

### We're building community: Byrne, Inficon, Feldmeier and Dupli

We're "building community" because we want to ensure the Town of DeWitt continues to be a highly desirable place in which to live, learn, worship, work, play, and do business. A key component of that objective is our relationship to the town's business community.

In this newsletter we're highlighting four valued members of the DeWitt business community: Byrne Ultra Dairy, Inficon, Feldmeier Equipment, Inc., and Dupli. (See below for links to these businesses.) The Town has worked closely with these companies to create a climate conducive to their individual business interests and growth; this in turn supports the economic stability and security of the town as a whole.

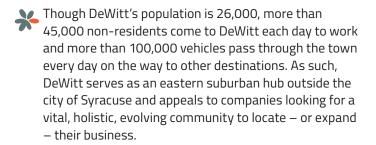
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## Why is doing business in DeWitt good for business?

Historically, the Town of DeWitt has been very supportive of industrial, high-tech, and freight distribution uses within our community. Approximately 46% of all of the industrial land use by acreage in Onondaga County is located in DeWitt, with 52% of the town itself zoned industrial or high tech.

DeWitt offers unparalleled availability to the truck, rail, and air services essential to do business. We offer quick and easy access to Route 690, I-481, the NYS Thruway, Hancock International Airport, and both Class I and Class II railway systems.

The new "gig" economy means more workers are mobile throughout the day; the proliferation of internet purchasing requires the transportation of goods and services be dependable and rapid. The Town of DeWitt meets the demands of the rapidly changing labor and e-commerce marketplaces with the infrastructure and access to transportation routes our 21st century economy necessitates.



With Governor Cuomo firmly behind the development of an Inland Port at our East Syracuse rail yards, the project has the potential to become a positive, powerful, long-term economic engine for the entire CNY region. The Inland Port is expected not only to significantly increase the economic viability of our existing industries and businesses, but also to draw new business and industries to the CNY region, including to the towns of Dewitt and Manlius.

DeWitt is also home to Willis Carrier Park, a \$12.5 million state-of-the-art, all-inclusive, multi-sport recreation facility that is helping to keep our 30+ town hotels occupied. Those busy hotels pay \$4 million in property taxes each year and more than half of the total room occupancy taxes collected for all of Onondaga County!

### Doing business in DeWitt is good for business.

Our town services, extensive parks and trails system, recreation programs, access to the Erie Canalway and Empire State Trail systems - and participation and leadership in projects like Elevating Erie, Inland Port, the Zombie Homes Program, and our Solar Farm project – encourage businesses to take a serious look at locating in DeWitt due to our residential quality of life and our progressive and business-friendly approach.

### In the Town of DeWitt, we're building community.

www.byrnedairy.com www.inficon.com www.duplionline.com www.feldmeier.com











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supervisor@townofdewitt.co	<u>om</u>	DeWitt Parks Department 5953 Butternut Drive		DeWitt Highway Department 5953 Butternut Drive		
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### A message from Supervisor Edward M. Michalenko, Ph.D.



First, I want to extend a sincere Happy New Year to all residents, businesses, and members of the greater community who come to the Town of DeWitt to worship, work, learn, and play; you are all valued members of our community. I hope your holidays were peaceful and joyous and the New Year brings good health and prosperity to you and your family.

On a positive note, I am happy to report that for the 11<sup>th</sup> consecutive year we have remained within Governor Cuomo's property tax cap; the 2019 tax increase for DeWitt residents will be .04 cents per \$1,000 of valuation, or a .08% increase. My sincere thanks

to the Budget Committee, Town Board, Department Heads, and all of our hard-working Town employees for their sincere commitment and service to the Town of DeWitt.

We continued to "build community" in 2018 thanks to careful budgeting, planning, oversight of expenditures, significant grants acquisition, labor management, and on-going consolidation.

Moving into 2019, key town projects – Carrier Park, Elevating Erie, Inland Port, the Zombie Homes Program, and our new Mixed-Use Zoning, as well as energy and environmental initiatives like our Solar Farm, Deer Management, Butternut Creek Trail improvements, electric cars, and electric car charging stations for public use – will move forward creating significant cost-savings, expanding business opportunities, and making tangible quality of life improvements.

We also continue to work closely with Carrier and Bristol with the goal of supporting them to maintain their businesses in DeWitt over the long-term. And, we continue to work on the redevelopment of the Shoppingtown property, see my "Notes" on page 7 for more information.

On that note, I specifically want to acknowledge the integral contribution of our Town of DeWitt business community, four of whom – Byrne, Feldmeier, Inficon, Dupli – are featured in this newsletter. Vital, profitable businesses powerfully support the strength of our tax base; and that supports the value of our homes, the quality of our town services, and provides the impetus for families and businesses to choose to locate to the Town of DeWitt. Please see the back cover and inside front cover of this newsletter for information about this synergistic partnership between our town government, residents, and businesses.

Also, please refer to pages 18-19 to see an important resolution passed by the Town Board on November 5, 2018. Beautifully written by Town Board member Sam Young, the resolution addresses the tragic shooting at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh in which 11 members of the congregation were killed. The Board feels strongly we must address events in the broader society in order to better and more productively work together "in community" within our own community and at the local, state and federal levels. We feel it is essential to speak out about - and stand up for - a safer, more humane, more empathetic world, including condemning violence and supporting wise gun control legislation.

Please see my "Supervisor's Notes" on the following pages for details about the above. Happy New Year to you and your family, and know that my door is always open to your ideas, questions, and concerns.

Most sincerely,

Ed Michalenko, DeWitt Supervisor

**P.S.** Our 2019 Earth Day Clean-up is Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, see page 9 for the details.

### SUPERVISOR'S NOTES

### 2019 Budget

The 2019 budget was passed last Fall and I am happy to report we stayed within the Governor's tax cap for the 11<sup>th</sup> year in a row. The increase for residents will be .04 cents per \$1,000 of valuation or a 0.8% increase.

### **DeWitt Town Board Pittsburgh Synagogue Shooting Resolution**

On November 5, 2018 our DeWitt Town Board passed a "Resolution in Commemoration of the Pittsburgh Massacre." The shooting that occurred during Shabbat morning services on Saturday morning, October 27<sup>th</sup> took the lives of 11 members of the Tree of Life Synagogue in the Squirrel Hill neighborhood of Pittsburgh.

The resolution, written by Town Board member Sam Young, is a moving tribute to the values of the Jewish faith, our Town of DeWitt Jewish community, and the intrinsic, humane values at the very foundation of this nation. The resolution also pledges the full cooperation and protection of our law enforcement and town resources, and calls upon our New York State officials, congressional delegations, and the office of the President of the United States to enact common-sense gun regulation.

To read the resolution in its entirety and my letter to our community's Jewish congregations, rabbis, and community organizations, please see pages 18-19 of this newsletter.

#### Carrier Park

Are you a Carrier Park Partner? Our \$12.5 million state-of-the-art, all inclusive, multi-sport recreation facility for children and adults needs **your** partnership!

Our Carrier Park recreation facility is one of the first fully integrated, fully handicap accessible complexes in the CNY region, it's also home of the Syracuse Challenger Baseball program.

Tournaments at Carrier Park help to draw visitors to our town's 30+ hotels. Those hotels pay more than \$4 million in property taxes each year; that's more than half of the total room occupancy taxes

collected for all of Onondaga County! Those taxes support not only the economic strength and stability of our town, but of the broader community.

See the back cover of this newsletter about Carrier Park Partners Kemper Matt Sr. and Kemper Matt Jr., owners of Dupli Envelope & Graphics. Family owned, Dupli is a valued member of our Town of DeWitt business community and also a contributor to Carrier Park.

This Spring we expect to move forward with Phase 2 of Carrier Park, including the installation of a fully accessible playground, renovation to the pavilion including a fully functioning kitchen and ADA compliant restrooms, and rehabilitation of the basketball courts. We will also be evaluating a marketing feasibility study in order to guide future development of the park.

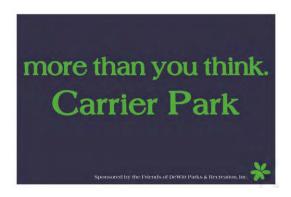
For more information about Carrier Park, or to make a contribution, see pages 20-24 of this newsletter or go to: http://carrierpark.org/story/



### Carrier Park Lawn Signs

People often ask me, "How can I support Carrier Park?" There are several ways you, your family, your service organization, church, employer, business, or corporation can support Carrier Park; see a list of sponsorship opportunities at: <a href="http://carrierpark.org/story/">http://carrierpark.org/story/</a>

One of the simplest, most cost effective ways to show your support for Carrier Park is by purchasing a couple of **Carrier Park "more than you think" lawn signs for your yard or business**. A sign on your lawn or at your business can go a long way toward letting neighbors, passing motorists, and colleagues know that in the Town of DeWitt we really are "building community." Just \$10, lawn signs are available at the Recreation Office, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Town Hall.



Also: East Syracuse Bottle & Can Return on East Manlius Street, right next to the Thrifty Shopper just over the bridge in the village of East Syracuse will accept your returnables and donate the proceeds to Carrier Park, home of Syracuse Challenger Baseball; just ask for Acct. #22.



We're also building community with Town of DeWitt Businesses:

## Byrne, Feldmeier Equipment, Inc., Inficon and Dupli Envelope & Graphics

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See the back cover and inside front cover of this newsletter to learn more about how we're building community with DeWitt businesses.

#### **Town Website**

An integral part of "building community" is communication. All of us here at Town Hall, myself included, want to be able to communicate with our residents and businesses not only in an efficient and timely manner, but also to bring you important — and interesting - stories, points of interest, changes in procedures, services updates, etc.

After careful evaluation, we've determined it is time to update our town website. We are presently preparing an RFP to be released sometime later this month. If your business or place of employment has an expertise in websites, let us know you would like to receive the RFP

Just contact my office at (315) 446-3910 x 5 or supervisor@townofdewitt.com.

### **Mixed-Use Development**

Mixed-use development is characterized as pedestrian-friendly development that blends two or more residential, commercial, cultural, or institutional uses. (The Town of Manlius has made use of this development option in the last few years.) Our community is unique in that we have several "town centers;" our new mixed-use development overlay zoning option will allow us to revitalize and re-energize key areas of the town, as well as support the redevelopment of critical properties that sit empty, undeveloped, or are in need of redevelopment.

At our November 12, 2018 meeting, the Town Board voted to approve the application of the mixed-use overlay to a property on Bridge Street. The property, most recently "Mixers Grill" and prior to that "Carmella's" restaurant, is expected to be redeveloped into a mixed-use complex that will include 41 residential units on the three uppers stories, with 17,000 square feet of retail space and approximately 2,000 square feet of office space below. The town's Planning Board is currently reviewing the project.

### **Shoppingtown Mall**

For the last several years the Town of DeWitt has been diligently seeking to partner with the owners of Shoppingtown Mall to support the redevelopment of the property; we want this valuable, strategically located commercial property, like all of our commercial properties in the Town of DeWitt...to be vibrant and profitable.

Nationally, regional indoor shopping centers continue to be converted into "lifestyle centers;" what we would define as mixed-use development. Ideally, the Town would like to see Shoppingtown redeveloped as a mixed use complex; a combination retail, professional office, cultural, entertainment, food, and on-site residential living (including for seniors) facility. (See below for links to comparable large-scale mixed-use properties around the country.)

This past Fall the County Legislature voted to allow the Onondaga County Industrial Development Agency (OCIDA) to take over the Shoppingtown property if certain conditions were not met; presently the issue is in legal negotiations, but we will keep you updated.

- West Glen, West Demoine, Iowa www.westglentowncenter.com
- Mashpee Commons, Massachusetts http://mashpeecommons.com
- Belmar Town Center, Lakewood Colorado www.lakewood.org/City\_Managers\_Office/ Economic\_Development/Urban\_Renewal/R einvestment\_Projects/Belmar\_Project.aspx

### **Solar Farm**

The Town has entered into a power purchase agreement with RER Energy to erect an approximate 2 Megawatt solar array on the site of the former town landfill. The project is slated to begin in the Spring of 2019. The Town is presently reviewing documentation on the potential environmental impacts for the proposed project.

The energy produced by the Solar Farm will significantly offset the town's municipal energy consumption; we anticipate saving approximately \$2 million in energy costs over the life of the project, with a carbon savings of 2605 metric tons

of CO2e (carbon dioxide equivalent). This equates to taking 510 automobiles off the road per year.

For more information, go to: www.townofdewitt.com/Solar.aspx

### **Elevating Erie**



NYS is planning for a Spring 2019 start date on the construction of the Empire State Trail connection along Erie Blvd., East and Towpath Rd. in the town of DeWitt that will connect to Downtown Syracuse.

New bike and pedestrian trails and infrastructure, a pedestrian bridge across 481, and a park at the intersection of Erie Blvd. and Bridge Street are among the upgrades planned.

The town is also beginning a master planning project for a 60+-acre area coined "Erie Commons" located along Towpath Rd. These projects are part of the State of New York Erie Canal Bicentennial celebration between 2017 and 2025. For more information about the Elevating Erie project, see page 14 of this newsletter.

To see a great video that captures the synergy and spirit of the project, see "The Gap" at: www.elevatingerie.com/spanning-the-gap-video

### **Zombie Homes Update**

Another critical part of "building community" is rebuilding the value of the homes in our DeWitt neighborhoods that have been abandoned and/or neglected; that's the goal of our Zombie Homes program. In 2018 we evaluated many properties and then specifically targeted 8 homes in various neighborhoods throughout DeWitt: DeWittshire, Genesee Hills, Park Hill, Franklin Park, Pickwick, and Ely Drive. As of this writing, 7 of the 8 homes have either been sold, are under renovation, or the bank/owner has chosen to proceed with renovation.

The Town Office of Planning and Zoning continues to monitor vacant homes throughout DeWitt. The Town Board also makes it a policy to take proactive action to reach out to the owners of vacant and abandoned properties in order to support and encourage them to rehabilitate their property. If you

have an abandoned property in your neighborhood, please contact the Planning and Zoning Department at (315) 446-3910 x 3.

### **Deer Management Update**

This past year 53 deer were successfully removed from the central area of the town and 1,590 pounds of venison was delivered to local food pantries. Our 2019 deer management planning efforts are already underway and several new sites will be included in the cull.

With regard to Deer Management, we need your partnership in order to ensure the safety of all residents during the winter months:

- 1.) Remember, our parks are closed from dusk until dawn.
- 2.) Also, make sure you have permission from a property owner before entering private property, especially after dark and before dawn during the winter months; some properties could be a part of the deer management program and thus unsafe.
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- 3.) If you are a property owner interested in participating in the 2020 deer management efforts, please contact Christine Manchester at <a href="mailto:cmanchester@townofdewitt.com">cmanchester@townofdewitt.com</a>.

## **Electric Cars & Electric Car Charging Stations Update**

Thanks to a grant from the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) - and in alignment with our on-going commitment to energy efficiency - the Town recently received the go ahead to order two Chevy Bolt electric cars for conducting town business.

NYSERDA also provided the grant funds for the 3 double-port Level 2 Chargepoint electric vehicle charging stations now installed in the parking lot of Town Hall. Two charging stations, able to charge up to 4 cars, are available for the public, with one additional charging station to be used for the town's 2 Chevy Volt electric cars when they arrive.

Also, thanks to a grant from DEC, we expect to install 3 additional charging stations for public use at our Carrier Park recreation facility this Spring; these charging stations will be able to charge up to 6 vehicles.

Our sincere thanks to both NYSERDA and the DEC for allowing us to offer energy-smart alternatives to the public, and supporting our "in-house" efforts to conserve energy and save taxpayer dollars on our municipal vehicles.

For more information, go to: www.townofdewitt.com/ElectricVehicleChargingSt ations.aspx

### **Butternut Creek Trail Update**

The fishing platform on the bank of Butternut Creek near the Kinne Road Bridge has been completed; the platform is fully handicap accessible and is for residents and visitors alike.

The trail leading to the platform will be paved in the Spring, so the trail, as well as the platform, will be fully accessible. Also this Spring, our Parks work crews will be completing repairs to the boardwalk at the head of the Butternut Creek trail.

Thanks to our Town Parks work crews for their great work on these projects.

For more information about our Butternut Creek Trail, go to:

 $\underline{www.townofdewitt.com/ButternutCreekRecreationa}\\ \underline{ndNatureTrail.aspx}$ 



### Earth Day Clean Up

Environmental awareness - and responsibility - is also integral to our goal of "building community" in the Town of DeWitt. And, our Earth Day Clean-up is one of the best events we have in the Town; it's always an enjoyable community-building event, a great way for us to connect with one another "live and in-person."

This year's clean-up will be on Saturday, April 27, 2019, 9:00am-12:00pm. There will be 3 clean-up locations: Town Hall on Butternut Drive, Robbie T's on North Street in Jamesville, and the Village Deli on W. Manlius Street in East Syracuse. As always, supplies and refreshments will be available at each site.

Even though we may have snow on the ground now, it's not too early to begin observing what areas of your neighborhood, or any area within the Town, may need some clean-up come April.

Also, think about bringing along your family, a group of friends, neighbors, or business associates to work together to clean up the Town. With so much media, marketing, advertising, and technology inundating our daily lives, events like this really do connect us and "build community."

Our sincere thanks to Dennis Payne, DACC Chair, who heads up this Earth Day event. If you have questions, please contact Dennis at (315) 469-0565 or paynedennis1@gmail.com.



### Fiddler's Green Update

In partnership with the Fiddler's Green Park Association, the Town has applied for a grant through the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) seeking funds to hire a professional consultant to evaluate, report, and make recommendations on the condition and infrastructure of this historic Jamesville site. At this time, we are waiting to hear about our grant application.

If you would like to make recommendations on possible future amenities such as adding a footbridge over the creek, additional new trails, parking, an education center, restrooms, an information kiosk, among other possible improvements, please contact my office at: supervisor@townofdewitt.com

For more information about Fiddler's Green, go to: <a href="https://www.townofdewitt.com/BacktotheFutureinFiddlers">www.townofdewitt.com/BacktotheFutureinFiddlers</a> <a href="https://greenPark.aspx">GreenPark.aspx</a>

### Free Fruit Trees!

The Town Tree Committee will be providing 2 free fruit trees to residents through a special program this Spring.

Apple, Pear and Prune/Plum trees will be available. The trees will be arriving in April, but you need to sign-up for the program and place your order by Monday, January 28, 2019.

See the inside back cover for the order form and additional information, or email Chris Manchester, our Town Certified Arborist, at <a href="mailto:cmanchester@townofdewitt.com">cmanchester@townofdewitt.com</a>. (Chris is also taking requests for Right of Way tree planting for 2019, submit your requests to her asap!)

### **ASSESSOR**

The Assessor's Office is preparing for "exemption time." All exemption renewal forms will be mailed by the first week of January. These forms must be completed and returned to our office by March 1st, at the latest. Any exemption form submitted after March 1st will be rejected; the exemption will not be granted. If you are filing for a senior citizen exemption, we will need a signed copy of your 2018 Federal Tax Return when you have it completed. If you do not file a tax return, we will need all income statements you receive for the 2018 year. Although we cannot process your application without your income, we will wait a bit for that but MUST have your application completed, **SIGNED** and returned

to our office by March 1st. Please contact our office if you have any questions when you receive your renewal.

The STAR exemption process has several changes made by the New York State:

For New Home Owners Only: If you purchased your home after March 1, 2015, you will no longer apply for the Basic STAR exemption at our office, you will need to apply through the state. You can apply online at <a href="www.tax.ny.gov">www.tax.ny.gov</a> or call (518) 457-2036.

For Enhanced STAR Exemptions: You must now complete and return to our office a SIGNED RP-425 form, (IVP form), which will be included with the Senior Citizen application and was sent with the Enhanced STAR application. If we do not receive that form in our office we cannot process your Enhanced STAR application or the Enhanced portion of the Senior Citizen application.

Contact our office with any questions at (315) 446-3910 x 8.



### **HIGHWAY**

### **Notes from Superintendent Conte:**



Time and weather wait for no one...we are constantly reminded of that within the Highway Department.

Winter 2017: 104 complete plow trips within the Town. Our first trip was on November 10, 2017 and the last one was on April 15, 2018. In between we collected leaves, continued to upgrade street signs, and tended to asphalt repairs (water breaks and pot holes). We made several trips to assist with fallen trees and limbs caused by the heavy snow and wind.

**Spring:** Was very wet and then turned very warm! Lawn restorations, cleaning and repairing catch basins, street sweeping, and preparations for paving projects. The Highway Department has received approval of a grant via Senator DeFrancisco's office. The funds will be used to replace the roof on one of the outbuildings, and install new overhead doors in the main garage.

Summer: Construction and Canal Day! The Town completed over 17.21 miles of road (re) surfacing. I appreciate your consideration for the crews that work in your neighborhoods, and your patience. I hope you were able to enjoy the 50<sup>th</sup> Canal Day celebration...Highway vehicles were available for children (and adults!) to experience and explore. Catch basin projects included Canada Drive, Schuyler Road and Loucks Road. Basins were repaired or replaced as necessary on all the roads that were (re)surfaced; Repairs were made to large portions of the Singletree/Doubletree neighborhoods.



We were fortunate to have assistance gathering and compiling storm water infrastructure data from the Central New York Regional Planning & Development Board again this July. The CNYRPD interns, accompanied by highway staff, were able to finish collecting data in several neighborhoods. We are anxious to view the completed project online. It will be a valuable tool when scheduling the maintenance and repair of our infrastructure.

**Fall:** The early snowfall interrupted leaf removal. The wet leaves will be picked up with the loaders. We will continue to collect them as the weather allows. There is no set schedule, and please remember, we are not able to collect bagged materials.

As a courtesy, the Highway Department will assist with mailbox repair if our snow plow has hit the box or post. Please check your mailboxes now for stability. The Town will not make repairs to mailboxes which are unable to withstand the force of snow, struck by other vehicles or improperly installed. Call highway at (315) 437-8331 to report and we will visit the site as soon as the weather allows. The Town is not responsible for replacing designer boxes, posts, or any style of newspaper boxes. (if you have such a mailbox, you may want to consider removing it for the winter months and replacing it with a standard box). Contact your post office to make temporary arrangements for mail service.

Winter 2018: WHEN IS THE PLOW COMING? The plow routes within the Town take an average of 4 hours to complete, and the drivers typically start as early at 3:00am.

I appreciate the community support of our efforts and continue to be available to assist with any concerns you have.

Rocco P. Conte

### **Brush and Yard Debris**

Placing brush and lawn debris curbside, outside of the established schedule is a violation of Town Code. These piles are a safety hazard; they interfere with the storm water system, and are unsightly. The Town of DeWitt takes pride in offering this service; we need everyone's cooperation to coordinate a successful program. Brush and yard debris collection runs April thru October. The 2019 yard waste pick up schedule will be available on the Town's website after the new year, as well as being published in the Spring/Summer Newsletter.

### **Christmas Trees and Wreaths**

The Town will collect Christmas trees curbside during the month of January. Place your trees – no plastic bags, metal, lights, tinsel, stands, or ornaments – at the curb, and the Highway Department will pick them up. There is no set schedule.

How do I dispose of a wreath? Take the wreath apart. You can put the greenery curbside in the spring with other lawn debris. The support structure can be disposed of in the trash or recycling

depending upon what the material is. We cannot pick up wreaths when collecting the Christmas trees.

### **Overnight Parking**

Overnight parking (between the hours of 2:00am and 6:00am) on streets and roadways is prohibited in the Town of DeWitt from November 1- April 1. This regulation is not weather dependent, or "suspended" during school vacations!

### **Plow Safety**

The plow routes within the Town take an average of 4 hours to complete. Here are some safety tips to keep in mind this winter:

- Don't crowd the plow—give them room to work. The plows are wide and may cross the centerline or shoulder.
- Don't tailgate and try not to pass.
- If you must pass, take extreme caution.
- Snowplows travel below the posted speed limit—be patient.
- A snowplow operator's field of vision is restricted. You may see them but they may not see you. Please stay a safe distance behind the snowplow. Keep your distance and watch for sudden stops, turns and backing up.
- On multiple lane roads, watch for snowplows operating in either lane.
- Snowplows can throw up a cloud of snow that can reduce your visibility to zero in less time than you can react. Never drive into a snow cloud it could conceal a snowplow.
- Be aware of the extreme danger of snow tunnels built along the roadside, or in snow storage areas. Plow drivers cannot see children playing inside them and the force of additional snow accumulating may cause cave-ins.



#### **Streets/Roads: Who to Contact**

To report issues with the New York State Streets/Roads within the Town of DeWitt listed below, please call:

### 1-800-POTHOLE or (315) 426-2131

- Route 5: also referred to as Erie Boulevard
- Route 92: also referred to as E. Genesee St., and/or Highbridge Road, or Lyndon Corners
- New Court Avenue: also referred to as Rt. 598
- North Midler Avenue to Rt. 298
- Route 481
- Route 173: also referred to as Seneca Turnpike
- Route 290: also referred to as James St., West Manlius St.; Manlius Center Rd. or Bridge St.
- Route 298: also referred to as Collamer Road
- Route 690
- Route 90: NYS Thruway
- Route 635: referred to as Thompson Road, (Erie Blvd. to Carrier Circle)

To report issues with the Onondaga County Streets/Roads within the Town of DeWitt listed below, please call (315) 435-5415.

- Barker Hill Road
- Jamesville Road also called North Street
- Kimber Road
- Gates Road
- Nottingham Road
- Ouintard Road
- Rockcut Road: called Jamesville Toll Road
- Route 91: also called Pompey Road
- South Street: also called Apulia Road
- Tecumseh Road

For the following call (315) 435-5452

- Exeter Street
- Fly Road
- Franklin Park Drive
- Hartwell Avenue
- James Street: Section from Kinne Road to West Manlius Street
- Kinne Street: James to Rt. 298 298 to Molloy Road
- Kirkville Road
- Molloy Road
- New Venture Gear Drive

- Northern Boulevard
- Taft Road
- Thompson Road (Carrier Circle to Malloy Road)
- Townline Road (edge of the Town of Salina)
- West Manlius Street

### **PARKS & FACILITIES**

Reserve a park or facility for your 2019 event at the Recreation Office! Rentals are done on a first come, first serve basis.

At the time of reservation, you will need a completed rental form and full payment in the form of cash, check made out to *Town of DeWitt*, or \*credit card. Please note, that both the rental fee and security deposit are due at the time of reservation. \*A service fee will be applied to all credit card transactions.

To check facility availability call the Recreation Office at (315) 446-9250 x 9 or visit townofdewitt.recdesk.com/Community/Facility

## The following parks and facilities are available to rent in 2019:

### Cedar Bay Park

Located on Cedar Bay Road between Kinne Road and North Burdick Street this park features Erie Canal Tow-Path access, fishing, restrooms, swings, grills and two picnic shelters. The large pavilion is available to rent.

### **DeWitt Community Room**

Located at 148 Sanders Creek Parkway in East Syracuse, the Community Room is available to rent. This facility features tables and chairs, speaker system, 5 disc CD player, internet access, restrooms, and dumpster and recycling bins on site. Full kitchen is available to rent for an additional fee.

### **Jamesville Train Station**

Located in the Jamesville Town Square on East Seneca Turnpike in Jamesville, this space is perfect for small parties or meetings. It features a kitchen, two restrooms and a small meeting room.

### **Maxwell Park**

This 105-acre park is located on Badgley Road in East Syracuse. It features three picnic shelters, restrooms, two lighted softball fields, one lighted football/soccer/lacrosse field, archery targets and horse shoe courts. The two larger pavilions and fields are available to rent.

### **Ryder Park**

This 12-acre park is located adjacent to the DeWitt Town Hall on Butternut Drive. The park features the James L. Guyette Arboretum, butterfly garden, bicycle and exercise trail, canoe launch into Butternut Creek, fishing pond, picnic areas, grills, playground, swings, picnic shelter and a pavilion with restrooms. The large pavilion is available for rent



For more information on all Town parks and facilities and to access rental forms visit: www.townofdewitt.com/ParksFacilities.aspx

# PLANNING, ZONING, CODES & SUSTAINABILITY

### **EARTH NEWS**

### **Deer Management Update**

In areas of DeWitt where white-tailed deer populations are thriving and control methods are limited due to land use, a deer cull will occur on both public and private sites from January through March 2019. For public safety, we remind residents that Town owned parks are closed between dusk and dawn during this time period. Several new sites have been added to the program this year. It is imperative to obtain express, implicit, and current

property owner permission before entering private property during this period of time. Please contact individual property owners to inquire as to their participation in the program. If you are interested in learning how to participate in next year's operation, please contact <a href="mailto:cmanchester@townodewitt.com">cmanchester@townodewitt.com</a>. For more information visit:

www.townofdewitt.com/WhiteTailedDeer.aspx

### **Grant Announcement**

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Basil Seggos announced \$2.24 million in grants for urban forestry projects to protect air quality, water quality and natural resources across the state. The Town of DeWitt is proud to be a recipient of one of these grants. The grants are part of DEC's Urban and Community Forestry Program, which helps communities develop and implement comprehensive tree planting, management, maintenance, and education to create healthy forests while enhancing quality of life for residents.

"Continued investments in New York's urban forestry programs promote clean air, clean water, energy savings, and habitat creation," said **Commissioner Seggos.** "Thanks to Governor Cuomo, funding for these grants was made available through the State's Environmental Protection Fund, providing crucial assistance for communities to manage their forests, particularly trees lost to the invasive emerald ash borer."

The 54 projects to receive funding were selected from a total of 115 applications, ranked by cost effectiveness, lasting benefits, use of partnerships, and support from local stakeholders. The urban forestry grants complement DEC's ongoing initiatives to address invasive species, climate change, environmental degradation, environmental justice, and urban sprawl. Over the last seven years, New York State has funded more than \$9.2 million in grants to support projects with a total value of more than \$16 million.

Under this initiative, the Town will receive \$11,000 to continue inventorying Town owned trees on public lands and right of ways. In addition to collecting general information such as tree species, size, and location, the process also assesses the condition of the tree. This information is invaluable

to better managing the urban forest and maintenance needs or publicly owned trees. The inventory should begin in the spring of 2019. If you are interested in being part of a volunteer group to inventory trees, please contact cmanchester@townofdewitt.com

#### **Fun with Trees**

On a cold wet day this past fall, Girl Scout Troops 10961 and 10061 planted a tree led by Ioane Etuale of the DeWitt Tree Committee. Under the watchful eye of Ioane, the girls planted the tree and learned the benefits of planting trees.



### **Elevating Erie Update**



In the Spring 2018 newsletter we shared the news of the State's commitment to complete the Empire State Trail by 2020 – an exciting State-wide investment in recreational trail connections that proposes to bring pedestrian and bicycle

infrastructure through the center of DeWitt via Erie Boulevard. Among the following upgrades to our local trails beginning spring 2019:

- New bicycle and pedestrian trail and infrastructure along Towpath Road,
- New pedestrian bridge crossing 481, parallel to the Kinne Street bridge, which will connect our existing Erie Canal trailhead to the Towpath Road improvements

The Town is staying engaged in the State's project planning through our ongoing work with Elevating Erie, our collaborative project with the City of Syracuse to close the gap in the Erie Canal Trail between DeWitt and Camillus.

We're continuing to pursue projects that raise the bar on the State's current proposal, including a new park near the intersection of Bridge Street and Erie Boulevard to improve our existing Widewaters Pond and a public art installation near the current Erie Canal trailhead. Up to date project information is always available at <a href="http://www.elevatingerie.com">http://www.elevatingerie.com</a> or <a href="http://www.elevatingerie.com">www.facebook.com/ElevatingErie</a>.

### **UPCOMING EARTH EVENTS**

Free Fruit Trees (Apple, Pear, and Prune/Plum)

We are excited to offer FREE fruit trees for planting this upcoming spring. A couple of varieties of apples and pears are available as well as Stanley prunes (plum). Place your orders early--quantities are limited. Call first to ensure varieties are still available. Two trees are FREE—you simply have to choose a location and plant them. Trees are bare root and arriving in April. Pick-up location is yet to be determined. Place your orders by Monday, January 28, 2019. See inside back cover for order form and additional details.

cmanchester@townofdewitt.com

Tree Care and More Tuesday, May 7 5:00pm-Dark

We are looking for volunteers to join us at the DeWitt Fire Station on Genesee Street to give the trees some love. The DeWitt Tree Committee adopted the trees a couple of years ago and have been watching their progress. Park and meet in parking lot on Wellington Road, directly behind the Tops Xpress Fuel (please do not park at the Fire Department itself.) We will prune, mulch, and care for the trees on the site. This is a family friendly event; helpers of all ages welcome! Dress comfortably and for the weather. Bring garden gloves and water to drink. You can also bring a pair of sharp bypass pruners, loppers, and/or a hand saw. Please RSVP to <a href="mailto:cmanchester@townofdewitt.com">cmanchester@townofdewitt.com</a> or <a href="mailto:aroesgen@gmail.com">aroesgen@gmail.com</a>

### Wake Up the Butterfly Garden Saturday, May 4 9:00am-12:00pm

We are challenging volunteers to continue to revitalize the Butterfly Garden! Meet at Galster Pavilion. Volunteers will be divided into groups. Tasks include weeding, planting, mulching, and pruning. Tree lovers will be sent out to prune and remove stakes on young trees. Please RSVP to <a href="mailto:cmanchester@townofdewitt.com">cmanchester@townofdewitt.com</a> for more information.

### CODES ENFORCEMENT



### **Home Safety Tips**

Smoke detectors need to be placed inside every bedroom and sleeping rooms on the ceiling and outside in the hallway or immediate area. Every floor of the house including the basement needs to have a smoke detector. Now is a great time to check the batteries in your detectors!

Carbon monoxide detectors need to be placed outside of bedrooms and sleeping rooms in the immediate area. Check the battery life of all carbon monoxide detectors

Combination smoke/carbon monoxide detectors are allowed in lieu of carbon monoxide detectors. Heating devices such as furnaces, boilers, woodstove and fireplaces need to be inspected as to proper operation and exhaust ventilation to the exterior.

Exterior wall vents for all fuel fired devices need to be checked during the winter months. Snow drifting may exceed the height of the exhaust and air intake vent pipes and may obstruct vents during the winter months. If drifting occurs, please have the vents raised to a higher height for proper ventilation and air supply intake.

### **Cutoff Date for Fertilizing Lawns is December 1**

If you plan to fertilize your lawn, remember that it is against New York State law to fertilize lawns between December 1 and April 1. Visit the DEC's Lawn Fertilizer webpage <a href="https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/67239.html">www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/67239.html</a> for more information. The law does not apply to agricultural fertilizer or fertilizer for gardens.

### Choose a lawn fertilizer with no phosphorus.

Lawn fertilizer can have unnecessary phosphorus that runs into waterbodies. Excess phosphorus in freshwater lakes and ponds can cause algae overgrowth, with serious impacts to the environment and public health.

### **POLICE**

### Safety and Burglary Prevention Tips

The Town of DeWitt Police Department recognizes this is a popular time to travel away from Central New York to enjoy warmer weather. We often follow a variety of safety tips when we are actually traveling but we need to remember safety tips for burglary prevention *before* we leave for our destination.

Remember when you are leaving for an extended period of time, you should make a list of things you would do if you were normally home, and make sure all of the items on your list are still taken care of when you are not home. For example, make sure vou still have snow removal service. Just because you will not need your driveway shoveled or plowed since you will not be home, you should still have a clean driveway so people do not know you are on vacation. If you get mail delivered to your house everyday make sure to contact the post office and have them stop your mail service until you return. If you have garbage cans that were emptied, ask a neighbor to bring them into their garage until you return. If you have motion lights, please make sure they are working properly before your departure. It also is a good idea to have a timer on some indoor lights so it looks like you are home in the evening. If you have any relatives or family nearby, have them stop by your house once a week and check on it to make sure everything is how it is supposed to be. If you have a burglary alarm, make sure it's working properly.

### Shop with a Cop

The DeWitt Police Department had a great time at their annual Shop with a Cop event. Shop with a Cop enables children who reside in the Town of DeWitt who financially cannot afford to buy holiday gifts for their families, the opportunity to purchase gifts that they would normally not be able to purchase. The 2018 Shop with a Cop event was held on December 8. The Town of DeWitt Police Benevolent Association donated \$1,000 to a group of students who were chosen by the school's counselors in the Town of DeWitt. The students met the Police Officers at Target located in Fayetteville and had the opportunity to shop for their family's gifts with a Police Officer. A big thank you to Target for donating wrapping supplies and their employees time to help assist with the program and wrap gifts.



### **TOWN BOARD**

### **Members**

Edward Michalenko, Supervisor Joe Chiarenza Karen Docter Jack Dooling Kerry Mannion Kerin Rigney Sam Young

### **Meetings**

The DeWitt Town Board meets the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7:00pm in the DeWitt Town Hall, located at 5400 Butternut Drive, East Syracuse. Board meetings are open to the public. We welcome interested residents.

### TOWN CLERK

### **Board Meetings, Agendas & Minutes**

Town Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals meetings, agendas, and minutes can be found on the Town of DeWitt website at: <a href="https://www.townofdewitt.com/OpenMeetings2.aspx">www.townofdewitt.com/OpenMeetings2.aspx</a>

### 2019 Town & County Tax Bills

The 2019 Town & County tax bills were mailed out the last week in December. If you do not receive your bill, please call the Tax office at (315) 446-3910 x 7.

You can also print a copy of your tax bill and tax receipts from the Onondaga County website: <a href="https://onondaga.go2gov.net">https://onondaga.go2gov.net</a>.

The Tax Office will be open on Saturday, January 26, 2019 from 9:00am – 1:00pm to collect tax payments.

### **Dog Control Complaints**

SPCA: (315) 454-0928

Emergency or After Hours: 911

### **Dog Licenses**

Dog Licenses are required for all dogs over the age of four months and can be obtained through the Town Clerk's office. For more information, please visit our website at

www.townofdewitt.com/DogControl3.aspx.

#### **Rabies Clinics**

The Onondaga County Health Department holds monthly Rabies Shot Clinics. For more information you can contact them at (315) 435-3165 or visit <a href="https://www.ongov.net/health/ADP.html">www.ongov.net/health/ADP.html</a>.



## Food \$en\$e Shopper

A Program of the Food Bank of Central New York

### **Order/Pick-Up Information**

Order Deadline: Friday, Jan 11 by 4:00pm

\*Orders must be made in person\*

EBT Cards Charged: Friday, January 11

Pick-Up 12:30-2:30pm: Wednesday, Jan 23

\*Many items are perishable\*

Pick-Up Location: DeWitt Town Hall

**Payment:** Cash or EBT due at time of order.

Qualifications: None - Anyone can order!

Order Location/Times: \*Excluding Holidays\*

Town Hall: Mon-Fri, 8:00am-4:30pm

**Contact Information:** 

• DeWitt Town Hall: (315) 446-9250 x 9

### **Food Sense News**

- NOTICE: The DeWitt Town Hall will be CLOSED on Monday, December 25 and Monday, January 1.
- REMINDER: Orders are placed at 4:00pm on the deadline date. Be sure to place your order before 4:00pm to ensure you don't miss the deadline.



## January 2019

### Food Unit: \$20.50 All Items Included

- Chicken Tenderloins, 1.5 lbs. (avg)
- Italian Meatballs, 1 lb.
- Pollock Fillets, 1 lb.
- Italian Sausage, 1 lb.
- Veal Patties, 12 oz.
- Spaghetti Sauce, 26 oz.
- Pepperoni Pizza, 22.8 oz.
- Cheese Ravioli, 13 oz.
- Frozen Strawberries, 1 lb.
- Diced Tomatoes, 14.5 oz.
- Fresh Produce (TBA)
- Fresh Produce (TBA)

## Specials Individually Priced

- 1. Popcorn Chicken, 10 lbs, \$11.75
  - · breaded, fully cooked
- 2. Stuffed Pork Chops, 2 lbs, \$7.00
  - · stuffed w/apples and cranberries
- 3. Shrimp, 2 lbs, \$9.25
  - · uncooked, 31-40 shrimp per pound
- 4. Pantry Box, \$9.50
- Includes: Orange Juice 46 oz, Oatmeal 18 oz, Macaroni and Cheese 7.25 oz, Crushed Tomatoes 28 oz, Beef Ravioli 15 oz, Peanut Butter 18 oz, Mixed Vegetables 15 oz, Tuna Fish 5 oz, Pineapple 20 oz, and Strawberry Spread 19 oz
- 5. Mozzarella Sticks, 2 lbs, \$6.25
  - · par-cooked, ready for oven
- 6. Meatloaf, 2 lbs, \$6.25
  - traditional, 100% ground beef
- 7. Scalloped Potatoes, 4.5 lbs, \$10.50
  - family sized Stouffers' product

Dear Rabbis and all members of the Jewish faith community:

Unfortunately, tragic and horrific events such as that occurring in Pittsburgh are becoming all too common. In these very tense and trying times, we are proud to live and worship together in this diverse and wonderful community we call home. I believe good will always triumph over evil and love conquers hate. We stand united with our Jewish brothers and sisters in loving embrace against all forms of ignorance, discrimination, bigotry, racism, sexism, **anti-Semitism**, **and outright evil**. On behalf of the entire Town of DeWitt Board, we are saddened by these current events and want to express our condolences and our **solidarity** with our Jewish family members. We will put forth our sentiments in resolution form at our next Town Board meeting; it is the least we can do. As noted by our Police Chief, our Police Department and all our Town resources are at your disposal, and so am I. Please call me should you ever have a need, a concern, question, or just care to talk.

Sincerely, Ed Michalenko, DeWitt Supervisor

## Resolution of the DeWitt Town Council in Commemoration of the Pittsburgh Massacre

WHEREAS, on Saturday, October 27, 2018, at shortly before 10 AM, a gunman burst into the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, PA disrupting the peaceful Shabbat morning services which were taking place, and

WHEREAS, the gunman, who was armed with an AR-15 style assault rifle and several handguns, began shooting the Jewish worshippers who had gathered for prayer, and, after screaming anti-Semitic threats, proceeded to murder 11 of the Jewish congregants and wound two additional congregants and four responding law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, this incident represents one of the worst attacks against a Jewish community in the history of the United States; and

WHEREAS, this heinous attack follows an increase in anti-Semitic and antiimmigrant incidents and sentiments which have been carried out and expressed in this country over the past several years; and

WHERAS, this horrific incident is sadly only the latest of several armed attacks against houses of worship throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Jewish synagogues and community centers in Pittsburgh and across the United States, including in the Town of DeWitt, are justifiably upset and frightened that a violent attack of this sort will be repeated in another house of worship; and

WHEREAS, the Town of DeWitt has long been a community in which people of all religious traditions live and worship and practice their faiths; and

WHEREAS, the Town of DeWitt stands in solidarity and friendship with Jewish communities from Pittsburgh to DeWitt in condemning all acts of anti-Semitism and religious intolerance; and

WHEREAS, the Town of DeWitt is committed to working in partnership with the Jewish communities of DeWitt and across the United States, as well as all people of good will, to effect Tikkun Olam, or Repair of the World;

Now, therefore, it is hereby RESOLVED, that the DeWitt Town Council condemns in the strongest possible terms the anti-Semitic attack of October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018, as well as all other incidents of anti-Semitism and religious intolerance against people of any faith; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the DeWitt Town Council expresses its outrage over all incidents of religious intolerance and intimidation, and against this incident in particular, as well as the hate speech which fosters an atmosphere in which incidents such as this can occur; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the DeWitt Town Council extends a hand of friendship to the DeWitt Jewish community and all other people of faith, and pledges that DeWitt will continue to be a town where all people can freely express and practice their religious faiths and traditions; and it is further

RESOLVED, that Town of DeWitt pledges the cooperation and protection of its law enforcement and other Town resources to ensure that Jewish communities in our Town (as well as people of all other faith traditions) can feel free to come together and practice their faith and traditions without fear or intimidation; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the DeWitt Town Council calls upon DeWitt's New York State legislative and Congressional delegations, and upon the Governor of the State of New York and the President of the United States to enact common-sense gun legislation, in order to reduce the possibility of attacks of this nature occurring in the future; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the DeWitt Town Clerk is hereby requested to send a copy of this resolution to the congregations and rabbis of the synagogues of Central New York, to the Jewish Federation of Central New York, the Jewish Community Center of Central New York, to Rabbi Jeffrey Myers of the Tree of Life Synagogue of Pittsburgh, Mayor Bill Peduto of Pittsburgh, and to DeWitt's New York State legislative and Congressional delegations, and to the Governor of the State of New York and the President of the United States.

Adopted by the DeWitt Town Council on November 5, 2018.

### Carrier Park

Willis Carrier Park is a \$12.5 million state-of-the-art, all inclusive, multi-sport facility for children and adults, including those with special needs. One of the first fully integrated, fully handicap accessible outdoor complexes in the CNY region, it is also home of the Syracuse Challenger Baseball program, the local division of Little League for children and young adults with physical and developmental disabilities. Conveniently located in the northern corridor of DeWitt, right off the NYS Thruway, next to the Carrier campus off Thompson Road and Kinne Street, the park sits on 20+ acres of land generously donated to the Town of DeWitt by Carrier Corporation.

The completed design of the park includes up to 9 championship tournament quality fields, including 2 dynamically designed super turf fields which can be utilized for baseball, softball, lacrosse, soccer, football, field hockey, and other special events. Basketball courts, batting cages, an all-inclusive special needs playground, and a walking trail are also planned.



May 2016 marked the official unveiling of Phase 1 of Carrier Park with 2 completed playing fields, a beautiful state-of-the-art entry plaza and gateway building, walkways, concession and concession patios, extensive parking, and utility infrastructure. Phase 2 of construction will include adding infield turf to the 2 completed baseball fields, renovations to the pavilion including ADA compliant restrooms, completion of basketball courts and batting cages, and installation of an all-inclusive, cutting edge playground.

The Town of DeWitt has worked closely in partnership with the Friends of DeWitt Parks and Recreation, Inc. and Syracuse Challenger Baseball Inc. to develop Carrier Park. Both of these organizations have been instrumental in soliciting and securing generous contributions from foundations, corporations, local businesses, individuals, and families. The Town of Dewitt has also been successful in obtaining multiple grants from state and local agencies to support various components of the project.

For more information about Carrier Park, please email: <a href="mailto:supervisor@townofdewitt.com">supervisor@townofdewitt.com</a> Or call: (315) 446-3910 x 5 or go to: <a href="http://carrierpark.org/story/">http://carrierpark.org/story/</a>













### Why is Carrier Park important to you? Your family? CNY businesses?

Carrier Park is a positive, proactive economic development "engine" that's providing economic strength, stability, and security for Town of DeWitt residents and businesses while also enhancing the quality of life and economic growth of Onondaga County and the Greater Central New York region. **Here's how:** 

Carrier Park is a state-of-the-art, multisport outdoor recreational facility serving adults and children all across the Central New York region.

Carrier Park also provides a "Field of Dreams" for special needs children, young adults, and their families through the **Syracuse Challenger Baseball Program.** 

The park was made possible by the extraordinarily generous donation of 20+ acres of land by Carrier Corporation and is located next to their Thompson Road campus.

The park strengthens DeWitt's tax base; Carrier Park keeps our 30+ hotels occupied; those busy hotels pay \$4 million in property taxes each year.

That \$4 million in property tax dollars from DeWitt hotels provides \$2 million to local schools; \$1.5 million to Onondaga County, and \$.5 million to the Town of DeWitt.

A strong tax base strengthens the value of your home and makes DeWitt a highly desirable community for home buyers, businesses, and corporations.

Of the \$6 to \$7 million Onondaga County collects in room occupancy taxes **for the entire county,** town of DeWitt hotels contribute \$3 to \$3.5 million!

That means the town of DeWitt pays half of the total room occupancy taxes for the entire county; our county hotel tax dollars support not only DeWitt, but Onondaga County and the CNY region, too.

Carrier Park draws tournaments from all over CNY and is projected to provide local businesses an additional \$2.5 million in economic activity (hotels, gas, food)...not including additional retail and entertainment spending!

Carrier Park provides DeWitt residents a state-of-the-art park and recreation facility for adults and children, including those with special needs; plus, the park not only strengthens our tax base now, but will continue to do so for many years into the future.

Over the past 15+ years our tax base has lost more than \$100 million in assessed value due to the exodus of many large manufacturing companies. DeWitt's 30+ hotels are helping to compensate for that shortfall; Carrier Park tournaments and special events are helping to keep those hotels busy.

All this and we've just gotten started! As more of the park is completed, more opportunities for economic growth and development are possible. Carrier Park is a positive, powerful, productive partnership – government, taxpayers, business, and the special needs community – that's serving the economic growth and quality of life of the residents of the Town of DeWitt DeWitt and families and businesses across CNY.

For more information about Carrier Park, please email: <a href="mailto:supervisor@townofdewitt.com">supervisor@townofdewitt.com</a> Or call: 315-446-3910, ext. #5 or go to: <a href="http://carrierpark.org/story/">http://carrierpark.org/story/</a>



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While creating economic strength, stability, and security for town of DeWitt residents has been a driving force for the development of Carrier Park, what lay at the heart of the project is the Syracuse Challenger Baseball program.

Challenger Baseball is a Little League division that provides children with physical and developmental disabilities the opportunity to do something we all take for granted...play baseball. The special needs children of Syracuse Challenger Baseball represent one of the largest single districts of the Challenger Baseball program in the United States. However, until 2016 those kids and their families did not have a "home" for their extraordinary program.

In 2008, through a relationship dating back to their childhood, Town of DeWitt Supervisor Ed Michalenko and Syracuse Challenger Executive Director Dom Cambareri came together and the dream of a home for the Syracuse Challenger Baseball program was born.

The "Field of Dreams" at Carrier Park fulfills the vision to provide the Challenger program a permanent home. Carrier Park is one of the first fully integrated, fully handicap accessible multisport, outdoor recreational complexes in the Central New York Region. It's an extraordinary place where children and adults of all ages and abilities can play together.

Key to making the dream of Carrier Park a reality has been partnership...the Town of DeWitt, Carrier Corporation, and Syracuse Challenger Baseball coming together to "build community."













We're building community.



### Town of DeWitt Recreation Day Camp

For children who have completed grades K-8

Monday, July 1 – Friday, August 9 (not 7/4) 9:30am – 3:00pm

**K-8 Camp Cost**: \$425 J-D/ESM Residents Includes 6 weeks of camp and all field trips.

Camp Location: Jamesville Elementary School

### Registration Information

All registrations must be completed in person at the Recreation Office (5400 Butternut Drive, E. Syr.)

Please do not fax or mail registrations.

Resident Registration: Begins Tuesday, March 5
All Other Registration: Begins Tuesday, April 23
Registration Ends Friday, June 21

### Space is limited! Do not delay!

### Required at Registration

- 1) Completed Day Camp Registration Form (available Feb. 1 at <a href="https://www.townofdewitt.com">www.townofdewitt.com</a>)
- 2) Current Immunization Records\*\*

  \*\*New copies required by Health Department
- Payment in the form of cash, check or credit card\*
   Registrations will not be accepted without required items.

### Summer fun includes:



- Arts & Crafts
- Sports & Games
- Musical Arts & Drama
- Theme Days
- Special Events
- Field Trips



### Available Extras

Rates for J-D/ESM Residents

### **Camp Extended Hours (CEH)**

AM (7:30-9:30): \$110
PM (3:00-5:15): \$110
Both Sessions: \$220

### **Busing**

• \$35/family – within the Town of DeWitt only

4 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Electives
Activities and Prices TBA

### Optional Payment Plan

Those interested in utilizing the payment plan must complete paperwork and put down a deposit of one third (1/3) of the total balance due at the time of registration.

All payment plan paperwork must be submitted no later than May 24 and must be paid in full by June 7.

Contact the Recreation Office  $(315) 446-3910 \times 9$ 

recreation@townofdewitt.com

\*A service fee will be applied to all credit card transactions.



## How can I register for programs, classes and trips?

### **Before You Register**

All registrations including online, mail, and in person, require a RecDesk account. Setting up your RecDesk account is quick and easy. Visit townofdewitt.recdesk.com on your computer or mobile device and click "Create Account" to get started. If you don't have access to the internet, we can set up your account for you in person or over the phone.



### **Online Registration**

Online registration is available for most programs, classes and trips. Sign in to your RecDesk account at townofdewitt.recdesk.com and click on the "Programs" tab for a complete list of available programs, classes and trips. Once you have added your items to your cart, you can check out using a credit card. Accepted cards include Visa, Master Card, and Discover. Please note that there is a 3.09% service charge applied to all credit card transactions.



### **Mail-In Registration**

Mail-In Registration is available for most programs, classes and trips. Complete the Mail-In General Registration Form that can be found at <a href="https://www.townofdewitt.com/RecreationParks.aspx">www.townofdewitt.com/RecreationParks.aspx</a>. Be sure to include an email address on the form if you wish to receive a receipt. Send the completed form with check made out to *Town of DeWitt* to:

Recreation Department 5400 Butternut Drive East Syracuse, NY 13057



### **In Person Registration**

In person registration is available for all programs, classes and trips at the Recreation Office in the DeWitt Town Hall. Office hours are Monday – Friday, 8:00am – 4:30pm, excluding holidays. Payment can be made in the form of cash, check, or credit card. Please note that there is a 3.09% service charge applied to all credit card transactions.

### RECREATION

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Town of DeWitt is looking for creative, self-motivated employees to staff our summer Day Camp program. Beginning in February, application packets are available in the Recreation Office or online at townofdewitt.com/recreation. To apply for a summer job, submit your completed application packet to the Recreation Office then contact us at (315) 446-3910 x 9 to schedule an interview. Interviews are held from mid-February through April.



### SPECIAL EVENTS

### VALENTINE'S DAY SWEETHEART DANCE

Saturday, February 9 5:00-7:00pm OR 7:30-9:30pm DeWitt Community Room 148 Sanders Creek Pkwy, East Syracuse \$10/person



Girls in grades K-6 and their sweethearts (father/father figure/other special adult) are invited to dress to the nines and join us for a night of sweet treats and fun! Enjoy refreshments, photo "booth," dance contest, fun activities and prizes all while you dance the night away to family friendly music. Space is limited.

Registration begins Wednesday, January 2 at 8:00am online or at the Recreation Office on a first come, first serve basis. Must register in advance, no registrations will be taken at the door. Due to limited space, participants may sign up for only one time slot, either 5:00-7:00pm OR 7:30-9:30pm.













### MOTHER/SON BOWLING

Saturday, May 11 1:00-3:00pm Green Lakes Lanes 7930 East Genesee St, Fayetteville \$10/person

Boys in grades K-6 and their mothers/mother figures are invited to Green Lakes Lanes to get the good times rollin'! Enjoy two hours of bowling, photo "booth," refreshments and awesome prizes all set to family friendly music provided by a live DJ!

Registration begins Monday, March 18 at 8:00am online or in the Recreation Office on a first come, first serve basis. Must register in advance, no registrations will be taken at the door. Non-refundable after 4/27/19



### YOUTH PROGRAMS

### AFTER SCHOOL SPECIALS

Looking for fun, affordable after school programs? Look no further! Sign your child up for weekly crafts or bowling (availability varies, see list below). Pre-registration is required. **Program is cancelled when school is closed**.

Late Pick-Up Fee: A 5 minute grace period is given for late pick-up, after which a \$10 fee is assessed regardless of reason for lateness. Late fees are to be paid in cash to the staff member waiting with your child.

### Arts & Crafts

- **Tecumseh**: Mondays, January 28 April 1 from 3:30-4:30pm
- Moses-DeWitt: Tuesdays, January 29 April 2 from 3:30-4:30pm
- East Syracuse Elementary (Grades K-3): Wednesdays, January 30 April 3 from 2:30-3:30pm

Fee: \$10/child

### Bowling

### East Syracuse Elementary (Grades 3-6):

Thursdays, January 31 – April 4 from 2:30-4:00pm

2 games of bowling or until 4:00pm, whichever comes first. We will walk to Bowl Mor Lanes from ESE, please dress for the weather. Parents must pick up at the lanes.

Registration Fee: \$10/child

**Bowling Fee:** \$4 per week to be paid at the program

(includes shoe rental)

### CHILDCARE AND BABYSITTING SAFETY

This program covers child safety and basic care techniques. Created especially for kids and teens ages 11 and up who are interested in becoming babysitters. This class does include CPR training. Taught by American Heart Association and American Safety and Health Institute certified instructors. Held Wednesday, April 17 from 9:00am – 1:00pm at the DeWitt Town Hall Activity Room. Bring a snack or lunch.

**Fee:** \$50 Residents \$55 All others

### **KARATE FOR KIDS (Ages 4 & Up)**

The perfect way to introduce your child to the world of martial arts training. This class is an excellent first step toward learning the basics, bully busting, practical self-defense and character education through our award winning program. Parents come and be amazed at your child's development in only a few weeks. Held Fridays, January 11 – February 1 from 5:30-6:00pm (4 & 5 year olds), 6:15-7:00pm (6 & up) at CNY Karate Schools, 2944 Erie Boulevard East, Syracuse (New Address).

**Fee:** \$49 Residents (includes uniform)

\$54 All others



## FOUR-WEEK LEARN TO SKI OR SNOWBOARD

Four Seasons will offer this four-week, one-hour lesson program for downhill skiing or snowboarding. Lessons begin on Saturday, February 2 or Sunday, February 3. Lesson times are 10:00am, 11:30am, 1:00pm or 2:15pm. Special Daily Lesson Rental Rates of \$17 for Alpine and \$22 for Snowboarding. Fee includes season pass for day of lesson for remainder of season.

Fee: \$120 Residents \$125 All others

### LEARN-TO-SKI OR SNOWBOARD CAMP

Learn-to-Ski OR Snowboard at Four Seasons during the Mid-Winter Break, February 19–22 from 10:00am–4:30pm. (Instruction ends at 2:00pm and practice is on your own until 4:30pm). Fee includes three hours of lessons a day, lift ticket, equipment rental, and lunch.

Fee: \$250 Ski Residents

\$255 All others

\$270 Snowboard Residents

\$275 All others

### **SATURDAY SWIM LESSONS**

Red Cross certified swim lessons at the JDMS pool for toddler through Level VI will be held February 9–March 30 (not 2/16). Children 4 years and under MUST be accompanied by parent in the pool. Registration by a parent/guardian of Town of DeWitt/J-D District residents will start on January 15th in the Recreation Office **ONLY**. Please do not mail in registrations. Non-residents can register beginning January 22 on a space available basis. Class times are between 9:00am and 12:00pm and will be assigned upon registration.

**Fee:** \$45 Residents \$50 All others

### SCHOOL BREAK SPECIALS

A variety of recreational activities are planned for children the weeks of February 19 - 22 and April 15- 18. Activities may include crafts, games, field trips and more. Flyers will be distributed to the schools with program specifics or visit townofdewitt.recdesk.com for more information as it becomes available.

#### **SUMMER PRE-K**

This recreational program is designed to focus on fun, play and the socialization for the Pre-Kindergarten child. Each day will be divided into short activity periods, such as arts and crafts, games, story hour, free play and special events.

Children MUST be potty trained and be able to use the bathroom by themselves. Children in diapers will not be able to attend the program.

## Registration begins on Tuesday, March 5 for those in the J-D/ESM school districts.

Registration can be completed online at townofdewitt.recdesk.com or in person at the Recreation Office. Verification of age is required. Space is limited. Non-residents may register starting Tuesday, April 23 on a space available basis.

**Dates:** Monday, July 1 – Friday, August 9 (not 7/4)

**Time:** 9:30am – 12:00pm, Monday – Friday

**Location:** DeWitt Town Hall

**Ages:** 3-5 (MUST be 3 by June 1, 2019)

Fee: \$175 J-D/ESM District Residents

\$185 All others

### TENNIS AT ELEVATE FITNESS

Young players will learn faster and love tennis more with the Red-Orange Ball Pathways program offered at Elevate Fitness DeWitt. The main goal is to start young players effectively on their journey of learning to play tennis well, so they will continue to enjoy playing a sport of a lifetime!

## \*All NEW sign-ups will receive a free tennis racquet\*

### **Red Court Rookies (Ages 5-8)**

This class introduces the 10/under tennis system; including smaller racquets, lower compression red balls and 36 ft. smaller scaled courts. The objective of this class is to have fun while learning the fundamentals of tennis strokes, point play games, work on eye-hand-foot coordination, athleticism and court movement. All kid friendly! Held Wednesdays, January 30 - March 20 from 3:30-4:30 OR Saturdays, February 2 - March 23 from 10:00-11:00am.

Fee: \$140 Residents \$145 All others

### **Orange Court Challengers (Ages 8-13)**

This class uses a larger 60 ft. court and low compression orange or green balls. Players will improve stroke fundamentals, including serve, footwork, shot consistency while having fun during drills and point play. Held Wednesdays, January 30 - March 20 from 4:30-5:30pm OR Saturdays, February 2 - March 23 from 11:00am-12:00pm.

Fee: \$140 Residents \$145 All others

### ADULT PROGRAMS

#### **ARTS & CRAFTS**

### **Adventures in Art: Painting on Canvas**

Join artist Tammra Cook and learn to paint landscapes, sunsets and animals on canvas. Also work from your own picture choice to create original paintings! Take home a completed painting every week. All supplies included. Held Tuesdays, April 9 - May 14 from 7:00-8:30pm at the DeWitt Town Hall Activity Room.

Fee: \$80 Residents \$85 All others

### **FITNESS**

### T-N-T (Tight-n-Tone)

T-N-T can help get your body in the best shape ever! We will concentrate and target the thighs, hips, stomach, glutes and upper body arms, chest, back and abs through the use of hand-held weights. Many different effective formats and protocols are integrated into this class to help achieve maximum results and prevent boredom. There are no complicated movements or choreography to worry about. T-N-T is accommodating to ALL fitness levels. Please bring an exercise mat and a set of hand-held weights (5-10lbs). Held Tuesdays and Thursdays, January 29 – May 9 (not 2/19, 2/21, 4/16, 4/18,) from 6:00-6:40pm at Moses DeWitt Elementary.

Fee: \$85 one class/week Residents

\$90 All others

\$150 two classes/week Residents

\$155 All others

### **Yoga-Lates**

Whether you're experienced at yoga or pilates or have always wanted to try one or the other, this is your opportunity to experience yoga-lates. Pilates trains your core muscles (abdominal and back) and stretches your spine, while yoga improves flexibility, balance and breathing. By fusing these two techniques together you have a challenging workout that is adaptable to all levels of abilities. Held Mondays, January 28 – May 6 (not 2/18, 4/15) from 6:00-7:00pm at Tecumseh Elementary School. A floor mat is needed.

Fee: \$100 Residents \$105All others

### Women's Kickboxing Bootcamp

Ladies...come join us for stretching, strength and conditioning, cardio and self-defense. This is an excellent workout for women looking for fitness and a great way to relieve stress. And it's fun! Free two week trial program held Fridays January 18 and 25 from 7:00-8:00pm at CNY Karate Schools, 2944 Erie Boulevard East, Syracuse.

Fee: FREE Trial Classes

### **GOLF**

### **Four Seasons Spring Golf**

Enjoy five weeks of one-hour golf lessons covering all aspects of the game. Held Tuesdays, April 30 - May 28 from 5:30-6:30pm. Fee includes balls and clubs.

Fee: \$95 per session Residents

\$100 All others

### **TENNIS**

### **Elevate Fitness Adult Beginner Tennis Clinic**

This 8-week clinic is for adult players new to tennis or returning to the court after an absence. Players are introduced to the fundamentals of tennis including serving, ground strokes and volleys. The goal of this class is to improve each player's strokes while having fun during point play drills. Held Saturdays, February 2 - March 23 from 9:00-10:00am. Free racquet for 1st time players.

**Fee:** \$140 Residents \$145 All others

#### TRIPS

#### Les Misérables

Landmark Theatre Sunday, March 31

Cameron Mackintosh presents the new production of Alain Boublil and Claude-Michel Schönberg's TonyAward®-winning musical phenomenon, *Les Misérables*, direct from an acclaimed two-and-a-half-year return to Broadway. With its glorious new staging and dazzlingly reimagined scenery inspired by the paintings of Victor Hugo, this breathtaking new production has left both audiences and critics awestruck, cheering "Les Miz is born again!" (NY1).

Set against the backdrop of 19th-century France, *Les Misérables* tells an enthralling story of broken dreams and unrequited love, passion, sacrifice and redemption – a timeless testament to the survival of the human spirit. Featuring the thrilling score and beloved songs "I Dreamed A Dream," "On My Own," "Stars," "Bring Him Home," "One Day More," and many more, this epic and uplifting story has become one of the most celebrated musicals in theatrical history. Seen by more than 70 million people in 44 countries and in 22 languages around the globe, *Les Misérables* is still the world's most popular musical, breaking box office records everywhere in its 32nd year.

<u>Trip Includes</u>: School bus transportation, orchestra seats and chaperone. Bus departs at 12:00pm from Heritage Landing, next door to the DeWitt Town Hall.

Fee: \$85 Residents \$90 All others



### **SENIOR PROGRAMS**

#### **BOWLING**

Meets Wednesdays through April 17 at Village Lanes (201 E. Manlius St, East Syracuse).

Come join the fun, laughs, exercise and, of course, bowling! Sign up every Wednesday with Kathy Santangelo, Senior Director. A Christmas luncheon will be held in December and banquet will be held on the last day of bowling.

### **Bowling Schedule**

9:00am - Coffee/Donuts (\$1 donation)

9:20am - Practice

9:30am - Bowling

Fee: \$6 (includes 3 games)

#### **BRIDGE**

Meets Fridays, Year Round, 1:00 – 4:00pm DeWitt Town Hall – Activity Room (5400 Butternut Drive, East Syracuse)

Come join us for bridge on Fridays, all year round! Drop-ins welcome. Partners not needed. No instruction is provided. Bridge is cancelled when the DeWitt Town Hall is closed or when the Jamesville-DeWitt district has a snow day.

**Annual Fee: \$25** 

#### **CODFISH**

### (Community of DeWitt, Friends in Service Here)

codFISH is a volunteer organization providing transportation to and from medical or dental appointments for ambulatory residents of the Town of DeWitt who are unable to drive themselves.

Call codFISH at (315) 463-5158 between 9:00am and 4:00pm to request an enrollment/release form. The forms are also available on our website <u>fishofdewitt.org</u>. Enrolled residents should call at least one week prior to their appointment to request a ride. Rides are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00am – 4:00pm.

When you call, you will reach a dispatcher or their voice mail. Please speak clearly and leave your name and number for a return call. Volunteer

drivers will call clients to confirm the details of the appointment. Drivers can only transport ambulatory clients. Clients are responsible for any parking fees and should bring their handicapped parking tag if needed

codFISH is an all-volunteer organization with 501c3 status, supported entirely by donations. If you would like to volunteer some time to do this important work, please contact codFISH for more information at (315) 463-5158 or <a href="mailto:dewittfish2012@gmail.com">dewittfish2012@gmail.com</a>.

#### **DEWITT CHORALIERS**

Meets Fridays, through September – June, 10:00am – 12:00pm at the DeWitt Town Hall Activity Room (5400 Butternut Drive, East Syracuse).

The DeWitt Choraliers are a 50+ Chorus, entertaining Central New York audiences for years with a variety of music. We are available for all occasions and events throughout the area, (Senior Centers, Nursing Homes, private parties, etc. Now booking for Winter/Spring jobs. Presently seeking male singers. We are all about music, fun, learning and laughs!

Rehearsals for solos/duets are held during the summer. This is your chance to become a STAR!!

For more information contact the Recreation Office or Kathy Santangelo, Music Director at (315) 446-6335.

#### **GOLF**

Wednesdays, May 1–August 14 Tee Times: 8:00-8:30am Lyndon Golf Course (7054 East Genesee Street, Fayetteville)

Come join DeWitt Senior Golf for good company, exercise, fun and sun! A golf banquet will be held at the end of the season. Register online or in the Recreation Office.

**Registration Fee:** \$25 Residents

\$30 All others

**Additional Fees:** Green Fees \$9

Golf Carts \$6 Pull Carts \$2

## HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HEAP)

Monday, January 28, 11:30am-1:00pm DeWitt Town Hall, Recreation Activity Room Call (315) 446-3910 x 9 to Register – FREE!

Cold weather is here again, and so is HEAP to help!!! The DeWitt Neighborhood Advisor can assist seniors with HEAP recertification or filing new applications for 2018-19. Your Neighborhood Advisor will be at the DeWitt Town Hall Recreation Activity Room on Monday, January 28, from 11:30am-1:00pm. If you have questions, or you want to schedule an appointment in January for this benefit, or you want to check on eligibility for HEAP, please contact the JCC Neighborhood Advisor Sharon Kieffer at (315) 445-2360 x 156.

This federally funded program helps low-income households pay their energy bills. You do not have to pay back any money granted, but you do have to meet household income requirements to be eligible.

### LIGHT WEIGHT TRAINING

Meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, January 22 – April 4, 8:30-9:30am at the DeWitt Town Hall – Activity Room (5400 Butternut Drive, East Syracuse)

Light weight training for adults 50 and older is a great way to get into shape, strengthen and tone muscles, build muscle mass and lose weight while preventing diseases such as osteoporosis. This class will offer techniques and step-by-step training from a certified fitness professional. Each participant will be required to provide his or her own weights.

Fee: \$60 Residents \$65 All others

### **TABLE TENNIS**

Meets Mondays, Year Round, 9:00am-12:00pm DeWitt Community Room (148 Sanders Creek Parkway, East Syracuse)

Play is at an intermediate or advanced level. Table Tennis is a competitive sport requiring simultaneous mobility and hand to eye coordination. Players must bring their own equipment. Table Tennis is cancelled on holidays and when the East Syracuse Minoa district has a snow day.

**Annual Fee:** \$40

#### **SENIOR CENTERS**

### **DeWitt Community Room**

(148 Sanders Creek Parkway, East Syracuse) Open Tuesdays and Wednesdays 9:30am-2:00pm Sue Slack, Director

The DeWitt Community Room Center offers Pitch tournaments, Pitch games, Bridge on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, guest speakers, hypertension screening, and more. It is also a Senior Nutrition site on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Lunches served at noon. Call (315) 470-3331 to reserve a meal. A \$3 fee is suggested for lunch. All Onondaga County seniors are welcome.

**Closed:** Holidays, Election Days – Center is also closed when the East Syracuse Minoa district has a snow day.

### Jamesville Young-at-Heart Center

Jamesville Fire Station (Rt. 173, Jamesville – across from Jamesville Correctional Facility)

Open: Tuesdays, 9:00am-2:00pm Wednesdays, 9:00am-12:00pm Corinne Brown, Director Beverly Elliott, Ceramics Instructor Lee Ann Farr, Stamping Instructor

On Tuesdays enjoy Pre-Poured Ceramics with Beverly Elliott, where you can choose from over 3,000 molds and make beautiful gifts for family and friends. Seminars are held on different techniques. Paint or socialize! The last Tuesday of each month there is a covered dish lunch. Hypertension screening is offered once a month.

On Wednesdays enjoy Stamping Artistic Creations with an instructor and make your own greeting cards.

**Closed:** Holidays, Election Days – Center is also closed when the Jamesville-DeWitt district has a snow day.

Ceramics Fee: \$5 plus cost of greenware Stamping Fee: \$4 plus coffee fund fee

## Jamesville Young at Heart Ceramic 2018 NYS Fair Entries

- Joe Banac Southwestern Bowl, 4th Place and Welcome Tree Man, 4th Place
- Corinne Brown Nativity Set, 3rd Place, Christmas Tree Holder and Salt and Pepper Set, accepted
- Shirley Rice Pumpkin, Accepted, Pie Plate and Small Christmas Tree, Honorable Mention
- Bea Salladin Humming Bird Garden Stone and Light, Accepted, Snowman (small), Accepted, Bird House, 3rd Place and Large Snowman, 2nd Place
- Beverly Zeller Toad, Honorable Mention

## New Testament Baptist Church (NTBC) Senior Center (1235 Old Stonehouse Rd, Jamesville)

Open Mondays through May 13 9:00am-3:00pm Lisa Owens, Director

NTBC Senior Center offers a variety of art classes for a range of skill levels (see list below). Each week local off-site locations deliver low cost lunches. A \$5 fee is requested for lunch, and a reservation is required one week in advance. There is a \$1 coffee fund donation requested per week. Hypertension Screening is available monthly.

**NOTE:** Due to the high volume of watercolor participants, we are seeking a watercolor instructor. If you are interested in teaching, please contact the Recreation Office at (315) 446-3910 x 9.

**Closed:** Holidays – Center is also closed when the Jamesville-DeWitt district has a snow day.

**Annual Fee:** \$25 Residents or Church Members

\$30 All Others

#### **NTBC Classes and Fees**

### Morning Classes: 9:00-11:00am

Chinese Brush Painting - \$15/year - Elaine Drawing Class - \$15/year - Judith Adventures in Art - No Fee Workshop for Multi Media - No Fee

### Afternoon Classes: 1:00-3:00pm

Beginning Basic Watercolor - \$15/year - Janet Watercolor Techniques - \$15/year - Jan Open Knit or Crochet - No Fee Independent Watercolor Workshop - No Fee Open Painting - No Fee

### **TRIPS (Bella Tours)**

## **Rock Island Glass Bottom Boat Tour** Tuesday, June 18

Trip includes admission to 2 ½ hour guided tour aboard the Rock Island Lighthouse Glass Bottom Boat Cruise, lunch, roundtrip motor coach transportation, Bella Tours Manager, and all tips and gratuities.

An initial non-refundable deposit of \$30 per person is due with your registration. Optional trip insurance is available for \$10 and is due at the time of registration.

You will receive a letter in the mail a few weeks prior to your tour with your balance due and a final itinerary for the trip.

**Fee:** \$75 Residents \$80 All others

### TRIPS (DeWitt Recreation)

### **Grand Hotel**

Monday, July 22 2:00pm Matinee Merry Go Round Theatre, Auburn

1928. Berlin. The city is the epicenter of nightlife and frivolity and home to one of the greatest crossroads of intrigue, luxury, romance, mystery and crime – the Grand Hotel. Check into the lavish establishment where the hopes and dreams of ten hotel guests collide over one unforgettable night. Fueled by an epic score and stylish choreography, the stories intertwine with seamless style and grace. Grand Hotel is at once lavish, charming, funny, suspenseful, and undeniably romantic.

Fee: TBA in 2019 Spring/Summer Newsletter

### **TRIPS (Travel Choice International)**

### Come From Away at the Elgin Theatre Plus African Lion Safari

Toronto, Canada Wednesday-Thursday, May 8-9



Come From Away is a musical with book, music, and lyrics by Irene Sankoff and David Hein. It is set in the week following the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and tells the true story of what transpired when 38 planes were ordered to land unexpectedly

in the small town of Gander, Newfoundland, as part of Operation Yellow Ribbon. The characters in the musical are based on real Gander residents as well as some of the 7,000 stranded travelers they housed and fed. The show has been received by audiences and critics as a cathartic reminder of the capacity for human kindness in even the darkest of times and the triumph of humanity over hate.



After breakfast at the hotel we travel to African Lion Safari south of Toronto. Get closer than you ever imagined in our air-

conditioned Safari Tour Bus for a one hour guided tour through 7 large Game Reserves featuring Nairobi Sanctuary, Simba Lion Country, Wankie Bushland Trail, Rocky Ridge Veldt, Australasia and the Americas. Enjoy the Lion's Feast Buffet, cruise on the "African Queen" and Journey on the "Nature Boy" scenic railway.

Our trip includes one night at the Sheraton City Centre, three meals, orchestra seats for *Come From Away*, African Lion Safari, round trip motor coach transportation, Travel Choice International Escort, and all tips and gratuities.

A deposit of \$100 per person is due with your registration. Trip is non-refundable after March 1.

Trip cancellation insurance is recommended and available through Travel Choice International.

### CITIZENSHIP TRAVEL INFORMATION

Both US and Canadian customs dictate that each arriving traveler MUST carry proof of US Citizenship. The acceptable documents are current Passport, Passport Card or Enhanced NYS driver's license. Anyone without documentation will not be allowed to board the bus.

Fee:	Double	Single	(Per Person)
	\$483	\$613	DeWitt/Manlius Residents
	\$498	\$628	All others

#### ADDITIONAL SENIOR RESOURCES

### Other Senior Programs in Your Area

CNY Kidney Foundation (315) 476-0311 Jewish Community Center (315) 445-2360 Manlius Assisted Living Program (315) 682-6725 Oasis Senior Education Program (315) 464-6555 Senior Companion Program (315) 449-3453 Senior Home Care Solutions (315) 469-1000 YMCA/Livestrong Program (315) 637-2025

### Where to Turn For Assistance

- Alzheimer's Association, CNY Chapter (315) 472-4201
- Catholic Charities Elderly Services (315) 424-1810
- Elder Abuse Community Education (315) 425-0818
- Hiscock Legal Aid Domestic Violence Unit (315) 422-8191
- National Center for Elder Abuse (202) 898-258
- New York State Office for the Aging (800) 342-9871
- Onondaga County Department of Aging and Youth (315) 435-2362
- Onondaga County Human Services Info and Referral (315) 435-8300
- Onondaga County Protective Services for Adults (315) 435-2815
- Victim Resource Center (315) 422-7273
- Vera House 24 Hour Crises and Support Line (315) 468-3260

### Town of DeWitt Fruit Tree Order Form-While Supplies Last!!

\*DeWitt households can request up to two FREE fruit trees while supplies last. Two of the same variety are required to produce fruit. Contact Christine at 315.446.3910 x 137 cmanchester@townofdewitt.com

Orders are due by Mon, Jan 28, 2019. Trees will arrive in April; date and pick-up location to be determined. For best results, trees must be planted (applicant responsible for planting) within one week of arrival. The Tree Committee is available to provide technical assistance for planting.

\*Residence will be verified through Onondaga County Tax Records. \*\*Quantities are limited and requests are not guaranteed. Please call to verify availability.

Pyrus communis 'Pattern'

DATE RCVD:

Pyrus communis 'Summercrisp'



guaranteed. Please call to verify avail-	ability.			
# of Trees		Tree Variety		
	(Retain upper portion for your	records)		
Return lower portion to: Town of DeW	Vitt, Planning and Zoning 540	00 Butternut	Drive East Syra	cuse NY 13057
Name:		Date:		
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Indicate the number of FREE to ber two of the same variety as only varieties available through Verify availability prior to placing you	re needed to produce fru n this program. Quantit	it. The spec	cies indicated	below are the
Latin	Common	Size	FREE Qty	Total
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Malus dom. 'Honeycrisp'	Honeycrisp Apple	1 1/2"		
Malus dom. 'Zestar'	Zestar Apple	1 1/2"		
Prunus dom. 'Stanley'	Stanley Prune/Plum	1 1/2"		
Pyrus communis 'Luscious'	Luscious Pear	1 1/2"		

Pattern Pear

Summercrisp Pear

1 1/2"

1 1/2"

**TOTALS** 



5400 Butternut Drive East Syracuse, NY 13057 www.townofdewitt.com

### Are you a Carrier Park Partner?

Kemper Matt Sr. and his son Kemper Matt Jr. of Dupli Envelope & Graphics are...



The Town of
DeWitt is building
community with
Kemper Matt Sr. and
his son Kemper Matt
Jr., owners of Dupli
Envelope & Graphics
and contributors to
Willis Carrier Park.

Carrier Park is our \$12.5 million state-of-the-art,

all inclusive, multi-sport facility. One of the first fully integrated, fully handicap accessible complexes in the CNY region, it's also home of the Syracuse Challenger Baseball program. The Town has worked closely with Challenger, the Friends, and valued members of the DeWitt business community, like Dupli, to make the dream of Carrier Park a reality.

"Carrier Park adds another advantage to our location," remarked Dupli's Kemper Matt Sr. He added, "We moved from Franklin Square in downtown Syracuse to the modern, former PCI



This synergistic partnership between the Town, our business community, and Carrier Park is just one more way we're building community and ensuring the Town of DeWitt continues to be a highly desirable place in which to live, learn, worship, work, play, and do business.



For more info. about Carrier Park, see pgs. 20-24, email supervisor@townofdewitt.com or go to: www.carrierpark.org/story

### We're building community.









