

## **CELORON PRIDE**

## THE VOICE OF THE VILLAGE JANUARY 2017



## **FROM MAYOR SCOTT SCHRECENGOST:**

We wish all of you a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!

The Village of Celoron Consolidated Funding Application was approved in the amount of \$354,220. This will cover the removal and replacement of the break wall, construction of the boardwalk and kayak/canoe launch. Our application for funding from NYS Parks to build a new restroom facility was not funded this round. We are working with the Lake Alliance for the administration of the grant funds. Based upon the current estimates received from our engineering firm, these funds should allow us to complete the project.

Welcome to our new Board member Mike Moss who was appointed to fill the vacancy created by Norm Mattison's resignation.

## Norm Mattison honored for his years of service to the Village of Celoron



Norm Mattison and Mayor Scott Schrecengost

At their regular meeting held on Monday, December 12, 2016 the Board of Trustees of the Village of Celoron, NY honored former Trustee Norman Mattison for his years of service to the Village of Celoron. Mayor Scott Schrecengost presented him with a Proclamation thanking him for his over twelve and a half years of service to the Village of Celoron. Mr. Mattison has served on numerous Board Committees and as Deputy Mayor. He was present at all Village ceremonies and events. In addition, he served on the Celoron Rib-Fest Committee from its inception. He routinely decorated the trees and Celoron Community Center for the holidays. Mayor Schrecengost stated, "Norm will be greatly missed, but we know where to find him." Mr. Mattison said,

"Thank you to all the residents who elected me to the position of Trustee over the years. I hope that I have paid them back for their support." A reception was held in the Celoron Community Center immediately following the Board of Trustees' meeting.

Mike Dietzen has been appointed as a member of the Planning Board to replace Paul Shanahan. Mr. Shanahan resigned when he was elected as a Trustee.

The Celoron Rib-Fest Committee has begun plans for this year's event to be held on June 7<sup>th</sup> - June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in Lucille Ball Memorial Park. All five rib teams will be back again this year.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Chautauqua Lake Dragon Boat Race will take place on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars for this unusual new and fascinating event at our spot on Chautauqua Lake.

<u>CDBG FUNDS</u>: The Village of Celoron is planning to apply again for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds through the New York State Office of Community Renewal to assist low and moderate income homeowners in the Village of Celoron with necessary home repairs such as roofs, windows, furnaces, insulation, electrical upgrades, etc.

The Village is looking for homeowners who would be interested in participating. To be eligible, you must be a resident homeowner in the Village of Celoron; be current on your property taxes; and be low to moderate income. The maximum income for a household of one is \$33,000; for a household of two is \$37,700; for a household of three is \$42,400; and for a household of four is \$47,100. Income limits continue to increase as household size increases. Rental properties will not be eligible for assistance.

If you would like more information or would like to be included in this program, please stop by Village Hall to fill out an application or call the Village's partner in the Celoron Village Rehab Program, countywide nonprofit housing rehab agency Chautauqua Home Rehabilitation and Improvement Corporation (CHRIC) at 716-753-4650.

**SENIORS' CHRISTMAS DINNER:** Recently the Seniors Living Alone Christmas Dinner was held. Village Board Members and office staff prepared and served the dinner. A good time was had by all.

<u>CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY</u>: At our 2016 Children's Christmas Party hosted by The Resource Center, Santa gave out over 53 presents to the children, or grandchildren, of Village residents. We all say, "Thank You!" to: The Resource Center (for making this event possible by providing the spacious auditorium and party refreshments) and Santa (for making the long trip from the North Pole to Celoron for our special event).

<u>CURBSIDE GARBAGE & RECYCLABLE COLLECTION</u>: Please find enclosed a copy of the 2017 Curbside Garbage & Recyclable Calendar. The schedule is basically the same as always, including the switching of the last two weeks in December (placing Clear Glass the week before Newspapers & Cardboard) to accommodate the additional Holiday cardboard accumulations. Since July 4<sup>th</sup> is a Tuesday, garbage will be collected on Wednesday, July 5, 2017.

<u>WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS</u>: The Village Highway Department has been busy keeping the streets and sidewalks plowed. Just a friendly reminder: The Village of Celoron does not allow roadside parking between the hours of 2:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. from November 1<sup>st</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup>. The Village of Celoron takes its responsibility of snowplowing seriously and asks that you cooperate with the Village's attempt to serve the entire Village. Therefore, all persons with, or access to, driveways and/or garages are expected to park off the roadways in order to facilitate the required task of snowplowing Celoron's streets. The Village will adhere to the following Winter Parking procedure: A note on the car windshield will be your first and only warning of a violation of the Winter Parking Regulations. A second violation during this winter season could cause, at your expense, your vehicle or anything else parked illegally to be towed. If you have any questions regarding this policy, contact Village Hall at 487-4175.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT:** Remember that the winter hours for our Code Enforcement Officer are Fridays, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

TOWN OF ELLICOTT & CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY TAX COLLECTION: As a courtesy for Village of Celoron residents, Ellicott Town Clerk Mike Erlandson will be at the Celoron Village Hall on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to collect Town of Ellicott & Chautauqua County Taxes for those who wish to pay them in person.