



# THE TIVOLI VILLAGE NEWS

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Welcome back to our Village News!

This newsletter is meant to give you the latest and greatest information from around the Village.

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**FROM MAYOR CRANNA’S DESK**

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I made a commitment last year to you that this administration would promote a more open and transparent form of government. It is my hope that you will agree that is exactly what we've been doing for the last year and a half.

I continue to be pleased by the number of residents that are taking advantage of my weekly "Conversations with the Mayor". This weekly meeting allows residents an opportunity to meet with me to discuss any topic and or issue that they choose. We have discussed various issues such as the village's finances, street lights, zoning issues, recreation, and many other valid and important topics. I have learned much from these meetings and I look forward to them each week. If a topic is important to you, then it should be important to your Mayor. We may not always agree. However, I think that it is imperative as your Mayor, that I become aware of the issues that you feel are most important and impacting our village.

Over the last year and a half the village has greatly improved its use of disseminating information via our webpage ([www.tivoliny.org](http://www.tivoliny.org)). More than ever before, the webpage is utilized to update residents on an array of issues. Board meeting agendas are placed on line, minutes, reports, changes to any schedules, reminders, alerts, village finances, and much more are available 24/7. As more and more people are relying on electronic media, Tivoli is keeping up with the times; utilizing Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube. If you would like to receive alerts, updates, and or news from the Village of Tivoli, please email me at [mayor@tivoliny.org](mailto:mayor@tivoliny.org) and write UPDATE in the subject and you will begin to receive e-mails regarding an array of topics pertaining to the village government and our community.

We as elected officials owe it to you, those we represent, to be honest and straightforward with regards to YOUR village. You have my word that we will continue to promote this open form of government and will look for ways to improve our communication to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me and or anyone within the village government with suggestions and or ideas as to how we can improve.

Thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me to serve as your Mayor. I continue to be humbled by the responsibilities and the office I represent.

Mayor Bryan F. Cranna

PS. A special thank you to Trustee Joel Griffith, Martin Clarke, and Mark Bennett for the time and energy spent down by the river's edge on the village's property, clearing brush, removing trash, and brush hogging. The area looks great and I thank these dedicated volunteers for their time and commitment to our village.

## AN UPDATE FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE



**Water/sewer bills are mailed on a quarterly on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1 and are due the last day of the month.** Residents sometimes tell us that they did not receive their bill and ask us to waive the late fee. Unfortunately, villages are not authorized to "forgive" delinquent water and/or sewer charges, as this would constitute a gift of public funds, which is prohibited by the state constitution.

**Garbage tags** can be purchased at the Clerk's office between the hours of 9:00 and 4:00. If these hours are not convenient, you may buy tags by sending us a self-addressed stamped envelope with your check to Village Clerk, PO Box 397, Tivoli, NY 12583 and we'll send you the tags.

**Drop Mail Box at the Village Hall** – If you need to mail something to the Village, it might be easier (and less expensive) to drop it off at the Village Hall. There is a "Drop Box" located in the front door of the Village Hall at 86 Broadway. The box is checked daily by the Clerk's Office

**Holidays** - The Village Offices are closed on September 3, (Labor Day), October 8 (Columbus Day) and November 22 & 23 (Thanksgiving)

**Leaves and Grass Clippings** - Only leaves and grass clippings in plastic bags placed at the end of your driveway will be picked up by the Village DPW. Please--no branches or trash.

**Storm Sewer Grates** - Be sure to check the storm sewer grates on the street by your house and in your yard. Grates clogged with leaves and trash can cause flooding. Please remove the debris away from the grate.

**Overnight Parking Regulations** – On street parking is prohibited from 1 am to 6 am from November 15 to April in the Village. Overnight parking permits are required for all municipal lots and may be purchased in the Village Clerk's Office.

**Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 4 at 2:00am.** Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour on Sunday morning. Fire Chief Marc Hildenbrand reminds us that it is also a good time to check the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

**The Village of Tivoli's website, [www.tivoliny.org](http://www.tivoliny.org)** has village news, events, a community calendar, the village's code, agendas and minutes from all board meetings and contact information for village officials. Please contact Deputy Clerk Claire Roff, website administrator, if you have any questions or comments.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- ❖ **Tivoli's 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Street Painting Festival will take place on September 29, 2012** ... unless it rains. If it rains, announcements about when it will take place will appear on Facebook: Tivoli Street Painting, the Village Website and on postings all over town. Artist's applications are available on the website or in the Village Clerk's office.



- ❖ **The Teen Halloween Party will be held on October 26. The Children's Halloween Party will be held on October 27.** Locations and times to be announced...
- ❖ **Winterfest will be held on December 8.** The celebration is held outside of Village Hall and in the Firehouse.