

*Marcellus Village  
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Dear Village Residents,  
The Village Board hopes that you enjoy a wonderful summer. Also, there is more information that we would like to convey to the community at our website address: <http://www.villageofmarcellus.com>



#### Compost is Available

Compost continues to be available for residents and if any resident cannot pick up compost during normal business hours, please call the Treatment Plant (673-4491) to make an appointment with one of the operators. We urge residents to take advantage of this opportunity and visit the plant to obtain free compost. Normal hours are Monday thru Friday, 8 am to 3 pm.

#### Village Garage Sale

The Village garage sale will take place on July 12<sup>th</sup>, from 9 am to 3 pm - have some fun, sell your treasures and remember that no permit is required for this one-day event. Combine with neighbors and have some fun at what continues to be an enjoyable event in our Village.



#### Public Hearing and Local Law #2

Following a public hearing held on June 23<sup>rd</sup> before the regular Board meeting, the Village Board passed Local Law #2 of 2014, reinforcing the legal opinion of the Village Attorney that all properties in the Village must conform to a minimum quarterly sewer rent. Since it is the policy of the sewer law that all properties in the Village be properly connected to the sewer system, and that the purpose of sewer rents is to generate sufficient revenue to pay the total operation and maintenance costs necessary to operate and maintain the entire system, and to maintain a proportionate distribution of costs among all users, it has been decided that all properties connected to the sewer system will pay the sewer rent as established, from time to time, by the Board of Trustees. Only when there is a complete disconnection of the building's sewer facilities from the village system, such as after a demolition or a fire wherein the building is completely destroyed and the sewer connection removed, and verification of such is provided by the Village Code Enforcement Officer, will consideration be given by the Board of Trustees to an exemption or waiver of the minimum quarterly sewer rent. This law took effect upon filing with the New York Secretary of State.

#### Creek Walk Moving Ahead

The creek walk project is moving forward, and it is expected that rights of way will be secured this summer in time for construction this fall. If some residents are not familiar with the project, please check out the home page of the Village website - <http://www.villageofmarcellus.com>

#### G. Richard Kelley Proclamation

At its June meeting, the Board of Trustees adopted a proclamation recognizing the outstanding achievements of G. Richard Kelley during his many years as a Member and Chair of the Village Planning Board. The leadership of Dick Kelley is evident in the many accomplishments that have occurred in the Village during his tenure and his contributions to the community, both as a public servant and as a person should not go unrecognized. The Board of Trustees, on behalf of its grateful citizens, commends G. Richard Kelley for the tireless service he extended to his community and extends its sympathy to the family of G. Richard Kelley in its time of great sorrow.

#### Sewer Consolidation Project and Sewer Agreements

The final construction phase of the project, crossing North Street and replacing sewer lines in the back of North Street, has been completed. In addition, replacement of the Orange Street pump station and several other repairs in the School and Town Sewer Districts has been completed. Some minor restoration needs to be finalized and with that, the project should draw to a close this summer. By the end of this year, it is expected that new sewer agreements will have been negotiated with the Town of Marcellus and the Marcellus Central School District, ones that will consolidate all sewer districts under the sole control and operation, as well as responsibility of the Village.

#### Onondaga County Health Department News Release

A news release from the County Health Department warns of a feral cat in the Town of Van Buren having been tested positive for rabies. The Health Department notes that it is important NOT to touch or FEED unknown or feral cats, and children are urged to stay away from unfamiliar animals, even if they appear friendly. The Health Department offers a number of clinics to protect your pet from rabies and for a full schedule, visit [www.ongov.net/health](http://www.ongov.net/health) or call 435-3165.

#### Scotch Hill Project

With funding having been recently approved, it is hoped that granite curbing on the south side of Scotch Hill Rd, from North St to the Village line will be installed this summer, eliminating roadway and drainage deficiencies, as well as creating additional green space and snow storage between the street and the sidewalk. It is hoped that monies will be available next year from Community Development so as to install new 5-foot sidewalks on Scotch Hill Road from North Street to the Village line. It has become necessary to split this project into two separate phases because of the uncertainty of funding. In July, it is hoped that an informational meeting will be conducted for residents and property owners on Scotch Hill Road to make them fully aware of the project.

### New Businesses in Town

We would like to call attention to new businesses in the Village. *Pucker*



*Street Bike Shop*, a unique name that taps into our Village's cycling past, and *Blooming Gals*, formerly Florist at 1 North, both on North Street near the Village Center. We also mention a new food venue at 14 West Main Street - *Mo's Bar-BQ and Cowboy Cuisine*, which features smoked meats and sides for take-out several days a week. We urge our residents to patronize these welcome additions to the Village.

### Street and Sidewalk Repair, Tree Removal

Based on recommendations of the Highway Chief, repairs will be made this summer to several streets in the Village, including Orchard Circle, Highland Circle and, pending budgetary constraints, Baker Street as well. Also, sidewalk repairs will be made to selected areas on Slocombe Ave, First Street and Bradley Street, and the removal of several trees on Bradley, First, and East Main Streets.

### Brush Pick-up

Cut-off for brush pick-up by the Highway Department ended on April 28<sup>th</sup> and the next pickup will be scheduled for the fall. Village residents are advised not to put yard waste out to the curb for pick-up until then. They are welcome to bring debris to the compost pile next to the Village Highway garage. Also, please do not sweep yard debris into the road. This can often cause storm sewers to become obstructed.



### Battery Collection

During the month of July, household batteries (alkaline and zinc-carbon ONLY!) will be collected from residents. Rechargeable batteries will not be accepted during the collection. Yellow bags have replaced orange battery bags. Residents should place the yellow bags on top of their trashcans during the month of July for the Village hauler to collect.

### Teal There's A Cure

The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual *Teal There's A Cure 5K Run/Walk* will take place on Friday, July 4, 2014, at 9 a.m. in Marcellus Park. Traffic will be limited on certain Village streets between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. To see a map of the course or for more information go to [gracesgarden.org](http://gracesgarden.org).

### Thank You

The Board would like to thank Kathy Welsh, Bill Manchocci, the Marcellus Garden Club and the many volunteers who grew and planted the flowers that now grace the Village flower boxes. The Board would also thank our highway department for all of the work they did in helping to beautify the Village in time for Memorial Day and the Olde Home Days Celebration. In addition, there was no vandalism or other serious problems during the Olde Home Days, a tribute to the efforts of our Marcellus Police Officers.



### Building and Pool Permits

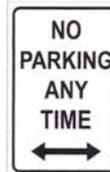
Residents should be aware of the need to obtain permits if any rehabilitation or new construction takes place. This includes the addition of a pool (2 feet and above), or a fence or a deck, or new steps to a residence. Permits are required, as is an inspection by the Code Enforcement Officer. Permits and more information can be found by checking with the Village Office (673-3112) or the CEO (430-7927).

### Summer Community Events

Thursday nights, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., a series of summer concerts are held during June, July and August at Marcellus Park. Also, the Marcellus Community Band will perform on Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at the High School. We urge residents to attend these wonderful events.

### Parking

Overnight parking on most Village streets is permitted during summer months, but we urge residents to use Village parking lots for any long-term parking situations. The Police will be enforcing the two-hour parking limit particularly on North and Main Streets. We also encourage those who have driveways to use them for their own parking needs rather than the public streets. Also, parking on the sidewalks and in the Village right of way - the area that lies between the sidewalk and the road - is not allowed and we urge residents to use Village lots and avoid ticketing by Village Police.



### Call 9-1-1

The Police Department reminds residents that they should call 911 if they have any concerns or any questions of what appear to be criminal or other suspicious activity in the Village. By using 9-1-1, our local officer will be notified, dispatched as quickly as possible. Given the fact that our police officers are not on duty 24 hours of every day, using 9-1-1 will cause other police agencies to respond to problems in the Village.

### Some Reminders

Hours at the Village Hall are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If there are emergencies after hours, the number is 329-1330 for highway problems or for sewer problems it is 506-9253. If there is an emergency water problem, please call OCWA at 475-7601. Regular board meetings are on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall. We also remind you that the Village Office (673-3112) will be closed on Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. There is NO DELAY for trash collection because of the holiday that week - there will be a one-day delay for trash collection in September because of Labor Day. Thank you for taking time to read this letter and we hope you enjoy a safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July and a fun-filled summer.



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