Town of Yates Newsletter

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4th of July Celebration

No 250th anniversary of American Independence in Western NY would be complete without the renowned 4th of July festivities in the Village of Lyndonville, including the magnificent parade, great vendors, good food and lots of music. Hosted by the Lyndonville Lions Club and supported by the Town of Yates, the Lyndonville Joint Fire District, the Houseman-Tanner American Legion Post, and many others, this year marks the 52nd Independence Day celebration organized by the Lions Club. The Lions Club is selling tickets for Chiavetta's Chicken BBQ at the Town Hall, the Shack, and the White Birch Golf Course. Be sure to be in-place by Noon in order to catch the US Air Force C-17 flyby, and then stay and enjoy the amazing fireworks at 10:00 pm.

Yates Community Library Concerts

June 29, 6:30pm – Barker Community Band Marches
July 6, 6pm – Carnival Steel Kettle Orchestra (Yates Town Park)
July 13, 6pm – The Who Dats
July 20, 6pm – Doc's Pocket Change Band
July 21, 11am – David Stockton
July 27, 6pm – Sam Kingsbury
Aug. 3, 6pm – Celtic Spirit
Aug. 10, 6pm – The Old Hippies
Aug. 17, 6pm – Adrianna Noone
Aug. 24, 6pm – Eddie Joe Clark Band
Aug. 31, 6pm – Blue Sky

Summer Youth Recreation Program

Each summer the Lyndonville Youth Commission runs a Summer Youth Recreation Program at the Lyndonville CSD. This program is sponsored by the Town of Yates, the Village of Lyndonville, and the Lyndonville Area Foundation, and it is supported by the Lyndonville Central School District. Last summer 130 children, ages 5-12, participated in a wide-range of fun physical fitness programs – including swimming - as well as some arts, crafts, games and academic skills development. This year, due to construction at the school, the program will be hosted at the Lyndonville United Methodist and Presbyterian churches on Main St. The program begins Monday, July 6th, Monday – Thursday, 8am – Noon. For more info please contact Karli Sturtevant (ksturtevant@lcsdk12.org)

Street Dance

Our 5th Annual Street Dance will be held on Saturday, August 15th, 5-10:30pm on Main Street in the Village of Lyndonville. This family-fun event will feature a live band, great food trucks, craft vendors, and kids activities. There will be picnic tables and chairs for families to eat. And, of course, there will be dancing on Main Street! This year, in celebration of America's 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, we will have a fireworks show. The fireworks are partially funded by a grant from NY250.

Town Clerk Update

Yates Town Park Pavilion Rental. The Yates Town Park Pavilion located at 12101 Power Lane, Lyndonville, NY, is available to rent May 1st through September 30th. The rental fee is $150.00 for Town of Yates residents and $300.00 for non-Town residents. Both fees include a $100.00 refundable security deposit. The pavilion is rented on a first come first serve basis and applications are available on the Town website at: townofyates.org. For availability and additional information, please call the Town Clerk's Office at (585)765-9716.

Dog Licensing. The Town Clerk's Office is responsible for issuing dog licenses, processing license payments and updating dog status. New York State requires that all dogs over the age of 4 months be licensed. The Town Clerk's Office issues dog licenses under the authority of the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets. To obtain a license, the owner must provide the following veterinary documentation:1) Proof of Current Rabies Vaccination and 2) Proof of Spay or Neuter (only if the dog is spayed or neutered). Dog licenses must be renewed on an annual basis. Renewal notices will be sent out the month prior to the dog's renewal month. If you move out of Town, please notify the Clerk's Office so that we can remove the dog from our renewal list. License fee schedule: Spayed/Neutered Dogs: $7.00, Intact Dog (Not spayed or neutered): $15.00, Late Fee $2.00, Replacement Dog Tag: $3.00

Town Assessor Update

The Assessor is available on Tuesdays from 9-4:30. If you have questions regarding exemptions, property assessments, are seeking general assessment information or in need of a tax map please reach out. The Assessor can be contacted by phone at 585-765-9146 or email at assessor@townofyates.org. Please note that phone messages and emails are responded to once a week.

Highway and Water Request!

Please ensure that your house or business has visible address numbers on the building. This is not only important for first responders like Fire and Ambulance, but also helps our highway / water personnel identify and support all locations.

Code Enforcement Update: In 2025, the Town of Yates Code Enforcement Officer, Dave Reese, approved and oversaw 90 building permits including 4 new homes and over 20 barns and garages. Our town residents and businesses invested over $6,970,000 dollars in new and improved properties in Yates!

Did you know? Here are some facts regarding our annual 2026 budget for the Town of Yates…

- The total amount of taxes raised by the Town of Yates was $1,040,830 (Total Town Tax)
    - $524,361 of the Total Town Tax is earmarked for the General Fund (covers townwide expenses and expenses specifically outside the village)
    - $317,160 of the Total Town Tax is earmarked for the Highway Fund (covers townwide expenses and expenses specifically outside the village)
    - $199,309 of the Total Town Tax is earmarked for Water District funding



Food Pantry: The Lyndonville-Yates Food Emergency Food Pantry, located in the Lyndonville Presbyterian Church on Main St, serves area families and provides meat and dairy, vegetables, nonperishables and hygiene products. It is open Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 9am – Noon.

Food Pop-up Truck: Foodlink provides free bulk food via a drive-thru pop-up truck at the Lyndonville Presbyterian Church at 9am on the following Fridays: July 10 & 24, August 7 & 21, September 4 & 18, October 2 & 16, November 6 and December 4.