

# Town of LaFayette

## Community Newsletter

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From the Town Supervisor: State of the Town

### ***LaFayette: Your Hills are a Canvas for Our Hands!***

First and foremost, Happy New Year to all of our residents! In keeping with our pledge to communicate with you more often, the Town is delivering to you a January 2014 **State of the Town** Newsletter. Our purpose is to outline the year ahead, as well as bring you current event information.

I borrowed the title, "Your Hills are a Canvas for Our Hands" from Country artist and songwriter Eric Church's song entitled *Carolina*, a true favorite of mine. He wrote this line to describe the beauty and goodness of his home state. I completely relate to that, so I've chosen it as my theme. This line inspired me to think that the beauty, tradition, and future of LaFayette is also a Canvas for the Hands of our residents to paint our Town the way they think it should look. In fact, you have already painted that canvas with many strokes over the past five years.

The majority of our residents have responded to multiple surveys during those years. Many of you have worked on steering committees for the Comprehensive Plan and the Agricultural Farmland and Protection Plan, and some of you have served on numerous boards and committees within the Town government. Thank you for "putting the paint" on LaFayette's canvas!

**Now, I'm asking you to step forward and help bring that paint to life in our community. The Town Board is focused on the following five areas in the upcoming year and we ask for your help.**

### **1 Revitalize the Hamlet.**

***Revitalizing the Hamlet is our primary focus for Year 2014 and beyond***

Ideas on streetscaping, eliminating the duplication of road signs, assisting with homes that have long gone uninhabited, and the New York State DOT Hamlet Road project are among the first ideas that need your help.

The Hamlet Road Project has been "kicked down the road" since 2009! We are taking the following three actions at the Town Organizational Meeting to be held at 6:30 PM on January 13, 2014.

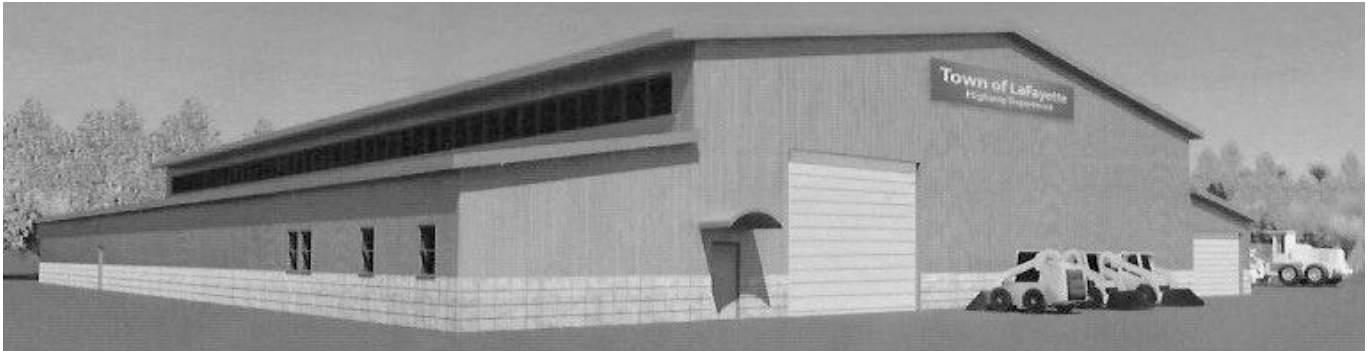
1. Introduce a Town Resolution to the New York State Commissioner of Transportation requesting an immediate re-allocation of funds and efforts to complete this project in 2015.
2. Begin a Town-wide petition addressed to our State officials stating the need for the completion.
3. Form a committee of residents to assist with a beautification effort for the Hamlet.



**Please attend this meeting on January 13, sign our petition, and raise your hand to assist with the beautification project. Help Paint LaFayette's Canvas!**

**2** *Build a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Town Highway Department building.*

*We are working very hard to deliver a Town Highway Department building that is cost effective and will meet the Town needs for the foreseeable future.*



1. We are working diligently to reduce the cost of the proposed 25,000 square foot facility that would be located at the Town property adjacent to the south side of Stafford Park. We are also working hard to secure grant money to further reduce the cost to you.
2. Our proposed timeline of events, while working the legal and engineering issues, is as follows:
  - January 13 Town Board Meeting: Status of title report and results of a Phase II environmental study.
  - February 10 Town Board Meeting: Town determines environmental suitability, and prepare a bond resolution to outline cost and payment.
  - March 10 Town Board Meeting: Legal update on the status of bonding, develop Town financing plan.
  - April 2: Public Vote.

**Again, please attend these meetings so that you will be 100% informed and prepared to help inform others. Help Paint LaFayette's Canvas!**

**3** *Manage costs.*

*We again remained under the State mandate of 2% growth in your 2014 Town Budget. The 2% CAP is misleading due to the fact that the Consumer Price Index (CPI) actually sets the Annual CAP. The Year 2014 Budget CAP was 1.65%*

1. We remained under the 1.65% CAP because:
  - We reduced the spending for general funds by \$34,000.
  - We reduced our Highway Building reserve by \$62,000.
  - The LaFayette Fire Department and Jamesville Fire Department kept their service contracts at the Year 2013 budget amounts.
  - Costello, Cooney, & Fearon re-engineered their legal contract with the Town resulting in a savings of over \$15,000.
2. Our challenge for Year 2015 and beyond will be to "control" costs that the Town has absolutely no control over! These increases are generated by increases in the NYS retirement system, mineral costs for the treatment of the highways during the winter, and skyrocketing workman's compensation costs.

I've asked Deputy Supervisor **Andy Ohstrom** and Councilor **Doug Daniels** to begin in January with finding solutions to offset these uncontrolled costs.

**4** *Grow business in the Hamlet.*

*The Town Planning Board in November 2013 recommended to the Town Board a change of zoning to accommodate the Byrne Dairy request to build a store adjacent to the west side of the McDonald's restaurant.*



1. The timeline of events for the Town Board to consider the rezoning to a Commercially Planned Business District (CPBD) is as follows:
  - December 9, 2013 Town Board meeting: Introduction of the Zoning Change.
  - January 13, 2014 Town Board Meeting: Public Hearing on Zoning Change & Town Board Decision.

**5** *Improve our parks.*

*Our Town has been awarded two grants for improvements to Stafford Park and LaFayette Beach.*

1. Stafford Park will receive \$20,000 of adult fitness work stations that will be placed in the park to compliment the walking-running trail. The Optimist Club, LaFayette Community Council, Highway Department and the Town Board are working together on this project, and expect completion by June. We are also hoping to collaborate with the Optimist Club to place the final top coat of paving on the walking trail.
2. LaFayette Beach will receive a renovation of its two buildings. Councilor **Steve Zajac**, the LaFayette Community Council, and the Highway Department will collaborate on this project.



As you can see, we have a lot of activity going on within our Town. Our focus remains steady on providing you with the services you expect.

I hope to see you at our meetings and again I ask you to continue to "Paint the Canvas of LaFayette" for today and tomorrow. Thank you very much for taking pride in living in LaFayette.

Best of the New Year to you all!

*—Bill McConnell, Supervisor*



*There's a cabin in a valley, my grandpa built on our land. Your mountains are a canvas, for the maker's hand.*  
—Eric Church, "Carolina"

From the Town Clerk

## HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE LAFAYETTE TOWN OFFICES! 2014 IS GOING TO BE GREAT!!

As they say, “*out with the old and in with the new.*” Well, 2013 brought many changes in our Town Offices. We said goodbye to Justice Malcolm Knapp who shortly after his retirement this summer, took an extended retirement straight up to Heaven, along with Deputy Code Enforcement Officer, **Jack Sutton** after 17 years. God Bless them both for numerous years of service to this Town. May they rest in peace and look down on LaFayette with pride.

Also, Justice Clerk **Eva Palmer** retired after 34 years; **Pat Keefe** after 18 years as our Information Officer; Planning Board Member **Bob Drumm** with 41 years; **Adrian Shute** resigned as Supervisor; and **Jerry Doolittle** who was Town Councilman/Zoning Board of Appeals Member/Physical Plant Chairman and member of numerous committees relocated to Tully. We thank them all for all their contributions to LaFayette and wish them many years of enjoyment in their new endeavors.

So, here’s the “*in with the new*” part... After **Adrian Shute** retired as Supervisor he was appointed, then elected, as Town Justice. He remains active on many committees in town. **William (Bill) McConnell** has stepped into the role as Town Supervisor. He, along with Councilmen **Andrew Ohstrom**, and **Steve Zajac** welcome our newest Town Board Member, **Doug Daniel**. We also welcomed **Karl Field** and **Jerry Marzo** as new members of the Zoning Board of Appeals. **Noah LaRonde** and **Debbie Phinney** are now in the roles of Deputy Justice Court Clerks, and assist **Carleen LaRonde** who was promoted to Justice Clerk. **Noah** will play a secondary role as Information Technology Specialist, helping to keep us and our website up to date. There is a lot of work to be done and luckily we have many great people to do that work. Some of these positions may seem thankless at times but we are thankful for all of our Officials and Committee members who serve our Town.

As we begin a new year, here are reminders on what services the Town Clerk office provides...

### TOWN CLERK’S OFFICE - PUBLIC SERVICES:

- DEC licenses (hunting, fishing)
- Dog licenses (required for dogs 4+ months)
- Facility Rentals (Stafford Park Pavilions and Community Center)
- Handicap parking permits
- Marriage Licenses (please call for an appt.)
- Passport Services (by appointment)
- Notary Public Service
- Veterans Discount Cards (F.A.V.O.R.)
- Voter registration forms
- Blue recycling bins available for pick up

Please visit the Town of LaFayette website or call for information regarding any of the above services. Most forms can be downloaded from the website. Visit our office or call, and we will be happy to assist you in obtaining the services you require. Also, please be aware:

**Payment for the above services may be cash, check or money orders; we do not accept credit card payments.**

### FACILITY RENTALS (Pavilions, Comm. Center)

Together the Optimist Club and Town have built beautiful accommodations at Stafford Park. A great deal of work is required to keep these facilities safe and available for our residents. After many years of trying to avoid this, we now must collect rental fees. **As of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 there will be a rental fee of \$100.00 to rent any of the facilities.** Along with the rental fee, a deposit of \$50.00 for the Pavilions and \$60.00 for the Community Center (\$50.00 deposit plus a \$10.00 key deposit) will remain in effect. The \$250.00 rental fee plus deposit stays the same for non-residents and businesses (excluding not-for-profit). If you ever used any of these facilities, you know first-hand how fortunate we are to have them in our Town. At Town Clerk’s Office: check availability, make reservations, complete the rental agreement and pay the fees. The rules and application forms (as well as many other forms used in our Town) can be downloaded

from the Town of LaFayette website:  
[www.townoflafayette.com/online\\_forms.html](http://www.townoflafayette.com/online_forms.html).

**WEBSITE**

Speaking of the LaFayette website... Thank you to our Information Officer, Laura Horian, for the work she is doing to help develop our “new and improved” website. Please take a moment to visit it: [www.townoflafayette.com](http://www.townoflafayette.com). It will quickly and easily connect you with our community— events, recreation, agendas, minutes...



**GETTING INVOLVED**

Many hands make light work, so please don't hesitate to get involved in whatever fashion you like. Whether coaching a team, joining a committee or just attending a meeting, everyone is welcome and invited to participate.

**—Jackie Bush Roorda**

From the Highway Superintendent

**Hello LaFayette Residents—**

**Winter** took hold in the month of November leaving approximately 13 inches of snow across the area. I commend your safe driving habits! During the winter months the Highway focuses its efforts on plowing Town roads and maintaining snow equipment in preparation for the next snow event. Especially during the winter months we ask that you **please adhere to State - County - Town Laws:**



1. No Parking on streets or roads from November 1st through April 1st. This includes dead ends and turn-arounds, as it makes it difficult for school buses and plow trucks to turn around.
2. State Law prohibits plowing snow across State - County -Town Roads.
3. Plowing speeds do not exceed 25 mph so please be patient as our drivers clear the roads.

For up to date weather conditions and events that directly impact the Town, check out the LaFayette Highway Department Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/LafayetteHighwayDept>

**Christmas tree dropoff** is at the Highway Building and runs from now until February 1<sup>st</sup>. Christmas trees only please (NO BRUSH). Look for the "Drop Off " sign in front of the Highway Parking Lot.

**OCRRA's schedule** for household hazardous waste drop-off program has expanded for your convenience. No more waiting for one of the three events held each year. They now accept household hazardous waste Monday through Friday, 6:30am-6:00pm year-round at the Ley Creek Drop-Off Site, free of charge. However, you must make an appointment in advance at [www.OCRRA.org](http://www.OCRRA.org) or by calling 453-2866. There is also a list of acceptable items on the website.

**Have a Safe winter and enjoy the Holiday season!**

**—John Greeley**



**Call for Town Photos!**

We are looking for scenic shots of LaFayette to use on the Town website. In addition to a carousel of photos that will change on the homepage, there is a Photo Gallery planned to capture scenery and

events. Please forward your electronic photos to Information Technology Specialist, **Noah LaRonde**, at [tolcourt@aol.com](mailto:tolcourt@aol.com). The higher the resolution the better. Thank you!

From the Information Officer

Hello, 2014. This marks 20 years since we moved to LaFayette. With all the history and multi-generational residents in this community, I believe we are still considered newcomers! But since taking on the Information Officer role a year ago, I sure know a lot more about what goes on in this Town.

One of Town Supervisor Bill McConnell's goals for the year is to enhance communications with residents. A revised [newsletter schedule](#) is one way to do that. Another way is with an improved [Town website](#).

### Newsletter Schedule

Beginning with this issue, newsletters will increase from four to six per year. This enables the Town to reach you more frequently with time sensitive information and invitations. To manage annual production costs, issues will vary from 12 to 20 pages. We envision the issues announcing the town's biggest events to be the lengthiest—likely March, May and September. Deadlines for submissions will be approximately three weeks before the publication date.

### Town Website

You may notice a new masthead on this issue, presenting an enhanced town seal, and a stylized "Town of LaFayette." This was created as part of the revised town website. Within this month it

will appear in color at [www.townoflafayette.com](http://www.townoflafayette.com). You will see, in addition to a new look, a newly structured menu of items that we believe will make it easier for you to find what you want. The most frequently requested change to the website was a functional calendar. It is now accessible on the homepage. At the bottom of the homepage are "quick links" to the most widely accessed information (e.g., Forms & Fees, Town Directory, Contact, Site Map). A Site Map is a great place to go if you're not sure what tab at the top to click on to find what you want. It lists every link on the site, in alphabetical order. So if you don't know where to find the Comprehensive Plan, you can click on the Site Map and find it alphabetically.

All of these changes are to bring you more current information, more often. If it's not up at the time of this publication, be on the lookout for a Town Supervisor's blog where Bill McConnell will post news and musings from the Town Office. Explore the Town of LaFayette website. You may discover things you didn't know about the town and what it has to offer. Over time, we will enhance the website with photos and perspectives that we hope will make you invite non-residents to take a closer look at LaFayette as a place to live, work and play.

—Laura Horian



From the Deputy Supervisor: *Meet Your Neighbor*

*Discovering the stories and lives of people of LaFayette who make our community a great place to live.*

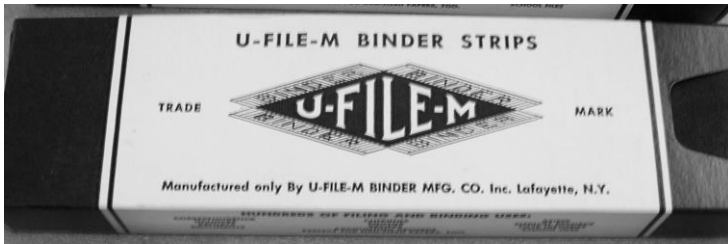
Have you ever driven down Route 11 South, close to the Tully-LaFayette border and passed a little white commercial building on the left with a sign out front that says **U-File-M Binder MFG Co.**? Have you ever wondered: *What is this company? Who owns it? And what in the world is a U-File-M binder?*



I had the pleasure to meet **Joelle (Kingsley) Shute**, the 4<sup>th</sup> generation co-owner (with her brother **Bruce Kingsley**). Joelle not only was able to share the verbal history of her family's business, but she showed me the original stock certificates issued in 1914 and the original wax sealed patent for the binder and binder machinery from 1913. The company began with those patents issued to the founder and designer of the U-File-M Binder, **Lee Kingsley**. Lee originally founded the U-File-M Binder MFG Co on Gifford Street in Syracuse, but relocated it to the present location in LaFayette in 1956.

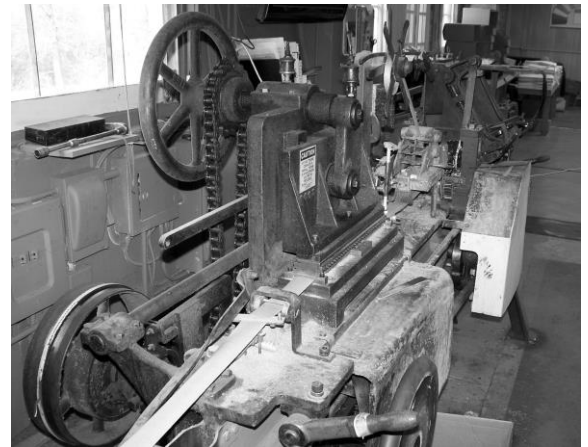


Lee passed the successful business onto **Howard and Charlotte Kingsley**. After Howard passed away, Charlotte ran the business until she turned it over to her son **Randy Kingsley**. After Randy's untimely death at age 54, the business was again passed on to family members. Today Joelle and Bruce, more hardworking Kingsley descendants, own and operate the business exclusively.



The binder itself is a simple but useful invention (.5x11 inch multi-slotted paper strip) that when inserted into a standard manila folder allows easy storage of volumes of documents in a precise order. It holds them so securely you can take the folder, hold it upside down and shake it without anything falling out. Ingenious!

The shop is centered around the original machine designed and patented by Lee in 1913. It is a cast iron behemoth, a combination of turn of the century pulleys, belts, levers, dials and trays. It is the only one in the world and it is right here in LaFayette! Bruce is the operator, repairman, and caretaker of this one-of-a-kind miracle machine. You might ask yourself, how much can one person and this single old machine produce? Last year it was 1,358,900 binders!



Joelle also talked about the inevitable impact technology has had on the business. As she showed me to the customer file it was easy to see that the once robust 16-drawer cabinet was down to only 3 still in use. The typical clients—railroads, phone companies, courts, and hospitals—have transitioned to other technology. However there is still a very loyal group of distributors and customers from around the world that continue to order this amazing product made right here in LaFayette by the fourth generation of Kingsleys.

*—Andy Ohstrom, Deputy Supervisor*



From the Building & Zoning Department

A frequent request at the LaFayette Town Office is for information and forms on Codes, Planning and Zoning. Here's a refresher on who we are and what we do.

The Code Enforcement Office, with Inspector **Ralph Lamson** and Deputy **Nick Kirby**, reviews building permits and plans, issues permits, performs building inspections, issues certificates of occupancy, and enforces additional regulations (e.g., wetland, flood plain, storm water, local laws). Building and public assemblies permit applications are available at Town Office and on Town website ([http://www.townoflafayette.com/code\\_enforcement.html](http://www.townoflafayette.com/code_enforcement.html)). It is common for residents to assume permits are not necessary for building things on their property. But building permits are required for new buildings, additions, structural changes or repairs, decks and porches, sheds and barns, fences, pools, fireplaces and alternative fuel devices, furnace installation, electrical and plumbing work. For a full list, please see the website. Code Enforcement meets Tuesdays from 6-7pm or by appointment.

The Planning Board, headed by **Jim Nakas**, is the primary Town organization responsible for land use planning within the Town of LaFayette and for managing that use through available regulations and ordinances. The major functions and responsibilities of the Planning Board include: develop the master plan, oversee and approve the creation of subdivisions and site plans per Town regulations. They meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7pm.

The Zoning Board of Appeals, chaired by **Stephen Beggs**, interprets LaFayette’s Zoning Ordinance, issues Special Permits, and appeals for variances of land. They meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7pm. Multiple forms (e.g., subdivision, variance, permit applications) are available at the Town Office and on the town website: [http://www.townoflafayette.com/planning\\_zoning.html](http://www.townoflafayette.com/planning_zoning.html).



From the Parks Department

Over the past several years, improvements and additions such as playground equipment, pavilions and the exercise track, have made LaFayette’s town parks community showcases, resulting in increased usage and popularity. With this increased usage, however, comes the need for greater upkeep and maintenance. Recognizing this, the town board proposed that a new Town department, dedicated to the upkeep and maintenance of the Town’s parks and green spaces, be created. Money for the department would be re-allocated (shifted) from the funds of other departments previously responsible for some of the parks’ maintenance; therefore, there would be no additional cost to taxpayers.

In January 2013, the Town appointed me, **David Prince**, to the position of Park Leader, thus establishing the **Town of LaFayette Parks Department**. Currently, the Parks Department is responsible for the maintenance (mowing and weeding) of Stafford Park, Bailey Park, LaFayette Beach, the Town’s softball fields behind the LaFayette Inn, TOOLON Fields (during lacrosse season), and the lawn at the Community Center. During the winter months, the Parks Department helps clear snow at some of the Town’s facilities.

In addition to upkeep of the parks, the Parks Department will work in conjunction with the Recreation and Youth Committee to further develop the parks. Currently, the Recreation and Youth Committee is exploring options for the addition of exercise equipment along the walking-jogging trail at Stafford Park, and the revitalization of the ropes course.

If you would like to use any of the facilities for your private events, please contact Town Clerk **Jackie Bush Roorda** who maintains the schedules (see her article in this issue), and she can direct you to the Facility Usage Guidelines and Reservation Form.

Any feedback regarding maintenance or suggestions for other improvements or additions is welcome. Also, if you identify any areas that need the Parks Department’s attention, please feel free to contact me by phone at 696-0229 or by e-mail at [dprince2@twcnny.rr.com](mailto:dprince2@twcnny.rr.com). With your assistance, we can keep LaFayette’s parks and green spaces the community showpieces that they are. We are fortunate to have so many places to gather and play, right in our back yard. For those new to the area, below are short descriptions of each Parks Departments facility:

- Stafford Park** – On Rte. 11, about 1.5 miles north of the Hamlet of LaFayette. The park consists of three areas, each with parking, linked by a one-mile exercise track. Facility includes: ball fields; exercise track; restrooms; pavilion with grill.
- *North* - Entrance just north of LaFayette *True Value Hardware* store. Has exercise track, ball fields, playground; restrooms; pavilion with grills and a barbecue pit; sand volleyball court and horse shoe pits.
  - *Central* – Entrance opposite Sentinel Heights Road (south). Has tennis courts/basketball court; playground; exercise track; fishing pond walking track; pavilion with grills (Jack’s Shack); and picnic tables.
  - *South* – Entrance approximately .2 miles south of Sentinel Heights Road.
- Bailey Park** – On Rowland Road and Rte. 11A in Cardiff. Has basketball court; playground; ball field and picnic tables.
- LaFayette Beach** – On Amidon Road. Includes: playing field (box); basketball court; sand box; swing set; pavilion; and pool for swimming (in season).
- Community Center** – Located next to *Dollar General*. Includes: chairs, tables, kitchen facilities.
- Softball Fields** – Located behind the *LaFayette Inn*. Includes two ball fields for adult softball league; picnic tables.
- TOOLON Fields** – Located on *Apple Festival* grounds, at intersection of Rte. 20 and Tully Valley Road. Includes two football/lacrosse fields, used during the sport’s season under an agreement with the Apple Festival Committee.

— **Dave Prince, Parks Department**

From the Community Council

The LaFayette Community Council is a volunteer board providing recreational opportunities for LaFayette youth and adults. It works in cooperation with the Parks Dept, the Recreation & Youth Committee and the Highway Dept. Questions about recreational activities may be directed to **Regina Reinschmidt**, Recreation Coordinator at [reglcc@dreamscape.com](mailto:reglcc@dreamscape.com) or **677-7272**. Detailed program information is updated regularly at [www.townoflafayette.com/community\\_council.html](http://www.townoflafayette.com/community_council.html). Here are the recreational highlights for Jan-Feb:

Youth Wrestling — Begins Tues Jan 7th. Practices Tues and Thurs, 6-7:30pm in HS downstairs practice room. We still need coaches! Call us!

Youth Basketball — 5th/6th grade games begin Jan 11th! 3rd/4th in March, earlier if possible. Watch for flyers from school. Coaches needed, call us!

Community Recreation — Saturdays Jan 11, 18, 25 and Feb 1, 8, 15 from 1-3pm at LaF HS gym. One gym open for family games like dodgeball, kickball, volleyball, wiffleball, etc. Contact is Mark Whitney.

7th/8th boys basketball — Starting Jan 11<sup>th</sup>. Format primarily full court games. Program goal is for players to gain valuable game experience through scrimmage and game situations. Not necessary to have played on school team to participate. For more info call Greg Long 677-9611.

Iceskating! — The rink is up at Stafford Park! Enjoy the ice and skate responsibly. Volunteers needed to shovel whenever: stop, shovel and skate!

Hall Walking — Continues weekdays, 5-7pm at Grimshaw. Beat winter blahs by being active. Enter by cafeteria and bring walking shoes separately so they remain dry. Sign in notebook on table in foyer.

Daytime/Senior Exercise! — Spread the word: we have a great senior exercise program (but all ages, levels welcome) 3x's/wk at the Community Center,

8:30-9:30am, Tues-Wed-Thur! Join anytime. Pay \$3 walk-in, or save & pay for 6-weeks. Certified instructor, Kathy Greeley, 677-9174

Yoga — Meets Monday nights. Call to see if space.

Zumba! — Twice per week through March! Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30, Grimshaw cafeteria. \$4 walk-in, or pay session price. New Wed session starts Feb 5th through June 18th, \$55. (But you can join anytime in Jan too!) Pro-rated Monday session price for Jan-March is \$30.

LCC Coaches must complete a volunteer application, agree to a background check, complete a youth sports coaching certification class and have CPR cert. [www.townoflafayette.com/coaches.html](http://www.townoflafayette.com/coaches.html)

Baseball & Lacrosse — Mark your calendars now for signups! Thursday March 13<sup>th</sup> and Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup>. More info to follow.

CPR/AED and basic 1st aid — We will be offering American Heart/Heartsaver class March 20th, 6-10pm. You must register for this by calling 677-7272. Free for LCC coaches, others are \$20. Please show up if you sign up! Another class will be held Sat March 29th, 9am-2pm at Fire House.

*P.S.: We hope you enjoyed the expanded treelighting activities for children offered by LCC. Thank you for attending & see you next year!*



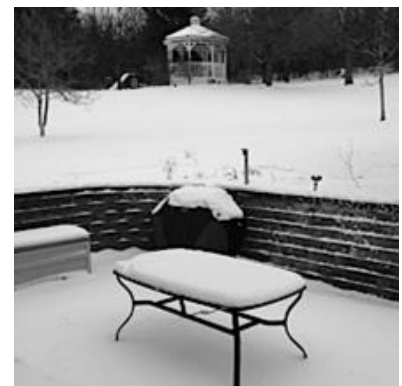
Beautiful LaFayette in Winter



*on the LaF snowmobile trail*



*Columbian Presbyterian Church*



*a fluffy backyard*

# All LaFayette Residents are cordially invited to attend the 2014 Organizational Meeting!

**Date:** January 13, 2014

**Time:** Refreshments begin at 5pm; Organizational Meeting begins 6pm

**Place:** Town Commons (hall in Town office, 2577 U.S. Route 11 N)

**RSVP:** Jackie at 677-3674 or [lafayettetownclerk@cny.com](mailto:lafayettetownclerk@cny.com) by January 8<sup>th</sup>

This is a fun, casual way to meet the folks who run the Town (many listed below in abbreviated town directory). There's lots of great food, drink, conversation—it's a beginning-of-the-year town party for all ages. Please join us in the 'swearing in' of your elected officials, get acquainted, and share your ideas about LaFayette!

*You're  
Invited!*

**LaFayette Town Offices, 2014 — PO Box 193, 2577 Route 11, LaFayette, NY 13084 — Ph: 677-3674 Fx: 677-7806**  
**Offices closed on all federal holidays — Town blog: [thisweekinlafayette.wordpress.com](http://thisweekinlafayette.wordpress.com)**

Emergency	Dial 911	Other building matters – Bill McConnell, Supervisor, 677-5251
Town Justice Court	677-9350, fax 677-4622	Meets Wed evening at 6:00 PM
Justices	Maureen Perrin and Adrian Shute presiding	District Attorney Nights meets 3rd Mon, 6:00 PM
Town Board		Meets 2nd Mon of each month 6:30 PM (unless holiday, then 4 <sup>th</sup> Mon). Special Meetings posted on website, Town Hall bulletin board, Post Office.
Zoning Board of Appeals		Meets 2nd Tues of each month at 7:00 PM If needed
Planning Board		Meets 3rd Tues of each month at 7:00 PM If needed
Justice Clerks	677-9350, fax 677-4622	Mon - Thu 9 AM - 5 PM; Closed lunchtime 12:30-1:30PM; Closed Fridays
Town Clerk	677-3674, fax 677-7806	Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri 9 AM-4:00 PM; Tues 1:30-7:00 PM or by appointment. Closed lunchtime. Closed Fridays, May – Sept
Assessor	677-3420, fax 677-7806	Tues - Thu 8:30 AM-1:30 PM
Bldg & Zoning Code Enforce.	677-5371, fax 677-7806	Tues 6 PM-7 PM or by appointment
Tax Collector	677-9155, fax 677-7806	Jan & Feb: Mon & Thu 1-4 P, Tues 5-7 P. March: Mon 1-4 PM; Tues 5-7 P

## Abbreviated Town of LaFayette Directory — 2014 *(full directory available on [www.townoflafayette.com](http://www.townoflafayette.com))*

Office	Official	H Phone	B Phone	E-mail
<b><i>Town Supervisor's Office – Fax: 677-7806</i></b>				
Supervisor	William McConnell	391-8167	677-5251	<a href="mailto:lafayettesupervisor@cny.com">lafayettesupervisor@cny.com</a>
Deputy	Andrew Ohstrom	498-9377	569-2999	<a href="mailto:ohstrom@twcny.rr.com">ohstrom@twcny.rr.com</a>
Secretary	Jackie Bush Roorda		677-3674	<a href="mailto:lafayettetownclerk@cny.com">lafayettetownclerk@cny.com</a>
Bookkeeper	Tom Chartrand	677-5149	677-5149	<a href="mailto:thomas@a-znet.com">thomas@a-znet.com</a> , fx: 677-7212
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Deputy	Michael Johnson	663-6378	663-6378	
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Scheduler	Kristin Colburn		677-3674	<a href="mailto:kriscolburn@yahoo.com">kriscolburn@yahoo.com</a>
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Upcoming Town Events

Date	Event	Location	Add'l Info
<b>Jan 13</b> 5pm – refreshments 6pm – org'l meet 6:30pm – town meet	2014 Organizational ( <i>Meet the Town</i> ) Meeting & Town Board Meeting - Hamlet plan - Public hearing on zoning change for Byrne Dairy - Hwy Bldg Phase 2 env study results	Town Commons	A festive, social gathering (with food!). Come meet the town officials who keep LaFayette running. ALL residents welcome!
<b>Feb 1, 9am-3pm</b>	WinterFest	Grimshaw	Silent Auction, Broom Ball, Poker Run, Chili Cook-Off, Human Dog Sled... <i>Thank you, Optimist Club!</i>
<b>Feb 10, 6:30pm</b>	Town Board Meeting - H'way bldg bond resolution to outline cost and payment	Town Commons	See website for agenda

Columbian Presbyterian Church would also like to mention these upcoming events...

- **Jan 12** - Installation of new Elders and Deacons during worship. Come support new leaders.
- **Jan 26** - *Blah's* dinner immediately after worship. Fellowship and a delicious hot meal.
- **Feb 9** - Annual Birthday Dinner after worship to celebrate everyone's birthday.
- **Feb ??** – Annual *Taste of Chocolate*. Watch for more information!



Submission Deadlines for 2014 Town of LaFayette Community Newsletter

Deadline	Dates Covered	Date Issued
<b>Feb 3</b>	March-April (roadside brush)	March 1 <sup>st</sup>
<b>April 7</b>	May-June (clean-up days, fishing derby, Memorial Day, Community Day)	May 1 <sup>st</sup>
<b>June 9</b>	July-August (Summer Reading Program, Golf Ball Drop & Tournament)	July 1 <sup>st</sup>
<b>August 4</b>	September-October (Apple Fest, Apple Run)	September 1 <sup>st</sup>
<b>October 6</b>	November-December (Elections, Tree Lighting)	November 1 <sup>st</sup>



Editor's Quote for Q1, 2014:

“Tomorrow, is the first blank page of a 365 page book. Write a good one.” — *Brad Paisley*