidewalk and road improvements. Also, crosswalks that cross South High Street will be eliminated along with the sidewalks on the west side of South High Street. This will serve a dual purpose: enhanced pedestrian safety and better efficiency at the Rt. 96 intersection.
- Installation of a new gateway sign at County Road 9
- Installation of flashing warning lights at the mid-block pedestrian crossing on West Main Street in front of Meade Square Park pending final approval from NYS DOT.
- Installation of electronic flashing lights at the East Street/Woodworth Street stop sign to enhance driver awareness while exiting the Jacobs Landing development.
- The \$2.3 million Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) upgrades should be nearly completed by the time this newsletter reaches you. As a result of planning, hard work and communication this project has been funded thru a DEC grant, COVID relief funds, utilization of our sewer fund reserves and borrowing from our General Fund unreserved fund balance. A 2 dollar per unit per quarter increase

in the sewer rate will help us pay back the unreserved fund balance in the next year or two. No bonding nor borrowing outside our own budget has occurred. A remarkable accomplishment in the midst of a pandemic, economic instability and supply chain issues during rising inflation. I commend the Board of Trustees for making decisions along the way. However, the following groups and individuals from those groups deserve our gratitude and respect for a very important job well done: the office personnel at Village Hall, the DPW employees including WWTP employees, Village engineers from the MRB group and the contractors from Crane Hogan, Concord Electric and Procore Industrial Services. Last but not least Diane White Village Treasurer guided the project financially and John Turner DPW Director along with JP Schepp from MRB led this team of professionals thru many challenges. Kudos to all!

## RG&E BILLING ISSUES

During 2022 -2023 many residents including myself have been experiencing billing issues and inconsistencies with RG&E. This is occurring across the state and country to varying degrees with several

utility providers. If you are experiencing these problems and in need of help in resolving them, email me at: [gary.hadden@villageofvictor.org](mailto:gary.hadden@villageofvictor.org). I will send you some information generated by the Public Service Commission of NYS on this topic.

## EVENTS

- The following events are anticipated in the Village:
- Memorial Day parade (May)
- Farmers Market Wednesday's (June-Oct)
- Village Music and Food Festival (August)
- Hometown Day (Sept)
- Spooktacular (Oct)
- Jingle Mingle (Dec)

In summary I wish you all a happy, healthy, and fun filled spring and summer season. See you in the Village!

## IF YOU NEED TO REACH ME FOR ANY REASON

**Village Hall** 585-924-3311  
**Email:** [gary.hadden@villageofvictor.org](mailto:gary.hadden@villageofvictor.org)

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Mayor of the Village of Victor.

Best Regards,

Gary A. Hadden, Mayor



## Village of Victor General Information

By Pamela Hogenes, Village Clerk

The Village Clerk's office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. The Village Hall is located at 60 East Main Street. The Village Clerk's phone number is 924-3311.

The Department of Public Works normal working hours are Monday through Friday, 7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Summer hours from April until November are 6:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. The Department of Public Works is located at 150 Rawson Road. The DPW phone number is 924-2004.

Village Board of Trustees meetings are scheduled on the first and third Mondays of the month. If a holiday falls on a Monday of a meeting, the meeting will be on Tuesday. The meetings start at 7:00 P.M. at the Village Hall and are open to the public.

If you would like to contact us via e-mail, please e-mail the Village Clerk directly at [villageclerk@villageofvictor.org](mailto:villageclerk@villageofvictor.org).

### DIRECT DEBIT PROGRAM

The Village Clerk's office would like to  
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remind our water/sewer customers that we do offer a direct debit program for your quarterly billing. An enrollment form for this program can be either picked up at the Clerk's office or one will be mailed to you by simply contacting the Clerk's office at (585) 924-3311. This program is of no cost to the customer.



Pamela Hogenes, Village Clerk (585) 924-3311

### BOARD AGENDAS AND MINUTES NOTIFICATIONS

If you would like Village Boards agendas and minutes either e-mailed or texted to you, please go to the Victor website ([www.victorny.org](http://www.victorny.org)), select Notify Me to the left and click on the envelope and select how you would like to receive the notifications and from which boards.

### 2023 VILLAGE TAX COLLECTION

The 2023 Village tax collection will start on June 1, 2023. The Village tax process is conducted by the Village Clerk's office.

The Village Clerk's office is located in the Village Hall, 60 East Main Street, Victor, NY 14564. Our office hours are Monday through Friday 8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. We can be reached by phone at (585) 924-3311.

Payment without penalty is due by Monday, July 1, 2023. No partial payments will be accepted. Any Canandaigua National Bank branch will accept full payments in person from June 1, 2023, to June 30, 2023 only. Checks should be payable to Tax Collector.

Payments must be made by cash or check only. Please make sure your check is made out correctly. Any checks made out incorrectly will be returned and may be subject to penalty if not postmarked by July 1, 2023. It is not legally permissible for this office to rescind penalties.

If using an online banking service to pay your bill, please read your agreement as the bank may not mail your payment for up to seven (7) days after withdrawing money from your account.

If you have changed your mailing address, paid off your mortgage or no longer have an escrow account and the tax bills need to be mailed to you, please notify this office as soon as possible at (585) 924-3311 and leave your information.

#### **VILLAGE HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**

The Village Hall and the Department of Public Works will be closed the following days:

Memorial Day, Monday May 29, 2023

Independence Day, Monday, July 3, 2023 (Tax Collector's office is open) and Tuesday, July 4, 2023

Labor Day, Monday, September 4, 2023

**REMINDER:** The Village of Victor has implemented a Zero Sort Recycling Program. You no longer need to sort your recyclables. You may use a 32-gallon container or continue using the blue bins.

In case of Emergency, call the Village's cell phone at 370-7564.



VILLAGE TREE BOARD PRESENTS

# an Arbor Day

# Tree Planting Event

## April 29, 2023

## 9:00 A.M.

Rawson Road by the Town Barn.



Victor Village Tree Board

**QUESTIONS**  
call the Village Hall at 585-924-3311

# Village Code Enforcement

Todd Smith, Village Code Enforcement Officer, [codes@villageofvictor.org](mailto:codes@villageofvictor.org)



Todd Smith  
Village Code  
Enforcement  
Officer  
(585) 924-3311  
x224

## POOLS

Spring is here and soon it will be pool season. Just a reminder that any pool that can hold 24” of water at any depth must have an enclosure around the pool. This applies to most portable inflatable pools bought at the big box stores. Any fixed or portable pool with 24” or more of water must get a permit from the Village Code Enforcement Officer. All pools shall have a pool alarm as well. Please use caution around pools with regards to children. Every young child is curious about water so please keep a watch on them.

## GRASS

With spring and summer also leads to grass cutting season, just another reminder that the village and state codes says grass must be no longer than 10” high.

## BUILDING PERMITS

Summer is building season! Please call or email the village and inquire if a building permit is required. Some of the things that require permits are any accessory buildings, roofs, fences, greenhouse’s, solar panels, electric car hookups, and any conversion of non-habitable space to living space i.e., basements.

## SAFETY TIPS

Please check the Village Website monthly as there will be new safety tips for everyone!  
I hope you have a safe and relaxing summer!

# Village Director of Public Works

By John C. Turner

## 2023 PROJECTS

The DPW will be working on the Reconstruction of High Street, including drainage, curbs, new sidewalks, and paving. Paving of Adams Street, new sidewalks on Main Street, oil/ stone of Maple Avenue, Latchmere Drive, and Glendower Way, along with crack sealing. We will be finishing up the Sewer Treatment plant upgrades.

## MS4 -STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

There is no dumping of toxins into the catch basins; this water enters into our streams. The dumping of grease and cooking oil down your sink is prohibited. Please put contents into a sealed container and dispose with your garbage, also check out our website for more information on

how to protect our waterways at [www.victoryny.org](http://www.victoryny.org), click on Village of Victor, Village Stormwater Management (MS4).

## SPRING/SUMMER HOURS

We will be starting our spring/ summer/fall hours in mid-April. Monday – Thursday 6:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., generally off on Fridays until mid-October.

## SEWER ISSUES

Lastly, please remember, if you ever have a sewer backup in your home, please call the Village DPW before you call a plumber so that we can check to see where the problem is located. If it is in the Village’s right of way, we will take care of it.



John C. Turner,  
Director of  
Public Works  
for the Village  
of Victor,  
(585) 924-2004

# Village Brush & Yard Waste Collection

**Beginning the first Monday in April through the third Monday in November (weather permitting)** the Village will provide curbside brush and yard waste collection following a monthly schedule (Listed below). **Please place brush and yard waste at the curb no earlier than 6:00 P.M. the day prior to your scheduled collection day and no later than 7:00 A.M. of your scheduled collection day to insure pickup.** In order to keep on schedule, it is essential that residents follow these

procedures. Any brush which does not meet regulations, or is set out on the wrong date, will not be picked up. If you have any questions, please call the Department of Public Works at 924-2004, or the Village Hall at 924-3311.

The Village of Victor no longer collects yard and garden waste bagged in plastic. Yard and garden waste may be placed in a can or receptacle; filled weight not to exceed 75 pounds. Larger brush and tree limbs should be bundled, with

rope or twine (not wire), in bundles no longer than 4 feet long, or weighing more than 75 pounds. Residents interested in bagging their materials should use large paper leaf bags. These 30-gallon paper bags are available for purchase at most home and garden stores. Do not rake, sweep or place yard waste of any kind on street pavement or gutters as they may clog the drains.

**THE VILLAGE DOES NOT PICK UP SOD.**

## AREA 1

### 1st MONDAY of Each Month

Alpine Way	Kent Dr
Ambassador Dr	Lynaugh Rd
Andrew St	Salem Cir
Clover Ln	Somerset Ln
East Parkway	Tareyton Dr
Forest Ave	Winston Dr

## AREA 2

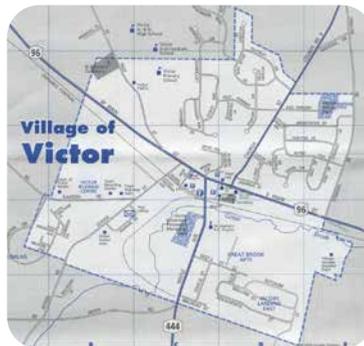
### 2nd MONDAY of Each Month

Church St	Moore Ave
Dryer Ave	S. High St
Dunbridge Ln	Sagamore Way
Duxbury Cir	Valley View Cir
Glendower Way	Valley View Dr
Hillcrest Dr	Webster Ave
Huxley Way	West Parkway
Latchmere Dr	

## AREA 3

### 3rd MONDAY of Each Month

Brookline Ave	Railroad St
Cambridge Cir	Rawson Rd
Coville St	Rothbury Cir
East Main St	School St
East St	Walling St
Ellis St	Waltham St
Ketchum St	Wellington Dr
Maple Ave	West Main St
Medford Way	Woodworth St
Railroad Ave	



## NOTE:

**When a Holiday falls on your regularly scheduled Monday, place the items out for Tuesday.**

## SPECIAL NOTE:

*As a Victor Resident you always have the option of taking these items to the Town Transfer Station, located at 60 Rawson Road, after obtaining a permit. Permits are available at the Town Highway Office, 60 Rawson Road, Building "B" during regular business hours. (See Town Highway Department section)*

# Village Spring Large Trash Pickup Schedule

The Village of Victor has designated two times during the course of the year in which residents can dispose of appliances, household items, and large quantities of brush.

If you need to dispose of these items at any other time during the year, you may reserve the Village Roll off for a fee of \$180.00 by calling the Village Hall at 924-3311, or you may utilize the Town of Victor's Transfer Station, located at 60 Rawson Road, after first obtaining a permit from the Town Highway Office in Building "B".

We appreciate your cooperation in not placing these items at the curb with your weekly garbage.

**Please note:** This service is for **Village residential properties** only.

PLACE ITEMS AT THE CURB **NO EARLIER THAN 6:00 P.M. TWO DAYS PRIOR** TO YOUR SCHEDULED COLLECTION DAY, AND **NO LATER THAN 7:00 A.M. MONDAY MORNING** TO INSURE PICKUP.

**NOTE:** DO NOT PLACE FOOD GARBAGE, WET PAINT, TOXIC ITEMS, OR RECYCLABLES IN THIS PICKUP.

**During Large Trash, please separate as follows:**

- Brush
- Household items
- Construction material
- Appliances

## April 3, 2023

Alpine Way  
Ambassador Drive  
Andrew Street  
Clover Lane

East Parkway  
Forest Avenue  
Kent Drive  
Lynaugh Road

Salem Circle  
Somerset Lane  
Tareyton Drive  
Winston Drive

## April 10, 2023

Church Street  
Dryer Avenue  
Dunbridge Lane  
Duxbury Circle  
Glendower Way

S. High Street  
Hillcrest Drive  
Huxley Way  
Latchmere Drive  
Moore Avenue

Sagamore Way (Village)  
Valley View Circle  
Valley View Drive  
Webster Avenue  
West Parkway

## April 17, 2023

Brookline Avenue  
Cambridge Circle  
Coville Street  
East Main Street  
East Street  
Ellis Street

Ketchum Street  
Maple Avenue  
Medford Way  
Railroad Street  
Rawson Road  
Rothbury Circle

School Street  
Walling Street  
Waltham Street  
Wellington Drive  
West Main Street  
Woodworth Street

## PLEASE NOTE:

Additional Fees - To be paid in advance at the Village Hall

- Tires 16" or under without rim: \$5.00 per tire
- Freon Removal (Air conditioners, refrigerators, freezers, etc.): \$15.00 ea.

**EWaste+ at 7318 Victor Mendon Road (Route 251) will take computers, monitors, keyboards, TV's and other electronics. For more information, please call (585) 924-3840.**

FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL CALL ONTARIO COUNTY RECYCLING AT 585-526-4420



# Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2022

Village of Victor, 60 East Main Street, Victor, NY 14564

Public Water Supply ID#3401166

## INTRODUCTION

To comply with State regulations, the Village of Victor will annually issue a report describing the quality of your drinking water. The purpose of this report is to raise your understanding of your drinking water and of the need to protect our drinking water sources.

We performed a minimum of two water quality tests per month this past year to detect the presence of total coliform and e-coli. We have also sampled our system for the levels of asbestos, by-products of chlorination, lead and copper in our drinking water. This testing showed that your drinking water met all of the required standards to provide you with safe drinking water. We did have a sample that detected Total Coliform at a single sample site during one sample period. This was determined to be an isolated

event without the presence of E-coli. The required reporting was made to the local office of the Department of Health as a result.

This report provides an overview of last year's water quality. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to State standards.

We want you to be informed about your drinking water. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your drinking water, please contact Jon McConnell, Water System Operator by phone at (585) 924-3311 or [wwtp@villageofvictor.org](mailto:wwtp@villageofvictor.org)

## WHERE DOES OUR WATER COME FROM?

In general, the sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells.

As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activities. Contaminants that may be present in source water include microbial contaminants; inorganic contaminants; pesticides and herbicides; organic chemical contaminants; and radioactive contaminants. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the State and the EPA prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The State Health Department and the FDA's regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Our water system serves

2,689 people from just over 1,000 service connections. Our water in the Village of Victor is supplied solely by the Monroe County Water Authority (MCWA). The MCWA is the third largest supplier of drinking water in New York State and one of the 60 largest water suppliers in the United States. In June of 2001, the Village of Victor permanently discontinued the use of our East Main Street Springs and began supplying our distribution system with all MCWA supplied water. The MCWA utilizes surface waters from Lake Ontario as the primary source and provide complete treatment, including coagulation, sedimentation, filtration, disinfection with chlorine and fluoridation prior to distribution. The MCWA also uses water from Hemlock Lake, Lake Erie, The Niagara River, Tonawanda Creek, and wells in Corfu and Batavia.

The New York State Health Department has evaluated the susceptibility of water supplies statewide to potential contamination under the Source Waters Assessment Program (SWAP). In general, the Great Lakes sources used by the Shoremont Treatment Plant of the MCWA and the water they purchase from the Town of Ontario and ECWA are not very susceptible because of the size and quality of the Great Lakes. Hemlock and Canadice Lakes which are the source waters for MCWA's Hemlock plant are not very susceptible as a result of their

size and the tight control of the system's watershed. The well water used at the Corfu Plant is more susceptible, but the confined nature of the aquifer provides protection against the few possible contaminant sources. The Tonawanda Creek and the well water used by the City of Batavia plant are much more susceptible because of the smaller watershed and the number of potential contaminant sources in it. Because storm and wastewater contamination are potential threats to any source water, the water provided to our customers undergoes rigorous treatment and testing prior to its delivery.

### **INFORMATION ON FLUORIDE ADDITION**

Our system is one of the many drinking water systems in New York State that provides drinking water with a controlled, low level of fluoride for consumer dental health protection. Fluoride is added to your water by the MCWA before it is delivered to us. According to the United States Centers for Disease Control, fluoride is very effective in preventing cavities when present in drinking water at an optimal range from 0.7 to 1.2 mg/l (parts per million). To ensure that the fluoride supplement in your water provides optimal dental protection, the State Department of Health requires that the MCWA monitor fluoride levels on a daily basis. The results were well below the 2.2 mg/l MCL for fluoride.

### **IS OUR WATER SYSTEM MEETING OTHER RULES THAT GOVERN OPERATIONS?**

During 2022, our system was in compliance with applicable State drinking water operating, monitoring and reporting requirements.

### **ARE THERE CONTAMINANTS IN OUR DRINKING WATER?**

As the State regulations require, we routinely test your drinking water for numerous contaminants. These contaminants include: total coliform, turbidity, inorganic compounds, nitrate, nitrite, lead and copper, volatile organic compounds, total trihalomethanes, haloacetic acids, radiological and synthetic organic compounds. The table presented depicts which compounds were detected in your drinking water. The State allows us to test for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently, some of our data, though representative may be more than one year old.

*A more detailed table of testing which the MCWA has conducted throughout the year can be seen on their web site at [www.mcwa.com](http://www.mcwa.com).*

It should be noted that all drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health

risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained

by calling the EPA’s Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) or the Geneva

District Office of the New York Department of Health at (315) 789-3030.

**Table of Detected Contaminants**

Contaminant	Violation Yes/No	Date of Sample	Level Detected (Avg/Max) (Range)	Unit Measure	MCLG	Regulatory Limit (MCL, TT or AL)	Likely Source of Contamination
Total THM’s	no	02/22-11/22	70.3(3) /86	ug/l	N/A	80	By-products of water chlorination
HAA5	no	02/22-11/22	8.6(3) /17	ug/l	N/A	60	
Copper	no	7/15/20	0.37(2)	mg/l		AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing
Lead	no	7/15/20	2.9(3)	ug/l		AL=15	Degrading transmission mains
Asbestos	no	7/15/20	0	count	7	7	
<u>Total Coliform</u>	<u>yes</u>	2/month	present	<u>n/a</u>	<u>n/a</u>	Absence	Animal or human activities
Total E-coli	no	2/month	absence	n/a	n/a	Absence	

1 – Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We test it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system. State regulations require that turbidity must always be below 1 NTU. The regulations require that 95% of the turbidity samples collected have measurements below 0.3 NTU.

2 – The level presented represents the 90th percentile of the 10 sites tested. A percentile is a value on a scale of 100 that indicates the percent of a distribution that is equal to or below it. The 90th percentile is equal to or greater than 90% of the copper values detected at your water system. In this case, 10 samples were collected at your water system and the 90th percentile value was the second highest value. The action level for copper was exceeded at none of the sites tested.

3 – The level presented represents the 90th percentile of the (10samples) samples collected. The 90th percentile value is the second highest value at the locations we tested. The action level for lead was exceeded at none of the sites tested.

4 – This level represents the annual quarterly average calculated from data collected.

**DEFINITIONS:**

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible.

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG):** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Action Level (AL):** The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**Treatment Technique (TT):** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**Non-Detects (ND):** Laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

**Nephelometric Turbidity**

**Unit (NTU):** A measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

**Milligrams per liter (mg/l):** Corresponds to one part of liquid in one million parts of liquid (parts per million - ppm).

**Micrograms per liter (ug/l):** Corresponds to one part of liquid in one billion parts of liquid (parts per billion - ppb).

**WHAT DOES THIS INFORMATION MEAN?**

We have learned through our testing that some contaminants have been detected, however, none of these contaminants were detected above the level allowed by the State with the exception of the incident that was explained in the introduction.

*We are required to present the*

*following information on lead in drinking water:*

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women, infants, and young children. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. The Village of Victor is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

### **INFORMATION ON CRYPTOSPORIDIUM AND GIARDIA**

Two of the contaminants that MCWA tests for are Cryptosporidium and Giardia. These two parasitic protozoans have caused outbreaks of intestinal diseases in the U.S. and overseas. They are common in surface waters and represent a potential health problem for anyone drinking untreated or

poorly treated water. In 2022 Cryptosporidium and Giardia were not detected in any of the samples collected at the Shoresmont, ECWA, or Town of Ontario Plants. No special precautions are needed by the general population to use our water.

Although our drinking water met or exceeded State and Federal regulations, some people may be more vulnerable to disease causing microorganisms or pathogens in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice from their health care provider about their drinking water. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium, Giardia and other microbial pathogens are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

### **TASTE AND ODOR**

You may notice a chlorinous taste and odor in your water. Although some people may find this objectionable, we are required to maintain chlorine residual in the distribution system to prevent the growth of bacteria. Simply storing water drawn from your tap in a container overnight in

your refrigerator will eliminate or reduce the taste. An inexpensive carbon filter will do the same thing, but they should be replaced regularly.

### **WHY SAVE WATER AND HOW TO AVOID WASTING IT?**

Although our system has an adequate amount of water to meet present and future demands, there are a number of reasons why it is important to conserve water:

- Saving water saves energy and some of the costs associated with both of these necessities of life;
- Saving water reduces the cost of energy required to pump water and the need to construct costly new wells, pumping systems and water towers; and
- Saving water lessens the strain on the water system during a dry spell or drought, helping to avoid severe water use restrictions so that essential fire fighting needs are met.

You can play a role in conserving water by becoming conscious of the amount of water your household is using, and by looking for ways to use less whenever you can. It is not hard to conserve water. Conservation tips include:

- Automatic dishwashers use 15 gallons for every cycle, regardless of how many dishes are loaded. So, get a run for your money and load it to capacity.
- Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth.
- Check every faucet in your home for leaks. Just a slow

drip can waste 15 to 20 gallons a day. Fix it and you can save almost 6,000 gallons per year.

- Check your toilets for leaks by putting a few drops of food coloring in the tank, watch for a few minutes to see if the color shows up in the bowl. It is not uncommon to lose up to 100 gallons a day from one of these otherwise invisible toilet leaks. Fix it and you save more than 30,000 gallons a year.

### HARDNESS AND HOME TREATMENT UNITS

Water hardness is a measure of the mineral content of water. Our water, which has a hardness of between 5.1 and 7.5 grains per gallon, is considered “moderately hard”. By the way of comparison, before we switched to MCWA supplied water, the Village of Victor used ground water supplies with Total Hardness values of about 20 grains per gallon.

Do not let anyone pressure you into buying a water treatment system by telling you that your water is not safe. The water we provide to you is consistently better than the drinking water regulations require.

### CLOSING

Thank you for allowing us to continue to provide your family with quality drinking water. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make

improvements that will benefit all of our customers. The costs of these improvements may be reflected in the rate structure. Rate adjustments may be necessary in order to address these improvements. Questions regarding our water rates, billing, or scheduling meter changes and final readings can be handled by our staff at

our Village Hall. Their number is (585) 924-3311 and their hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

**We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources. These natural resources are the heart of our communities, our way of life, and our children’s future.**



VICTOR  
**MUSIC & FOOD  
FESTIVAL**  
AUGUST 12  
4:00 - 10:00PM  
MEAD SQUARE  
Bands, food and beverage  
**FREE ENTRY**  
Join us for a fun  
community event put  
on by the Village!

# VICTOR

**BUY FRESH**

**BUY LOCAL**



## *Farmers' Market*

**EVERY WEDNESDAY**

**3PM TO 6PM**

**JUNE 7TH - OCTOBER 25TH**

**VILLAGE HALL PARKING LOT**

**Veggies**

**Baked Goods**

**Plants**

**Syrups**

**Meats**

**Soaps**

**Fruits**

**Eggs & More!**

