

THE TOWN OF

Halfmoon Navigator



May 2016

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Vietnam Moving Wall
County Clerk Organ Donor Program
Trails and Open Space Committee
and more



WELCOME
TO HISTORIC
HALFMOON

1664 *W*

GATEWAY TO SARATOGA COUNTY

ALSO

Free Public Access to Computers
Halfmoon Celebrations Events

Supervisor's Office - Update On Grants

Message from the Town Supervisor:

This Spring many exciting things are happening. As the construction season is on its way, several projects will begin or continue implementation. These projects are funded primarily through Grants the Town of Halfmoon has applied for and received. Here are some of the highlights:

Interpretive Signs *will be installed* on the Champlain Canalway Trail and at the Lighthouse Park.

The Champlain Canalway Trail Phase III project will extend the Trail to the border with the Town of Waterford.

The Crescent Road Bike & Pedestrian Project has entered the construction phase, extending the pedestrian network along the Town's border with Clifton Park and near Okte Elementary School.

The Erie Canalway Community Connector Trail which will connect the Town with Clifton Park near the Twin Bridges is expected to reach the bidding stage for construction later this spring, as is the Champlain Canalway Historic Structures Project and the Sitterly Road Pavement Preservation Project.

Design for the segment of the Champlain Canalway Trail from Upper Newtown Road to the City of Mechanicville is expected to be completed by the Lakes-to-Locks Passage, Scenic Byway, and Champlain Canalway Trail Working Group (of which the Town of Halfmoon is part).

With new funding awarded to the Town last December for the pedestrian railroad crossing to connect the Champlain Canalway Trail with Lighthouse Park – final design and approvals will be reignited, targeting construction next spring.

In new grant news, design on the Terminal Road Kayak Launch is expected to enter the bidding stage later this spring, also targeting next spring for construction.

Lastly, additional funding was awarded to the Town for sidewalks in the Pruy Hill neighborhood, allowing design to continue this year and construction to proceed next spring (new funds are programmed for the Oct 2016 – Sept 2017 grant program year).

If you have questions regarding any of the above items or would like additional information, please contact my office at (518) 371-7410 ext. 2200

Sincerely,

Kevin J. Tollisen
Halfmoon Town Supervisor



Kevin J. Tollisen
Halfmoon Town Supervisor

Town of Halfmoon Hours of Operation

**Supervisor's Office, Assessor's Office,
Building Department, Code Enforcement Office,
Finance Office, Payroll Office, Planning Department,
Recreation Department, *Receiver of Taxes,
Senior Center, Water Department** (located on Brookwood Rd.)

Open Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:00pm

*During the month of January, the Receiver of Taxes Office is open
Wednesday 8:00am - 6:00pm and Saturday 9:00am - 12:00pm

Town Clerks Office

Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:00pm;

Wednesday 8:00am - 7:00pm

Animal Control - On-Call As Needed

Justice Clerk's Office (check web site for Court times)

Monday - Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Highway Department

 (Located on Route 146)

Monday - Friday 7:00am - 3:00pm (Winter Hours)

Monday - Thursday 6:00am - 4:00pm (Summer Hours)

Transfer Station

 (Located on Route 146)

Tuesday 8:00am - 12:00pm; Friday 12:00pm - 5:00pm;

Saturday 8:00am - 1:00pm

All Town Parks - Dawn-Dusk

Town of Halfmoon Contact Information

Dial (518) 371-7410 - extensions below

Animal Control	ext. 2452
Assessor	ext. 2242
Attorney	ext. 2202
Code Enforcement	ext. 2260
Finance/Payroll	ext. 2217
Grant	ext. 2206
Highway Department (alternate number 664-3127)	ext. 2500
Historical Society	ext. 2332
Justice Office	ext. 2400
Parks Department	ext. 2533
Planning Department	ext. 2266
Receiver of Taxes	ext. 2251
Recreation Department	ext. 2272
Senior Center (alternate number 371-3872)	ext. 2300
Senior Express	ext. 2320
Town Supervisor	ext. 2200
Town Clerk	ext. 2230
Transfer Station	ext. 2500
Water Department	ext. 2600

Elected Officials Email Addresses

Town Supervisor, Kevin J. Tollisen ktollisen@townofhalfmoon-ny.gov

Deputy Supervisor/Town Councilman, Paul Hotaling photaling@townofhalfmoon-ny.gov

Town Councilman, John Waiselewski jwaiselewski@townofhalfmoon-ny.gov

Town Councilwoman, Daphne Jordan djordan@townofhalfmoon-ny.gov

Town Councilman, Jeremy Connors jconnors@townofhalfmoon-ny.gov

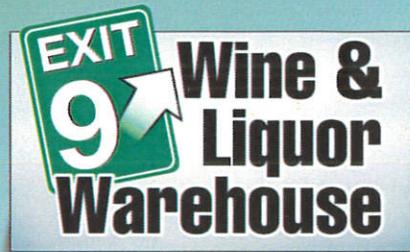
Town Clerk, Lynda Bryan lbryan@townofhalfmoon-ny.gov

Town Highway Superintendent, John Pingelski, Jr. jpingselski@townofhalfmoon-ny.gov

Receiver of Taxes, Karen Pingelski kpingselski@townofhalfmoon-ny.gov

Please go to our website and sign up for our E-Alerts & Text Alerts so we can keep you updated on important issues. www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov





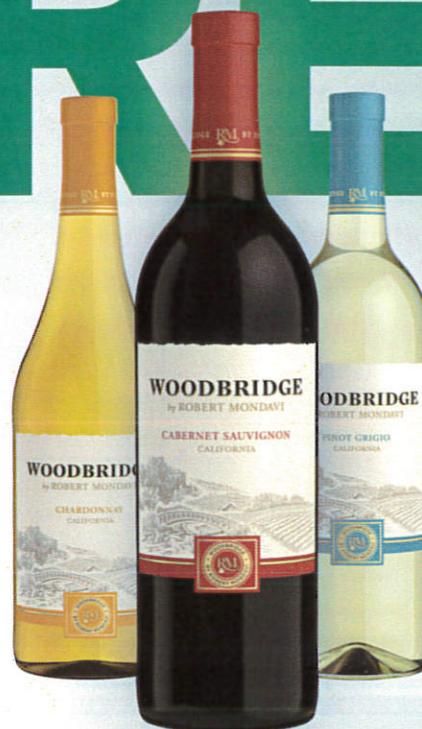
THE CROSSINGS | HALFMOON • CLIFTON PARK | (518) 688-0153

YOU GET MORE

\$ 9.95

Woodbridge 1.5L

Cabernet Sauvignon, Chardonnay, Merlot, Pinot Noir, Riesling, Sauvignon Blanc, White Merlot, White Zinfandel, Zinfandel



\$20.95
Tito's 1L
Handmade Vodka
1.75L \$29.95



\$10.98
Cavit 1.5L
Pino Grigio



\$36.50
Grey Goose 1L
Vodka
1.75L \$50.99



\$10.98
Josh 750ML
Cabernet Sauvignon
Chardonnay \$9.97

DID YOU KNOW?
WE HAVE MORE THAN 460 DIFFERENT N.Y. STATE WINES!

CONNECT WITH US exit9wineandliquor.com

Parks & Grounds Department

Keeping Turfgrass Healthy

The environment favors healthy turfgrass. Pathogens are almost always present, so it's important to do your part by:

- Avoiding over-fertilization
- Avoid watering in the evening
- Planting disease-resistant species
- Providing adequate drainage
- Maintaining a dense, and healthy stand of turfgrass able to deal with stress and discourage disease pressure



Summer Events in the Town Park

May 7th • Halfmoon Baseball Opening Day Ceremony

May 14th • Walk to Cure Arthritis

June 2nd -6th • Vietnam War Moving Wall Exhibition

June 11th • Daffodil Dash 5K

June 14th - 18th • Relay for Life Carnival

Lyme Disease Prevention

Enjoying all of the wonderful activities the outdoors provide often distracts us from taking some precautionary steps to ensure our safety. We need to be mindful that tick bites can transmit a bacteria causing Lyme Disease. Follow these reminders to ensure your summer stays fun and healthy!

- Avoid walking in brush or high grass areas, and be sure to stay in the center of the path while hiking or walking.
- Spray exposed skin and clothing with a product containing the active ingredient DEET to provide protection.
- Careful examination of clothing, backpacks, pets, and your body itself will help to identify any ticks that you may have come in contact with.



Photo courtesy of CDC Public Health Image Library

Paul Maiello, Director of Parks



SUMMER DAY CAMP
AT U.S. BUDOKAI KARATE
Ages 6-12 | NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED

**KARATE CLASS • DAILY THEMES • FOAM WEAPONS
ARTS AND CRAFTS • CULTURAL LESSONS, AND MORE!**

WWW.USBKA-CP.COM | 518.383.0484 | HALFMOON

AUGUST 8-12
9AM - 12PM

Highway Department

With winter now behind us, your Highway Department is working on several road maintenance and drainage projects.

As Highway Superintendent I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the many tasks your highway department performs. In addition to plowing snow we are responsible for road paving and maintenance, cleaning of ditches and culverts, catch basin cleaning and repairs, road signage, roadside litter pickup, cutting of brush and trimming of trees. We have a dedicated staff willing and able to work long and hard to maintain the Town of Halfmoon's 120+ miles of roads.

Please watch for our highway workers in your daily travels and use good driving practices when they are out. We want everyone to remain safe this summer season and together we all can continue to keep Halfmoon a safe and healthy place to work, live and play.

As always if you have any questions or concerns at anytime, please feel free to call me at **664-3127**. *Have a great summer!*

John Pingelski

Halfmoon Highway Superintendent

Please go to: www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov
and sign up for our E-Alerts so we can keep you
updated on important issues via your email.



Transfer Station

Never place grass clippings in or near storm drains, wetlands, creeks or detention areas! Remember that fertilizers, herbicides, and pesticides from your lawn clippings can run off during storms and harm groundwater, wetlands, and watercourses. They also clog or hamper water flow. Leaving grass clippings on your lawn to act as a natural fertilizer reduces the amount of pollutants that can poison our water and wildlife. The Transfer Station accepts yard waste free of charge.

Please go to www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov or call Highway Superintendent, John Pingelski, at (518) 664-3127 for more information.

Our annual paper shredding day with 3N Document Destruction is **June 18**, from **9:00 am to 11:00 am** at the Highway Garage at 322 Route 146. The service is free to our residents - donations of nonperishable food are requested so that we can donate to a local food pantry.

John Pingelski

Halfmoon Highway Superintendent

Thank you to all of the businesses in this newsletter for their support. Please patronize these businesses and mention the Halfmoon Navigator.

Lindsey's

COUNTRY STORE & SWEET SHOPPE



Gift Baskets • Bakery • Fine Chocolates • Fudge • Gifts

Special Gifts for Moms, Dads & Grads!

Truffles, Creams, Buttercrunch, Cordials

Pies, Muffins, Cookies, Pastries
Gifts & Greeting Cards

Women's Boutique!
Mix & Match Tops,
Purses, Scarves, Jewelry

Local Delivery &
Shipping Available

Now Carrying
Pure Essential Oils!
dōTERRA



371-3100

1537 Route 9, Halfmoon NY
www.LindseysCountryStore.com

Mon-Fri 8 AM-6 PM
Sat 8 AM-4 PM

Canalway Clean Sweep

About 40 volunteers participated in the 10th Annual Canalway Clean Sweep on April 23rd. Gloves and garbage bags were provided to help clean the Crescent Park starting at Terminal Road. Residents, businesses, civic groups, and community organizations all joined together to spruce up this popular Park and Trail along the Mohawk River. This



year's record breaking participation shows how we can all work together to make the Canal and Canalway Trail portion in the Town of Halfmoon look beautiful for all who visit! Thank you for making this year a great success! We hope to see you back again next year.

**Call us for all of your insurance needs
We can help!**

The Connors Agency
"Insurance since 1955"

Insurance Personal Business Life

40 No. Central Ave.,
Mechanicville,
NY 12118

518-664-7307

Kevin Connors

www.theconnorsagency.com

halfmoon jewelers

Bringing you exceptional value and trust for over 50 Years!

1686 Route 9, Halfmoon • (518) 631-2773

Curto DIAMONDS **Custom Jewelry Design & Repair**

DIAMONDS *are always on sale!*

We will consult with you and help you choose the best diamond at the right price.

GIA • IGI • EGL
1 ct. - 3 ct. - 2 ct.

ROLEX

Rounds, Princess, Acher From \$2,500 to \$40,000

CASH PAID FOR GOLD, SILVER, DIAMONDS & COINS AT THE HIGHEST PRICES!

Also

Receiver of Taxes

As you read this article, the collection for Saratoga County Property Tax bills is completed in the Town of Halfmoon. If you have not yet paid your bill, it now must be paid at the Saratoga County Treasurer's Office at 40 McMaster Street in Ballston Spa, Building One. I suggest that you contact that office at 884-4724 for the amount that is now due. The Treasurer's office will have that information available by April 15, 2016.

My office is still busy with the collection of Town of Halfmoon water bills and receiving payment for Building, Planning and Zoning Board fees. Beginning in January, payment by credit cards has been made available for all the above payments. There is a convenience fee charged by the credit card company for the use of this service. At the counter it is a 3.0927 percent fee and online water bill payments are a flat fee of \$5.00 no matter the amount due. This is a service many residents have requested for years, and we are happy to make it available.

For Town of Halfmoon water bills, we also have the option of ACH payments. This is done at no charge to residents. On the Town of Halfmoon home page of our website you will find the form to download and complete. We will also need a voided check from the account that you want payment made. Please mail this form or drop it off at Receiver of Taxes office in Halfmoon Town Hall. We need an original signature for this service. The payment will be withdrawn on the 20th of the month it is due. That is January, April, July and October. The October bill is the one that is most important to be paid on time. We cannot accept payment after November 1st because our books need to be closed on that date. Any payment received after the November 1st date will be returned to the property owner and the late fee amount will be applied to the 2017 Saratoga County Property Tax bill.

If you use a bill payment system from your bank, please let me remind you that even though payment is taken from your account on the 29th of the month, that does not mean I receive payment on that date. If your water bill is not received in the office on the due date it will be charged a late fee. The biggest problem is the bill due by November 1st; again it will be relieved on your 2017 Saratoga County Property Tax Bill

Please feel free to contact me at kpingels@townofhalfmoon-ny.gov if you have any questions. All forms for my office are on the townofhalfmoon-ny.gov website.

Just a reminder for those who have lawn sprinkler systems: Each head on your system puts out an average of 3 to 5 gallons of water per minute. Do not water your lawn in the heat of the day, and check the timers on your system. Those with sprinklers systems see a large increase in the water bills for the summer months.

Have a wonderful summer!

Karen S. Pingelski, Receiver of Taxes Town of Halfmoon

Great Neighborhoods in Halfmoon!

TIRONI ONE REALTY, LLC

Where a handshake still counts!

Anna's Place
Single Family • Shen Schools
From **\$269,900**

Pointe West
Town Houses • Shen Schools
From **\$225,000**

Fairway Meadows
Single Family • Mechanicville Schools
From **\$258,500**

BRUCE TANSKI
CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT

TironiOne.com
(518) 664-5848
tironi2@nycap.rr.com

The Halfmoon Senior Express

The Town of Halfmoon offers transportation services to our residents 55 years of age and older. The service transports seniors to doctors' appointments, grocery shopping, post office, hair appointments and our Senior Center.

This service is funded by the Town of Halfmoon at NO cost to riders.

For more details and information on the service, please go to

www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov or call (518) 664-2186 to schedule a pick up.

John Pingelski, Halfmoon, Highway Superintendent



Trails and Open Space Committee

The Trails and Open Space Committee has been involved in planning projects in all parts of Town to further our mission of creating and developing non-motorized recreational spaces and pathways to connect neighborhoods with locations within the Town and to adjoining communities.

The Champlain Canalway Trail continues to be extended and funds have been obtained to connect the Trail with Lighthouse Park. A project to stabilize and restore the Waste Water Weir on the Champlain Trail is in the final stages of agency approval and construction is expected to start this summer.

Some major projects that have been in the pipeline for many years have been delayed by unexpected cost increases. We do anticipate these will be resolved in the near future and two projects undertaken in conjunction with the Town of Clifton Park will be completed. The Crescent Road Bike and Pedestrian Trail began construction and completion is anticipated this summer for the entire length from Okte School in Clifton Park to Dunsbach Road. The Erie Canalway Community Connector, another joint project with Clifton Park, will continue from the existing trail along Canal Road to the Vischer Ferry Nature Preserve in Clifton Park.

A trail leading up to Swatling Falls is nearing completion and adjoining developments are being asked to coordinate their public benefit trails with an ultimate vision of having a network of trails between the Town Park, various neighborhoods, the Champlain Canalway Trail, and further access to McDonald's Creek. The Trails and Open Space Committee has also been involved in the Zim Smith Trail planning for years. This trail currently connects Oak Street in Ballston Spa, to just over the Town of Halfmoon town line ending at Coons Crossing – a total of 9 miles. Recently announced plans are to extend the trail from Halfmoon at Coons Crossing to Elizabeth Street in Mechanicville. Eventually, the trail will be extended to Oak Street in Saratoga Spa State Park.

The Town website provides a map listing all completed trails. We encourage you to visit and explore the great resources we have in Halfmoon. You are also cordially invited to attend any Trails and Open Space Committee Meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 20th at 7:00PM in Town Hall. We welcome all feedback and recommendations.

Sandra Rohner, Committee Chair



Erie Canalway Community Connector under construction

SNYDER'S RESTAURANT

A perfect place to sit down and have a delicious meal with family and friends



A Halfmoon Legend for over 50 Years



Great Service

Delicious Food

(518) 371-6100

Mon.-Sun. 6am - 3pm

**1717 Route 9,
Halfmoon, NY**

www.snydersofhalfmoon.com

Senior Center

The **Halfmoon Senior Citizen Association, Inc.** is open to all seniors age 55 and over with no residency requirement. The **Halfmoon Senior Center** is open Monday thru Friday from 9am to 4pm and offers a variety of activities, programs, events, trips, seminars, and exercise programs. When many other avenues for senior activities and fellowship have dwindled, our Center continues to thrive and grow by leaps and bounds. Each day at noon the **Saratoga County Office for the Aging Home Delivered Meal Program** serves lunch at the Center. Come for a morning activity and stay for lunch or, come for lunch and stay for an afternoon activity!

A unique program that we offer is our **Alzheimer's Support Group** which meets the third Thursday of every month at 12:00pm. Caregivers enjoy a complimentary lunch together while those they care for also enjoy a complimentary lunch, before participating in a group activity. This support group is not only for those with Alzheimer's but any type of dementia as well. If you or someone you know are interested in attending, please call the Center to sign-up. All caregivers of any age whether members or non-members are welcome.

Keeping our bodies in good health is a major goal here at the Center so we offer many different activities and classes to help. **Our Walking for Wellness** group meets every **Tuesday at 9:00am** (weather permitting) at the Halfmoon Town Park for low impact walking at your pace and distance. Participants bring their own water and walk with friends. If indoors is your preference than our Fitness Center is the perfect place for you to exercise, because it was designed with you in mind. Our fitness center offers a treadmill, exercise bike and other equipment for you to use at your leisure. The Center offers an **Osteoporosis Class** every **Monday and Wednesday at 9:45am**. Osteoporosis causes bones to lose their strength and to break. The body does make new bone tissue but not as fast as it is lost, therefore decreasing bone strength. There is no cure for osteoporosis, but it can be slowed by preventative measure. This class can help. This class is for those that have been diagnosed with osteoporosis, and for any one who is at risk. You might want to join us on **Tuesdays, at 9:15am for Balance and Range of Motion class** or on **Fridays at 10:30am for a Conditioning and Strength Building class**. Both of these classes are geared for the mature body and are tailored for the individual. Both classes are \$3.00 per class. If that class is not the right speed for you then try a new **PACE (People with Arthritis Can Exercise)** on **Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30am**. This class focuses on the individual and is tailored to each participant's level of ability. This is an ongoing free class. Come and observe any class you wish. Keep yourself healthy and active!!

For more informations on all of the programs, activities, trips, classes, etc. visit us at www.townofhalfmoon.ny.gov. Click on the **Senior Center** on the right and check out our **Newsletter**. You may also call us at 371-3892 or stop in to see us for a tour!

Eileen Pettis, Director of the Senior Center

**All Phases
of Collision &
Mechanical
Services**

LUSSIERS
Autobody
& REPAIRS, LTD.

1385 Vischer Ferry Rd.,
Halfmoon, NY 12065
518-371-1053

**24 Hr. Towing
Flat Bed Service**

Petuske's Produce

- Fruits and Vegetables
- Fresh Baked Pies
- Homemade Jams and Jellies

(518) 371-5709

Open 7 Days!
(season and weather permitting)

39 Halfmoon Drive, Halfmoon
Mon.-Fri. 8:00am - 6:00pm; Sat. & Sun. (Holidays) 8:00am - 4:00pm
www.pixiespreserves.com

Sharpening Shop

158 Woodin Rd.
Halfmoon, NY 12065

For all your Sharpening Needs

Drop Box Service
(518) 915-2008

Lighthouse Park

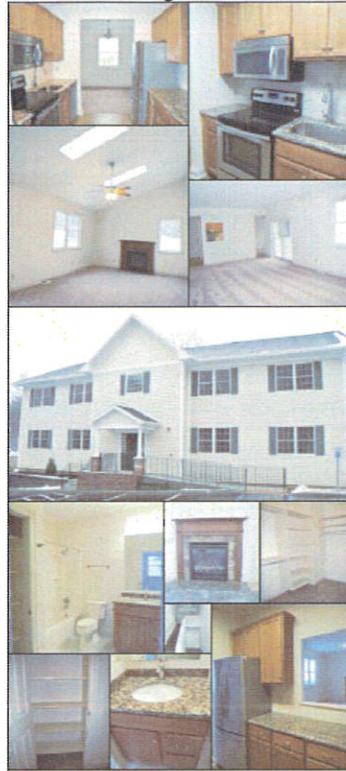
It's time to enjoy the great outdoors!

The dock at Lighthouse Park has been installed. Thank you to the Highway crew who assisted Allerdice Crane Service in installing the dock for the season.



Break out the kayaks and canoes! Paddle safe!

Oak Brook Commons Luxury Apartments in Halfmoon



Come and experience what it feels like to live in an apartment community where each home is built with a distinctive eye for detail.

Our open floor plans offer a spacious living room with a formal dining area for entertaining and a breakfast nook for everyday dining. In select apartments, second floor residents will enjoy vaulted ceiling and skylights.

All of our apartments have been designed to provide a wealth of open space and natural light.

Oak Brook Commons

On Route 9 - just south of Farm to Market Rd

Monday-Friday 8:30am-5:00pm

Saturday 10:00am-4:00pm

Sunday By Appointment

518-371-0216

Pristine Greens, Dream Weddings, Stunning Banquets, Breathtaking views

Relax after work or stay for a full day of golf with family and friends

9 Holes
Mon-Thurs

\$16

No Cart

\$24 w/cart

9 Holes
Fri-Sun

\$18

No Cart

\$26 w/cart

18 Holes
Mon-Thurs

\$24

No Cart

\$40 w/cart

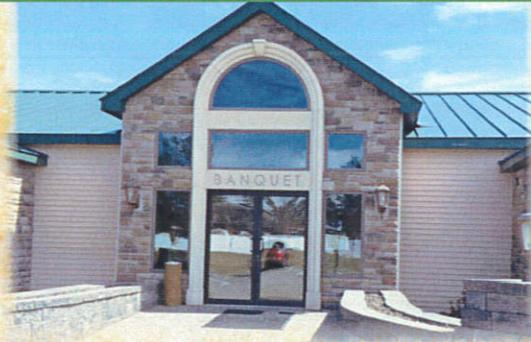
18 Holes
Fri-Sun

\$30

No Cart

\$46 w/cart

Tee Time Reservations can be made at
(518) 664-1578 Ext. 1



www.fairwaysofhalfmoon.com

Friday Night...

Prime Rib Night

4pm - 9pm

Plus Early Bird

Specials!

Let your happily ever after begin with us...



We can help you plan a wedding to remember!

Parties for any occasion:

Birthday Parties, Baptism & Communion
Receptions, Baby & Bridal Showers, Mitzvahs,
Family Reunions, Retirement Parties,
Holiday Parties, Fundraisers,
Anniversary Parties, Corporate Events,
School Functions,
Golf Outings, Wedding Rehearsal Dinners

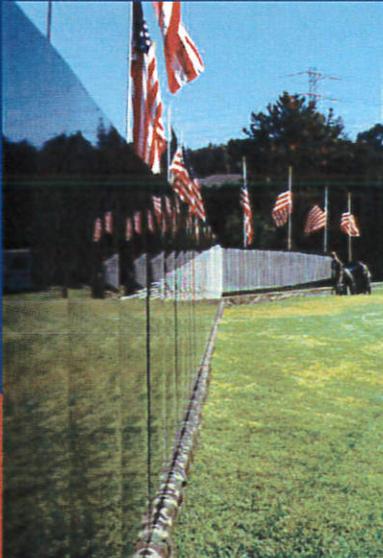
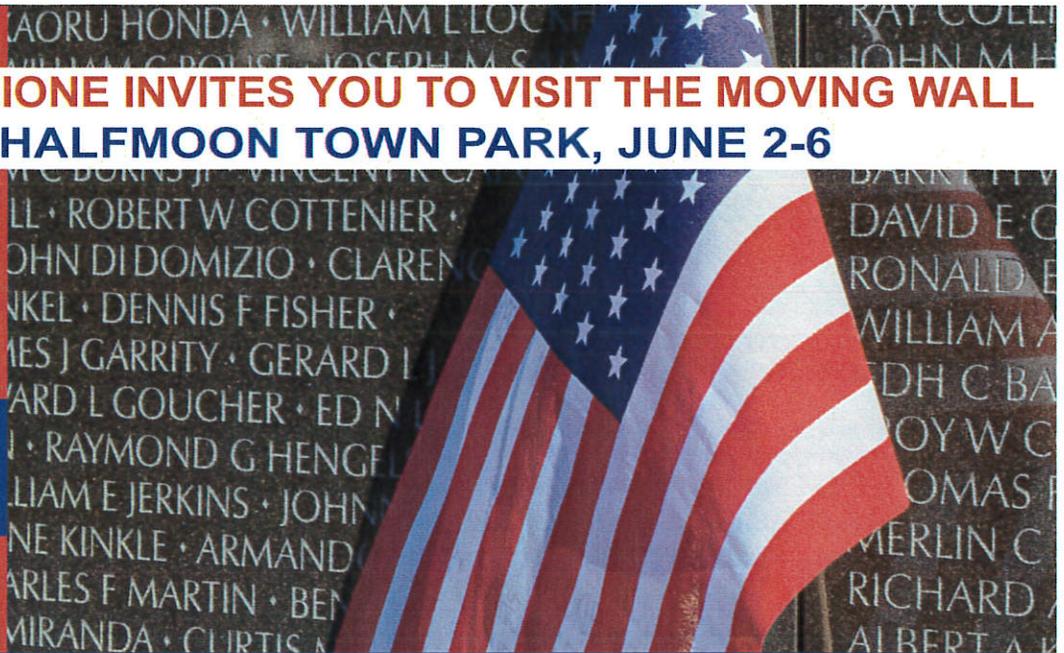
To reach our manager or book an event
call (518) 664-1578 Ext. 2

17 Johnson Rd, Mechanicville, NY 12118 • (518) 664-1578

SENATOR MARCHIONE INVITES YOU TO VISIT THE MOVING WALL AT THE HALFMOON TOWN PARK, JUNE 2-6

Remember
Their Names...

Honor
Their Sacrifice

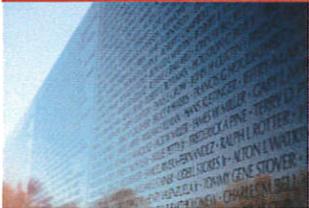


VISIT THE MOVING WALL WHEN IT COMES TO THE HALFMOON TOWN PARK JUNE 2-6



2016 marks the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War. To honor the service and sacrifice of America's Vietnam veterans, Senator Kathy Marchione is bringing The Moving Wall to the Halfmoon Town Park (162 Route 236, Halfmoon, NY 12065) Thursday, June 2, through Monday, June 6.

The Moving Wall is a half-size replica of the Washington, D.C. Vietnam Veterans Memorial that's toured the country for nearly 30 years, affording millions of Americans the opportunity to personally experience this powerful and moving tribute to our nation's fallen Vietnam War veterans.



"The Moving Wall is a powerful memorial to America's fallen who made the ultimate sacrifice during the Vietnam War. I encourage everyone to visit The Moving Wall when it comes to the Halfmoon Town Park June 2-6. Join me in reflecting on the brave soldiers who gave everything. Together, we will remember their names and honor their service and sacrifice."

- SENATOR KATHY MARCHIONE



The Moving Wall's visit to Halfmoon Town Park June 2-6 is sponsored by Senator Kathy Marchione, the New York State Senate and the Town of Halfmoon.



CONTACT AND CONNECT WITH SENATOR KATHY MARCHIONE

DISTRICT OFFICE: 1 Halfmoon Town Plaza, Halfmoon, NY 12065 • **PHONE:** 518-371-2751

ALBANY OFFICE: Room 918 LOB, Albany, NY 12247 • **PHONE:** 518-455-2381

EMAIL: marchione@nysenate.gov • **WEBSITE:** marchione.nysenate.gov



The Town Park Will Be Closed During The Vietnam Moving Wall Event • June 2nd - June 6th

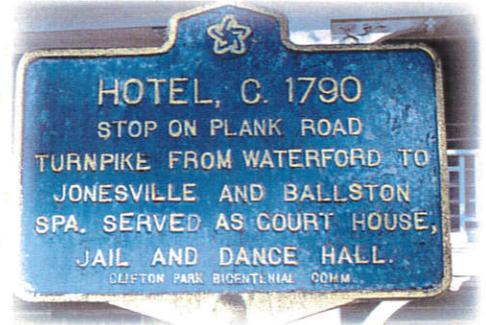
Due to the solemn nature of this event, the Town Park will be closed to all activities such as: baseball field and playground use, Frisbee, kite flying and overall any activity that will distract attendees at the event. Walking and jogging will be allowed, however, please be respectful of those visiting the Town Park. We expect people from the Capital District and far beyond as many may not be able to travel to Washington D.C. to visit the Vietnam Memorial Wall there. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation during this time and invite you to this very special event taking place in the Town of Halfmoon. Stay tuned for details on our web site (www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov) and Facebook (Town of Halfmoon, New York). If you have any questions, please contact the Supervisor's Office at (518) 371-7410 ext. 2200.

Halfmoon Taverns in 1788 *Why were there so many taverns you may wonder?*

Taverns were not only an integral part of life, but were also a necessity. The modes of travel and transportation of the day mandated the location of a tavern every few miles on the main thoroughfares, where tired and hungry travelers could find food and drink and a bed or floor upon which to sleep. Most colonial taverns were the only available public meeting place and became the focus of social life.

The 39 Taverns paid a License fee of 2 Pounds

- | | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| William Fuller | Elizabeth Peebles | Henry Bailey |
| Daniel Van Alstyne | Joshua Taylor | Benjamin Mix |
| Nicholas Fords | Christian Smith | Elias Van Steenburgh |
| Peter Faulkner | John Donald | John Cuerdon |
| Nicholas Teachout | John Flynn | Jacob Miller |
| Aaron Comstock | James Steih | Anthony Leversie |
| Coonrad Wesley | Moses & Ira Scott | Garret Hannion |
| Samuel Connery | Matthew Gregory | Joseph Potter |
| Adam Edson | William Ward | Joseph Sibley |
| Jacobus Van Schooven | Richard Davis | Joseph Mosher |
| Simeon Groat | William Waldron | Hezekiah Ketchum |
| Jacobus Ostrander | John C. Connell | Dirck Flansburgh |
| Jedediah Rogers | John Burhans | James Scott |



Historic Marker in front of the Old Clifton Park Hotel on the corner of Route 9 and Old Route 146

There were different types of Bonds that the Tavern Keepers would have to pay:

Grocer Bond: "License to sell strong and spirituous liquors and wines in quantities less than 5 gallons"

Tavern Keepers Bond: "License to sell strong and spirituous liquors and wines in quantities more than 5 gallons"

These and many more interesting documents can be found on the Town Clerk's website under Civil War Era

Lynda Bryan, Town Clerk

Andrea J. DiDomenico
General Law Practice
for over 25 years

1 Vosburgh Road
 Andrea J. DiDomenico

Real Estate ~ Estates
Wills ~ Trusts ~ Business Matters
Matrimonial and Family Law
Criminal ~ Vehicle and Traffic
Personal Injury ~ Landlord/Tenant

1 Vosburgh Road, Halfmoon
(518) 664-7338

MAJOR CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED • WE ACCEPT FOOD STAMPS
 We Reserve The Right To Limit Quantities.
www.SorrentinosDeliandMarket.com

Sorrentino's
Delicatessen & Market
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BUY QUANTITY TO GET THE
FINEST QUALITY AT THE LOWEST PRICES!

- Quality Meats • Fresh Produce
- Catering • Subs
- Groceries

241 Grooms Rd.,
 Halfmoon
 371-3479

40 Main St.,
 South Glens Falls
 798-0273

COUPON

\$3.00 off* with every \$25.00 purchase or more with this coupon

*Not valid with any other offer on subs, catering or bulk items. Good through July 30, 2016

Open Mon.-Sat. 8:30-7; Sun 9-5

WEDNESDAY IS SENIOR DISCOUNT DAY • 10% OFF MOST ITEMS (vertical text on left and right sides)

County Clerk



From right to left: Michael Zurlo, Saratoga County Sheriff; Charles Foehser, Deputy County Clerk; Senator Kathleen Marchione; Arthur "Mo" Wright, Chairman, Saratoga County Board of Supervisors; Craig Hayner, Saratoga County Clerk; Kevin Tollisen, Supervisor, Town of Halfmoon; Carrie Fisher, DMV Staff member; Lauren Quinn, Director, Hospitality & Community Specialist; Mike Thibault, Executive Director CDT; Shaina Kaye, Hospitality & Community Specialist; Debra Gara, volunteer; Melissa Murray, Melissa Grant Hatlee, Angela DiPasquale, DMV Staff members.
Photo courtesy of Saratoga County Clerk's Office

Organ Donor Day Open House a Success

Saratoga County Clerk, Craig Hayner and the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors, in conjunction with the New York State Association of Counties and the New York Alliance for Donation, Inc., gathered at the Saratoga County DMV office located in Clifton Park on April 13, 2016 for an "Open House" in recognition of Donate Life Month here in New York State. "The goal of holding an open house was to raise awareness about the life giving opportunity of organ donation; and to give the public an opportunity to meet and ask questions to volunteer representatives and professionals from the Center for Transplant and Donation" said Craig Hayner, Saratoga County Clerk. Volunteers were set up with a table at the Clifton Park DMV Office from 10am to 4pm and at the Ballston Spa DMV Office from 1 pm to 4pm.

For more information on being an organ donor, please contact the **Center for Donation & Transplant at 262-5427 or Donate Life at 326-3237.**

Craig Hayner, Saratoga County Clerk

Did You Know?

The Town of Halfmoon has 2 computers available for residents to use. They are located in the lobby behind the wall where the flat-screen TV is. Residents are allowed to use the computers during normal business hours.



SAVEMORE BEVERAGE

Locally owned since 1973

OPEN EVERY DAY!

1512 Route 9, Halfmoon **371-2520**

Over 500 craft beers to choose from... from all over the country!

Craft Beers make a great gift for Holidays, Birthdays, Hosts/Hostesses

Beer. Soda. Water. ...all brands No Limits!

See us for your party ... great prices on kegs!

Stop in Today!

Bring us your empty bottles.... **Fast Service** at our redemption counter

Fill your Growlers here!





THE TIRE WAREHOUSE INC.

GUARANTEED LOWEST INSTALLED PRICE IN TOWN OR YOUR TIRES ARE...FREE!

HALFMOON 1430 Halfmoon Parkway Rt 9 • 383-0400
SCHEENECTADY 1717 Union St • 377-6300
TROY 649 River St. • 271-0234
QUEENSBURY 274 Quaker Rd. • 798-1056

✓ Brake Service ✓ Alignments ✓ Shocks ✓ Chassis Parts ✓ Auto Maintenance
Voted "Best Community Shop"
Open Mon-Fri, 7:30-6; Sat 7:30-5 **383-0400**
www.thetirewarehouseinc.com



"Apples are our specialty"

We are a 100 year old Family farm on 100 acres in Halfmoon

Fresh Fruits • Fresh Vegetables • Baked Goods • Homemade Pies
Gift Baskets & More






DEVOE'S RAINBOW ORCHARDS
"Fresh & Nothing But the Best"

Now your new  **Postal Stop**
we ship anywhere • year round

1569 Rt. 9, Halfmoon, NY (518) 371-8397

Yellow Ribbon Day Ceremony

On April 8th, the Town of Halfmoon held a ceremony in honor of New York State's recognition of Yellow Ribbon Day – which is officially April 9th of each year. This is a day set aside to honor and recognize the brave men and women who currently serve in our military. These men and women selflessly give of themselves to preserve and protect our freedom. The "yellow ribbon" is seen as a universal symbol of support for our military and their families. Carol Hotaling Pingelski, "the Yellow Ribbon Lady", spearheaded the program featuring remarks from all branches of the military. Carol has worked hard to make this day possible so that no one forgets those who currently serve in our military and their selfless acts of heroism and bravery for our great nation. The Keynote Speaker was Colonel Allen Ross of the New York Air National Guard, 109th Airlift Wing, Vice Commander. The program included the singing of the National Anthem and God Bless America; sung by Clifton Park Town Supervisor Phil Barrett, military presentations, playing of the bagpipes, and reading of poems. Members of the American Legion, the VFW, Blue Star and Gold Star Mothers, local fire departments, and emergency services responders were also part of the ceremony.



Keynote Speaker
Colonel Allen Ross
of the New York
Air National Guard,
109th Airlift Wing,
Vice Commander

Donations were collected for Vet-Help (male Veterans) and Guardian House (female Veterans), both located in Ballston Spa. These facilities assist veterans who need help with housing and are working towards independently living once again. Thank you to Carol Pingelski Hotaling, "the Yellow Ribbon Lady", who organized this event, and to all those who made the ceremony a special event. Thank you also to everyone who generously donated to Vet-Help and Guardian House - as Cheryl Hage-Perez, Director of Vet-Help, said in her remarks during the ceremony, "the words homeless and veteran should never be in the same sentence".



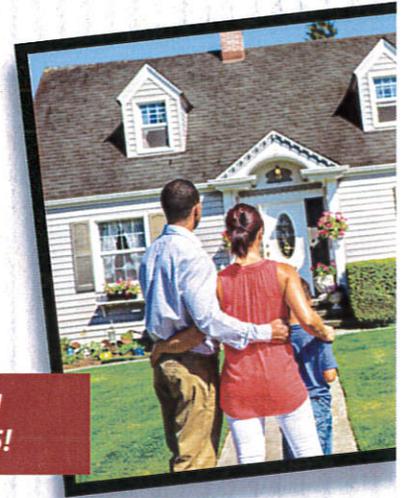
Halfmoon/Waterford Fire Dept. flew an American flag from their ladder truck

I LIVE HERE, I WORK HERE,

I love it here!

WHO BETTER TO
HELP YOU BUY
OR SELL A HOME?

CALL, TEXT OR EMAIL
ME TODAY FOR A FREE,
NO OBLIGATION
CONSULTATION...
AND LET ME HELP YOU
MAKE YOUR MOVE!



*I Helped 52 Families Find
Their Dream Home in 2015!*



Teri Kraszewski

Licensed Real Estate Salesperson

The Scott Varley Team

Cell/Text: **518.339.7614**

Email: **Terik@RealtyUSA.com**



The Scott Varley Team

REAL ESTATE
518.583.SCOTT (72268) | www.ScottVarley.com

ALL THINGS BASEMENTY!

Kevin Koval's

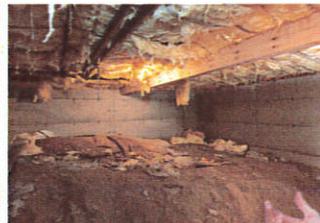
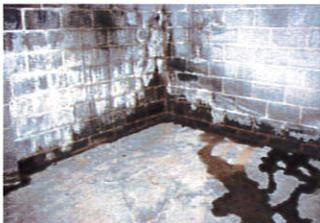
Adirondack Basement®
Responsible Waterproofing Systems

Basement & Foundation Specialists®



WE FIX WET BASEMENTS!

...AND SO MUCH MORE!



BASEMENT WATERPROOFING

CONCRETE LEVELING

STRUCTURAL & FOUNDATION REPAIRS

HUMIDITY & MOLD CONTROL

EZ POST HELICAL PIERS

& NASTY CRAWL SPACES, TOO!



CONTACT US FOR A
FREE ESTIMATE

518-371-9621
AdirondackBasement.com

Interest-Free
FINANCING



Animal Control

Keeping Pets Safe in Springtime

With the advent of warmer spring temperatures, certain hazards to our dogs and cats can occur. A little extra care and forethought can often prevent costly emergency veterinary visits and keep our pets healthy and happy.



1. Check your gates, screen door latches and make sure your window screens are secure. Just like people, dogs and cats yearn for the outdoors after a long winter. They can, and will, exploit opportunities to explore. Make sure your pet is identified and that the information on tags is current and legible. Consider microchipping. Microchips go a long way in helping to return a lost pet to its owner, and microchips cannot be lost or removed the way that collars can.
2. Longer days mean that animals which are unsprayed or unneutered will attempt to escape to mate, resulting in unwanted litters of puppies and kittens. In the springtime animal shelter capacities are typically stretched to bursting, and it would be a great time to adopt if a new furred family member is in your future. The **Spay/Neuter Helpline is 1-800-248-SPAY (7729)**.
3. Just like humans, dogs need time to adjust to increased activity levels in the warmer weather. Avoid "weekend warrior" syndrome—sprains and strains, by slowly increasing your pet's—and your strength and stamina.
4. Many dogs enjoy rides in the car on a nice spring day. If your pet is accompanying you, be sure he is properly contained. Riding loose in the back of a pickup is unsafe, and dogs which are permitted to lean out of open windows can get debris in their eyes and ears, or could potentially jump from the vehicle.
5. Monitor your dog's exposure to the sun—they can get sunburned and easily dehydrate. Provide adequate shade for your pet, and plenty of clean, cool water. Keep your pet away from sources of standing water—bacteria in these water sources can cause issues like upset stomachs.
6. Pets, like humans, can also suffer from allergies to dust, mold, plants and pollen, bites and stings. Visit your vet if you think your pet might have an allergy.
7. Springtime also means that mosquitos, fleas and ticks are active. Mosquitos can transmit heartworm disease, and treating heartworm is much more costly than preventative medication and testing. Fleas can cause allergic dermatitis and anemia from loss of blood, tapeworms, etc. Ticks can transmit Lyme disease, erlichiosis and Rocky Mountain Spotted fever among other less common diseases. Make sure your pet has an appropriate flea and tick preventative to avoid contracting these diseases.
8. Spring cleaning and gardening products can also be hazardous to your pet's health. Cleaning chemicals, fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, rat and mouse poisons, antifreeze and cocoa mulch can be toxic to pets. Follow product warning labels and store these products out of reach. If your pet is exposed by contact to pesticides or herbicides, wash them with soap and water and call your veterinarian. If they ingest one of these substances, call the **National Animal Poison Control Center at 1-888-426-4435**.
9. Certain common garden plants can also be toxic to your pet if ingested. These include, but are not limited to: azaleas, castor beans, clematis, crocus, bittersweet, daffodils, daylilies, Easter lilies, ferns, foxglove, hyacinth, iris, lily of the valley, morning glory, mushrooms and fungi, oleander, philodendron, rhododendron, rhubarb leaves, tomato leaves/stems and tulips. Go to the ASPCA at www.aspc.org/pet-care/animal-poison-control;toxic-and-non-toxic-plants.

From all of the Town of Halfmoon staff,

we wish you and your pets a healthy, happy, Spring season!

Beth Abramson
Animal Control Officer

Whether you are looking to buy or sell a home...

Sandra and Rich
have expert knowledge
about properties in Halfmoon
and always deliver excellent
customer service.



Sandra Jacobson
858-8083
Rich Jacobson
857-8093



Serving
Halfmoon, Clifton Park,
Saratoga Springs,
Malta, Waterford and more...



www.sandrajacobson.com

1795 Route 9, Halfmoon, NY 12065

General & Cosmetic Dentistry for the Whole Family

- Orthodontics
- Cosmetic Dentistry
- Teeth Whitening
- Veneers • Invisalign
- General Dentistry
- Oral Hygiene
- Extreme Makeovers
- Wisdom Teeth Removed
- Implants
- Tooth Colored Fillings
- Mouthguards
- Root Canal Treatment
- Children's Dentistry
Ages 3+

Halfmoon Family Dental

NEW PATIENTS WELCOME
Gary H. Swalsky, DMD
518-348-1999
www.halfmoonfamilydental.com
1456 Vischer Ferry Road, Halfmoon, NY 12065

Full Service Automotive Repair

Rocks
PRECISION
AUTOMOTIVE
DOMESTIC & FOREIGN CARS SPECIALIZING IN SAAB
518.272.9200 518.817.2826

**"Come see
why people
depend on
Greg for their
automotive
services"**

European Specialist

**Foreign and
Domestic
Auto Repair**



**Over 25
years of
service**

Safety comes first!
Call Greg for a maintenance
safety check for your vehicle!

We carry tires • Michelin • Bridgestone • Hankook • Pirelli and more

190 Route 146, Halfmoon
www.RocksAutomotive.com

Halfmoon Celebrations

Halfmoon Celebrations is a not-for-profit organization and is comprised of volunteers that have the commitment to deliver FREE family fun events to our residents and surrounding communities all year long!

*Halfmoon Celebrations is excited about our upcoming summer events.
Here are the next FREE upcoming events:*

Movie Night - Friday, May 20th in the Town Park @ Dusk

Free popcorn and water will be provided along with a few other fun free items to go along with the theme of the movie.

**The Firebird Puppet Show - Friday, June 17th
in the Town Hall from 6:30pm-9:00pm!**

*Free popcorn and water will be provided for the show.
After the show we will be providing supplies to make you own free puppet!*

**Concert with Betsy and the Byegons (Oldies Cover Band) with a Cruise-in
Tuesday, July 12th in the Town Park from 6:30pm - 9:30pm**

Light refreshments will be available

Movie Night - Friday, July 29th in the Town Park @ Dusk

Free popcorn and water will be provided along with a few other fun free items to go along with the theme of the movie



Hope to see you there!

Dave Maxfield,
Halfmoon Celebrations President

 Like us on Facebook:
Halfmoon Celebrations Events
 Follow us on Twitter
@HMCelebrations

www.halfmooncelebrations.org

FRED the BUTCHER
PROUD TO BE 1475 ROUTE 9 - 518 371-5333
HALFMOON'S BUTCHER SHOP
OPEN: MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 9-7; SATURDAY AND SUNDAY 9-5
We make everything here
A Full Service Bistro Cafe and Gourmet Specialty Groceries

Time to Fire Up The Grill!

Choose from over 25 homemade, freshly prepared goods.

WE MAKE "EVERYTHING THE OLD FASHIONED WAY!"

Now offering...**FRESH SEAFOOD**
The BEST native wild caught NEVER FROZEN
REAL HICKORY WOOD SMOKEHOUSE ON PREMISE

PRIME
Our own USDA Prime in-house dry aged Steaks, Certified Angus Beef, Fresh Ground Hamburger every hour, Homemade Sausages in store, Smoked Hot Dogs and Kielbasas

Full Line of Fresh Deli Meats • Fresh Local Breads and Pies
VOTED BEST BUTCHER SHOP BY TIMES UNION READERS - 4 YEARS IN A ROW!

CATRICALA Funeral Home
INCORPORATED
1597

Eric A Catricala, LFD - Owner
Mark J Delaney, LFD

We have been serving our community since 1996. We are passionate about our profession, we are proud of our facility, and we are honored to be your choice.

1597 Route 9, Halfmoon, NY 12065
371-5334
www.CatricalaFuneralHome.com

May

- 2nd 7:00pm **Zoning Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 3rd 6:00pm – 8:00pm **Summer Recreation Sign Up** Main Meeting Room
- 4th 1:30pm **Town Board Pre-Meeting** Board Room
2:00pm **Town Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 9th 6:00pm **Planning Board Pre-Meeting** Conference Room
7:00pm **Planning Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 18th 6:30pm **Town Board Pre-Meeting** Board Room
7:00pm **Town Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 20th **Dusk Family Movie Night** Town Park (Town Hall rain location)
Halfmoon Celebrations FREE Event!
- 23rd 6:00pm **Planning Board Pre-Meeting** Conference Room
7:00pm **Planning Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 24th 1:00pm – 3:00pm and 6:00pm – 8:00pm
Board of Assessment Grievance Day Conference Room
- 30th **All Day Memorial Day Holiday** - All Town Offices and Senior Center Closed
11:00 **Memorial Day Event** – American Legion Post 1450, Grooms Road
- 31st 7:00pm **Historical Society Meeting** Main Meeting Room – Special Presentation

June

- 1st 6:30pm **Town Board Pre-Meeting** Board Room
7:00pm **Town Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 2nd – 6th **Vietnam Moving Wall** Town Park (Park closed for all other activities)
- 6th 7:00pm **Zoning Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 13th 6:00pm **Planning Board Pre-Meeting** Conference Room
7:00pm **Planning Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 14th – 18th **Relay for Life Carnival** Town Park
- 15th 6:30pm **Town Board Pre-Meeting** Board Room
7:00pm **Town Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room

June cont'd

- 17th 6:30pm – 9:30pm **Puppet Show** Meeting Room - Halfmoon Celebrations FREE Event!
- 18th 9:00am – 11:00am **Paper Shredding** Transfer Station
- 20th 7:00pm **Open Space and Trails Committee** Meeting Board Room
- 27th **Halfmoon Summer Recreation Program Begins!**
6:00pm **Planning Board Pre-Meeting** Conference Room
7:00pm **Planning Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room

July

- 4th **All Day Independence Day Holiday Happy Birthday America!**
- All Town Offices and Senior Center Closed
- 5th 7:00pm **Zoning Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 6th 6:30pm **Town Board Pre-Meeting** Board Room
7:00pm **Town Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 11th 6:00pm **Planning Board Pre-Meeting** Conference Room
7:00pm **Planning Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 12th 6:30pm – 9:30pm **Betsy and the ByeGones Concert & Cruise-In** Town Park
Halfmoon Celebrations FREE Event!
- 19th – 24th 175th Saratoga County Fair
- 20th 6:30pm **Town Board Pre-Meeting** Board Room
7:00pm **Town Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 25th 6:00pm **Planning Board Pre-Meeting** Conference Room
7:00pm **Planning Board Meeting** Main Meeting Room
- 29th **Dusk Family Movie Night** Town Park (Town Hall rain location)
Halfmoon Celebrations FREE Event!



148 Route 236, Halfmoon, NY
(518) 664-2412

Featuring 36 Choices of Premium Hard and Soft Ice Creams, Yogurts and No Sugar Added Flavors Daily!

Plus...non-dairy soft serve Dole Whip and many Gluten Free Flavors too!

For the Latest Updates and Featured Flavors... Like us on 

Open 7 days a week 2pm to 9pm
Friday and Saturday 'til 9:30pm



The Sports Barn
Hayner Brothers Baseball and Softball Academy

Summer Baseball, Softball, Specialty Hitting & All-Sports Camps
Baseball/Softball Lessons • Batting Cages *By Appointment*

(518) 664-4537
www.haynersportsbarn.com
130 Route 236 Halfmoon, NY

"Where Champions Train and Winners Connect!"

We are online! ▶ www.theabcnurseryschool.com

Serving Clifton Park and Halfmoon for over 25 years...

13 Old Route 146, Halfmoon

Follow Miss [Miss Michell@theabcnursery](https://twitter.com/theabcnursery) on Twitter for school closings and daily updates from the school!

www.twitter.com/theabcnursery

Like Us On 



Michell Manchester
518-373-8ABC

Keep in touch and post pictures!
www.facebook.com/theabcnurseryschool

OFFICIAL TOWN MAILING ADDRESS
 Town of Halfmoon, 2 Halfmoon Town Plaza
 Halfmoon, NY 12065
www.townofhalfmoon-ny.gov

PRESORTED
 STANDARD
 US POSTAGE
PAID
 Albany, NY
 Permit # 164

To advertise in the next Halfmoon Navigator please
 send an email to Navigator@townofhalfmoon-ny.gov
 or call (518) 371-7410 ext. 2200.

*On behalf of the Town of Halfmoon Supervisor,
 the Town Board and the Halfmoon Navigator staff;
 Dianne Mincher, Kathy Dougherty and Lisa Perry,
 we hope you enjoy the May 2016 issue of
 the Halfmoon Navigator.*



SUNDAY BRUNCH BUFFET

Featuring Salty's favorite entrees, seafood, omelette station and more.

Starting
 May 22
 11am-2pm

\$19.95 adults • \$9.95 children under 10 years old

Famous for our Fresh Seafood and Comfort Food. **Call for reservation - 518-371-1120**

<p>10% off your food total Sunday Brunch Exp. 7/30/16 <i>Restrictions Apply</i></p>	<p>\$5 off any food Lunch purchase of \$25 or more Exp. 7/30/16 <i>Restrictions Apply</i></p>	<p>\$10 off any food Dinner purchase of \$50 or more Exp. 7/30/16 <i>Restrictions Apply</i></p>	<p>10% off your food total Sunday Brunch Exp. 7/30/16 <i>Restrictions Apply</i></p>	<p>\$5 off any food Lunch purchase of \$25 or more Exp. 7/30/16 <i>Restrictions Apply</i></p>	<p>\$10 off any food Dinner purchase of \$50 or more Exp. 7/30/16 <i>Restrictions Apply</i></p>	<p>10% off your food total Sunday Brunch Exp. 7/30/16 <i>Restrictions Apply</i></p>
<p>Salty's Pub and Bistro Halfmoon, NY 518-371-1120</p>						

215 A Guideboard RD., Halfmoon, NY 518-371-1120 Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 11am - 10pm; Fri. & Sat 11am - 11:00pm; Sun. 11 - 8pm
www.saltyspub.com