



The Village of NEW YORK MILLS

June 2022 Newsletter

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From the Office of Mayor Talerico

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the staff, community members, and businesses that make NY Mills a great place to work and reside. With that said our administration is in process of addressing some of the most difficult issues that face our village. Some of these issues have existed for years some of them are a result of limitations we have due to new laws and post pandemic related issues. With that said, some of the steps we have taken over the past year are, we began a codes initiative in the fall of 2021. Now that its spring we will continue to address codes violations in our village. We hired an additional codes officer to assist our codes department. We welcome Rick Fabbio who will assist John Constas. Rick is currently in training and will be out addressing codes issues. Earlier this year we hired an additional police officer. This will help our police department have solid coverage and will allow an additional officer to be on duty when needed. We have placed cameras in Pulaski Park and are currently looking to put cameras in Pietryka Park as well. We want our residents to feel safe and want to do whatever possible to make that happen.

We have been busy since our last newsletter in December. It is our centennial year and we are so excited to celebrate this great milestone with each of you. We had our bell ringing ceremony on [March 29th](#). It was great to see so many members of our community participate including the Senior Class of 2022, being the graduating class of the centennial. We look forward to our community celebration on [July 9th](#), we are happy to announce that we passed our 2022-2023 budget with a very modest increase of a 1.51%. We have been fiscally responsible and continue to make your tax dollars stretch in this very tough economy.

You will soon see a new loader, bobcat and pickup truck that we purchased for our highway department. We have begun the leasing process on some of these items. The leasing process will allow us to have new equipment every couple of years. The equipment that we inherited as an administration is over 15 years old and has had high repair costs over the years. This is just another example of our administration saving money and providing new equipment that will help us to provide better service to our residents. We are still waiting on our new garbage truck, and swap loader with plow. Our hope is that we will have these items by the end of this year.

Our Community Development Block Grant project will begin in June, we were awarded \$490,000 from the state to help with the flooding issues on Elm and Main St. We look for this project to be completed sometime in the fall. We met with Oneida County Planning and engineer department for the County's Main St program. We walked Main St and visualized how and where we can use the Main St County grant funds. Some of these funds will be used for centennial park and the rest of the funds will be used to repair some sidewalks, install crosswalks and enhance our existing parks. Additionally, we were awarded a grant to do a study on the Mill #3 building, the owner of that building is interested in investing more in our community, the grant funds awarded will be used to do a study on Mill #3 and its best use. We will be closing on our LED lighting program this summer and installation should be done in the fall. This will help save the village money and will add enhanced lighting throughout the village. We were also awarded \$20,000 to place cameras at our main intersections. These grants are all helping to address needs in our village and help the overall bottom line.

We have secured our paving schedule for this year; Paving will tentatively begin in July. This year we will be paving Clinton St, Royal Brooke Lane, Ninth St, Eight St and Clark St. This is a good amount of paving for the year, we will also be fixing 24 sewer holes throughout the village. We were hoping to do more but with the price of materials this year we had to scale back a few projects. We also are planning to begin work on our municipal building, we are looking to put on a new roof over the fire department, replace windows and put in a new boiler system. These projects will most likely be done over the next two years, starting with the roof first. Additionally, our new fire department pumper truck has a tentative completion date for the beginning of 2023.

We will have several events over the summer. We will have our Senior Parade down Main St for our graduating seniors after graduation on [June 17th](#). We continue to have our concert series, our parks program which will again be at NY Mills school, our centennial celebration and movie night. The two latter events will both include fireworks. We are grateful for our partnership with our school district and our neighboring village Yorkville. It is because of these partnerships we can continue our concert series and have an ideal place for our parks program. We also had the privilege of participating in the Armed Forces event at Harley Davidson on Armed Forces Day. We are thankful for all our men and women who actively serve our nation, we are thankful for our veterans and those who lost their lives serving our country

In closing, I want to wish everyone a safe and healthy summer, Over the past couple weeks we have had two horrific acts of violence in our nation. My hope as a community is that we can all come together to be kind to one another, help one another when needed, and most importantly respect each other. If you see something out of the ordinary do not hesitate to say something. Let's do our part to protect each other, our children and our community as a whole. As we celebrate 100 years as a village, let's remember and honor those who came before us. Our village was built on pride, hard work and determination. Let's all come together to have those same attributes that have made our village successful for all these years. One last word, if you have an issue with your neighbor try to resolve it, you never know when you may need that same neighbor in time of crisis, as your mayor, if you are struggling and have a need, please do not hesitate to call the village office, we will try to connect you to the resources we have in our community to help meet your need.

Respectfully,
Mayor Talerico



New York Mills Police Department

Emergency—911

315-736-6623



Spring is here! With the warm weather also comes many outdoor activities. I would like to remind the residents of a few local laws, to prevent any confusion. The Village Noise Ordinance prohibits any unnecessary noise between the hours of 11pm and 7am. Any recreational fires shall be no less than 30 feet from the nearest wall of any building or any wooden structure. All fires shall be no less than 15 feet from any property line, street, or alley. All fires shall be attended by at least one adult person with an adequate means of extinguishment nearby. No person shall kindle, start or cause to be kindled any fire other than substantial containment (surrounded by 3 sides) constructed of metal, concrete, or brick so as to prevent the escape of burning materials. The village overnight parking ordinance is in effect year round. No vehicles shall be parked on public roadways between the hours of 2am and 6am. If for some reason you need to park in the road between those hours, simply call the non emergency number at 315-736-6623 and advise the officer on duty of your situation.

I would like to congratulate Officer Doug Brenning on completing a 4 day training to become a car seat installation technician. We are hoping to hold a car seat safety inspection event for residents in the near future.

With the overwhelming support of our Village Board, our department will be adding an additional full-time officer to our ranks. This additional position will allow us to cut down on overtime, provide additional police coverage during peak hours, and allow officers the ability to attend necessary trainings so that we can continue to provide an exceptional level of service to the community.

From all of us at NYMPD, we would like to wish everyone a safe and happy summer!

-Chief Frankland



Seniors on Parade

To honor the Graduating Class of 2022 the Village will be holding a “Senior Parade” to take place after the Ceremony (approximately 7:30PM) on June 17, 2022. The parade will start at the school on Marauder Boulevard and will end at the Village Park on Main Street. Please come out along the route and support our Seniors !



Highway Department

Mike Reid
Village Highway Superintendent

Mayor Talerico
Highway Commissioner

Road paving will begin throughout the Village in the next coming months, so please be cautious and courteous to the Road Crews.

The Elm Street Sewer Project will begin in mid-June.

The DPW purchased a new Loader, bobcat and pickup truck.

Green waste consisting of shrubbery, twigs, etc., must be put in a metal or plastic manufactured container with handles, weighing no more than 50 pounds. Branches should be piled parallel to the street. Do not put **anything** in the roadway, they have the potential to clog the storm sewers. The Village will **NOT** take grass clippings. If you wish to dispose of grass clippings, they will need to be in a Village green garbage bag. Green waste should be put out on Sundays after 6PM for Monday pickup.

Green bags are to be tied and put out Monday's after 6PM for Tuesday Garbage pickup. They should not be over 50 pounds or they will not be picked up. Heavy items may be put out on Mondays after 6PM as long as you purchase a green tag from the Village Clerk's Office for \$5.00. Due to increasing costs the price for tire tags will be \$4 NO RIM and \$5 WITH RIM.

Recyclables can be put out after 6PM on Tuesday for Wednesday pickup. Please use lids so that the wind doesn't blow them all over your yard and throughout the Village. Also, please be sure that your bin is not larger than 40 gallons.

We do not take contractor's projects from trees being taken down; the contractor will have to dispose of those themselves.

The Highway Department hours will be 5:30AM until 3:30 Monday – Thursday until Labor Day. If you need to reach them, please call (315) 736-3204 and leave a message. We check the machine frequently

ROAD PAVING



This summer, the Village Board has scheduled the paving of the following streets:

- Clinton Street
- Royal Brook Lane
- 8th Street
- 9th Street
- Clark Street

At this writing, no firm date has been established for when the work will be done.

Fire Department News
Emergencies DIAL 911 Business Phone 736-1453



The warmer weather is here. As we get involved with outside activities, let's have a safe summer season by keeping fire prevention at the top of our "To Do" list:

- Gas grills – Keep grills at least 10 feet away from buildings and combustible materials. Let the grill cool completely before storing. Also, make sure the propane tank is off when the grill is not in use.
- Gasoline – Store gasoline in approved containers. The preferred container has a spring loaded top and a flame arrestor screen in the spout. Store gasoline well away from ignition sources such as hot water tanks and heating appliances – remember - the fumes are heavier than air and will accumulate in the lowest point of your house in the event of a spill or leak.
- Outside fires – arrange your fire pit in a safe location. If you have questions contact our Codes Department. Avoid fires on windy days and never leave a fire unattended
- Power equipment – check your lawnmower and other power equipment for gas leaks before starting. Make sure battery and electrical connections are tight to avoid arcing. After each use, let the equipment cool before storing.
- Combustible ground cover – keep mulch and combustible ground cover at least 3 to 5 feet away from the side of you home

Call 911 if you need the services of our fire department. This applies to fire and medical emergencies as well as non-emergencies (flooding, smoke detector problems, unusual odors, appliance malfunctions, etc.). You will speak to a dispatcher who will obtain the proper information and dispatch the appropriate resources. Unless it is a business matter, please do not call our fire station phone (315-736-1453) as it is not staffed 24 hours/day and not equipped with emergency features.

Congratulations to Jacob Edwards for completing the NYS Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations course!

You can help us by shopping through Amazon Smile. Make purchases at smile.amazon.com, choose the New York Mills Volunteer Fire Company Inc. as your charity and Amazon will donate to our fire department. Thanks for your support...!

We have responded to nearly 500 calls so far this year. THANK YOU to our volunteer NYMFD members for your service and dedication to our community – 24 hours/day, 7 days/week, 365 days/year. We're always looking for more volunteers. If you are interested, please complete the application on our website(nymfd.com) or call the firehouse and leave your contact information.

Rick Ulinski, Fire Chief
Follow us on FACEBOOK

New York Mills Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary would like to thank everyone for coming out to our chicken BBQ on May 15th. We sold out. Plans are in the works to have another chicken BBQ in the fall. Thanks again for your support.

Janet Griffiths

Parks and Recreation

Trustee John Edwards
Parks Commissioner

New York Mills

2022 Summer Concert Series

Thursday Night Bands/Rain or Shine

**Pulaski Park—Main Street
Yorkville Park—Campbell Ave**

6/23/2022	6:30pm	Joe Angerosa	YORK
6/30/2022	6:30pm	Midi Life Crisis	NYM
7/7/2022	6:30pm	Tuesday Night Big Band	YORK
7/14/2022	6:30pm	DVD Band	NYM
7/21/2022	6:30pm	Let Me Be Frank	YORK
7/28/2022	6:30pm	Fritz Polka Band	NYM
8/4/2022	6:00pm	Classix Polka Band	YORK
8/11/2022	6:00pm	Salt City Brass	NYM
8/18/2022	6:00pm	Joe LaPaglia	NYM
8/25/2022	6:00pm	Tony's Polka Band	Whitestown Vets



New York Mills Senior Center

Spring has sprung and I hope everyone is healthy and still hanging on. The Center is taking on new members for 2022 the cost is \$5 per year.

The meetings start at 12:30 PM ` We have free coffee and cookies ever Tuesday and 50/50 and \$4 for a Bingo Sheet as well as other raffles.

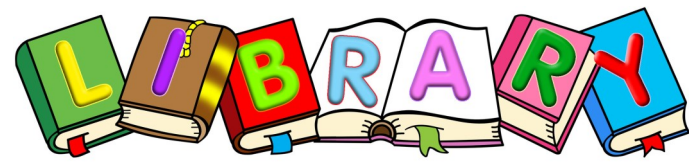
Unfortunately there will not be any planned trips but we have various things going on to keep you occupied without leaving the Center..
Every first Tuesday of the month is Birthday Goodie Day for the members who get a free donut of their choice and other members pay only \$1

Please come and join us !

Kathleen Brown
New York Mills Senior
Director



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Library News

BOOK BINGO!

Library News June 2022

Hours: Monday - Friday 12 noon – 7 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
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Email: newyorkmills@midyork.org Website: newyorkmillslibrary.org

Summer Reading. The theme for New York State libraries in 2022 is “Oceans of Possibilities.” We will encourage reading with Book Bingo for grades k-4 and 5-6. Get Bingo cards at the library or download from our website. Help your child get books (at the library!) and read. Get prizes for reading and get entered into a drawing for more prizes in August. Did you know that students can lose two months of grade-level equivalency in reading over the summer? The best prize is keeping up those reading skills! The Book Bingo program will run for 8 weeks, June 27 to August 19.

Book by Dr. Seuss	Book about cars	Book with your favorite TV show characters	Book about first day of school	Book about flying
Book about a fairytale	Book by Margaret Wise Brown	Book about historical person	Book about dinosaurs	Book by Roald Dahl
Book about traveling	Book about a princess	Book illustrated or written by Maurice Sendak	Book by Shel Silverstein	Book with rhymes or tongue twisters
Book about a historical event	Book about birds	Book about nature	Book about Curious George	Book by Jon Scieszka
Book about a place (any place)	A Disney book	Interactive book (with audio or pop-up pieces)	Book by Bill Martin Jr.	Book about a tall tale

Mid York Library Road Trip 2022. Kids, adults and families are welcome to visit 44 library locations throughout Herkimer, Madison, and Oneida counties. Begin by picking up your map at your first stop. During your visit a library staff member will stamp your map to document your trip. You will have the opportunity to receive various prizes. Participate from June 1 to August 31, 2022. More information on Mid-York libraries can be found at mylibraryroadtrip.org.

COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Tests. We still have many. Ask at the circulation desk or call for curbside delivery.



Village Wide Garage Sales

July 8-9th
Contact Village Clerk to be added to the list
(315) 736-9212 or clerk@nymills.com



The New York Mills Optimist Club is looking for new members! The Optimist Club is a group of local volunteer men and women dedicated to promoting and serving the youth of the New York Mills community. The Optimists sponsor the High School Senior Youth of the Month program, scholarship awards to graduating seniors, the Thanksgiving Turkey Trot, Biddy Basketball, Essay and Oratorical contests, along with numerous other community and school activities. Please consider joining the Optimists as part of a relaxed, fun group, and donating a little time to our projects. Should you be interested in more information, please send an e-mail to nymopt@gmail.com, or visit us the first Wednesday evening of the month at the Roselawn Restaurant at 7 PM. We look forward to hearing from you!

Parks and Recreation

Summer is finally here and we are excited about the new and improved changes to our summer program. Last year was our first summer program that occurred with the collaboration of the Villages of New York Mills, Yorkville and New York Mills Union Free School District. The program was different than previous years with added safety and oversight. We will continue to build and improve our program. We are making some changes but rest assured there will be quality activities for the children to enjoy. I'm excited that we will have access to the new playground at the school and use of the facilities when the weather doesn't cooperate.

The summer program will be held at the school and will have two sessions running from 9:00-11:45 and 12:15-3:00. The sessions will be divided into age groups this year. Our Program Director is currently working on the schedule and it will be posted in a couple of weeks. Registrations and Medical Release forms must be submitted to the Village Clerk before June 30th. They will be available at the school or clerk's office after 6/15. Please review the program rules with your children when you register them. The program will begin on July 6th and run through August 19th. Children going into grades K-6 that meet at least one of the following criteria can participate.

- Attend New York Mills Elementary School
- Live in the Village of New York Mills
- Live in the Village of Yorkville

Our village parks will still be maintained for village use however no attendants will be staffed there. It is our Village Boards desire to continue to improve our parks and maintain an attractive community. We plan beautification projects regularly and welcome anyone that would like to participate. I hope that everyone was able to see the beautiful flag display done by Owen Jassak to honor our veterans. The flags were displayed from May 22nd – 28th and as always, Owen and his team did a wonderful job.

I'm asking all of our community members to report any vandalism that you might witness. We encourage people to enjoy our parks but it is not unreasonable to ask them to respect what our tax payers provide. Our Police Department will continue to follow up on any information that could lead to the arrest of someone vandalizing our parks.

We have made a big change to our summer concert schedule. In the spirit of continued collaboration with the Village of Yorkville we have joined our efforts to provide excellent entertainment for both communities. These concerts have provided our community a nice forum to gather together with friends and neighbors for the past several years. This is a great opportunity to get to meet people and make friends in our neighboring community. We still have several openings for not-for-profit organizations that would like to provide refreshments at these events. This is a great way to get your organization more involved with the community and to raise funds. Contact me if you would like more information. Please come out and enjoy the fun, food and friendship on Thursday evenings.

We are planning our second annual movie night at Pulaski Park. Ryan Rys will provide DJ service before the movie. We are currently considering 8/20 with a rain date of 8/27. We will provide more information on our village website and Facebook page as we get closer to the event.

If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions for me I can be reached at edwards@nymills.com or if you prefer you can leave a message with the Village Clerk. Enjoy the summer!!!

Trustee John Edwards



Reminder to Keep Your Lawns Mowed

New York Mills Code:188-3 - control of grass and weeds on private property:

A. It shall be the duty of the owner , lessee or person having charge of each and every parcel of land in this Village to keep said parcel free from harmful weeds and rank or other noxious vegetation.

B. Grass shall be cut on improved private property at least once every two weeks and on vacant parcels once every three weeks from the first day of May to the last day of October of each year. The accumulation of rubbish on the subject premises or the growth of brush, grass or weeds more than nine inches high is prohibited. This provision shall not apply to land under cultivation, naturally wooded areas or underdeveloped areas which are at least 200 feet distant from any occupied building or residence.

188-4 - Enforcement procedures:

In the that the zoning officer or Law Enforcement officer determines that there exists such brush, grass, rubbish or weeds which constitute a fire or health hazard or public nuisance as described in section 188-3 of the Village Code, the Village Board shall direct the Code Enforcement Officer to give written notice to the owner of such real property to spray, remove , cut or trim the same as may be necessary to remove such hazard or nuisance. Such notice shall be given in writing by certified mail ,return receipt requested , to the owner of such property, and to the owners last known address as it appears on the latest assessment roll of the Village of New York Mills. In the event that the lot, tract, or parcel of land is unoccupied and the address of the owner is unknown , service of the notice shall be made upon the owner by posting the same on such lot, tract or parcel of land. Such notice shall direct that such hazard or nuisance be remedied within 10 days of the mailing of such notice.

188-5 - Abatement by Village; Lien

If ,within said 10 days, the owner or occupant should fail, refuse or neglect to abate the hazard or nuisance, The Village of New York Mills may undertake to abate the same through the use of its own personal facilities or equipment ,or The Village of New York Mills may contract with an independent contractor or contractors to do the work and cause the hazard or nuisance to be abated.. In either event, the cost incurred by the Village of New York Mills to accomplish the abatement of the hazard or nuisance shall be assed against and be a lien upon the lot, tract or parcel of land where the hazard or nuisance existed.

Codes Department

The codes department would like to welcome Rick Fabbio as our new Assistant Codes Officer. We will be working together to identify and take corrective action on Codes Violations in the village if you see anything you think may require Codes action please do not hesitate to call the office @ 315-736-9212 and we will investigate your concern and take the appropriate action. Remember if you plan to start a project check to see if a permit is required including driveways, fences, sheds, pools, and decks. Also check to see if your house or business is properly identified with approved address numbers that are visible from the street that way in the event of an emergency you can be located more quickly.

Going forward please feel free to call the office with all your code concerns before you put hammer in hand or shovel to the ground to ensure you are safe and within the guidelines of the village. Thank You, and stay safe.

Village of New York Mills Codes Department



Centennial News !!!!!!!

The Village of New York Mills has been in existence since 1902, and in this year 2022, will celebrate a milestone of 100 years as a community of rich heritage and a place where today's modern opportunities meet yesterday's traditions. New York Mills is dedicated to making its community a great place to live, work, play, and conduct business. The Mayor, Ernie Talerico, and The Centennial Committee are proud to announce a celebration of the Villages' 100 years of existence.

On July 9th, from 5 pm to dusk a Centennial Celebration has been planned at Pulaski Park. There will be Food Trucks, The Utica Zoo Mobile, Shriner's Ziyara Zanies Clowns, as well as live music performed by The Reuben James, Nick Vanderwood, and DJ Ryan Rys for all to enjoy. Feel free to bring a lawn chair so you may sit, relax, and enjoy dinner and the entertainment of the evening.

In conjunction with the Village wide garage sales this day, Crafters will be showcasing their talents for purchase starting at 10:00am and will be available throughout the celebration events at Pulaski Park. There will also be an Open House at The New York Mills Historical Society at 96 Main Street from 12 to 3PM.

To top the evening off, an amazing display of fireworks will end the night of pride and celebration for the Village of New York Mills. In addition to many events planned, Mayor Talerico and the Centennial Committee have been working on establishing a Centennial Park located across the street from the NY Mills Fire Department to commemorate this milestone in the history of New York Mills.

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