



Insight into your Town Government

Town of Camillus

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Dear Residents,

On behalf of the Camillus Town Board, I am pleased to send to you the 2020 Insight. This brochure is filled with valuable information from all of the Town of Camillus Departments, and various groups that partner with the Town of Camillus. I hope you find it helpful. Also, I invite you to explore our web site at www.townofcamillus.com.

As Supervisor for the Town of Camillus, it is my pleasure to welcome you to our community and to discover all that our Town has to offer.

The Town of Camillus is home to nearly 24,000 residents and we offer numerous amenities, from topnotch park systems to access to Nine Mile Creek. Our proximity to major interstates and airports is one of the reason that Camillus continues to be a great place to live, work, and raise a family.

The Municipal Building is open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

As always, I have an open door policy. Please stop in anytime or email me at macoogan@townofcamillus.com.

Warmest Regards,

Mary Ann



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2020 IMPORTANT DATES

March 1, 2020 - *deadline for filing for assessment exemption and renewals*

May 26, 2020 - *Grievance Day*

Dec. 1, 2020 - *Tree Lighting 6pm*

BOARD MEETING

TOWN BOARD: 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month
 TOWN BOARD: Summer Meetings: 6/23, 7/28, 8/25
 PLANNING BOARD: 2nd & 4th Monday of the month
 ZBA: 1st Tuesday of the month

All meetings start at 7PM ~
 Board Room, Male Ave. entrance

2020 Town of Camillus Closed

New Year's Day	Wednesday, January 1, 2020
Martin Luther King Day	Monday, January 20, 2020
President's Day	Monday, February 17, 2020
Memorial Day	Monday, May 25, 2020
Independence Day	Friday, July 3, 2020
Labor Day	Monday, September 7, 2020
Columbus Day	Monday, October 12, 2020
Election Day	Tuesday, November 3, 2020
Veterans Day	Wednesday, November 11, 2020
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, November 26, 2020
Floater	Friday, November 27, 2020
Christmas Day	Friday, December 25, 2020
New Year's Day	Friday, January 1, 2021

Department Phone Numbers:

- Assessor (315) 487-7574
- Code Enforcement (315) 487-8930
- Comptroller (315) 488-2266
- Dependable Disposal (315) 472-7455
(trash and recycling)
- Dog Control (315) 488-1234
- Highway (315) 672-5556
or (315) 672-3081
- Judge Petosa (315) 487-7066
(last name begins with L-Z)
- Judge Poli (315) 487-0600
(last name begins with A-K)
- Landfill (315) 488-4846
- Parks & Rec (315) 487-3600
- Police (315) 487-0102
- Senior Center (315) 672-5820
- Town Clerk (315) 488-1234
- Town Supervisor (315) 488-1335

camillus town board

Dave Callahan	6th Ward	(315) 488-7408	6thwarddave@gmail.com
Joy Flood	3rd Ward	(315) 487-5705	jfloodward3@gmail.com
Dick Griffo	5th Ward	(315) 481-7765	richardgriffo@hotmail.com
Steve James	4th Ward	(315) 488-6632	sames@townofcamillus.com
Mike LaFlair	2nd Ward	(315) 706-8803	mwlafair@aol.com
Mary Luber	1st Ward	(315) 243-9263	mluberward1@gmail.com

TOWN OF CAMILLUS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

“To Provide the Town of Camillus Tax Payer a continual maintained roadway system, utilizing an efficient cost effective approach.”

Business Hours:

7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Monday - Friday
(except holidays)

Phone Numbers:

Phone: (315) 672-5556
Fax: (315) 672-3736

Physical Address:

4334 Milton Avenue
Camillus, NY 13031

Mailing Address:

4600 W. Genesee Street
Syracuse, NY 13219

Highway Superintendent/ Landfill Supervisor

Paul Legnetto, CPESC, CPSWQ

Email: Plegnetto@townofcamillus.com



Work Calendar- The Work Calendar is posted on the Highway Website to inform you where our highway crews may be working. This will help you keep track of ongoing work efforts like fall leaf pick up or summer paving and drainage repairs.

Road Maintenance- Maintenance of the roadway system includes; periodic paving and repair of the roadway system, snow and ice removal, sweeping and removal of street litter, implementation and maintenance of roadway signage, maintenance of roadside sidewalks.

Drainage System Maintenance- Closed drainage system, roadside gutter system, stormwater detention/retention, open swales and drainage ways, green infrastructure.

Brush and Leaf Pickup- The highway department picks up residential brush and leaves, and operates a composting facility at the Highway Department. Leaves and brush are picked up on a rotating schedule during the months of April through October. You may drop off yard waste at the Highway Department and compost may be picked up free of charge during business hours.

Metal Disposal- Recyclable metals may be dropped off at the Highway Department or larger items may be picked up by the department (by appointment only).

Recycling Bins- You may visit the OCRRA site on Airport Road for a replacement blue recycling bin during their working hours. Large bins on wheels are supplied by your trash hauler.

For More Information Please Visit Our Web Site: CamillusHighway.com

TOWN OF CAMILLUS LANDFILL, CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION

“The Town of Camillus operates a Construction & Demolition Landfill in compliance with regulations established by the NYS DEC, providing you disposal services of your C&D waste.”

Address: Belle Isle Road
Syracuse, NY 13209

Phone: (315) 488-4846

Business Hours:

Winter: November - April
Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. to 2:30p.m.

Summer: May - October
Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m. to 4:00p.m.
Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The Landfill is closed on holidays and holiday weekends

LANDFILL GUIDELINES:

The Landfill CAN Accept:

Brick, Concrete, Glass, Wood (construction grade)
Insulation (non-asbestos), Shingles (nonfriable-asbestos),
Metals Incidental to Construction, Plaster/Drywall,
Wall Coverings, Plumbing Fixtures, Wiring (without liquids),
Road Scrapings, Tires, Rims, Auto & Truck Tires

The Landfill CANNOT Accept:

Friable Asbestos, Ballasts, Batteries, Cardboard
Drums/Tanks/Chemicals, Engines, Garbage
Hospital Waste, Liquid Containers, Paint/Paint Cans
Television Sets, Refrigerators, or other Electronic devices
Upholstered Furniture, Mattresses
Grass/Yard Waste, Brush, Bushes, Trees, Stumps

Last Load will be taken 15 Min. before close.

ALL Customers MUST be off Site by Closing. Please plan accordingly.

Services:

Construction and Demolition Fees-

Trucks are weighed upon entry and exit and are billed at the rate of \$51.00 per ton, \$5.00 minimum (tires excluded). See the Town Landfill Web page for more details on large vendor rates.

Cars are charged a flat fee of \$3.00 per carload (tires excluded)

SUV's/Vans: If the seats are not laid flat or removed, the vehicle will be charged a flat rate of \$3.00 per load. If the seats are laid flat or removed, the vehicle will be weighed upon entry and exit and billed at the rate of \$51.00 per ton, \$5.00 minimum (tires excluded).

Tires/Rims: \$3.00 per car tire without rim, \$5.50 with rim (the same charges will apply for light duty pickup trucks with maximum 16-inch tire).

Other Trash/Recycling- Your weekly trash and recycling pickup within the Town of Camillus is provided by Dependable Disposal, phone: (315) 472-7455

For More Information Please Visit Our Web Site at: CamillusLandfill.com

visit us at www.townofcamillus.com



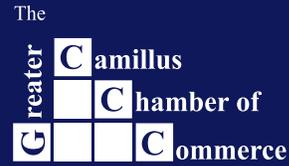
Central New York's Water Authority
 200 Northern Concourse, PO Box 4949, Syracuse, NY 13221
 www.ocwa.org | Office Hours: 8:00am-4:30pm
 Phone: Daily: 315-455-7061 | After Hours: 315-475-7601

CAMILLUS AREA WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS TOWN OF CAMILLUS
 OCWA – Central New York's Water Authority – has continued its investment in the Camillus Consolidated Water Service Area. The new Oakridge Drive Water Storage Tank was placed into service in September 2019. As the Oakridge Tank project was wrapping up, work was underway to replace the two tanks on Skyview Terrace. The new concrete water storage tank at Skyview will go into service in late 2019 and the remaining smaller steel tank will be demolished and the site restored there after. This past summer OCWA initiated design of replacement and upgrade of the large water storage tank at our Fairmount Reservoir facility located on Hinsdale Road. This project is slated to begin construction in 2020 and represents a milestone for OCWA. It will be replacing facilities that were constructed at the turn of the century as part of the original Syracuse Suburban Water Company. Throughout the year OCWA has also completed over twenty valve replacements and several fire hydrant replacements. OCWA is currently in the design phase for several waterline replacements within the Town tentatively scheduled for construction in 2020 and 2021.



P.O. Box 156 | Camillus, New York 13031
 (315) 487-1212 Business | (315) 487-4084 Fax

WAVES, your local Emergency Medical Service, would like to remind you that if anyone ever needs an ambulance, dial 911. Even if you feel that it's not an emergency. The WAVES offices are not staffed 24/7. Just the ambulances are, and often times they are out on calls. We don't want to see anyone's care be delayed or jeopardized, and by dialing 911, you are ensuring to get the help you need as quickly and appropriately as possible. The Onondaga County 911 Center has trained staff who are well-versed in determining the level of "emergency" any call warrants. We trust them with our lives, and we know their mission: To serve as the critical and vital link between the citizens of Onondaga County and the public safety agencies that serve them. It's the best way to get whatever help you may need, and as your local EMS provider, we feel you deserve the best care possible!



The Greater Camillus Chamber of Commerce exists to advance the commercial, financial and civic needs and interests of the Greater Camillus area. The purpose of the GCCC is to promote member businesses and enhance economic development and the quality of life in our community.

Members of the public are always welcome to attend any GCCC event. Social Memberships are also offered.

www.camilluschamber.com
 315-256-0643

Camillus Historical Society

(315) 488-1234

(Town Clerk's Office)

camillushistorical@townofcamillus.com

The Camillus Historical Society was established in 1994. The Historical Society Office is located on the Male Avenue side of the Camillus Municipal Building and is open Tuesdays from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Annual membership is \$5.00.

Monthly educational meetings with featured guest speakers are open to the public and held on the 3rd Monday of each month, (April – November) at 2:00 PM in the Municipal Building Court Room. Also available other days and times by appointment.

The Historical Society is always looking for Camillus Memorabilia, i.e. class year books, vintage pictures of the area, anything that depicts the history of the Town and Village of Camillus, as well as Warners, Amboy, Fairmount, and Belle Isle.

NO PLASTIC BAGS!
DO NOT BAG
Recyclables



Bagged items do NOT get recycled.

Please put all recyclables in your toter **LOOSE.**

www.OCRRRA.org
 (315)453-2866



visit us at www.townofcamillus.com

Dependable Disposal, LLC.

“Recycle Today to Save Tomorrow”

(315) 472-7455



Visit Us: dependable-disposal.com

ABOUT US

Dependable Disposal, LLC provides weekly trash and bi-weekly recycling service for the Town of Camillus. On the weeks when both trash and recycling totes are out, please leave 4' in between the totes and also leave totes 4' away from any inanimate object (i.e tree, mailbox, ditch etc). Trash and recycling service begins at 6AM, Monday-Thursday. Each household is allowed no more than (10) 30 gallon bags of trash weekly. Please bag all trash. Office hours: Monday-Friday 8AM-5PM.

WEEKLY PICK-UP ITEMS

(Please put in your trash tote)

Small chairs, crib (broken down), lamps, cushions, vacuum cleaners, end tables, small patio furniture, shelving (3' lengths), small children's toys, latex paint (dried, lid off)

- 10 (30 gal.) bags of trash per house, per week
- 10 rolls of carpet/padding, cut in 3x3 sections

SPECIAL PICK-UP ITEMS

- Upholstered chair, table, loveseat, recliner, couch, dresser
- Mattress & Box Spring Set (all sizes, 1 item)
- Large Uncut Carpet (max. 5' length)
- Each household is allowed 2 items per year at no charge
- Please contact our office to schedule a removal

SPECIAL PICK-UP ITEMS WITH EXTRA CHARGE

- Refrigerator \$50, Freezer \$50, Air conditioner \$40, Microwave \$25, Dehumidifier \$40, Water Cooler \$40, Children's Play Set \$25-\$40, TV (under 25") \$40, TV (over 25") \$50-\$75, Pool Liner \$50-\$100
Basketball Hoop w/Base \$50
- Please contact the office to schedule a removal

CHEMOTHERAPY AND RADIATION

Due to NYS Health Department regulation, Dependable Disposal is not allowed to take any materials; i.e. depends, bandages, pads, or any materials containing bodily fluids from chemotherapy or radiation patients. Contact local hospitals for proper disposal information.

“You can always, always give something, even if it's only kindness!”
Anne Frank

2020 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

MEMORIAL DAY

Monday, May 25, 2020

LABOR DAY

Monday, September 7, 2020

THANKSGIVING

Thursday, November 26, 2020

CHRISTMAS

Friday, December 25, 2020

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Friday January 1, 2021

For each one of the above listed holidays, Trash & Recycling pick up will be delayed one day from the date of the holiday through the end of the week

HOW TO DISPOSE OF USED NEEDLES AND OTHER SHARPS

Sharps is a term for medical services with sharp points or edges that can puncture or cut the skin.

Ummm... YES!

Immediately place used sharps in a plastic laundry detergent bottle and secure with a tight-fitting lid. Write SHARPS with a marker on top. Place SHARPS container in your trash tote on top of the trash bags.

Ummm... NO!

Throw loose sharps into the trash or flush them down the toilet. They are not recyclable and do not go in the recycling bin.

ITEMS THAT MUST GO TO OCRRA

Household toxics including: oil-based paint, paint thinner, wood stains, pesticides, etc. Make an appointment at www.OCRRA.org or call (315) 453-2866 for details.

“RECYCLE TODAY TO SAVE TOMORROW”

CARDBOARD: Cereal boxes, pasta boxes, corrugated boxes and pizza boxes

PAPER: Newspaper, junk mail, soft cover books, magazines, colored and white paper

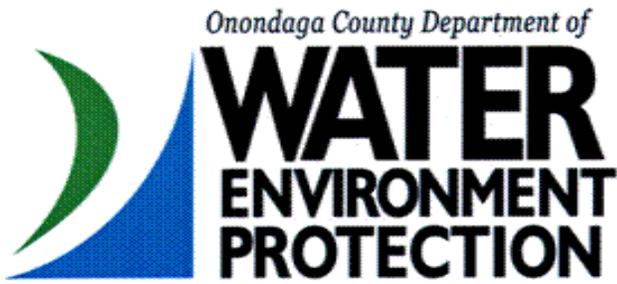
PLASTIC: #5 tubs, #1 and #2 bottles only (Soda, water, juice, milk jugs, bleach, shampoo bottles, detergents)

GLASS: Bottles and containers (any color)

CANS: Aluminum, tin, steel containers, pie plates, foil

PLEASE REMOVE LIDS/CAPS FROM PLASTIC RECYCLABLES, THANK YOU!

visit us at www.townofcamillus.com



The 24/7 service line is 315-435-3157

Onondaga County Water Environment Protection maintains your sewers, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If you have any problems, please call (315) 435-3157 (24/7) sewer maintenance line.

“Flushable” wipes and fats, oils, and grease accumulate in sewer pipes creating clogs and causing sewage backups. These items should never be disposed of in the toilet or down your kitchen sink. Disposal into your garbage will help keep your sewers flowing properly!

Code Enforcement Office

Tom Price, Code Enforcement Officer
(315) 487-8930 tprice@townofcamillus.com

We are responsible for the enforcement of the Building Code, Fire Code, and Zoning Ordinance as well as Phase II Storm Water and other miscellaneous rules, regulations and ordinances.

FEMA Flood information maps are available for viewing at our office. You may also visit the FEMA Flood Map Service Center. We are located in the Town Hall next to the Police Dept.

Our phone number is (315) 487-8930 or e-mail Tom Price at: tprice@townofcamillus.com

Visit our website: <http://www.townofcamillus.com> under Government/Code Enforcement/Building Inspector for more detailed information and downloadable forms.

Parks & Recreation Camillus Justice Court Department

Eric Bacon, Director
(315) 487-3600

Email: Recreation@townofcamillus.com
www.camillusrecreation.com

Leisure Line: (315) 487-2170

(public skate/swim hours, special events)

Physical Address: 1 Shove Park Drive, Camillus, NY 13031

Mailing Address: 4600 W. Genesee St, Syracuse, NY 13219

The Camillus Parks and Recreation Department offers a wide array of programs, facilities and parks to meet the recreation and leisure needs of our residents. We offer several Sport Camps, Summer Day Camp, Learn to Swim, Public Swim, Learn to Skate, Public Skate, Fitness Classes, and Karate as well as many other programs and activities. These resources are showcased bi-annually in our program brochure which can be found on our website or pick one up in our office. The summer edition will be available in late May and fall/winter edition will be available in late September.

The Parks and Recreation office is located at 1 Shove Park Drive in the upper level of the Shove Park Ice Arena. The office is open Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM. Follow Camillus Parks and Recreation activities on Facebook.

Justice Stephen Poli (315) 487-0600

(last names begin with A-K)

Justice John Petosa (315) 487-7066

(last names begin with L-Z)

The Town of Camillus Justice Court handles a variety of matters including criminal, traffic, civil, town ordinances and marriages. Office hours are 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Monday through Friday. Court staff is available to answer questions but is not able to give out legal advice.

Justice Stephen L. Poli administers cases for those whose last names begin with the letters A-K.

Phone: (315) 487-0600, Fax (315) 487-1537

Court is held Tuesdays at 3:00 PM. Email address is slpoli@townofcamillus.com

Justice John J. Petosa administers cases for those whose last names begin with the letters L-Z.

Phone: (315) 487-7066, FAX (315) 487-8878

Court is held Thursdays at 4:00 PM. Email address is jpetosa@townofcamillus.com

Payments may be made in the form of cash, money order, Visa or MasterCard. Credit card payments are not accepted by phone as a signature is needed. A service fee will be assessed on all credit card payments.

“To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the world.”

Dr. Seuss

Save the date...

2020 Tree Lighting

Tuesday, December 1, 2020

at the Camillus

Municipal Building, 6:00 p.m.



Office of the Comptroller

Camillus Erie Canal Park

5750 Devoe Road, Camillus, NY 13031

(315) 488-3409

Mailing Address: 109 East Way, Camillus, NY 13031

Office of the Comptroller

Kathryn Tirinato, Comptroller

Email: ktirinato@townofcamillus.com

Phone (315) 488-2266/fax (315) 468-4179

Home of the only restored navigable aqueduct in New York State. The Erie Canal Park is open all year for hiking, biking, cross country skiing, snowmobiling, fishing and non-motorized craft. School and group tours are available by appointment, please call 315-488-3409.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Camillus Erie Canal Park is open year round.

Sim's Store Museum is open on Saturdays, 12-4PM (*year round*).

Sim's Store Museum is open May-October on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, 12-4 PM

Narrated Boat Tours are available Sundays, May – Columbus Day sailings 1, 2, 3, 4 PM

Summer Dessert Cruises are held July-August

Admission is free to the Camillus Erie Canal Park.

Towpath Day will take place on Saturday, August 8, 2020 from 11AM - 4PM

For more information visit: www.eriecanalcamillus.com

The Office of the Comptroller is responsible for working with the Town Board to facilitate the management of the Town's finances. The Comptroller receives and disperses funds received from sources such as property taxes, user fees, grants, state aid, and interest payments, as well as auditing and processing all accounts payable for payment. The annual budget is prepared with the Office of the Comptroller, Department Heads and the Town Board. In addition, the office is responsible for payroll preparation and benefit administration for past and present Town employees.

Municipal Dog Control

Dog Control Officer: Melissa Mariano

mmariano@townofcamillus.com | (315) 488-1234

DOG CONTROL OFFICE:

The Dog Control Office enforces dog-related ordinances within the Towns of Camillus and Van Buren; including impounding stray dogs and investigating and following up on ordinance complaints against dog owners. The Dog Control Officer may contact dog owners by mail, by phone, in person, and in some cases will issue citations to appear in Town Court.

DOG LICENSING:

Required by New York State and Town law, all dogs over four months of age must be licensed and those licenses must be renewed annually. To obtain a license, proof of a current rabies vaccination and proof of spay/neuter if it has been done must be supplied to the Town Clerk's office. In Camillus the fees are \$7 for spayed/neutered dogs and \$14 for ones that are not. The license tag is required to be attached to the dog's collar. Individual Municipality dog licensing fees vary; for dog owners living outside of Camillus please check with your Town Clerk's office for your town's dog license fee.

**I would like to take this opportunity to ask dog owners to be mindful when walking your dogs. Be sure to keep your dog from wandering onto private property unless the owner of that property has invited you to do so. Refrain from allowing your dog to urinate on mailboxes, flowers or shrubs as it can be damaging. Also, if your dog needs to defecate please be prepared with a bag to pick the waste up and take it with you for proper disposal. Thank you!

Reminder: At our two dog friendly Parks, Camillus Park and the Erie Canal Trail Park, dogs must be leashed at all times and their feces

must be picked up and disposed of properly by the person walking that dog. This is the law and insures safety for you and your dog and also allows others to enjoy these parks without stepping in feces and without the fear of a loose dog approaching them or worse.

Dog Control ordinances are outlined in Chapter 54 of the Town code which you can find on the Town website: www.townofcamillus.com

MISSING OR FOUND DOG:

If your dog is missing or you have found a dog, contact the Dog Control Officer immediately to report it. You should also alert surrounding towns and local shelters; here are some contact numbers:

Camillus & Van Buren: (315) 488-1234

Solvay/Geddes: (315) 559-7891

Elbridge: (315) 253-4367

Lysander: (315) 454-0928

Marcellus: (315) 673-2256

Onondaga: (315) 469-3144

City of Syracuse: (315) 473-6608

CNY SPCA: (315) 454-4479

Did You Know?

The town of Camillus has two dog friendly parks. The Erie Canal Park and Camillus Park...dogs must be on a leash and please clean up after your pets. Thank you!



visit us at www.townofcamillus.com

Town Clerk's Office

Martha Dickson-McMahon, Town Clerk
mdickson@townofcamillus.com
(315) 488-1234

TAX COLLECTION

ONLINE TAX INFO AND PAYMENT!!

You can view your current bill, get a copy of a past receipt, or pay your bill online using debit card, credit card, or electronic check at www.townofcamillus.com!

Property Taxes: Bills are generated and mailed by Onondaga County at the beginning of January

School Taxes: Bills are generated and mailed by Onondaga County at the beginning of September

Payment Options: Payment may be made online, by mail, or in person. We accept check, cash, electronic check, or credit/debit payment (surcharge applies)

Partial Payments: Bill totals may be divided into up to four partial payments during the collection period. To be eligible, you must make a payment of at least \$20.00 during the first 30 day period. Penalties apply to remaining balances.

DID YOU KNOW?

- It is the responsibility of the property owner to ensure timely payment of taxes, even if a bill is not received in the mail or the payments are supposed to be made via escrow with a mortgage holder.
- If using online banking to have a check issued, be aware that the banks don't mail them immediately and the envelopes do not contain a USPS postmark. Allow plenty of lead time, since bank checks received after the due date without a proper postmark cannot be accepted.
- NY Real Property Tax Law states that no Town or County official has the authority to waive penalty fees
- You can pay current bills or obtain receipts for past paid bills at www.townofcamillus.com
- STAR stands for "School Tax Relief"; this exemption will only appear on your school tax bill in September and not on your property tax bill in January.

LICENSING & PERMITS

The Town Clerk's office offers a variety of licensing and permits including: marriage licenses, dog licenses, hunting/fishing licenses, gaming licenses, peddler permits, block party permits and disabled parking permits. Details on the requirements for any of these can be found on the Town Clerk page at www.townofcamillus.com.

PASSPORTS

The Camillus Town Clerk's office is an authorized processing agent of the U.S. Department of State. Passport & Passport Card applications are accepted on all business days from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. All necessary forms may be obtained from the Town Clerk's office or downloaded from the US Department of State's website: www.travel.state.gov/passport.

****TAX BILLS AND DOG LICENSES CAN BE PAID BY MAIL OR ONLINE AT WWW.TOWNOFCAMILLUS.COM****

Assessor's Office

Celeste Karakas, Assessor
ckarakas@townofcamillus.com
315-487-7574
315-487-5568 (fax)

Office Hours 8:30 – 4:30

If turning 65 this year, please contact the Assessor's Office prior to March 1st.

STAR UPDATE

New STAR applicants will receive a credit in the form of a check directly from New York State instead of receiving a school property tax exemption. NEW Basic and Enhanced STAR applicants need to register with the New York State Tax Department to receive a STAR check. Visit www.tax.ny.gov or call (518)457-2036 to register.

EXEMPTIONS

The Office still administers UPGRADING EXISTING Basic STAR exemptions TO Enhanced STAR exemption. After the initial change, the Enhanced STAR exemption will no longer need renewing in our office as New York State will monitor the exemption requirement directly.

The Senior Citizen Low Income Exemption (RP-467) remains the same; the office will send yearly renewals with instructions.

There are other various exemptions offered to property owners. Applications are available either online or at the office. For more information or to download forms please visit the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance website (www.tax.ny.gov) click on property owners, exemptions, and follow guidelines. The following is a list of common exemptions administered by this office:

- Agricultural (RP-305)
- Business (RP-485)
- Disability and Limited Income (RP-459)
- Solar (RP-487)
- Veteran (RP-458)

QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR VALUE?

The office is responsible to maintain, update and record any changes to over 10,000 parcels. Information on your property is available online at Onondaga County's website www.ongov.net. This is used along with sales that have occurred in your area to keep 100% equalization throughout the town. The County's website also offers comparable sales information, tax maps, and grievance forms (RP-524). To review any questions about your assessment, informal appointments are available after the 1st of March. Please call the office for scheduling. Grievance Day is always available if you still have concerns about your assessment. Grievance Day for 2020 will be Tuesday, May 26th.

REMINDER:

EXEMPTION DEADLINE IS MARCH 1st

Notary Services...

The Town of Camillus offers FREE notary services. Please stop in during regular office hours!



C.A.T.F.I.S.H.

**Camillus Area Transport
Friends in Service Here
(315) 701-5949**

**VOLUNTEER DRIVERS
ARE NEEDED.**

If you are interested in becoming a driver, please contact the Senior Coordinator at (315) 672-5820.



CatFISH is a volunteer organization that provides free transportation to medical and dental appointments for eligible Camillus senior citizens. Rides are available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Seniors must be ambulatory, unable to drive themselves and have no other means of transportation. The CatFISH reservation line (315-701-5949) is open Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Calls should be made at least one week in advance.

Local Libraries

Maxwell Memorial Library:

14 Genesee Street, Camillus
(315) 672-3661
Monday - Thursday 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM
Friday 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Closed Sunday

Fairmount Community Library

406 Chapel Drive
(315) 487-8933
Monday - Thursday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Friday 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Closed Sunday
CLOSED Saturdays July and August



AARP TAX-AIDE PROGRAM

Held at the Camillus Senior Center, 27 First Street in the Village of Camillus

Tax preparers are available BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. To schedule an appointment, contact the Senior Center at (315) 672-5820. Appointments will be made beginning January 2nd. Walk-ins will not be accommodated. Space is limited so call early for an appointment.

This free service is available to taxpayers with middle and low income, with special attention to those 60 and older. AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is the nation's largest volunteer-run tax preparation and assistance service and is offered in conjunction with the IRS.

Appointments are scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., beginning February 3, 2020 through April 14, 2020. All returns are filed electronically.

Please bring the following with you when you come:

- Social security card (required)
- Driver's license
- Copy of last year's income tax return (s);
- All income related documents (W2s, 1099s,)
- Property tax receipts including county, town, and school.

FOOD SENSE

Contact the Camillus Senior Center at (315) 672-5820

Food Sense, a program of the Food Bank of CNY, is a monthly food buying co-op. It is an opportunity to purchase food at a discount. EVERYONE can participate. There are no age or income requirements. Monthly packages contain 12-15 staple grocery items and costs just \$20.50. Monthly specials may also be purchased. Ideal for families, single households and senior citizens. Contact the Camillus Senior Center at (315) 672-5820.

For the current newsletter or go to camillusrecreation.com.

visit us at www.townofcamillus.com

Camillus Senior Center

27 First Street, Camillus, NY 13031
(315) 672-5820

Senior Coordinator: **Tricia Bacon**

hours: Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Check us out at camillusrecreation.com or visit us on Facebook



"A GATHERING PLACE FOR FRIENDSHIP & FUN"

The Camillus Senior Center, located at 27 First Street in the village, is a drop-in recreation center for adults 55 and over. We are housed in the old school building behind the Green Gate Inn. Stop by to see what's going on.

Senior Activities include:

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| Stretch & Balance classes | Bridge | Line Dancing |
| AARP Smart Driver Program | Mexican Train Dominoes | Parties |
| Drawing class | Pitch | Concerts |
| Card Stamping | Guest Speakers | Special Events |
| Jewelry Making | BUNKO | Nutrition Education |
| Senior Power Hour | Chair Yoga | & much more. |
| Day Trips | Holiday Crafts | |
| Health & Wellness classes | Mah Jongg | |

SENIOR CENTER MEETING

All senior citizens are invited to attend monthly meetings at the senior center to learn about programs, activities, and other events. Meetings are held on the 1st Monday of each month at 1:00 p.m. There is a guest speaker each month.

PEACE LUNCH PROGRAM

Hot, delicious meals are served Monday through Friday at 12 noon. Suggested contribution for seniors age 60 and over (or spouse) is \$3.50, slightly more for those younger than 60 and guests. Reservations are required a day in advance and can be made by calling (315) 672-5820.

DAY TRIPS

Several day trips including trips to the casino are scheduled throughout the year. A detailed flyer listing all of the trips is available after February 1st.

FITNESS PROGRAMS

Stretch, Strengthen and Balance Classes are held every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m. Sr. Power Hour classes are held on Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Chair Yoga is held on Thursday afternoons from 2-3 p.m. and Line Dancing is held on Tuesdays from 1-2 p.m. Call the center for fee information.

NEWSLETTER

The Senior Adventurer is a bi-monthly newsletter that outlines programs and activities occurring at the center and the monthly menu. To receive future copies of the Senior Adventurer newsletter, please pick one up at the Senior Center, Municipal Building, Maxwell or Fairmount libraries or give us your email address and we will send one to your electronically. To find the newsletter online, go to camillusrecreation.com.

Town of Camillus Police Department



Camillus Police Response To Persons Affected By Mental Illness:

The One Mind Campaign



The Camillus Police Department is pleased to announce that they have completed a pledge they took to improve their response to those suffering from mental illness in our community. The pledge is part of an initiative called the **One Mind Campaign** started by the **International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)**. To join the One Mind Campaign, the Camillus Police Department pledged to implement four promising practices in a 12-36 month period to ensure successful future interactions between our local police officers and persons in our community with mental illness. Chief Thomas M. Winn made the decision to join the **International Association of Chiefs of Police's One Mind Campaign** to ensure that the Camillus Police Department response to those in our community affected by mental illness and/or addiction is one that emphasizes de-escalation with a focus on treatment, as an alternative to arrest.

In completing the **One Mind Pledge**, the Camillus Police Department established sustainable partnerships with local mental health organizations, developed and implemented a model policy to address officers' interactions with those affected by mental illness, and ensured that all of their officers received enhanced mental health awareness training, with at least twenty percent of the department completing the more intensive Crisis Intervention Team training (CIT). The 40-hour Crisis Intervention curriculum is designed by local agencies to train a team of specialized officers to respond to calls that involve individuals with mental health disorders. The curriculum includes education on various de-escalation techniques as well as live role-play scenarios of officers responding to persons who need mental health assistance.

The greatest benefit in adopting all the strategies of the **One Mind Campaign** pledge has been the development of mutual trust between our local police officers and those in our community affected by mental illness. "Our CPD team joins only a few other agencies in the nation completing the **One Mind Pledge**. One hundred percent of our sworn officers are trained and certified in Mental Health First Aid, and more than 41% of our sworn officers are trained and certified in Crisis Intervention" said Chief Thomas M. Winn, who added, "I have witnessed firsthand how this training and these partnerships have benefited the greater Camillus community. Without the hard work, dedication and commitment of our local Camillus police officers we would not be in a position to provide this enhanced level of service for those who need it most. I am very proud of their efforts."

For more information about the Camillus Police Department

services for persons affected by mental illness contact:

Staff Sergeant Kristen Afarian – kafarian@townofcamillus.com

Visit us at: www.CamillusPolice.com

The Wilcox Octagon House Museum

(315) 488-7800

www.octagonhouseofcamillus.org

The Wilcox Octagon House is open for tours from 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM beginning April 19, 2020 and every other Sunday until the end of November. Please check the website for exact dates. Weekday tours are available by appointment. It is closed December, January, February, and March. *Camillus residents may reserve the house for functions. Please call 315-488-7800.*

Octagon House Special Events For 2020

House Open For Season

Sunday, April 19, 1:00PM-5:00PM

Father's Day Strawberry Festival

Sunday, June 21, 12:00 PM- 4:00 PM

Come and enjoy delicious strawberry shortcake. Fathers free when accompanied by children.

Farm Day at the Octagon House

Saturday, August 15, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

An outside event featuring antiques for sale by dealers, crafters, produce, hot dogs, and more.

Holiday Open House (New Date)

Saturday, November 14, 12:00 PM-4:00 PM

Sunday, November 15, 12:00 PM-4:00 PM

Beautifully decorated trees and wreaths are available for raffle and your enjoyment. Shop for baked goods in Grandma's pantry. Chili, apple and pumpkin pie, hot chocolate, coffee and tea can be purchased in the 1856 kitchen.

Free Admission

“Try to be a rainbow in someone else's cloud.” Maya Angelo

ECHO Western Suburbs

(315) 487-2878

Volunteers are always welcome

ECHO Meals on Wheels is a non-profit organization staffed by a manager/kitchen supervisor and a staff of volunteers that cook and deliver meals. Volunteers work out of the Camillus Municipal Building and deliver meals to customers in their homes. The goal of Meals on Wheels is to provide hot, nutritious meals to people who would not otherwise have an adequate meal. There is no means testing or age limit.

Hot well balanced nutritious meals are prepared and delivered at mid-day, Monday-Friday. Prices: hot mid-day meals, \$4.00, frozen meals, \$3.00, and bag lunch, \$2.00.

If you are interested, need additional information, or know of someone who wants to try these services, please call (315) 487-2878.

2020 Memorial Day Parade Information/Ceremonies

Saturday, May 23rd Veterans Memorial Park at Gillie Lake, 10 AM American Legion Wreath Laying Ceremony. Speakers to be announced. The public is encouraged to attend.

Monday May 25th American Legion/VFW Memorial Ceremony at Camillus Town Hall, 4600 West Genesee Street at 7:45 a.m. with C.P.D., WAVES, and Fire Department Personnel. Public is encouraged to attend.

Monday, May 25th A 9:00am VFW and American Legion Ceremony at the Camillus Kayak Shop. The public is encouraged to attend.

Monday, May 25th PARADE STARTS AT 9:30AM in the Village of Camillus. Ceremony on Main St. immediately preceding parade.

Monday, May 25th VFW ceremony at Maplewood Cemetery following the parade. Public is encouraged to attend.



Interreligious Food Consortium

731 James Street Suite 200 B Syracuse, New York 13203

(315) 474 - 8855

IFCIFC@HOTMAIL.COM

“Families are not only visiting pantries to meet temporary, acute food needs – instead, for the majority of people seeking food assistance, pantries are now a part of households' long term strategies to supplement monthly shortfalls in food.”

— www.feedingamerica.org

If you are in need, please call Interreligious Food Consortium at (315) 474-8855. We can offer practical support to the people who are in need of food and direct you to a food pantry that can serve you. You will need a picture ID and proof of current address. The office is open Monday - Friday, 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.

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Camillus Chamber of Commerce..... (315) 247-5992
New York State DOT Camillus..... (315) 672-8151
Onondaga Co. Assistance/Information..... (315) 435-2222
Onondaga Co. Board of Elections (315) 435-3312
Onondaga Co. Legislature..... (315) 435-2070
Solvay Post Office..... (315) 468-4795
Village of Camillus (315) 672-3484

LOCAL NEW YORK STATE OFFICIALS

Assemblyman Gary Finch (315) 255-3045
Congressman John Katko (315) 423-5657

WEST GENESEE SCHOOLS

Camillus Middle School (315) 672-3159
East Hill Elementary (315) 487-4648
Onondaga Road Elementary School (315) 487-4653
Split Rock Elementary School (315) 487-4656
Stonehedge (315) 487-4631 (gold) | (315) 487-4633 (blue)
West Genesee District Office (315) 487-4562
West Genesee Middle School..... (315) 487-4615
West Genesee Senior High School..... (315) 487-4601

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Camillus Fire Department (315) 672-9207
Fairmount Fire Department (315) 487-5811
Lakeside Fire Department (315) 487-7218
Memphis Fire Department (315) 689-3359
Solvay Fire Department..... (315) 468-1710
Warners Fire Department (315) 672-5740
WAVES Ambulance (315) 487-1212

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