

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 Schoharie Village Citizen Advisory Board met on April 26, 2023. Sgt. Jason Temple reported that there have been no major incidents or personnel complaints so far in 2023. Two Radar speed signs have been acquired through grants, and were installed. However, State DOT needed additional paperwork, so temporarily they were removed. Each sign records the speed of vehicles passing by. That computer log shows that the signs do work in reducing speeds along the Main Street corridor.

Our local police are remaining compliant with all trainings which are required. The employee manual has recently been updated with regard to hiring procedures, to bring it into compliance with the Professional Policing Act of 2021. So far in 2023 our officers have responded to 86 calls for service, and have issued 34 traffic tickets. Two arrests were made based upon outstanding warrants, and there have been 4 vehicle accidents in the village.

Schoharie Community Food Pantry

The Schoharie Community Food Pantry continues to provide a valuable service to our Town and Village. We are open every Tuesday and Thursday from noon until 2:00pm. Individuals or families may visit up to twice per month. We currently serve over 100 families per month. Donations of food items or money are always appreciated as well, and can be dropped off at the Schoharie Presbyterian Church, 314 Main Street, during pantry hours, or other times if arrangements are made. If you wish to send a check by mail, the correct address is SUPC, P.O. Box 340, Schoharie, N.Y. 12157. Just write Food Pantry in the memo section of the check. We thank everyone who works together to make this program possible!

Pastor Colleen Quirion

NSDAR Flags

The Schoharie Chapter NSDAR will be placing flags at the graves of veterans buried at the Lutheran Cemetery in the Village of Schoharie, assisted by Girl Scout Troop 32834 for Memorial Day. In addition, flags will be placed along the sidewalk at Lasell Hall.

Kathleen Slater



Upcoming Events in Schoharie

- May 25th, 6 pm: Memorial Day Parade
- July 8th, 10 to 3: 6th Annual Lily Festival
- July 17th-21st: Community Day Camp

Open Arms Recovery Resource Center

If you are someone you know is dealing with a substance use disorder, whether it be to drugs or alcohol, the Open Arms Recovery Resource Center exists to help! Run by SCCASA, the center is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00am to 4:00pm at 289 Main Street, in The Living Room. Feel free to stop by some day to find out more about the services offered to support people as they continue their recovery journey. For more information, call 518/234-8705.

Schoharie Valley Community Day Camp

Once again the churches of Schoharie are operating a Day Camp for children from PreK thru Eighth Grade, and this year's camp will be held July 17-21. Leadership opportunities are available for teens entering 9th grade through adults of any age. To register a child or to apply for a volunteer or paid leadership position, visit the website for Schoharie Reformed Church and click on Camp. Any questions? Call our camp Director at 518/218-6056.

Schoharie Promotional Association



Work is progressing on the Lily Park pavilion.

Made possible by generous donations from Nicholas Juried and Vedder Construction, the pavilion in the Lily Park will be a welcome addition.

Planning continues for this year's Lily Festival. This may be the largest festival yet with over 65 vendors. Check <http://schohariepromo.org>, and Facebook for more information.

Schoharie Promotional Association presents
 the Sixth Annual
Schoharie Lily Festival
 Saturday, July 8th
 10 am to 3 pm
free admission — free parking
fun for the whole family
featuring a worldwide theme
 food ♦ entertainment
 vendors ♦ crafters
 children's activities
 dog show competition
 chance raffle ♦ silent auction
 ♦ games ♦ contests ♦ prizes
 ♦ and lots more ♦
Enjoy the Lily Park in full bloom
 For more information visit
<https://schohariepromo.org>

Schoharie Colonial Heritage Association

The Palatine House Museum and the Schoharie Valley Railroad Museum will be opening for the season on Saturdays and Sundays beginning Memorial day weekend through Columbus Day weekend, from noon till 4pm. July and August will host the Children's Theater programs (information and registration is on our website). September will be a busy month for the SCHA with the Train Show on September 16th, along with a Chicken Barbecue. The Fall Antique Show will be on September 23 and 24th. Our Holiday Craft Bazaar will be November 17th, 18th and 19th. Don't forget to stop by and see us at the Sunshine Fair in the Progressland building. Please see our website at schany.org and visit us on Facebook for additional information including times for each event and registration information.

Schoharie Mechanical Services

Jason Donadio is a high efficiency specialist offering plumbing, heating, and air conditioning — boilers, furnaces, water heaters, central air and ductless air — service and installations — oil, gas, geothermal, and solar. He is fully licensed and insured and will soon be offering service contracts.



Jason and his family recently moved to Bridge Street from Ravena and enjoy exploring our area and rich history. He looks forward to offering his services. Mention "Hello Neighbors" to receive a heating system cleaning coupon for village residents.

A Blast from the Past



The Fisher Monument at the Old Stone Fort. The soldier at the top was removed during WWII, supposedly for the metal, part of the War effort. The base is still there, on the left side as you approach the Fort.

Contributed by Tatiana Boba

The Turkey Vultures



They're not swallows and this isn't Capistrano, but the Schoharie vultures are back. Turkey vultures (often called turkey buzzards) are federally protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.

They're not exactly a pretty bird but are relatively harmless. With their 6 foot wingspan and bald heads, they can give people an eerie feeling as they soar on thermals of warm, rising air.

The species has superior intelligence and a highly developed sense of smell. Turkey Vultures can live for upwards of 20 years. They subsist predominantly on carrion (dead and putrefying flesh) and help clean-up our environment.

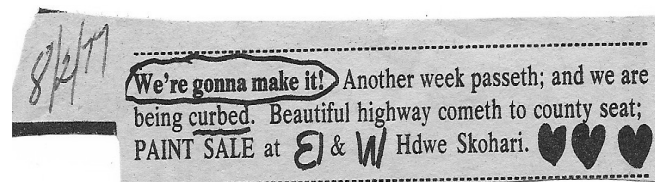


They do have some rather unattractive habits including vomiting as a defense mechanism and excreting onto their own legs to cool off on hot days. Their acidic droppings can destroy surfaces besides making quite a mess.

Before roosting at night, they sometimes play tag, soaring into the air playing follow the leader. In the morning you may see them sunbathing with their wings spread out to increase their body temperature after the cool night.

The turkey vulture migrates long distances in early winter, often returning to the same area. They are gregarious and roost in large community groups (called a committee), often in dead, leafless trees. They break away to forage independently during the day. A committee have taken up residence in the trees at the intersection of Depot Lane and Main Street and have been returning each year.

Darlene Patterson



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