

Village Highlights

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NOTE FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR:

STATE BUDGET BILL

With the proposal of the state budget, staff has begun planning for the 2012 and future year budgets. We expect to lose state shared revenue of approximately \$16,371, highway aid of approximately \$26,439, and recycling grant funds of \$10,000. Despite this loss of revenue, Village staff is confident we can continue to provide quality services to our residents. Staff will work hard to make sure essential services are protected but residents may see cuts to non-essential services and the delay of capital improvement projects.

NEWS FROM THE CLERK'S DESK:

SPRING ELECTION RESULTS

Three trustee positions and the Village President will be elected at the April 5th election. Trustee candidates on the ballot include Peg Kruse, Roger Truttmann, Henry Janisch and Sue Leverich. Jim Salter is running unopposed for village president. The new terms will begin on April 19, 2011 and run for two years.

OPEN BOOK/BOARD OF REVIEW

Open Book has been scheduled for **Monday, April 25** between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. in the Boardroom at Village Hall. The **Board of Review** will then be held on **Tuesday, May 10** between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Each property owner will be notified by the Assessor of any change in value to their property.

Open Book provides property owners an opportunity to meet with the Assessor to discuss their assessment. Board of Review provides property owners an opportunity to contest their property assessment and address any issues not resolved at Open Book. Anyone wishing to appear before the Board of Review must provide a written or oral intent to file an objection to the Clerk's Office 48 hours prior to the first scheduled meeting of the Board of Review.

The Department of Revenue provides a [Guide for Property Owners](#) and a [Property Assessment Appeal Guide for Wisconsin Real Property Owners](#) along with other informational brochures to assist you with the Open Book/Board of Review process. Copies are available in the office of the Village Clerk, on the village website at www.newglarusvillage.com, or from the Department of Revenue at www.dor.state.wi.us under publications-government-property tax.

SUMMER RECREATION

It is anticipated the pool season will begin May 20th and run through August 30th (weather permitting). Recreation staff this summer includes: Kayla Zimmerman (Pool and Recreation Manager), Stephanie Zweifel and Megan Scheele (Head Guards). **Check out our summer programs at www.newglarusvillage.com "Click" on Park & Recreation.** Keep up-to-date on program changes and cancellations through the Village of New Glarus fan page on Facebook. Credit/debit card payments will be accepted at Village Hall. A \$3.00 convenience fee is charged as part of the transaction.

Program registration will take place at the Village Hall
Thursday, April 7th (5-7 p.m.)
Wednesday, April 20th (1-4 p.m. & 5-7 p.m.)
Wednesday, May 4th (5-7 p.m.)

Sign up by May 4th and receive 10% discount on programs!

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR NEWS:

YARDWASTE/BRUSH CHIPPING

The yard waste dumpster is now available at the Village shop. Public Works provides brush chipping the first week of each month from April through October. Brush can be dropped anytime of the year at the brush pile located on 2nd Street north of Flannery's.

Residential Spring Clean-Up **FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2011**

Spring Clean-up includes the pick up furniture, and other items not considered to be normal residential garbage, refuse or recyclables. This pick up **DOES NOT** include tires, e-waste (i.e. computer equipment, TVs, VCRs), medication, remodeling or construction materials. For questions on the spring clean up day please contact Veolia at 1-800-583-2510.

Please contact the Village Clerk's Office at 527-2510 for pick-up of **large appliances** (*stoves, refrigerators, microwaves, etc.*) as those **will require the purchase of an appliance sticker.**

Bulk waste items can be disposed of at anytime by calling Veolia at 1-800-583-2510 and arranging the pickup. A fee schedule for bulk items can be found on the village website: www.newglarusvillage.com.



www.xpressbillpay.com

Go on-line today to view current and past utility bills, sign-up for paperless billing or pay your bill with your checking or saving account or a credit/debit card. *When using a credit/debit card \$3.00 convenience fee is charged for each \$300 transaction.*

Winter Moratorium Ends April 15, 2011. Don't wait till then to pay your utility arrears, contact the utility today to make arrangements!

Visit our website: www.newglarusutilities.com

NOTE FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The New Glarus Police Department has received numerous complaints in reference to dog and cat violations in the Village. The Police Department wants to make everyone aware of some common ordinances and the fine amounts:

Dogs & Cats Running at Large	\$175.30
Dogs & Cats in the Park or Cemetery	\$175.30
Unlicensed Dog	\$175.30
Barking Dog or Howling Cat	\$175.30
Animal Feces no picked up by Owner	\$175.30
Dog/Cat must be leashed when being Walked within the Village	\$175.30

Dog Licenses can be purchased at the Village Hall. In addition, if you are feeding a stray dog/cat, you are considered the owner of that animal.

LIBRARY

Greetings from the New Glarus Public Library! Our Library is open Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We're proud to be a member of the South Central Library System and LINKcat, its shared online catalog. As a result, you have easy access to a world of resources far beyond the walls of our library. Our Library's website (<http://www.newglaruspubliclibrary.org>) allows you to search LINKcat and place holds on materials from the comfort of your home.

SUMMER READING 2011

Once again this year our Library will be running three separate summer reading programs: "Reading Road Trip" for preschoolers, "One World, Many

Stories" for elementary-school-age children, and "You Are Here" for teens. Registration for all three programs begins on Wednesday, June 15th. Special events scheduled for the summer include Sadarri & Company, arts and crafts, the Traveling Lantern Theatre, Starlab, Debra Morningstar, Yurtfolk, a preschool party, and more! Complete details will be available mid-May.

WIRELESS INTERNET

Wireless Internet is available at our Library during our normal hours.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIMES

Our popular storytimes take place in the Library at 10:30 a.m. on Fridays from September through May. No pre-registration is required.

FRIENDS OF THE NEW GLARUS PUBLIC LIBRARY

We're fortunate to have a very active Friends group. Their most visible fund raiser is their annual book sale the Sunday of Labor Day weekend. But they do a great deal to make our Library a better place all year round. Pick up a brochure and join today.

NEW BABY PACKAGES

Our Friends of the Library does sends out "welcome" packages to new babies in the New Glarus area. If you know of someone who recently had a baby, please let the Library staff know.

STORY LINE

Story Line allows children of all ages to listen to a story. All you need to do is call 527-4363. Thanks to the Friends of the New Glarus Public Library for underwriting this service.

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Our Adult Book Discussion group meets year round at the Library the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

How to Contact Village Staff:

Nic Owen, Administrator	527-5971
Lynne Erb, Clerk-Treasurer	527-5973
Barb Roesslein, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer	527-2510
Michelle Roth, Utility Office Manager	527-2913
Police Department, non-emergency	527-2145
Scott Jelle, Public Works Supervisor	558-5771
Public Works Department, garage	527-2019
Utility, garage	527-2113
Public Works/Utility: Emergency number	558-5773
Library: Denise Anton Wright, Director	527-2003
Pool	527-5095

"There is only one way to happiness and that is to cease worrying about things which are beyond the power of our will." Epictetus