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FALL 2007

CONTEST WINNERS

The Recreation Department will be updating the kick wall located on field #1 on the Hamlin Town Grounds. These two pictures will be painted on each side of the wall. Shown are the Winning entries of the contest, above: Ashley Marshall, below: Ryan Luce. Honorable Mention, not pictured, Emily Villano. Thank you to all that participated!

JUNK JAMBOREE UPDATE

A big **THANKS** to all the buyers and sellers at this year's Junk Jamboree for making the 2nd annual Hamlin Recreation Community Garage Sale a great success! It was a beautiful sunny day and the grounds behind the Town Hall were full of people. Adults and children spent the day buying and selling various treasures. We were entertained with a magic show at noon by Ken and Brian from "Absolutely Magic". Proceeds from the event will help with the restroom/concession/rental lodge proposed by the Hamlin Lions Club and Hamlin Parks and Recreation Departments. This building will be located near the soccer field #2 behind the Town Hall. This year, the Jamboree raised over $500 for this project.

We are continually looking for financial support for this project. Please support the fundraisers being held by the Hamlin Lions Club throughout the year. Information is listed on back page of this publication. We would also like to thank the Hamlin Town Board for any and all support they can give us for this project. For more information on this program or project, contact the Recreation Office at 964-7222.

LETTER FROM THE SUPERVISOR

As we enter the fall season, the time of harvest, it's a good opportunity to pause and reflect on the labors of our busy summer activities.

Probably no Town committee was busier than the Wind Tower Committee, which had been formally meeting twice a month since March and informally on numerous other occasions. Established in mid-January, Town Board had established a December 2007 target date for completion of their work. By now most of you know that Town Board asked for the Committee to provide its report and recommendations at an earlier date due to concern that proposed State legislation, which could essentially preempt local control of siting of power generation facilities, including wind towers, would be enacted before the Town had its own regulations in place. As recently as August 15, 2007, the State authorized wind tower projects in two Steuben County towns, despite serious opposition to the project. Besides possibly losing local siting control, there is also the possible loss of potential revenue to be considered. If you've been following the issue, you know that this action has been criticized by some who feel that the proposed State legislation is not as imminent as Town Board may have judged it to be and the committee wasn't given enough time to complete its studies.

Per conversations with our legislators and their representatives, most believe the State legislation will be acted upon by the end of the year. Critics have wondered why the Town didn't just extend the Wind Tower Moratorium, which ends in January 2008. Although a moratorium holds in abeyance any land owner or developer's rights until local legislation can be enacted, local moratoria have no effect in preempting or holding in abeyance State regulations. Enacting local legislation is a lengthy process and to have local legislation in place before the end of the year requires us to start drafting a law now.

Despite the earlier request for the Committee's report and recommendations, significant issues have been reviewed, considered and discussed. In the introduction to her Committee's report, the Chair, Linda DeRue, stated that her committee has "logged literally thousands of hours in research to put this document together." The Committee's extensive efforts, reflected in their report and recommendations, is being closely regarded and considered by the Town Board. The attorney the Town will retain to draft regulations will be required to do the same. The anticipated, general time frame for enacting a local law regarding wind towers is: September – legislation is drafted; October – proposed legislation is presented to Town Board for review and scheduling of public information meetings and public hearings; November – public hearings; December – passage of local regulations.

The intent of the Town Board in all its deliberations and actions is to protect the health, safety and welfare of the Town by legally and openly addressing all issues it encounters. You can be assured that we will continue to be open, honest and legal in the enactment of any regulations and the conduct of all business within the Town.

HAMLIN LIONS HOST

CASINO NIGHT

October 6, 2007 at 6 pm the doors will open for a night of entertainment and fun to raise funds for a shelter including public restrooms on the Town of Hamlin recreation grounds. This event will be start at 7 pm at the Hamlin VFW Post on Lake Rd., Hamlin. Only 150 Tickets are available to attend this fund raiser There will be 50/50 drawings, Silent and Live Auction, door prizes, finger foods and D. J. Music by Ed Evans.

Donations get you
1 ticket $20 single = $110,000 in play money
2 tickets $30 couple = $220,000 in play money
$5.00 = $45,000 extra play money

With everyone's participation this event will be a huge success. The volunteers from the Hamlin Lions Club need your help. For more information call any of the following Lions:

Tim Crawford at 964-7507
Gordon Kile at 636-4003
Dan Hicks at 964-5442

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The planning has started and the counting down has begun to the 2008 Hamlin Wheel Fest.

Mark the date on your calendar **06-07-08** as the night Hamlin will be rocking with music.

"Nick and the Nice Guys"

Thank You

Thank you to Dr. Robert Lang, Hamlin Volunteer Ambulance and Hamlin Post Office for displaying the Wheel Fest Wagons

Monroe County Soil & Water

The Monroe County Soil and Water Conservation District is focusing efforts of the Agricultural Environmental Management (AEM) program in the Hamlin Parma Beach-Areas and Honeoye Creek Watersheds through April 2008. These watersheds include portions of Hamlin, Parma, Greece, Rush, Honeoye Falls, Mendon, Pittsford, and Henrietta. The AEM program provides farmers with a quick and easy way to take a comprehensive look at their farm's impact on natural resources. The assessment helps farmers by documenting environmentally sound practices, identifying and prioritizing areas for improvement, and locating available resources to address concerns.

Participation in the AEM Program supports both individual farmers and the larger farming community by documenting the importance of farming in Monroe County, which opens up funding to support environmental management projects on local farms.

Since 2005, the Monroe County Soil and Water Conservation District has received $170,000 in state funds to cost-share conservation projects on farms in Monroe County.

Although outreach efforts will be focused in the Hamlin Parma Beach-Areas and Honeoye Creek Watersheds, farms of any location in Monroe County are invited to participate. Please contact the Soil and Water Conservation District office at 585-473-2120 ext. 3 to schedule a **free**, confidential AEM Assessment.

BRUSH PICK UP

The Town of Hamlin will conduct a one-week brush pick-up starting, October 22, 2007. All brush must be down at the curb in 8-foot lengths parallel with the road. If you have brush any other time during the year, you may take it to the specified area at the Highway Building located on Railroad Ave.

Also in the same area is a generous supply of mulch available for residents to take. Any questions, please call the Highway Dept. at 964-2640 or for more information check out the Town of Hamlin web site at www.hamlinny.org.

LIBRARY NEWS

The month of September heralds new beginnings, not only for children returning to school, but for the library as well. With the bustle of the summer reading program over, we look forward to planning weekly storytimes and monthly crafts.

Our storytimes begin in mid-September and run through May and June. They are presented each and every week, with the exception of holidays and the week before New Years. Munchkin Mondays will return Sept. 17. These storytimes are held each week at 10:30 am for children not yet in Kindergarten. Children and their parents listen to stories, sing songs, and learn fingerplays. Afterwards, there is a simple craft for the kids to work on. Once a month, a snack is included as well. The theme of each storytime ranges from a focus on concepts such as numbers or colors, to a topic children are familiar or fascinated by such as bathtime or cars and trucks. Don't miss out on our Oct. 8 storytime! We will have guests from the Walker Fire Dept. to talk about fire safety. Thursday Evening Storytime will resume on Sept. 20 at 6:45 pm. This storytime is for children ages 4 – 9. Every week there are several stories followed by a craft.

Once a month this fall, we will present a special Saturday craft time. On Oct. 13 we will explore one of the thousand different uses for a miraculous household product in our Duct Tape Wallet craft. In November, we will be creating soft sculpture pumpkins just in time for Thanksgiving. Kids will flex their creative muscles in December designing nutcrackers.

Of course, storytimes and crafts are not the only reason to stop by the library. We have the latest movies and best selling books here, too. Check out movies for a week. Get almost a month to read the latest James Patterson. They are there for you to bring home and borrow. And all it takes is a library card - no rental fees. It's a deal that is hard to beat.

LIBRARY EVENTS CALENDAR

September – December 2007

Sept. 17 – Munchkin Mondays resume, 10:30 am, ages 2-5.
"Autumn Days Are Here"
Sept. 20 – Thursday Evening Storytimes resume, 6:45 pm, ages 4 and up
Sept. 24 – Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"Honk! Cars & Trucks"
Sept. 27 – Thursday Evening Storytime, 6:45 pm
Oct. 1 – Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"Amazing Apples"
Oct. 4 – Thursday Evening Storytime, 6:45 pm
Oct. 8 – Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"Fire Safety"
Oct. 11 – Thursday Evening Storytime, 6:45 pm
Oct. 13 – Duct Tape Wallet Craft, 2:00 pm, ages 11 and up
Oct. 15 – Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"Nursery Rhymes"
Oct. 18 – Thursday Evening Storytime, 6:45 pm
Oct. 23 – Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"Irresistible Bears"
Oct. 25 – Thursday Evening Storytime, 6:45 pm
Oct. 29 – Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"The Pumpkin Patch"
Nov. 1 - Thursday Evening Storytime, 6:45 pm
Nov. 5 - Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"A World of Colors"
Nov. 8 - Thursday Evening Storytime, 6:45 pm
Nov. 12 - Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"Bathtime Fun!"
Nov. 15 - Thursday Evening Storytime, 6:45 pm
Nov. 17 – Soft Sculpture Pumpkin Craft, 2 pm, ages 7 and up
Nov. 19 - Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"Thanksgiving"
Nov. 26 - Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"By the Light of the Moon"
Nov. 29 - Thursday Evening Storytime, 6:45 pm
Dec. 3 - Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"Arctic Animals"
Dec 6 - Thursday Evening Storytime, 6:45 pm
Dec. 10 - Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"It's Pizza Time!"
Dec. 13 - Thursday Evening Storytime, 6:45 pm
Dec. 15 – Nutcracker Craft, 2 pm, ages 7 and up
Dec. 17 - Munchkin Monday, 10:30 am
"'Tis the Season"
Dec. 20 - Thursday Evening Storytime, 6:45 pm

LIBRARY HOURS

Mon./Wed.	10 am – 6 pm
Tues./Thursday	2 pm – 8 pm
Fri.	10 am – 4 pm
Sat.	12 pm – 4 pm

IT'S TURNING COLD OUTSIDE

Just a reminder from the Hamlin Building Department that all new wood burning, pellet, gas stoves and fireplaces that are installed in your home require a permit and need to be inspected before use. This is for safety reasons and for insurance purposes. The cost of the permit is $35.00. If you have any other questions please call the Building Department at 964-8181. The Building Department is open Monday through Friday 9 am-4 pm.

REMINDERS!

The Fire Marshal wants to remind you to have your chimney cleaned before you use it for the first time this winter. If you have a fire hydrant on your property, your assistance in keeping it clear of snow would be appreciated for easy access for the Fire Department in the event of a fire.

WANTED

According to Hamlin Town Code **NO** unregistered or junk vehicles are allowed to be stored on your property. This is any vehicle that does not have valid NYS license plates on it. A vehicle storage permit can be obtained to restore old or antique cars. This permit is valid for one year only and the cost is $25.00. You can apply for a vehicle storage permit in the Building Department if you own the property, have the vehicle title and ID number for the vehicle. There are places that will take your unwanted vehicle as a donation. The Code Enforcement Officer will be issuing violation notices again this year, if unregistered or junk vehicles are found on your property. For more information call 964-8181 Monday through Friday 9 am-4 pm.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

October 7th through October 13th is Fire Prevention Week. Look for special events at your local fire department or library. Reminder to change the battery in your smoke detectors.

15th Annual International Coastal Clean Up

The International Coastal Clean Up is a global event with people from all over the world pitching-in to clean their shorelines. Your help is needed in the International Coastal Clean Up event in your area on September 15, 2007, starting at 9 a.m. For more information you may contact any local beach captain.

Hamlin Beach
Beach Captain Hilary Richardson
(585) 395-5966
Durand Eastman Beach
Beach Captain Jamie Romeo
(585) 309-8148
Ontario Beach Park (Charlotte)
Beach Captain Pat Collins
(585) 753-7526
Braddocks Bay Park
Beach Captain June Summers
(585) 865-6047

All you need to do is arrive at the beach of your choice around 9 am and register at the sign-in-weighing station. You will be provided with pencils, garbage bags and data cards. Every piece of trash we pick-up is recorded. The data is then used to help us learn more about our true impact on the environment.

Town of Hamlin welcomes Marty Howden the new Park Manager at Hamlin Beach State Park. Already you can see some changes with band concerts and other family events scheduled. NY Senior residents (62 years of age) are admitted free Monday through Friday, non holidays to all State Parks. Go for a walk or have a picnic and enjoy the park. Visit the park's web site at nysparks.state.ny.us for more information on Hamlin Beach State Park

LIFE SOLUTIONS OF HAMLIN
(former Bread & Thread)

Life Solutions was established to help community members in difficult times. Although it may be hard to understand the needs of many of our own friends and neighbors in the community, with rising prices, layoffs, injuries and health issues, this is a continuing problem. Since Life Solutions has been incorporated, we not only meet their immediate needs of food, but are also able to counsel and refer them to other service providers.

By joining forces with the local churches, the Town Officials, Food Link, Lions Club, Hamlin Firemen, Seniors, Knights of Columbus, Hamlin Scouts, Post Office and other community members, we have been able to collect food and funds to fill Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas holiday baskets of food and gifts as well as stock our shelves throughout the year.

Many of our Firemen and Lions joined us last fall with stockings at the intersection in the middle of town and collected over $1000. The seniors, Post Office, Scouts and schools have food drives each year. We were recently challenged by the Mom's Club to join a couch potato race. Over 100 people participated. We received from the Mom's Club over $800 and had a fun-filled day.

We are presently working on a Mission of Life program for 2008. We have outgrown our current pantry and are looking to rent, buy or build a new facility. We presented this vision for our future to members of the community and have gotten much encouragement and support.

The Life Solutions' staff wishes to thank all who have helped in this noble work of charity. Hamlin truly is the place "WHERE THE HEART IS".

For assistance call (585) 964-7420 and leave a message.

Fund Raiser/Food Drive
October, 20th 10:00 am
Location to be announced
Life Solutions New Building
Call Monica Seeley 964-5806 for more info
Bring a can food and receive a raffle ticket for a large prize
Food - Fun - Games

ASSESSMENT NEWS

Middle Class STAR Rebate Program
STAR Rebate applications were mailed the week of August 20th. You should have received your application by now if you qualify.

Included in the mailing is necessary information (STAR Code) that must be submitted with your application. Applications will be processed as received by the Department of Taxation and Finance. You can apply online or by mail.
All applications must be filed by November 30th.

Enhanced STAR
Recipients were mailed Rebate Checks August 27th. No application was necessary.

New STAR Applications
Applications for STAR are now available in the Assessor's Office for 2008-2009 school taxes. All applications must be submitted by March 1, 2008.

TOWN CLERK OFFICE

Monday evening hours are back. We are open until 6 pm. The Town Clerk's Office offers many services such as Passports, Free Notary, Licenses for a Marriage, Dog, Hunting or Fishing and Duck Stamps too! Water bills are now paid directly to the Monroe County Water Authority.

Need something faxed.
Local $1.00 +$.50 each additional page.
Long Distance $2.00 +$1.00 each additional page
Receiving faxes cost $.25 a page

School Tax Bills are out. If you are responsible for paying your own bills and have not yet received yours, contact your Tax Receiver.

Hilton	Kathi A. Rickman	964-2421
Brockport	Joyce Brawn	964-9394
Kendall	Sue Klafehn	659-8935

October 16th at 1:00 pm
Mike O'Brian
Channel 9's Get-Away Guy
will give a presentation
of his get aways.
Hamlin Town Hall
All are welcome! Bring a friend!

Attention Dog Owners

All dogs in the Town of Hamlin that are four (4) months of age or older must be licensed. No exceptions. Failure to license your dog may cost you an additional $5.00 in addition to the cost of the license. Bring your rabies and spayed or neutered certificate when you visit the Town Clerks Office. Licenses are renewable every year.

HEALTHY COMMUNITIES™
HEALTHY YOUTH
Brockport-Clarkson
Hamlin-Sweden, NY
WE BUILD ASSETS

Imagine living in a community where all young people feel loved and supported, a place where strong values prevail, providing youth with the skills to make healthy choices and form positive relationships.

The Community Asset Partner Network, which represents our diverse communities county wide, promotes asset-building and positive youth development opportunities for all youth through adult/youth partnerships and caring, healthy communities.

To find out more about how to build assets in your family, school and community contact Patty Jo Groenendaal, Youth Program Development Coordinator at 637-1975 or pattyjo@bcs1.org

Events & Meetings

OCTOBER

Oct. 01 Planning Bd. 7:30 p
Oct. 03 Library Trustees Mtg. 7 p at the Library
Oct. 03 International Walk to School Day
Oct. 08 Town Hall Closed
Oct. 09 Town Bd. Mtg. 7 p
Oct. 09 Recreation Comm. 7 p
Oct. 15 Zoning Bd. Mtg. 7:30 p
Oct. 22 Conservation Bd. Mtg. 7 p
Oct. 23 Seniors Mtg. at St. Johns

NOVEMBER

Nov. 05 Planning Bd. 7:30 p
Nov. 06 Town Hall closed Election Day
Nov. 07 Library Trustees Mtg. 7 p at the Library
Nov. 12 Town Hall closed Veterans Day
Nov. 13 Town Bd. Mtg. 7 p
Nov. 13 Recreation Mtg. 7 p
Nov. 19 Zoning Bd. Mtg. 7:30 p
Nov. 22 Town Hall closed
Nov. 23 Town Hall closed
Nov. 26 Conservation Bd. Mtg. 7 p
Nov. 27 Senior Mtg. at St. Johns

DECEMBER

Dec. 01 Tree Lighting Ceremony
Dec. 03 Planning Bd. Mtg. 7:30 p
Dec. 05 Library Trustees Mtg. 7 p at the Library
Dec. 10 Town Bd. Mtg. 7 p
Dec. 11 Recreation Comm. 7 p
Dec. 11 Conservation Bd. Mtg. 7 p
Dec. 11 Senior Christmas Meal
Dec. 17 Zoning Bd. Mtg. 7:30 p
Dec. 24 Town Hall closed
Dec. 25 Town Hall closed

Do you want your 2008 community event listed on the Town of Hamlin web site calendar or in the newsletter?

Please contact the Town Clerks Office at 964-2421.

HAMLIN ELECTED OFFICIALS

Town Supervisor Dennis Roach	964-8981
Councilperson Michael Marchetti	
Councilperson Paul S. Rath	
Councilperson David Rose	
Councilperson George Todd	
Town Clerk Kathi A. Rickman	964-2421
Highway Sup. Tom Ingraham	964-2640
Judge Paul Rath	964-8641
Judge Richard Moffett	964-8641

TOWN HALL OFFICES

Assessor (Melanie Fahmer)	964-8748
Code Enforcement (B. J. Maier)	964-8181
Court	964-8641
Deputy Fire Marshall (Chuck Mosele)	Pager 463-4768
Dog Control (Jim Atkins)	Pager 525-1608
Historian (Mary Smith)	964-2101
Highway	964-2640
Library	964-2320
Recreation	964-7222
Support Boards	964-8961
Town Clerk	964-2421

FREQUENTLY REQUESTED PHONE NUMBERS

Ambulance (Non-Emergency)	964-8845
Hamlin Fire Dept. (Non-Emergency)	964-2330
Hamlin Post Office	964-2425
Hamlin Beach State Park	964-2462
Camping Office	964-2121
Life Solutions (Bread/Thread)	964-7420
Loan Closet (Mr. Mosher)	964-3195
Monroe County Water Authority	442-7200
Morton Fire Dept. (Non-Emergency)	659-8777
Schools	
Brockport	637-5303
Hilton	392-1000
Kendall	659-2741
Suburban Disposal	352-3900
Time Warner	756-5000
Walker Fire Dept. (Non-Emergency)	964-3692
Waste Management	254-3500

For Rental of these locations:

Hamlin Beach Shelters	964-2462
Merritt Hall (Kathy Gross)	964-3235
Town Hall Gymnasium	964-7222
Exempts Building (Paul)	964-3836
VFW (Brooke Cooke)	734-4350

MONROE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

Customer Service	442-7200

Above and Beyond?

Do you know someone in Hamlin that has displayed an act of kindness or has done a good deed of any measure or has gone the extra mile? If you do, let them know how thankful you are and nominate them for the Extra Mile Award. The nominee can be any age and must be a Hamlin resident. Submit nomination with name address, phone # and any other contact information to Hamlin Recreation, Community Assets Committee, P.O. Box 148, Hamlin NY 14464. Once the committee approves the application, the nominee will receive a certificate of appreciation at a Town Board meeting and the recipient's name and date of the award will be added to the plaque hung at the Town Hall.

Please forgive our mistake

In the Summer 07' Brochure we did not mention David Breslawski & Bruce Armstrong as coaches that volunteered their time to coach our youth during the summer sports season. Thanks!

The Lion's Club of Hamlin Recreation Building Project Contact # is listed below.

Lions Club of Hamlin, NY Inc.
Recreation Building Project for Public Fields
Public restrooms and shelter

Do you want to help?

Donations and volunteer building help: 964-2700
Hamlin Lions P.O. Box 91 Hamlin, NY
Casino Night - October 6 7:00 pm at the VFW
With entertainment and food
For tickets call Tim Crawford at 964-7507, Gordon Kile at 636-4003 or Dan Hicks at 964-5442
Recreation building Memorial Plaque $100 donation or more – inscribed per your instructions

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