



## Fall 2018 Newsletter

### FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERVISOR

Dear East Bloomfield Residents:

We are very pleased to report that small town government is working well. You may ask what does “working well” entail? We have several projects that are situated in various stages of completion. Each of these projects possess something in common with each other and that commonality is continuous improvement of the quality of life throughout our town. We are proud to highlight one of those projects in this newsletter.

The project we wish to mention is the Comprehensive Plan. We are in the final stages of completion. Newly elected town board member, Kathy Conradt, is chairing this considerable task. Her vast experience and leadership qualities are moving us closer to the finish line. Her long-standing leadership in Bloomfield Village Government is enabling us to design a simplified and functional planning document. She has formed a productive team of town employees which includes myself, as well as residents from the Town and Village. When the final draft is completed we will schedule a public hearing and then move to adopt the new plan. There are other boards who have reviewed the plan as well, including Ontario County and the East Bloomfield Planning Boards. We will use the Comprehensive Plan to guide our discussions and decisions about what is needed in East Bloomfield. It is one thing to have a completed Comprehensive Plan, but far better to have one that works for us and guides our work.

The key community residents who have volunteered their time and talent on a regular basis to rewrite this plan in a simplified and clear style and who we appreciate for their contribution to this important project and wish to recognize, are: Kathy Conradt, East Bloomfield Town Board Member and Chair of Committee; Dave Damaske, Boughton Park Commission Member; Gail Harrington,

Village Trustee; Tom Kugris, Village Planning Board Member; Caroline Nevil, Bloomfield Central School Board of Education Member; Andy Doell, Superintendent of Bloomfield Central School; Paul Hudson, East Bloomfield Citizens Advisory Group Chairman; Mike Woodruff, former Code Enforcement Officer and Ontario County Planning Board Member; Ron Newell, Village Zoning Board of Appeals Member; and Jim Kier, East Bloomfield Code Enforcement Officer. Each member has a very good understanding of the process and are representing the community in a positive and productive way.

Some of the topics we examine are Education, Census Data, Population, Agriculture, Commerce, Economy, Business, Housing, Parks and Recreation.

### ***News and Noteworthy***

- **American Legion Building**. Construction will begin in January 2019 on the interior of this building in Veterans Park. Work is expected to take several months. We will keep you updated via our website at [www.townofeastbloomfield.org](http://www.townofeastbloomfield.org)
- **Solar Projects**. Two community solar projects have been approved by the Planning Board and Town Board of East Bloomfield. These clean energy projects will benefit our residents and business situated on the grid with energy savings and cost savings.
- **Town Historian**. Our Town Historian, Judi Stuart, has joined our town board in such capacity. Her monthly reports take us back into our rich history and give us great insight on some of the early and prominent leaders in Bloomfield. She is the perfect person for this position with consummate passion for Bloomfield and its remarkable history.
- **Agriculture Enhancement Board**. Resident and Town Board Member, Frank Fessner, has been appointed to the Ontario County Agriculture Enhancement Board. This constitutes a five-year appointment and Frank will represent Bloomfield and all County Agriculture very well. Congratulations to Frank.
- **East Bloomfield Historical Society Board**. Margaret (Peggy) Gochenaur has recently been appointed to a three-year term on the Historical Society Board. Peggy serves as our Town Clerk and Court Clerk. She will now be extending her public service in Bloomfield and we are very proud of her work and this appointment to the Historical society.
- **E-Waste Collection Day Event**. This event is fully booked, but you can still call to place your name on the waiting list. It is Saturday, November 10th, at the Bloomfield Elementary School from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Call Cornell Cooperative Extension to inquire at (585) 394-3977 extension 427.

*—Fred Wille, Supervisor*

## Town Website

Please note our Website Address has changed.

We will no longer be found at: [townofeastbloomfield.com](http://townofeastbloomfield.com)

The new web address will be: [townofeastbloomfield.org](http://townofeastbloomfield.org)

Please come check out our newly designed site!  
(There is no need to put www. in front of the address)

We are very proud of the new design, look and functionality of the new site, we hope you feel the same.

## NEWS FROM THE HIGHWAY DEPT!

Good bye summer heat...hello fall foliage and winter clouds! At the highway department, we were so busy we didn't realize summer was over until we woke up with a dusting of the white stuff in some areas of our beautiful hills and valleys within our township!

The majority of our summer work is completed and we are now focusing on projects scheduled in preparation for the change of the weather such as: roadside tree trimming, small projects on various town roads, putting up snow fences, equipment maintenance, installing snow & ice equipment on dump trucks, gravel pit work, highway dept. building maintenance and some culvert repairs.

As the winter months approach, our priority will continue to have the roads be as safe and snow free as possible. However, please give yourself a few extra minutes whenever you are traveling to arrive safely to your destination.

As you know, snow plows are very big and visibility is challenging! Please give our drivers some additional space on the road, especially at intersections, and keep a safe distance behind them. If you can't see their side mirrors, they can't see you!

Lastly, this is a good time of the year to complete your yearly mailbox inspections; make sure the mailbox is securely attached and posts are rot free.

Please feel welcome to stop in to our highway facility to say hello or contact me at any time about any concerns or comments you may have. I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season!

Thank you,  
*Scott Kimball, Highway Superintendent*



### From the desk of the Town Clerk:

Come One... Come All Hunting Season is upon us!  
Please stop by the Town Clerk's Office for your Hunting Licenses & Doe Tags. The trophy wall is started and I would greatly appreciate you sharing your prized photos with me.



Reminder... Don't forget to license your dog(s) annually. Any dog 4 months or older, harbored in the Town of East Bloomfield must be licensed. Proof of a current Rabies Vaccination must be furnished. Please visit the Ontario County website at [www.co.ontario.ny.us/publichealth](http://www.co.ontario.ny.us/publichealth) to find the list of clinics. Every dog in Ontario County must be vaccinated against rabies at all times. The clinics are FREE but donations are appreciated.

## UPCOMING EVENTS IN BLOOMFIELD:

### NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Saturday, November 3, 4-7 pm, East Bloomfield United Methodist Church Roast Beef Dinner
- Sunday, November 4, Veterans Park - Lions Club Pancake Breakfast
- Wednesday, November 14, Veterans Park - Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner
- Thursday, November 15, 11:30 am - 1 pm, East Bloomfield United Methodist Church Community Lunch
- Thursday, November 15, 6 pm, East Bloomfield Historical Society Annual Dinner (Members Only) - For a reservation call : (585) 657-7244
- Saturday, November 17, 9-3 pm, Elementary School Craft Sale
- Sunday, November 25, Blue Star Mother VA Tree Lighting

### DECEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Saturday, December 1, 7:00 pm, Bloomfield Central School - Rotary Radio Play "It's a Wonderful Life"
- Sunday, December 2, 4:30 pm, Lions/Rotary/East Bloomfield Holcomb Fire Dept Tree Lighting Ceremony and Procession. Lineup begins at 4:00 pm at Canandaigua National Bank.
- Saturday, December 8, East Bloomfield Historical Society Christmas Party
- Thursday, December 20, 11:30 am - 1 pm, East Bloomfield United Methodist Church Community Lunch

**THE BLESSING ROOM:** The Blessing Room, Bloomfield's food pantry, is dedicated to residents of the Village and Township of East Bloomfield. They are located at St. Bridget's Parish Hall, 15 Church St. The hours of operation are Wednesday and Saturday from 10 am until noon and Fridays from 4 pm until 6 pm. For more information please call (585) 337-0797.

**HANDS of Hope Kitchen:** The Free lunch program operates out of the firehouse located at 105 Main Street. A hot meal is served every Wednesday at noon. Thank you to the local churches including St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Ionia Methodist Church and the United Church of Bristol, to program director, Rev. Richard Krapf, and to all the volunteers that make this meal program a success. Visit [www.handsofhopekitchen.org](http://www.handsofhopekitchen.org) for more information and a wish list of needed items.

**HOME ENERGY IMPROVEMENT:** PathStone is a private not-for-profit community development and service organization offering a range of programs to assist homeowners to make their homes energy efficient. To find out if they can help you to save money, email [SaveEnergy@pathstone.org](mailto:SaveEnergy@pathstone.org) or go to their website at [www.pathstoneenergyinfo.org](http://www.pathstoneenergyinfo.org)

**OFFICE OF THE AGING:** The Senior Farmers Market Coupon Program is now available to eligible seniors. Coupons are valid through November 30, 2018 at participating Farmers Markets. For further information, please call Office for the Aging at: (585) 396-4040 or (315) 781-1321.

It is my pleasure to serve my community and be helpful to all its' residents. Please contact me at (585) 657-6515, or by e-mail: [mgochenaur@frontier.com](mailto:mgochenaur@frontier.com) with any questions, concerns or suggestions. Thank you for your continued support.

*--Margaret "Peggy" Gochenaur, Town Clerk*

## ANTIQUE WIRELESS MUSEUM

The renovations at the AWA Conference Center is almost complete. In the last office, the E bay office carpet tile installation will be completed after a crew of AWA volunteers remove the many items and their storage racks to allow Denisi Flooring to finish the renovation.

New LED emergency lighting and exit signs have been installed in campus buildings to complete the update from the older installations.

Work continues in two buildings to subdue the intake and exit vent noise. One of the vents in the all-purpose room, which is used for tour introductions, the Fab Lab and "After Hours at the Museum" meetings has already been moved to a new location in the public area and Denisi Flooring has sub-contracted the installation of wall covering on three walls in the room. Final assessment may require that floor carpeting be installed.

In the Media Center, Bradford Plumbing & Heating moved the heating and cooling vents away from two volunteer work stations to reduce the noise in that area.

The boiler in the Media Center, installed during the construction of the building in the mid 90's, will also be replaced with a new heating/cooling unit.

Chrisantha Construction is evaluating the load bearing capacity of the second floor in the Gauss Road storage building as volunteers continue to add additional artifact storage on that floor.

*--Ron Roach, AWA Operations Manager*

### News from the Bloomfield Public Library...

2018 has been a year of big changes for the library. The State Board of Regents has issued our new charter so the process that began with the successful vote in June is finally completed. We



were able to expand our hours for your convenience. We continue to improve the facility, most recently with the repaving of the parking lot and the repair of the uneven sidewalk. This project was funded in large part by funds from the New York State Construction Aid to Libraries program. We continue to work on improving access to the library and we encourage you to visit as often as you can!

The best way to find out about all that is happening in the library if you can't stop in, is our website [www.bloomfieldpubliclibrary.org](http://www.bloomfieldpubliclibrary.org). There you can find the most up to date library classes and events information and you can get quick access to both our [QWWL catalog](#) where we have all of our print and disc materials, and our [QWWL2Go catalog](#) where we have all of our electronic materials like ebooks, downloadable audiobooks, and digital magazines.

For regular updates on what is happening at the library, please subscribe to our eNews Blast. Call or stop in the library to give us your email address. Additionally, consider getting the Burbio App. [Burbio.com](http://Burbio.com) is a calendar app where you can select community calendars that you are interested in (public library, school, etc.) and follow them. Once you do, you will get a personalized feed of all that is going on. You can then link this with your personal calendar so you never miss something again! Go to [Burbio.com](http://Burbio.com) for more information or get the free Burbio App from your app store, and get started today. The public library calendars the school calendar and more are already in Burbio. Once you set up your account, you will be able to easily see all that is going on in our community!

Are you on Facebook? Follow the Bloomfield Public Library to see all the fun news and information. <https://www.facebook.com/BloomfieldPublicLibraryNY/>

--Diana Thorn, Library Manager

## The Bloomfield Garden Club

Our club welcomes members and anyone interested in gardening. Our meetings are open to the public. Our meetings take place at Veterans Park on the third Thursday of each month at 11:45 am. The club had a great trip to the Seneca Army Depot on October 18<sup>th</sup>, we took a tour of the Seneca White Deer. We did get to see about six white deer and learned the history of the Army Depot.

Our next meeting will be on November 18<sup>th</sup> at Veterans' Park. We will be making pine cone wreaths. Cost will be \$5.00. Pine cones, paints, metal forms and holiday decorations will be supplied. If you are interested in making a wreath, please contact one of the members which I have listed below.

Our purpose is to stimulate, share knowledge and the love of gardening. We promote beautification of homes and our community.

Please contact Marlene Moran at [marlenem1948@gmail.com](mailto:marlenem1948@gmail.com) or Barb Jauch at [bkjauch@gmail.com](mailto:bkjauch@gmail.com) for further information.

**BLOOMFIELD LIONS CLUB (BLC) – WE SERVE**

Bloomfield Lions Club (BLC), District 20E2 is a nonprofit organization operating under the Charter of Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF). 2017 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of LCIF. BLC receives funding from our monthly spaghetti dinners, biannual pancake breakfasts and public donations. All funds received are returned to the community, individuals/organizations in need which fall under the guidelines of LCIF. BLC thanks our local Communities for their support over the years. Representative but not limited Programs include Preschool Vision Screening, Human Eye Bank, Bloomfield Sports Programs, BCS Theater, Robotics, Scouting, Eye and Hearing Care, St Benedict's Food Pantry, Cassville Guide Dogs and Diabetes.

BLC performed October Highway Clean-up on our portion of Rte. 5&20 and Rte 444. Our club had a good turnout of Lions and Leos to make it a speedy cleanup. BLC and Bloomfield Leos will repeat the Highway Clean-up in May of 2019.

BLC and the Bloomfield Fire Dept. will be hosting our Annual Halloween Party at the Bloomfield Fire House on October 31 starting at 6:00pm. This event has been a big success in the past and we expect the same this year. Thanks to Lion Jack Whiting for his efforts on this project.

In 1967 the Leo Club Program was adopted by LCIF Board Members to provide youth with an opportunity for development and contribution. Today Bloomfield Leos have 20 members working under the leadership of Lion Ken Mathis. Along with working on BLC Spaghetti suppers, Pancake Breakfasts, Roadside Cleanup our Leos have provided assistance to the Victor Lions and Ontario Pathways projects. Presently the Leos are looking at new fundraisers to help defray the cost for a Special Needs Candidate to attend summer camp. Leo Rebecca Bober accepted the position of District 20E-2 Leo representative to the State Leo Council. Rebecca will be representing our District Leos on the State/Multiple District Level. Rebecca earned BLC first ever Leo of the year award several years ago. Congratulations Leo Rebecca, continue the good work.

BLC meetings are held three times each month September thru June. First Wednesday being a Social Dinner Meeting at Cheap Charlies. Second Wednesday, November 14 is Spaghetti Supper at Veteran's Park served from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Third Wednesday, Board of Directors Meeting at Veterans Park. Due to the Veteran's Park Kitchen reconstruction project our 2019 Spaghetti Suppers will tentatively be held at Saint Bridget's Hall on the second Wednesday of January, February, March and April 2019. We will keep the public apprised of any location changes as the kitchen project progresses.

As all Service Organizations in the United States we are struggling to grow our Club. We welcome Women and Men who wish to become part of the largest service organization in the world to contact BLC President Bob Knopf at 585-281-3417.

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**Town Board**

2nd & 4th Monday @ 7:00 pm

**Town Court**

Every Thursday @ 4:00 pm

**Planning Board**

1st & 3rd Thursday @ 7:30 pm

**Zoning Board**

4th Wednesday @ 7:30 pm