



I was extremely pleased to read in the June 19, 2011 edition of the Hamlin-Clarkson Herald the news article announcing the scholarship awards from the Margaret A. McGrath Charitable Foundation. I have written in past Hamlin Xpress newsletters about this opportunity for students in our town, and also for those in the town of Sweden. This year the following Hamlin residents received individual scholarships which, as a group, come to a total of \$29,000: Carley Campbell, Paul Brightly, Adriana Cliff, Mary Haight, Sarah Maier, Colleen Clary, Elizabeth Armes, Danielle Giangrasso, Kaitlin Sanford, Sarah Spencer, Randall Yu, and Joshua Matula. May I offer my congratulations to these young people. As a reminder, the scholarships are offered every year with a March 1 filing deadline.

One of the activities I enjoy in my leisure hours is riding my bicycle along our town's roads. This spring and summer I have noticed something which speaks well about our town and its residents. After our highway department initially went through and mowed the roadsides earlier in the year, many residents have taken it upon themselves to continue to keep these areas mowed and picked up in our rural areas. I have noticed homeowners mowing well beyond their property line. Thank you to those of you helping to keep our town's roadsides trimmed and attractive.

By the time this article is published, I expect our town code to be available online through our website in an entirely new format. Our Town Clerk's office was successful in obtaining a grant which has enabled us to hire General Code to help us revamp the code and present it in a much more user friendly format. General Code's product is called eCode 360 and is already in use by at least two of our neighboring towns, Parma and Greece. When ours is active online, visitors to the site will find it very easy to search, find contents, use an index, and see prominently displayed the listing of the chapters of the code. Revisions to the code through actions by the Town Board can be updated in a timelier manner making the code current at all times. We here at the Town Hall are pleased to make this transition to the electronic format, and we think our residents will be too.

Angel Food Ministries

964-2550

Stretching Your Food Dollar in Tough Times

Did you know that you can get a variety of balanced nutritional food to feed a family of four for a week for only \$30? Angel Food Ministries can help. You can get a "Regular Box" of food, a "Senior Box", or a "Convenience Box", along with various "specials" all for very affordable prices. You can now place your order and pick it up at St. John Lutheran Church in Hamlin. The Town Clerk's Office has menus and more information for your convenience.

Lion's Club of Hamlin



The Lion's Club International is the largest service organization in the world. Currently, the Lion's Club of Hamlin is experiencing a substantial growth of its membership. To become a member, please contact Lion Stan Lyons at 964-3301 or 576-7027, stanlyons@rochester.rr.com.

MEDICAL LOAN CLOSET

The Medical Loan Closet is sponsored by the Hamlin Lion's Club. There is no charge to borrow equipment. However, we ask that the equipment be returned as soon as possible after use. All equipment goes out clean, sanitized and in good repair. You can arrange to pick it up yourself or have someone from the Lion's Club deliver it. Equipment available for loan include: hospital beds, wheelchairs, over-bed tables, commodes, shower chairs (various styles), crutches, canes, and walkers. Lion Tim Crawford is the coordinator for the Loan Closet. He can be reached at 733-8459. If you know of anyone who would like to donate any equipment, please contact Tim.



The Wheel Fest Committee would like to thank all those who supported the Wheel Fest.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Hamlin Wheel Fest.



Services offered at the Town Clerk's Office:

- Free Notary Service
- Passport Agents (we also take pictures for Passports, State Licenses, Pistol Permits, etc.)
- Hunting and Fishing Licenses
- Duck Stamps
- Postal stamps
- Dog Licenses
- Marriage Licenses
- Suburban Disposal Blue Bags
- Handicap Parking Permits



Master Card, Visa and Discover accepted.

Need something faxed?
 Local \$1.00 +\$.50 each additional page.
 Long Distance \$2.00 + \$1.00 each additional page
 Receiving faxes cost \$.25 per page
 Copies \$.25 per page

Gifts Available:

Don't forget the Holidays! We have something for everyone, even the ones that have everything!!!

"Remembering Hamlin" Hard Cover Book	\$20.00
Soft Cover Book	\$15.00
Hamlin Folk Art Prints Signed	\$10.00
Unsigned	\$ 5.00
Hamlin's Colorful History Coloring Book	\$ 2.00
Shelf Sitters of the Hamlin Depot	\$ 5.00
Historical Map of Hamlin	\$ 1.00
Hamlin's Postcards – Packs of 30	\$ 2.00
Hamlin Pins	\$ 2.00



If you have recently paid off your mortgage and should now be receiving your tax bill or if you have moved, call the Town Clerk's office at 964-2421 to let us know.



*We are accepting donations for the Kathleen Anne Tenney Shelter, Inc.

News From the Dog Control Office

Jim Atkins 525-1608

NYS Dog Licensing

New York State Law requires all dogs 4 months of age and older to be licensed and to have their license renewed each year.

Rabies Vaccination: Town of Hamlin requires all dogs and cats 4 months of age and older to receive a primary vaccination against rabies (good for 1 year), and to receive re-vaccinations or booster vaccinations every three years for the life of the dog or cat.

Copies of the Hamlin Dog Control Laws are available at the Hamlin Town Clerk's Office.

*Let us know if you are 65 or older to get your \$5 Senior Discount.



LICENSE FEES:

Spayed or neutered	\$9.00
Unspayed/Unneutered	\$17.00

For more information call 964-2421

Life Solutions of Hamlin Food Pantry

964-7420



Life Solutions of Hamlin, Inc. Food Pantry is open for business at our new location at 1696 Lake Road, Hamlin, next to Hamlin Sports. This great organization provides assistance to Hamlin neighbors in need through food distribution year round. Life Solutions also provides counseling services and referrals to other agencies as needed. To support the food pantry, we will be selling pre-enjoyed, good quality household items and clothing at low prices at our "treasure sale". Sale days and hours will be posted on the door. Food donations are always greatly appreciated and can be left at the Post Office or your local church. Call 964-7420 with questions or to set up an appointment.

On August 27th we are holding a golf tournament at Timber Ridge (formally Cardinal Creek) and we are having our 2nd annual walk/run on September 24th starting at Krony's. Our Thanksgiving and Christmas distributions will be at our new facility on November 12th and December 10th.

PAST AND PRESENT

One hundred fifty years ago the New York State Legislature approved the changing of our original name of the town, Union, to the name, Hamlin. This seems to have been done to avoid confusion with other towns who were also know by the name Union. In 1961, to celebrate the 100th anniversary of this occasion, Hamlin Supervisor, Roy Wolfe, appointed a committee, co-chaired by Charles McCormick and Lawrence Merritt, to come up with ideas to commemorate this occasion. Here are just a few of the events that came from those ideas fifty years ago.

Early in the year, a group of Hamlin men started growing beards in the style worn back in 1861. They were known as "Brothers of the Brush". In the Best Beard contest held in August, Gilbert Ruggles edged out Ted Dodson "by a hair". They both received electric shavers as prizes.

In June, Mrs. Mary Bauer, 90, was chosen to be crowned Centennial Queen. She lived in Hamlin all her life, spending 63 years on Priem Road, which was named after her father, John Priem, Sr. Mrs. Bauer had one rule after being chosen queen, "I won't walk in any parade, and I don't care about riding behind any horse either."

On Centennial Day, August 12, Dr. Hannibal Hamlin, the great grandson of Hannibal Hamlin, was the honored guest. He came from Providence, Rhode Island, and delivered a talk on the name Hamlin and its' origin.

At 1:00 pm, an estimated crowd of 20,000 spectators lined up along the one mile parade route to watch 175 units march to the carnival grounds. Floats from church groups, businesses, Fire Departments, and civic organizations all took part, including 50 antique cars, and various drum and bugle corps.

This wrapped up a Centennial that many people still remember to this day. In a time when our nation was facing some anxious moments, we, as a town, came together to honor a piece of our heritage.

Come join us on Heritage Day on Sunday, September 25, from 1 to 4 pm as the North Star History Center hosts an Open House. We will look back on that Centennial celebration in 1961 with photos, newspaper clippings and memorabilia from that year. Many other items will be on display depicting our past. Music from the past 150 years will be played by the "Hojack Hobos Bluegrass Band".



North Star History Center

Boy Scouts of America



Give your son the gift of Scouting by joining a Scouting program in your community. If your son (and you!) likes Sports, Fishing, Hiking, Science, Swimming, Making Things, Collecting Things, Camping... then join Scouting! The sooner you join Scouting the sooner you join the FUN!

Cub Scouts is for 1st -5th graders
Boy Scouts is for 6th- 12th graders

We also have co-ed programs for high school students that focus on a particular hobby, outdoor interest or career interest.

To find a program near you please call:
Julie Malley
Lighthouse District Director
Seneca Waterways Council, BSA
(585) 241-8558
julie.malley@senecawaterways.org

FALL CLEAN UP

Town Residents will be allowed to bring their own items to 4180 Brick Schoolhouse Road (Transfer Station) beginning Saturday, October 1st through Saturday, October 8th, 2011. Weekday hours are from 10 am-6:30 pm, and weekend hours are 8 am-4 pm.

There will also be dumpsters available for recycling at our Fall cleanup. You will need to separate the paper, glass, and metal and put in the appropriate dumpster. The Town of Hamlin will NOT ACCEPT any garbage, stones, concrete, paint cans, or hazardous waste items. We accept propane cylinders and car batteries. Any items containing a gas tank must have the gas tank removed before we will accept it. All gas tanks or drums must be clean, empty, and cut in half before we will accept them.

This year we will be collecting “e-waste” which will be recycled by SunnKing in Brockport. The NYS Electronic Equipment Recycling and Reuse Act mandates FREE collection of electronic equipment. Below is a listing of the items we will collect.

Items we will collect:

Computers	Cell phones & Pagers	Microwaves	Small Scale Servers
Telephone Equipment	Copiers	Typewriters	Monitors
Televisions (as well as cathode ray tubes)		Computer Peripherals*	Electronic Keyboards
Electronic Mice or Similar Pointing Device		Facsimile Machine**	Document Scanners**
Cables/Wire	Printers**	VCR’s	Small Electronic Equipment*
Digital Video Recorders	DVD Players	Video Game Consoles	Digital Converter Boxes
Cable or Satellite Receivers	Portable Digital Music Players		

* Computer peripherals and small electronic equipment also include any cable, cord, or wiring permanently affixed to or incorporated into such product.

** Only those intended for use with a computer and weighing less than 100 lbs.

Items taken for a fee:

\$15.00 per item with Freon (including dehumidifiers)

\$ 2.50 per car tire

These items must be paid for at the Town Clerk’s Office before taking them to the Transfer Station. The Town Clerk’s Office is open 8 am-4 pm, Monday through Friday. We accept cash, check, money order, Master Card, Visa, or Discover.

BRUSH PICK-UP

The Town of Hamlin will be doing the Fall Brush Pick-up beginning October 24th through October 28th.

- * The Brush has to be cut into lengths of 8 feet or less.
- * Please pile the brush parallel with the road.
- * Please Do Not include any type of lumber.
- * Please Do Not intertwine piles.
- * Brush has to be on the side of the road by October 24th.
- * Leaves will only be picked up in paper bags.



The Town will **ONLY** make **ONE** pass down each road.

This has been a very busy summer. The spring was so wet that everyone had a late start. Hamlin had a good amount of County work in Town this year. Since that is revenue, that is where we concentrated our first efforts. Our big project this year was Ketchum Road. This road was in such disrepair that it didn’t meet the Town’s or States specs for a legal road. The material price alone will probably be in the \$70,000 range, not counting all the labor. I am trying to keep my commitment of paying more attention to our housing tracts. Two roads in Huntington Park and half of a road in Hillcrest will be ground away and repaved this year. I am looking at trying to secure grants to help rebuild Victor and Mitchell Lanes since that project will be over \$100,000 to complete. Regretfully, we had to drop some of the road repair projects planned for this year. The price of blacktop rose significantly and the budget is only so big. Hopefully next year, prices will be lower and we can catch up some.

We are building a new combination soccer/football field east of the Lion Charlie Maier Lodge. We have been dumping our dirt spoils at certain areas to create more parking space. We will be patching certain town roads in the near future. At the end of August into September, we will be installing water line on parts of Redman and Cook roads. This year we will be expanding our snow fence program to include the bad drifting areas on Redman Road, north of Morton Road.

Hamlin, in cooperation with Sunn King is a drop-off center off old and broken electronic equipment. You may drop off these items at the Highway garage at 91 Railroad Ave, Monday through Thursday between the hours of 7:30 am and 3 pm all year long except for posted holidays.

At this time we are out of wood chips and mulch. We plan on having both of these products back in supply this fall. These things are free to the general public, but absolutely no contractors.

I hope this brief overview of the Highway Department projects and functions has helped answer questions. With any other concerns, please call us at 964-2640 during normal business hours. Thank you.

Hamlin Senior Citizens

Katrina Hurd 964-8499

MEETING DATES:

Tuesday, August 23, 2011

Seniors Annual Picnic
Hamlin Beach State Park
Area 4, Shelter #5

Tuesday, September 27, 2011

St. John Lutheran Church at 9:45 am
Cards, crafts, and games begin!
Bring a dish to pass and your own table setting.

Tuesday, October 25, 2011

St. John Lutheran Church at 9:45 am
Cards, crafts, and games begin!
Bring a dish to pass and your own table setting.

Tuesday, November 22, 2011

St. John Lutheran Church at 9:45 am
Cards, crafts, and games begin!
Catered meal - Cost \$5.00 members (\$9.00 sm)

UPCOMING TRIPS AND ACTIVITIES:

Tuesday, August 30, 2011

“Do Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?”, Auburn, NY
Depart 8:15 am, return at 7:00 pm
Cost \$40

Wednesday, September 14, 2011

Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada
Depart at 7:30 am, return at 7:00 pm
Cost \$40

Friday, October 21, 2011

Arcade and Attica Train Excursion, Arcade, NY
Depart at 7:15 am, return at 6:00 pm
Cost \$40

Tuesday, December 13, 2011

Seniors Annual Holiday Luncheon
Place to be determined
Cost \$5.00 member (\$9.00 sm)

Any Hamlin resident, 55 years of age or older and their spouse are welcome to join the Hamlin Senior Citizens. Meetings are held at St. John Lutheran Church, 1107 Lake Road West Fork, Hamlin. Please enter St. John's at the south side entrance ramp. Meetings will continue to be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month, (except August and December) and begin at 9:45 am sharp. We enjoy cards, crafts, and games. Lunch is at NOON, usually it is potluck, and we all bring a dish to pass with our own tableware. Occasionally lunch is catered. Around 1 pm, our business meeting begins. For those members that wish to remain after the meeting, we offer a “Fun Game”.

Katrina Hurd has been the Hamlin Senior Citizen Coordinator for over twenty-five years. She can be reached at: hurdkd@gmail.com or call at 964-8499.

New Members always welcome!!! Come join the fun!



Ann Elphick feeding Oreo at
Hidden Valley Animal Adventure
Seniors Mystery Trip
June 20, 2011



Hamlin Seniors at
Mount Morris Dam
May 16, 2011

Hamlin Farmers' Market



The Hamlin Farmers' Market is located in the parking lot of the Hamlin Town Hall and will be open Sundays through October from 9 am-1 pm. Featuring products such as fruits, vegetables, and flowers, grown by local farmers, the market will bring the finest quality produce and vegetables that Hamlin has to offer. Please contact Kathi Rickman at 964-2421 for more information.

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

Munchkin Monday

Story time and craft for children ages 3-5 at 10:30am
(Free program-no registration required)
September 19, 26
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
November 7, 14, 21, 28,
December 5, 12

Thursday Night Story Time

Story time and craft for children ages 5-10 at 6:45pm
(Free program-no registration required)
September 22, 29
October 6, 13, 20, 27
November 3, 10, 17
December 1, 8, 15

Babysitter Training

Saturday, September 17 from 10am-3:30pm
\$40.00 fee payable to the instructor
Ages 11 and up
Teaches participants the role and responsibilities of a babysitter and includes skills in: accident prevention, basic first aid, emergency recognition, abdominal thrusts for choking victims and a demonstration of CPR.
(Please call to register)

Fall Craft

Saturday, September 24 from 2-3pm
Ages 5 and up
Make a Fall Door Hanger
(Please call to register)

Choose Your Own Craft Day

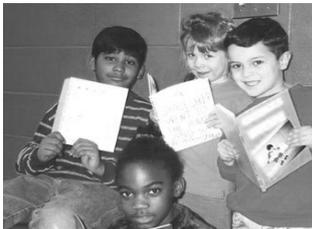
Monday, October 10 from 1-3pm
Ages 5 and up
Choose from a variety of crafts to make and bring home.
(Please call to register)

Halloween Craft

Saturday, October 15 from 2-3pm
Ages 5 and up
Paint a small pumpkin that will become an indoor table decoration.
(Please call to register)

Presents for Parents Craft

Friday, November 11 from 1-2pm
Ages 5 and up
Make a Christmas present for your parents.
(Please call to register)



Thanksgiving Craft

Saturday, November 19 from 2-3pm
Make a turkey candy dish.
Ages 5 and up
(Please call to register)

Movie Day

Wednesday, December 28 from 1-5 pm
Come watch 2 newly released movies and have popcorn and pop for snacks.
Ages 7 and up
(Please call to register)

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Knit/Crochet Group

Saturday, September 10 at 1pm
Tuesday, September 27 at 6:30pm
Saturday, October 8 at 1pm
Tuesday, October 25 at 6:30pm
Saturday, November 12 at 1pm
Tuesday, November 22 at 6:30pm
Saturday, December 10 at 1pm
Tuesday, December 27 at 6:30pm
Bring whatever project you happen to be working on and get help or help someone else.
(No registration needed)

Card making with Linda Talbott

September 20, October 18
November 15, December 13
6-7:45pm
Make beautiful handmade, original seasonal or general greeting cards.
Material fee \$10.00 paid to instructor for each class in which you attend.
(Registration required for each class date you want to attend)

Make a Button Bracelet

Thursday, September 15 at 6:30pm
Make a beautiful bracelet made from buttons.
(Please call to register)

Ed Evans Presents "A Day in the Life"

Tuesday, October 11 at 6:30pm
Join Ed Evans for an update on the CCC/POW Camp. He will also talk about Jimmy Giancaterin's experience at the CCC camp.
(Please call to register)

Dye a Silk Scarf

Tuesday, November 8 at 6:30pm
Learn how to dye a silk scarf and give it as Christmas present!
(Please call to register)



IT'S 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. Solid fuel burning appliances are not allowed in garages. This is for safety reasons and for insurance purposes. The cost of the permit is \$35.00. Failure to obtain a permit is subject to an additional \$125.00 fee.

Every building with a Carbon Monoxide (CO) source should by law have a carbon monoxide detector outside of each sleeping area. CO is produced by incomplete combustion of fossil fuels like natural or propane gas, wood, kerosene, pellets, coal or corn, etc. If you do not have a CO detector yet, for your own safety, install a detector before the heating season.

Every year the Fire Department responds to several chimney fires. Most of them were failure to keep the chimney clean. Please inspect and clean out your chimney and fuel burning appliance regularly. This also includes your gas or fuel oil furnace which should be cleaned by a professional every year.

If you have any questions, please call the Building Department at 964-8181. The Building Department is open Monday through Friday 8:30am-2:30pm.

BUILDING PERMITS

A building permit is required in the Town of Hamlin for a shed, fence, pool, deck, addition, garage, pole barn, gazebo, pond, wood burning stove, emergency generator and sign. Just to name a few. Re-roofing requires a permit when a tear off occurs. A dumpster must be onsite before the work begins. The cost of a permit is \$10.00. Failure to obtain a Building Permit is subject to a \$125.00 fee plus the cost of the permit.



If you have any questions regarding a building permit or if you need to get a building permit, please contact the Building Department at 964-8181, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am-2:30 pm. A complete list and costs can be found on our web page at www.hamlinny.org.

LET IT SNOW!!!

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.

Remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors. Be careful using candles this holiday season and remember to turn off all Christmas lights at night and when you aren't home.

Please do not plow or shovel snow onto the road.

Have a safe and happy winter!



Happenings at Hamlin Beach

“Friends of Hamlin Beach”
Meetings are held 2nd Wednesday of each Month
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Park Office Conference Room
All are welcome to attend!!

Check out our website:
www.friendsofhamlinbeach.org/event.html



- August 11 History of Hamlin Beach Presentation - Conference Room, Main Office, 7 pm - 9 pm
- August 13 Blue Sky - Area 3 stage, 6 - 10 pm
- August 18 Buffalo Boomers - Area 3 stage, 7- 9 pm
- August 20 City Fiddle - Area 3 under tent, 7 - 9 pm
- August 20 & 21 Civil War Reenactment, Area 3, 8 am
- August 25 POW Presentation - Conference Room, Main Office, 7 - 9 pm
- August 27 Double Cross - Area 3 stage, 6 - 10 pm
- September 1 The Schnicklefritzers Band - Area 3 stage, 7 - 9 pm
- September 3 NY Rockin Revue - Area 3 stage, 6 - 10 pm
- October 8 DJ Jam-n-Stam, Area 3 stage, 5 - 9 pm

**Join us on
September 25th at the
North Star History Center
for Heritage Day to celebrate
Hamlin's 150th Anniversary!
1 - 4 pm**

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Hamlin, NY 14464

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HAMLIN ELECTED OFFICIALS

Town Supervisor Peter Terry	964-8981
Councilperson Tom Breslawski	964-2421
Councilperson Craig Goodrich	964-2421
Councilperson Paul S. Rath	964-2421
Councilperson David Rose	964-2421
Town Clerk Kathi A. Rickman	964-2421
Highway Superintendent Steven Baase	964-2640
Judge Paul W. Rath	964-8641
Judge Richard Moffett	964-8641

TOWN HALL OFFICES

Assessor (Don Wells)	964-8748
Code Enforcement (Lee Nettin)	964-8181
Court (Patience McPherson)	964-8641
Dog Control (Jim Atkins)	(pager) 525-1608
Historian (Bob Kruger)	964-7385
Highway (Steve Baase)	964-2640
Library (Kay Hughes-Dennett)	964-2320
Recreation (Patty Jo Groenendaal)	964-7222
Support Boards (Heather Norman)	964-8961
Town Clerk (Kathi Rickman)	964-2421

SCHOOLS

Brockport	637-5303
Hilton	392-1000
Kendall	659-2741

HELPFUL NUMBERS

Angel Food Ministries Brockport	637-9785
Life Solutions Food Pantry	964-7420
Medical Loan Closet (Tim Crawford)	733-8459
Monroe County Water Authority	442-7200
Suburban Disposal	352-3900
Waste Management	254-3500
Time Warner	756-5000

FREQUENTLY USED 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
Hamlin VFW Post	964-2005
Walker Fire Dept. (Non-Emergency)	964-3692
Morton Fire Dept. (Non-Emergency)	659-8777

FOR RENTAL OF THESE LOCATIONS:

Hamlin Beach Shelters	964-2462
Merritt Hall (Kathy Gross)	964-3235
Town Hall Gymnasium	964-7222
Lion Charlie Maier Lodge	964-7222
Exempts Building (Paul)	964-3836
VFW (Alan David)	964-5158