



# PULTENEY GRAPEVINE

FALL 2019

A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the Pulteney Grapevine, a newsletter about services and happenings in Pulteney. This newsletter is compiled and distributed by the Pulteney Free Library to help spread information throughout the community. The Pulteney Grapevine community newsletter is made possible through funding from Steuben Senior Services Fund, the Town of Pulteney, the Pulteney Presbyterian Church, and the Pulteney Fire Department.

The dream is a reality! The Robert & Phyllis Ross Memorial Library is now the home of the Pulteney Free Library. The new Library is light and spacious with lots of areas for people of all ages to hang out. Toddlers have fun crawling and climbing on the caterpillar while older kids enjoy the sway chairs for reading. There is a table for chess or checkers, space to spread out, puzzles to work on, and of course, books for your reading enjoyment. The adult corner has comfortable chairs and window seats and the view is absolutely amazing! The patio is also a great spot for enjoying the view. Our Annual Meeting is November 16 at 10:00. Come celebrate in our new space while we recognize our volunteers. Carol McGill will be receiving Southern Tier Library System's Outstanding Library Advocate Award for her efforts in making the new Library a reality. Help us recognize Carol and the other volunteers whose help is so important to the success of the Library.



## HOURS:

TUES - 12 - 8:00

WED - 12 - 6:00

THUR - 12 - 8:00

SAT - 9 - 1:00



*Aging to Perfection*  
  
1881  
Pulteney Free Library  
Robert & Phyllis Ross  
Memorial Library



## **Pulteney Volunteer Fire Department**

## **PULTENEY FIRE DEPARTMENT & AMBULANCE CORPS**

Fall is a good time to get ready for the winter heating season. Ensure your house has working Carbon Monoxide (CO) and smoke detectors in your house and that the batteries have been checked or replaced. CO detectors older than 7 years and smoke detectors older than 10 years should be replaced. This is also the time to have your chimney cleaned and to make sure your heating equipment is ready.

The Ambulance Corps recommends having a File of Life or a list of medications and any out-of-hospital directives (DNR, MOLST, etc.) easily found during an emergency. The best place is your refrigerator.

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### **PULTENEY FIREMEN'S AUXILIARY**

For many years the Pulteney Firemen's Auxiliary has hosted a Halloween party for the children of Pulteney. This year we are trying something different "Trunk or Treat" is to be held on Saturday, October 26, 2019 from 4:30 to 6:30 pm in the parking lot of the Pulteney Fire Hall. *Trunk or Treat* provides a safe environment for trick or treating, quality family time, plus folks who don't get trick or treaters at their homes can decorate their "trunk" and pass out treats and enjoy the spirit of Halloween. An informational meeting was held in early October at the new library where questions were answered.

There will be games, refreshments, crafts, a photo area for parents to take pictures of their hob- goblins (bring your own camera) and who knows what else!!! For more info, contact Lori Egresi 607- 382-7566 or Donna Colvin 607-868-4893.

Breakfast with Santa is planned for Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9 o'clock at the Fire Hall.

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### **GRACE COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP**

Over 100 people attended the memorial service for Marsha, including friends and family from out of state as well as many from the local community. I want to personally thank everyone who came for taking the time to honor her memory, including her Bone Builder friends. She is greatly missed. We have said goodbye to some of our Summer visitors with an expectation of seeing them again in the Spring. Security measures for the church building have been completed. My latest novel "Prisoner of Hope" is available through Amazon and B&N, as well as through my website:

lawrencecslater.com. If you do read the book, please consider posting a review on Amazon. I have personal copies available also, along with my previous novel "A Severe Mercy." Both novels have strong redemptive themes. We have had some new folks join us recently for our Sunday morning service. We continue to help support the ministry of Ravi Zacharias, as well as Voice of the Martyrs and Care Net in Penn Yan. May God continue to bless our Community!

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“where the vineyard is bearing fruit”

The crispness in the air, the smell of grapes being harvested, and the splendor of autumn colors painting the trees – all remind us of the wonders of our world. We enjoyed seeing our summer visitors and others this summer.

Fall brings a busy time for the church. First is the Crop Walk in mid October and several in our church walk to raise money to help benefit local food pantries. Also on October 20<sup>th</sup> there will be a rededication of our 1897 Beman Pipe Organ which was restored and repaired over the summer. And finally, on November 2, 2019 is the annual Harvest Dinner- a turkey dinner with all the trimmings and homemade pies at the Pulteney Fire Hall beginning at 4:30 pm.

Eli Hill following his participation in 2019 Youth Triennium at Purdue University in July assisted Pastor Don Peek with worship on World Wide Communion Sunday. His youth spirit added much to the service!!

Much stays the same at our church:

- \*Prayer Shawls meets Mondays at 10:00am
- \*Don Peek leads a Bible Study, so check with him for time and place
- \*Collections continue for The Prattsburgh Food Pantry

*Join us for church and Sunday School at 9:15 am and then stay for coffee hour and fellowship*

Like us on Facebook  
Pulteney Presbyterian Church

## PULTENEY SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM

Changes. Always – seasons- it seems we just changed to the summer season and already we’re changing to fall! With the Senior lunch program menus change, and maybe a day rotation of them? Or not.... The faces around the tables don’t change much and we’ve maintained a good attendance throughout. What didn’t change is anybody new accepting the challenge to discover our “uniqueness” – what’s up with that Seniors?

The change in Thursday lunches probably won’t happen until the next season change. So, thinking about changing your Monday or Thursday routine?

Come to lunch.

Mondays and Thursdays – Suggested donation \$3.50 if 60 years or older

\$7.00 cost if under 60 years of age

Call to make reservations – 607-522-5121

**For this year Halloween has been moved to Trunk or Treat on October 26 from 4:30 - 6:30 at the Pulteney Fire Hall parking lot. There will be no trick or treating on Halloween.**

**For information call:**

**Lori Egresi - 607- 382- 7566**

**Donna Colvin 607-868-4893.**



## PULTENEY TOWN NEWS

Greetings from the Pulteney Town Hall!

As I write this note to you, it is the week after Labor Day and Summer is passing into Autumn. What a great time of year to live here in Pulteney--there is lots going on and I will share some of the highlights:

**Tennis/Pickle Ball Court:** We finally have paved the new area and are waiting to get the line painting finished, replace some of the fencing, and we will be ready to go. We are not happy how long this project has taken, but it will be done soon.

**Ambulance Garage:** We have reached a formal agreement with the Pulteney Fire Department for them to assume ownership of the building on January 1, 2020. This date will allow them to develop a budget and be ready to take ownership of the building. The parcel where the building sits has been sub-divided and the Town will continue to own the community garden area, pavilion, and pond on the back side. Great cooperation between the Town and the Fire Department on this project.

**Road Repairs and Upgrades:** Terry Gibson and the Highway Crew have worked around the raindrops this summer to complete our scheduled upgrades and annual road maintenance. It is always great to see the shared services program at work as other Towns have helped us with projects and we in turn assist neighboring Towns when needed. This shared services program is managed by our own Terry Gibson and the nearby Highway Superintendents. It is a great example of Government working at the local level. Our thanks to all involved.

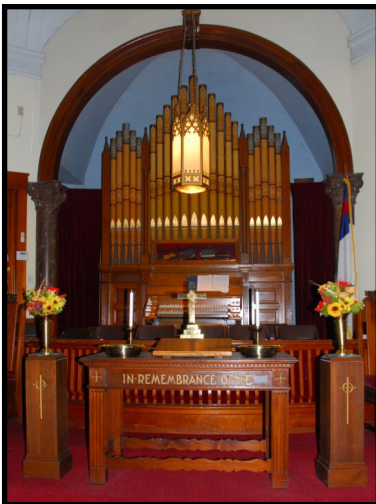
**2020 Town Budget:** We have already started work on preparing the Town's budget for next year. The process starts with a look at the projects we need to budget for next year. The Town Board has met with members of our Departments to begin the process. We are obligated by law to have the budget completed in November and will hold a public hearing at either our October or November meeting. At the public hearing, the Board will present the budget to the community and receive any input.

**Election Day 2020:** Is right around the corner--make sure that you are registered to vote and please plan to vote on November 5th at the Ross Memorial Library. We have several local contests and it is the most imperative way you can influence your local Government is by Voting!

As always, if you have any concerns please call me at 607-329-1963. The Town Board meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall.

Mark Illig

Town Supervisor



### ORGAN REDEDICATION

The Presbyterian Church will be rededicating their 1897 Beman Pipe Organ on October 20 at 2:00.

The Pulteney Presbyterian organ has been lovingly maintained ever since its purchase. Few changes have been made. In 1980 a new blower and new access into the swell box were added. The reservoir was re-leathered in 1990. The organ has its original cabinet, as well as the ebony and ivory keys. The tin pipes are original, as are the paint and stencils.

The restoration was done by Parsons Pipe Organ.

There will be a reception following the rededication with light refreshments.

Come and enjoy listening to guest organists as they play this beautiful organ.

## BONE BUILDERS EXERCISE PROGRAM

### BONE BUILDERS – BUILDING STRONG BONES ( and FRIENDS) FOR LIFE!

Do you know that we have a FREE FUN exercise class right here in Pulteney? BONE BUILDERS! This class is for women and men, aged 50 and up – that group at risk for osteoporosis/brittle bones. Our class meets year round, at 9-10:15 AM every Monday and Wednesday (except holidays) at the Pulteney Fire hall – just bring a water bottle and a towel. It's a great place to meet your Pulteney neighbors and keep up with local goings-on, while you do your light exercise and laugh along the way.

Guests welcome – drop by and try a class anytime!

Questions? Call local leaders Kathy Wheat (868-4008) or Rita Finley (868-4393) Other Pulteney volunteer leaders include Nancy Cole, Debbie Decker, Linda Lewis, Carole Smith, Janet McLaughlin, Mary Jane Peek, and Elizabeth White. NEW leader training is coming up this month –our own Luanne Graulich and Wendy Proctor are joining as new Pulteney leaders! A big gang of trainers from all over Steuben County met for a fun day at the Bath Fire Hall on September 18. Business and fun included: Continental breakfast, a guest speaker, catered lunch, and of course, a Review/Practice session of our Bone Builder Class Program! By the way, Hours spent teaching our class count as RSVP hours.

Classes are sponsored by ProAction of Steuben & Yates Counties – Branchport, Hammondspport, and Prattsburgh residents are always welcome to join our Pulteney group. This Pulteney class has been building bones together for over 10 years!!!

This summer, volunteer leader Linda Lewis hosted a Lovely brunch at her B&B *Gone With the Wind* for class members current and ones we haven't seen lately – what a nice morning of friendly faces with time to catch up with each other and enjoy tasty treats!

## STEBEN COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD

OCTOBER 15 THROUGH DECEMBER 7

THERE ARE 4 WAYS TO ENROLL:

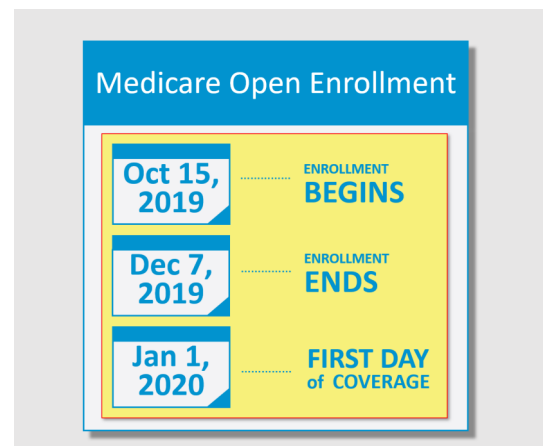
1. Medicare.gov/plan-compare
2. Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)
3. Find a local SHIP counselor
4. Ask a trusted agent or broker

SHIP counselors are free and available locally through our Health Insurance & Information Assistance Program (HIICAP) Call Steuben County Office for the Aging 607-664-2298

Scheduled appointments are required on a first come first serve basis. You will be directed to call Medicare or apply online when appointment times have been filled. NOTE: if you receive extra help or have Medicaid your appointment will be scheduled AFTER this Open Enrollment period.

## HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HEAP)

This year's HEAP season will open on Tuesday, November 12, 2019. Applications will be available on or after this date. Call Office for the Aging at 607-664-2298 to request an application be mailed to you or we can set up an appointment for a one-on-one session. Documents are necessary to accompany application for eligibility determination.



**Pulteney Free Library**

**P.O. Box 215**

**Pulteney, NY 14874-0215**

**Non-Profit**

**Organization**

**U.S. Postage PAID**

**Hammondsport, NY**

**Permit No. 1**

**CALENDAR:**

October 5 & 19, November 2 - 10:00 pm - Pulteney Free Library Art Time

October 19 - 11:00 - Pulteney Free Library Crocheting Group

October 20 - 2:00 - Organ rededication—Pulteney Presbyterian Church

October 26 - 4:30 - 6:30 - Trunk or Treat - Pulteney Fire Hall

November 2 - 4:30 - Pulteney Presbyterian Church Harvest Dinner - Pulteney Fire Hall

November 7 - 7:00 - Pulteney Free Library Book Club

November 16 - 10:00 - Pulteney Free Library Annual Meeting

November 26 - 6:30 - Pulteney Free Library Writer's Group

December 14 - 9:00 - Breakfast with Santa - Pulteney Fire Hall

Bone Builders - Mondays & Wednesdays - 9:00 am - Pulteney Fire Hall

Pulteney Free Library Story Hour - 10:30 am Thursdays

Senior Lunch - Mondays & Thursdays - 11:00 am - Pulteney Presbyterian Church

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- Pulteney Fire Department

