

Water/Sewer

The Village is updating its water reading and billing software. This has caused a delay in the water/sewer invoicing. Please note your next couple of water/sewer invoicing may also be delayed. DPW is in the process of changing water meters and will contact you if your meter needs upgrading.

Citizens Advisory Board

The Citizens Advisory Board for the Village of Schoharie met on January 18, 2023. In attendance were Suzanne Graulich, Jennie Flagler, Becky DeGroff, Colleen Quirion and Lt. Jason Temple. The statistics for 2022 were reviewed. Last year there were 79 traffic tickets issued, 285 calls for service, 5 arrests, 4 auto accidents and 3 domestic incident reports. No complaints were made as to how the officers handled these citizen encounters during the year. Through grant funding, two radar speed signs have been purchased (and have now been installed). The Village Police Department, which consists of all part time officers, continues to take advantage of training opportunities as they become available, to ensure that best practices are being followed and that all procedures are up to date. This Advisory Board will meet again on April 26, 2023 at 9:30am. The meeting will be held at Christ the Shepherd Lutheran Church, 289 Main Street, Schoharie, and all are welcome to attend.

Schoharie Community Food Pantry

The Schoharie Community Food Pantry is a great resource for anyone who is having a hard time putting food on the table. The Food Pantry is located in the white building behind the Presbyterian Church (brick church across from Stewarts) and is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon until 2:00pm. Guests are allowed to come twice per month. If you have a need or know of a need, please let us help!

Pastor Colleen Quirion

Village Walking Tour

Planning continues for a village walking tour in Schoharie. This is a joint project of the Schoharie Promotional Association, Schoharie Colonial Heritage Association, NS DAR, and village historian. A printed brochure will feature 25 historical buildings for the beginning of this effort. The group is currently finishing the write-ups and will soon seek home owners' permissions. Future plans include additional buildings, building markers, and making the tour virtual.

Diana Jackson

This newsletter is a joint effort of the Schoharie Promotional Association and the Village of Schoharie. Information for the next newsletter can be submitted to schohariepromo@yahoo.com. Deadline dates are the 15th of January, April, July, October.



Upcoming Events in Schoharie

- March 25th, 10 am to 5pm and March-26th, 11 am to 4 pm: Schoharie Colonial Heritage Association 47th Annual Spring Antiques Show at Schoharie Central School, admission \$7.
- April 2nd, 11 am to 3 pm: Easter Egg Hunt and games at Fire Department
- April 7th, 4 to 7 pm: Fish Fry dinner at Fire Department
- April 22nd, 10 am: Promotional Association Adopt-a-highway cleanup at Rt.30 and 443
- April 22nd, 11 am until sold out: Kiwanis Chicken and Ribs BBQ in front of the Parrot House. Chicken \$8, Ribs \$9.
- April 29th, 10 am: Lily Park cleanup

Village of Schoharie Launches FREE WiFi Network

Network: Fountain Town Free WiFi
Password: fountain

The Village of Schoharie, in partnership with Schoharie County, Schoharie Economic Enterprise Corporation and MIDTEL, has launched a free Wi-Fi network in the Village. Window decals have been produced with the network login information and are available at the Village office for free. This has been funded by NYS Homes and Community

Sam Forehand, Schoharie Economic Enterprise Corp.

NSDAR Flags

Honor someone with a flag and ribbon embroidered with your hero's name! Flags are displayed 5 times a year on the grounds of Lasell Hall, beginning at Memorial Day. Send a donation of \$10.00 with the hero's name and rank/position, etc, to Schoharie Chapter, DAR, PO Box 25, Schoharie, NY 12157. Check Payable to Schoharie Chapter NSDAR.

Kathleen Slater, NSDAR

Community Board

To have events posted on the community board, email your request to schodpw@midtel.net and/or vill-scho@midtel.net



There's a little bit of everything at Generations

Generations, A Vintage Consignment Shop is focused on the future while offering a glimpse into the past.

The historic building at 397 Main St. in Schoharie is filled to the brim with antiques, vintage collectibles, household items, jewelry and unique pieces of art from more than 350 consignors. Exploring the two floors of the 1820s home and outbuildings feels like walking into the past.

Owner and antique dealer Ruth Ann Wilkinson, whose family has lived in Schoharie for generations, cultivates that link to yesteryear.

"I opened Saltbox Antiques many years ago with my mother and father (Honey and Bob Sumner) as partners, and those were happy times," said Wilkinson, who is also a real estate agent with Century 21 Rural Estates. "My sister Joanie (Marciniak) and I opened this shop in my mother's memory, and now with over 350 consignors, I can barely fit my stuff in here anymore."

Marciniak stepped back from the business after it opened in 2006, but Wilkinson kept right on antiquing and partnering with consignors, filling the first floor with items, then the second, and then spilling out into the barn and Fibber McGee's Closet.

In addition to running Generations, Wilkinson also manages the Antiques in Schoharie show, a two-day event held in the spring and fall. It's presented by the nonprofit Schoharie Colonial Heritage Association, which operates the Schoharie Valley Railroad Museum, the 1743 Palatine House Museum and its Children's Summer Theater Program, with funds raised at the annual antique shows.

"Colonial Heritage is a big piece of my heart, and I think it's important to preserve Schoharie's history," Wilkinson said. "This area is such a wonderful place to raise children, and people stay because they love it."

For information about Generations, call 518-295-6447 or go to <https://generations-antiques.com>.

Jennifer Patterson

Did you know that at the turn of the century many business enterprises existed in Schoharie, including a monument maker, a cigar factory, a hat factory, a furniture dealer, and an umbrella factory situated near the Schoharie depot. Judging from the existing photographs, the umbrella factory employed some 30 men and women. All that remains of this enterprise are a few photographs — nothing is known about the owner.



Did you know that in 1928 Gertrude Spawn Leininger presented to the Schoharie Central School Board the canon that sits on the school lawn. It was said to be from the USS Constitution. USS Constitution, also known as Old Ironsides, is a three-masted wooden-hulled heavy frigate of the United States Navy. She is the world's oldest commissioned war ship still afloat. She was launched in 1797, one of six original 44-gun frigates authorized for construction by the Naval Act of 1794 and the third constructed. The ship was made famous during the War of 1812. The ship is now in Boston harbor. Research by Louis Tremante showed that this canon is a replica cast at the Boston shipyards in 1906 to raise funds in 1928 to restore Old Ironsides.

John Wilkinson



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