

TOWN OF MONTEZUMA NEWSLETTER

June 2016

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In this issue you will find a list of town meetings along with information from the Town Tax Collector, Town Assessor, Town Historian, and Town Clerk.

The fire department is holding a chicken barbeque on June 11, 2016 starting at 11:00 till all sold. Please support the fire department
Also the Fire Department Auxiliary will be holding a bake sale at the same time.
Take something great home to enjoy with your chicken.

Town Board

For the month of May the regular Town Board Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday June 21 @ 7 PM**

Town Clerk Notes:

The town clerk reminds everyone that she will no longer be selling DEC hunting or fishing licenses. Also please Note the clerk will not be in the office June 6th. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Water Clerk Notes: The next water billing will be mailed on July 1, 2016

Water Committee Meeting – June 28th at 6:30 PM

Tax Collector Notes: Donna Burleton

The tax collector reports that she can no longer accept ant unpaid tax bills .Any unpaid tax bills must be paid to the Cayuga County Treasurer. and must be paid in full payments only including penalties.

Notes From the Assessor: Kim Stone-Gridley

The town assessor reminds everyone that she will be out updating pictures in preparation for the 2017 revaluation. She will have ASSESSOR TOWN OF MONTEZUMA signs on her car. If you have questions call her at 315-776-8844 ext 3 or on her cell 315-246-3160

Fire Department: Fire Department meetings are the 1st Monday at 7:30 PM. any one who might be interested in joining should stop by the firehouse any Monday night and speak with either Chief Ken Zimmerman or President Steve Thurston. The Fire Department has **REFLECTIVE ADDRESS MARKERS** for sale for only \$15.00 each. Contact any member or call the firehouse at 776-4353 and leave a message or visit the Town Clerks office for a flyer. **REMEMBER THEY CAN'T HELP YOU IF THEY CAN'T FIND YOU.**

Fire District Commissioner Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 PM. Department President / Commissioner Chairman Steve Thurston reminds everyone that both of these meetings are open to the public and all are welcome.

Planning Board Meeting: **Tuesday, June 14th at 7:00 PM** Regular Meeting –

Montezuma Historical Society News

The latest issue of the Story Teller Newsletter is available online at:

<http://www.montezumahistoricalociety.org/news-events/the-story-teller-newsletter/>

A new blog article has been posted on the MHS website, "Memorial Day Remembrance." Kathy Rose Okun who grew up at Stop 69 recalls memories her father, Tillie shared when at age 17 he found himself landing on the shores of Normandy on D-Day, June 6, 1944, in what became one of the greatest military operations of the WWII era. Read it here: <http://www.montezumahistoricalociety.org/memorial-day-remembrance/>

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Montezuma Historical Society Annual Meeting Wednesday, June 15, 2016

6:30 PM - Election of Officers

7:00 PM - Dinner & Program -- Open to the Public

Reservations necessary are necessary -- Call [315-776-4656](tel:315-776-4656) to be held at Brenda's Restaurant, Route 31 Port Byron Guest Speaker: Michael Keene, Author For more information: Visit

Website: <http://montezumahistoricalsociety.org>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/Montezuma-Historical-Society-Friends-of-Montezuma-Heritage-Park-344771502204308/?fref=ts>

The latest issue of the Story Teller Newsletter is on the website. Copies are available at the Town Hall in the History Corner.

Draft Comprehensive Plan Public Meeting

Tuesday, June 21, 6:00 PM (prior to Town Board Meeting) Discussion on Draft Comprehensive Plan

The Town's first Draft Comprehensive Plan has been completed! A special Comprehensive Planning Committee has been working on creating this Plan since September 2014 meeting monthly with consultants from the Central New York Regional Economic Board. This is a very important document that will help guide future decisions and development for the Town. It will be a guide for the Town Board to make future decisions with several identified goals to help carry the plan out over the next few years. It will also provide a working document to begin revision of the Town's outdated Zoning Ordinance. This will have a direct effect on town residents, and your input is important. The Draft Comprehensive Plan will be posted on the Town's website, and a copy will be available at the Town Hall to review there. Amanda Mazzoni, CNY REDB consultant will give an overview of the plan on **Tuesday, June 21 at 6:00 PM** prior to the regular Town Board meeting. We encourage residents to attend this important meeting, and please spread the word to your neighbors and friends living in the Town to come. This is your chance to give input and comment prior to the Draft being officially adopted by the Town Board following review by the County. A notice will be sent out when the Draft Plan is posted online.

Heritage Park Design Committee Meeting

June – TBA New members welcome at Montezuma Town Hall

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Updates for Town's Website and/or Community Facebook Page: Items may be submitted for publishing events or other notifications pertaining to the community. Please contact Cheryl Longyear, Town Historian at [315.776.4656](tel:315.776.4656) or email: cml115@tds.net

Community Volunteers Wanted: You can make a huge difference in helping create a shared sense of belonging to strengthen the social, cultural and economic vibrancy of the Town. Both the Montezuma Historical Society and the Heritage Park Design Committee are inviting new members to join to plan for economic development, preserving our heritage, and making the community a better place to live so we can sustain what matters most. If you are interested, please call Cheryl Longyear at 776-4656.

There are now eight nature trails with over five miles long in Montezuma Heritage Park completed for the enjoyment of walkers and bikers. A beautiful trail along the shoreline on the south side of the Richmond

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Aqueduct has been started. This trail is being named for Barry and Janet Lavoy, long-time stewards for the Park. Please let us know if you would like to help with this project or other trail maintenance work in the park.

Operation Steel Rain presents our first New York State Pistol Safety Class in Cayuga County. It will be held on June 4th from 11 to 2 (Doors open at 10:30) at the Montezuma VFW. The class is open to anyone in Cayuga County 21 and older who are looking to get their NY State Pistol Permit. This safety class is required for the application process of the permit. Call [315-529-1527](tel:315-529-1527) to register.