Town of Geddes, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY 13209 www.townofgeddes.com **Summer 2021**

Town of Geddes Summer Concert Series

Concerts are Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30pm DUE TO CONSTRUCTION AT CHERRY ROAD SCHOOL, THERE WILL NOT ANY CONCERTS AT THAT LOCATION FOR 2021

July 8 - The DeSantis Orchestra - Variety

At Woods Road Park, Solvay Co-Sponsor: Solvay Bank

July 15 - The Cobblerockers - Variety

At Lakeland Park, Lakeland Co-Sponsor: John's Auto Care

July 22 - Flyin' Column - Variety

At Woods Road Park, Solvay July 29 - The Lisa Lee Band - Variety

At Lakeland Park, Lakeland

Co-Sponsor: Pope's Grove Golf Course

Aug. 5 - The Horn Dogs - Variety

At Lakeland Park, Lakeland Co-Sponsor: John's Auto Care

Aug. 12 - Little Queen - Rock

At Woods Road Park, Solvay

Co-Sponsor: Geddes Federal Savings & Loan

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL GEDDES RECREATION DEPT. AT 487-8238.

SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM



YOUTHS AGES 6 TO 13

APPLICATION NECESSARY - PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY - NO WALK-INS

(Call the Recreation Department at (315) 487-8238, Mon.-Fri., 9:00am to 4:30pm.) Due to COVID guidelines and protocol, the Town of Geddes has had to make changes to our Summer Playground Program. We will no longer be having a "come and go" program at our locations as in the past.

*We will offer a program at two locations: the Solvay-Geddes Community Youth Center and the John Carno Recreation Center. Due to construction and COVID protocol at Westhill Schools, we will not be offering a program in the Westvale area

- * With safety as our first priority, **pre-registration** is necessary (no walk-ins) and an application is necessary. There will be a limit to the number of participants for each week long session at each location.
- * There will be 6 individual week long sessions, which you may register your child(ren) for one or all.
- * The cost is \$30 per child, per week for Geddes residents. Multiple children per household discount is \$25 per child, per week. Non-residents will be placed on waiting list, and will be charged an additional \$10 per child, per week if admitted to program. Proof of residency will be required.
- * A parent or guardian must sign in and sign out the child daily and complete the health screening paperwork.
- * All participants must stay at the program from 10:00am to 3:00pm, unless a parent pre-arranges any changes with the employees.
- * All participants MUST BE PICKED UP BY 3:00PM or a late fee will be charged.
- * Snacks or lunches may be brought by participants, but not shared. Participants must bring their own filled water bottles, as no water fountains will be available (per Onondaga County COVID protocol). The Town is not responsible for and will not have available snacks, lunches or water bottles.

Session Dates: Week 1: Tuesday, July 6 to Friday, July 9 10:00am to 3:00pm

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Week 2: Monday, July 12 to Friday, July 16 10:00am to 3:00pm
Week 3: Monday, July 19 to Friday, July 23 10:00am to 3:00pm
Week 4: Monday, July 26 to Friday, July 30 10:00am to 3:00pm
Week 5: Monday, Aug. 2 to Friday, Aug. 6 10:00am to 3:00pm
Week 6: Monday, Aug. 9 to Friday, Aug. 13 10:00am to 3:00pm
For an application to register, please call the Recreation Department at (315) 487-
8238, Monday-Friday, 9:00am to 4:30pm. Please leave a message if necessary.

*Remember there is limited availability at each location, and no refunds will be made after the program has begun.

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YOUTH CO-ED BASKETBALL CAMP

Monday - Thursday, July 19th to 22nd (Fri., July 23rd rainday) at Lakeland Park (corner Alhan Pkwy. & Shore Ave.)

Fee: \$30 – Geddes resident, \$40 – Nonresident

Ages 10 to 12: 9:45am – 10:45am **Ages 7 to 9:** 8:30am – 9:30am

Ages 13 to 15: 11:00am – 12:00noon Enrollment will be held to 30 each age group and will be first come, first serve. Nonresidents will be placed on a waiting list to start.

Each participant must bring his/her own basketball.

Must be pre-registered, no walk-ins.

Camp Director: Jim Rolince, Solvay High School Boys Varsity Coach

PARENTS - PLEASE READ!

- Mail or drop off registration during office hours (Mon. Fri. 9am-11:30am or 1:30pm-4:00pm): Town of Geddes Dept. of Parks and Recreation, 823 State Fair Blvd., Syracuse, NY 13209. No phone registration accepted.
- Application must be completed, accompanied by payment and the parent agreement must be signed.
- COVID protocol and guidelines will be followed

NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE AFTER THE PROGRAM HAS BEGUN.

TOWN OF GEDDES DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION		
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Ages 13 to 15: 11:00am – 12:00noon		
Name Age		
Address Zip		
Telephone Emer. No		
Parent Agreement: I am aware of the inherent dangers of the program and warrant that my child is in good physical condition. I do hereby waive any responsibility, and agree to hold harmless, and not at fault, the Town of Geddes, the organizers, supervisors, coaches and participants, for any claim arising out of any injury to my child, whether the result of accident, negligence or any cause		
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Date

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Town of Geddes 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY 13209

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DIR. OF RECREATION Deborah Morrell

SENIOR REC. LEADER John Liberati, Jr.

OFFICE/BUSINESS HOURS

(MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY)

Town Hall Offices . . . 1000 Woods Road, Solvay **Town Hall is currently open with limited hours for in-person business (Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.)**

Staff Available via phone 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday *9:00am to 3:30pm Fridays Only - Memorial Day Weekend to Labor Day Weekend Highway Dept. Office . . . 654 Terry Road, Westvale 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Recreation Dept. Office . . . 823 State Fair Blvd., Lakeland Building currently closed, but staff is available by phone 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. *9:00am to 3:30pm Fridays Only - Memorial Day Weekend to Labor Day Weekend

DIRECTORY

Geddes Town Hall	(315) 468-3600
Supervisor's Office	
Clerk's Office	ext. 2
Tax Office	ext. 2
Comptroller's Office	ext. 6
Assessor's Office	ext. 4
Codes Enforcement Office	ext. 8
Dog Controller's Office	ext. *
(Emergencies)	(315) 468-2521
Sewer Maintenance Office	(315) 488-7705
Justice Court	(315) 468-3613
Geddes Police (non-emergency)	(315) 425-2333
Police Administration	
Highway Department	(315) 488-7705
Parks and Recreation Department	(315) 487-8238
John Carno Recreation Center	

2021 TOWN BOARD STANDING COMMITTEES

CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR COMMITTEE MEETING DATES AND TIMES ALONG WITH AGENDAS AND MINUTES

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Zoning & Planning / Codes / **Buildings & Code Book**

Martin Kelley, Chair Email: martinfrancis52@hotmail.com Christina Quijano

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Ed Weber **MEETINGS**

Town Board Meeting – 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Planning Board – Last Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Zoning Board -2^{nd} Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. All meetings are held at the Geddes Town Hall, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY 13209 and are open to the public.

ABOUTOWN is a Town of Geddes Newspaper which is published three (3) times a year. Editions are available in January, May, and September. This publication is compiled by the Department of Parks and Recreation Staff: Deborah Morrell, Director of Recreation and John Liberati, Jr., Senior Recreation Leader. Should you have any questions, comments, or suggestions please feel to drop them a note.

c/o Aboutown

Town of Geddes Dept. of Parks and Recreation 823 State Fair Blvd., Syracuse, NY 13209 (315) 487-8238

Town of Geddes Pavilion Reservations

(Memorial Weekend to Columbus Day Weekend)

The Town of Geddes Department of Parks and Recreation began accepting reservations for the use of the pavilion at Lakeland Park and Lindbergh Lawns Park on January

Lakeland Park is located on Alhan Parkway, just off State Fair Blvd. The facilities available at Lakeland Park include a pavilion/electricity, restrooms, playground equipment, playing fields, tennis and basketball courts.

Lindbergh Lawns Park is located on Bennett Ave, just off Longbranch Road. The facilities available include a small pavilion, restrooms, playground equipment, and half-

Groups or organizations reserving the pavilions understand that they are entitled to exclusive use of the pavilion, but not of all the other park facilities. They are still open

Those wishing to reserve the pavilion must be Town of Geddes Residents and a \$30.00 user fee will be charged. For reservations, call the Department of Parks and

Town of Geddes **Park Regulations** & Policies

In order to help keep our parks clean, safe and usable by all, Local Law 8 of the year 2001, entitled "Park Regulations" was enacted to govern park use in the Town of Geddes.

The law in its entirety can found in the Town of Geddes Code Book – Chapter 143. Some of the regulations adopted are listed below:

Park Hours: Sunrise to Sunset

Pavilion Use: Memorial Weekend to Mid-October

Facilities and areas in the park shall be used only for the purposes designated or implicit in their character.

No person shall carry into and/or have possession of any **glass** beverage containers.

It shall be unlawful to bring or cause to be brought any animal into any park, recreation or playground area, except for trained guide dogs for the blind which are expressly exempt from all provisions of the chapter.

Fires may not be built or allowed anywhere in park or playground areas except in stoves, fireplaces, or designated areas provided for that purpose.

Licensed motor vehicles shall be permitted only on designated roadways, and vehicles shall be parked in areas of places so provided and designated.

Motor scooters, motorcycles, minibikes, go-carts, and snowmobiles shall not be not be permitted.

Commit any act which is defined as criminal conduct under the New York State Any conduct which constitutes a violation of this chapter will be a violation, punish-

able by up to fifteen (15) days in jail and/or a fine of up to \$250.00. Each such violation shall constitute a separate violation punishable under this section.

HELP KEEP OUR PARKS CLEAN AND SAFE, if you see anyone misusing the park - please let us know. To report any problems, etc. call the Geddes Police or the Geddes Recreation Department.

**Also the Town supports the county's initiative in public parks by adopting a "no smoking" policy in town parks. The enforcement of this policy is through voluntary compliance.

Holiday Schedule - 2021 for Garbage and Recycling Pick ups

Garbage and Recycling will not be picked up on the following holidays:

- New Year's Day
- Labor Day
- Memorial Day Fourth of July
- Thanksgiving Day Christmas Day

The garbage and recycling pick ups on these days will be a day late. If your garbage and recycling pick up is on Monday and the Holiday is on Monday all garbage and recycling routes for the week will be a day late. If the Holiday

falls on a Wednesday only Wednesday and Thursday's route will be affected. Addendum - if holiday falls on the weekend, the regular Monday-Friday schedule will prevail.

> Please have garbage and recycling on the curb by 6 a.m. Garbage and recycling pick up will remain on the current days and time table.

> > Recycling Hauler -

Superior Waste Removal, (315) 672-3174 Garbage/Trash Hauler -Superior Waste Removal, (315) 672-3174

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT HOURS: 7:00 A.M. TO 3:30 P.M.

NEWS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS:

From the Highway Department:

Paul Trovato, Highway Superintendent

ABSOLUTELY NO MATTRESSES OR BOXSPRINGS WILL BE PICKED UP BY THE GEDDES HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

Curbside pickup of YARD WASTE, GAR-BAGE, CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS & OTHER REFUSE is for the benefit of Geddes residents. There should be no drop-offs from non-residents to residences located in the Town of Geddes.

**Services performed by the Town of Geddes Highway Dept. are for residents doing the work themselves at their homes.

**Any contractor doing remodeling or repairs on a Town residence is responsible for the disposal of any debris from the remodeling/repairs.

1. BRUSH and YARD WASTE PICK-UP SCHEDULE

Monday - Lakeland area (Including Linbergh

Thursday – W.Genesee St., Wilshire Rd., Wynthrop Rd., Hatherleigh Rd., Chaumont Dr., Century Dr., Southview Rd., N.Terry Rd., Timberwolf Circle, Copliegh Dr., Kenyon Dr., Westlind Rd., Westfall Dr., Stanley Dr., Clearview Dr., Horseshoe Dr., Duchess La., Watchtower La., Blackstone Wy., W. Granger Rd. from S.Terry Rd to town line, Limestone La., Treeland Circle, Crabapple La., Blueberry La., Pumpkin La., Spructree La., Kimberly Dr.

Fridays – Westvale area (Westholm Blvd. section to Avery Ave., City Line) – (subject to change due to pick up volume and weather)

Grass Clippings will be picked up during regular yard waste days from April 1st through December 1st as is the current schedule. All grass clippings MUST BE in PAPER BAGS, CARDBOARD BOXES or a container NOT TO EXCEED 50 lbs. <u>ABSOLUTELY NO PLASTIC BAGS!</u> (Mulching is a better alternative)

All yard waste, other than tree branches, must be in paper bags, cardboard boxes, trash cans. (NO PLASTIC BAGS) – there is a 50 lb limit for barrels and bags

Loose raked leaves in wind rows along your front yard (**do not put in roadway**) will only be picked up from October 1st through Dec. 1st. All other times of the year, rakings must be in paper bags, cardboard boxes,or trash cans. (NO BLUE BINS).

2. BULK ITEM PICK-UP SCHEDULE -

Picked up day after garbage and recycling, except Lakeland and Lindbergh Lawns which will be picked up on Monday.

Bulk items include: Furniture (NOT including mattresses/boxsprings), clothing, large plastic toys, etc. **
No full house clean outs

3. **CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS**

Picked up day after garbage and recycling, except Lakeland and Lindbergh Lawns which will be picked up on Monday.

No more that 3 cubic yards at one time (equal to a pickup truck full), year round with weather permitting.

Construction debris is: toilets, sinks, bathtubs, shower doors, cabinets, countertops, sheet rock, wood, doors (wood & metal), windows, siding, paneling, insulation, roofing, plywood and electrical.

No fluorescent fixtures.

RECYCLING INFO

(Information obtained from Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency)

Newspapers, magazines,

catalogs and softcover books

Keep loose. Don't tie.

Plastic bottles and jugs

Empty and replace cap.

4. WHITE GOODS PICK-UP –

Cardboard, pizza,

pasta, cereal boxes, etc.

Flatten.

Cans and jars

Empty and rinse. Labels are ok.

Old clothes, shoes and textiles

Worn/torn ok; bring cleaned and dry items to Salvation Army or

Mercury thermometers

and thermostats

Bring to OCRRA's Ley Creek

· Household batteries

Drop off at any Onondaga County Wegmans or Green Hills Market.

Rescue Mission.

Transfer Station

Picked up same day as brush and yard waste.

White good items are – Stoves, dishwashers, clothes dryers, washing machines, hot water tanks, small amounts of scrap metal, etc.

5. CONCRETE, STONES, DIRT, ETC.

A wheelbarrow full (approx. 4 cu. ft.) will be picked up once a month from April 1st through November 1st. Residents must call Highway Garage Department and be placed on list (488-7705) The following items WILL NOT BE PICKED UP BY OUR DEPT

Tires, gas tanks, l.p. tanks, car parts, refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, microwaves, t.v.'s computer monitors, mattresses and box springs.

The Highway Department does not accept electronics. Please visit ocrra.org or contact the Highway Department for a list of e-waste recycling options.

Please note: Only wind damage and Christmas Trees will be picked up curbside from December 1st to April 1st.

Please do not leave any construction debris, bulk items or yard waste in front of the salt barn or in the parking lots at any time.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in help keeping our Town clean. Any questions call 315 488-7705.

GARBAGE

Superior Waste Removal is the **garbage/trash hauler** for the Town. If you have any garbage/trash questions, please call Superior Waste Removal at <u>315-672-3174</u> from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m on weekdays

- 1. Do **NOT** put garbage out any earlier than the night before.
- 2. All garbage must be at ${\bf curbside}$ by ${\bf \underline{6:00 \ a.m.}}$ on collection day.
- 3. The weekly limit on household trash is a total of 10 trash bags and not weighing more than 75lbs. each
 - 4. Please use <u>clear</u> trash/garbage bags.
- 5. **NOT** included in your trash pick-up is: construction debris, yard waste, furniture, appliances, and anything hazardous.
- 6. Sign-up to receive email notices of 1-day delays in collection due to holidays, along with details on other services offered, by visiting their website .

RECYCLING

Superior Waste Removal is the **recycling hauler** for the Town. If you have any recycling questions, please call Superior Waste Removal at **315** 672-3174.

- 1. Do **NOT** put recycling out any earlier than the night before.
 - 2. All recycling must be at **curbside** by **6:00 a.m.**



Plastics

All plastics including "clamshells' (e.g., berry containers) go in the trash EXCEPT:

- Plastic bottles and dairy tubs—they go in the recycling bin.
- Clean plastic bags and wraps—they can be returned to grocery stores, chain drug stores and big box retailers for recycling.

Tires

Papers, mail,

envelopes

Plastic dairy tubs

Empty and rinse; no lids

Visit OCRRA.org for compost solutions.

Take to Bodow Recycling in Syracuse.

Food scraps

· Yard waste

Shredded paper

(315) 422-2552

Search OCRRA.org for locations that accept tires.

Belts, chains, cords, hoses, ropes, etc.

Do not recycle. These items slow down machinery at recycling facilities.

Carpeting, mattresses and broken furniture Bring to OCRRA's Ley Creek Transfer Station.

Pressure-treated wood
Bring to OCRRA's Ley Creek

Transfer Station

Incandescent light bulbs

- Window glass, drinking glasses, broken glass, etc.
- Egg cartons (paper, plastic and Styrofoam)
- Styrofoam
- Styroroani
- Paper towels, tissues, plates and cups
- Frozen food boxesPropane tanks
- (1 lb./camping size only)

 Larger 20 lb. gas grill tanks can be refilled or returned to the place of purchase.
- Latex paint cans
 Dry out the contents with kitty litter or paint hardening crystals. Leave lids off
- EMPTY antifreeze, fertilizer, herbicide or pesticide containers

they still contain material, make a Household Hazardous Waste appointment by visiting OCRRA.org/hhw or calling (315) 453-2866.

Fire extinguishers
 Search OCRRA.org for drop-off locations.



SPECIAL ATTENTION

- Syringes, sharps and needles: NEVER go in the recycling bin. They can harm employees who handle them. Place in a plastic laundry detergent bottle, tape the screw-on cap shut, label with "Sharps" and put in trash.
- **Medication:** Search OCRRA.org for disposal options.

From the Town Clerk's Office:

Fluorescent light bulbs

circular and U-shaped bulbs.

Bring to OCRRA's Ley Creek

Recycle CFLs at your local Home Depot

Microwaves and dehumidifiers

or Lowe's. Many Ace and True Value

(household only)

Alison Dorchester, Town Clerk

Curbside

Recycling

Milk and juice cartons

Empty and rinse.

Electronics

(computers, TVs, etc.)

stic bags

OCRRA

in the blue bin.

Search OCRRA.org for drop-off locations.

Return clean, dry bags to your local grocery or retail store; do NOT bag

our recyclables or put loose bags

Recycle it, but NOT at your curb

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE PUBLIC SERVICES:

- DEC LICENSES (HUNTING, FISHING, ETC) PRICES VARY
- DOG LICENSES (NYS LAW ALL DOGS OVER 4 MONTHS OF AGE MUST BE LICENSED)

\$7.00 – SPAYED/NEUTERED \$16.00 – ALL OTHER

- MARRIAGE LICENSE \$40.00
- MARRIAGE TRANSCRIPTS -\$10.00
 - GAMING LICENSES PRICES

VARY

- DISABABLED PARKING PER-MITS - NO CHARGE
- VETERANS FAVOR CARDS NO CHARGE
- NOTARY PUBLIC SERVICE NO CHARGE

DID YOU KNOW?

- Once you obtain your Marriage License, you must wait a full 24 hours before your marriage ceremony can be performed unless you obtain a Judicial Waiver.

- A Marriage License is valid for 60 days.
- No premarital physical exam or blood test is required to obtain a marriage license in NYS.

TRANSACTION OPTIONS:

- APPEAR IN PERSON 8:30 a.m. 4:30 p.m. Mon-Fri; 8:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m. Fridays (Memorial Day thru Labor Day)
- US MAIL Geddes Town Clerk, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, New York 13209
 - EMAIL Townclerk@townofgeddes.com

Deputytownclerk@townofgeddes.com

- PHONE (315) 468-3600 Ext. 2
- FAX (315) 487-5721

The Town Clerk's Office now has a credit card machine. It can be used for all transactions <u>EXCEPT</u> tax payments. Tax payments may be paid online at www.ongov.net. There is a service charge for all credit card transactions.

Melissa Tokaryk, Deputy Clerk and myself, are here to serve the Town Residents. If you have any questions or concerns please give us a call at (315) 468-3600 Ext. 2.

Get your shot, social distance and be safe

From the Town Supervisor Office:

Jerry Albrigo, Town Supervisor

It's been just over a year when the pandemic affected the way we conduct business. Our Town was able to face the adversities and safely open it's doors to the public and remain full service. With many still recovering from the loses of the pandemic, President Biden signed into law the American Rescue Plan, a plan designed to deliver direct relief to the American people and rescuing the economy. This Rescue Plan also provides much needed relief to state and local governments to enable them to continue to support the public health response and lay the foundation for a strong economic recovery. Locally, the Town of Geddes (including the Village of Solvay) will be receiving \$1.79 million which includes approx. \$660K for the Village of Solvay. These monies can be used to invest in infrastructure, including water, sewer improvements along with covering the costs incurred due responding to the public health emergency. More guidance on how the funds can be used will be coming from the Treasury office according to Senator Schumer's office.

We are excited for what's to come this year in the Town and recent developments, such as the following:

Memorial Day Celebration - On May 31st, in conjunction with the Stanley Pennock Post and Geddes Vets, the Geddes Town Council and Solvay Trustees invites you to the annual Memorial Day Celebration at the Geddes Veterans Memorial located at Woods Road Park. The ceremony serves as a moment to honor those who have died while serving our country. The celebration will conclude with food and refreshments provided by St. Marianne Cope Parish and Tyrol Club. In the event of rain, the event will be moved in-doors to the Solvay-Geddes Youth Center.

Honeywell Clean-Up Projects -Honeywell has been amazing with their collaboration and commitment to clean up Onondaga Lake and its surrounding grounds, grounds that haven't been accessible by the public in generations. A new asphalt trail is now open, which allows greater access to the Onondaga Lake shoreline, has bench seating, boat launch and fishing pier. And the western shore has been expanded over a mile from Honeywell's Onondaga Lake Visitors Center to the Harbor Brook area, thus lengthening the Loop-the-Lake network of trails to nearly nine miles. Construction has not been completed on the bridge at Hiawatha Blvd. which will connect the Onondaga Creek walk to this Loop-the-Lake Trail.

Honeywell has also completed work on the proposed Empire State Trail, a continuous cycling and pedestrian route through Syracuse by eliminating the current 14-mile gap through Camillus, Syracuse and DeWitt. This project closed the largest gap in the Erie Canal way section of the Empire State Trail. A 750-mile pathway from New York City to Canada and from Albany to Buffalo.

Planning Board Development - The Planning Board has had the following projects brought forth for development in the Town of Geddes:

115 Farrell Road, A Site Plan Review for the proposed parking/display area expansion of the Terpening Tri-Tank Corp. site.

1086 & 1088 State Fair Blvd. LLC, A Site Plan Review for the proposed construction & operation of a self-storage facility in a two phased plan.

779 State Fair Blvd., A Site Plan Review for the proposed converting of an existing storage room into a retail meat market while maintaining a restaurant use in the rest of the building.

241 Farrell Road - A Site Plan Review for a proposed Vehicular Freight Service facility for SunCap Property Group.

From the Assessor's Office:

Christopher Russo, Assessor & PJ Rimualdo, Assessment Clerk

EXEMPTIONS

Please be advised, the Assessor's office has completed the processing of all applications for exemptions, including but not limited to, the Basic STAR, Enhanced STAR, Senior Citizens with Limited Income, Persons with Disabilities and Limited Income, Veterans, Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Workers, Business and Clergy Members.

If you may be eligible for any exemptions you must file an application with the Assessor's office by **March 1**st to affect the following September School bill, January Property bill and May Village bill

The Town of Geddes Assessor's Office, as a courtesy, will mail all renewal applications for exemptions in September 2021. When applying for the Enhanced Star exemption, please provide a copy of your Federal Income Tax return for 2020 with the completed application. When applying for the Senior Citizen with Limited Income exemption provide a copy of your MOST RECENT Federal Income Tax (2020 or any end of year statements) with the completed application and the end of the year Social Security Benefit Statement. Any owner, who presently receives the Basic Star, turning 65 by December 2022, may be eligible for the Enhanced Star. All applications for exemptions must be filed by our annual taxable status date, MARCH 1st.

There have been some changes to the STAR Exemption Program. If you are a new owner or do not already have a STAR Exemption on your primary residence, you may qualify for a STAR Relief Check. To apply, you need to contact New York State Department of Taxation and Finance at (518) 457-2036 OR register online at WWW.TAX.NY.GOV and click on "Register for Star", and fol-

low the instructions.

To find out more information and/or eligibility requirements for any exemptions or if you would like to confirm we have received your exemption paperwork, please call our office at (315) 468-3600, Extension 4.

GRIEVANCE

Grievance Day this year is the fourth Tuesday in May. This year Grievance Day will be on **Tuesday**, **May 25**, from 4pm to 8pm. Applications will be available the first week in May at the Assessor's office. Once an application is submitted to our office you will be given a time to appear in front of the Board of Review, to present your complaint. The tentative assessment roll is available for review in the Assessor's office. Please be advised the Grievance form is available online at: https://townofgeddes.com/departments/assessors-office/

A WARM WELCOME

The Assessor's Office would like to welcome P.J. Rimualdo to the position of Assessment Clerk. P.J. brings excellent customer service skills as well as high energy and enthusiasm. We wish her the best of luck.

Due to COVID, anyone entering the Town of Geddes offices will be screened upon arrival and a facial covering is required. Our building is operating on normal business hours which are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please notice the temporary entrance located by the Atrium and the exit by the Codes office past the Assessors office.

I wish you a very pleasant summer, drive safely and remember to renew your exemptions, (if required) by **March 1**st, annually. Should you have any questions, my office door is always open to discuss your property or you may contact my office at (315) 468-3600 Ext. 4.

From the Code Enforcement / Fire Marshall's Office:

David Balcer, Code Enforcement Officer/Fire Marshall

We had an influx of permits last year due to the pandemic and we are expecting another busy year this year. We will do our best to review and release all Building Permits in a timely manner. Check with our office or the Town website on what projects require a Building Permit. Replacing existing fences, sheds & decks/porches all require Building Permits. One project that gets overlooked as requiring a Building Permit is basement remodeling. Basements are designed as utility/storage space. Turning them into habitable spaces requires a Building Permit for code compliance to be met. The main concern is the secondary means of egress out of the basement must be met. When N.Y.S. adopted the current 2020 Residential Building Code, all new houses were required to have this secondary means already installed to make the conversion easier.

Here are some reminders for the season: We will address all written complaints submitted to our office. Complaints are kept confidential and the forms are available on our website or in our office. Basketball hoops should not be set up and left in the road right-ofway, it is very dangerous to have them there. Recreational fire pits are allowed, but all regulations need to be complied with, including most importantly that it is cleaned seasoned wood that is burned. The same you would use in an indoor fireplace.

As always, we are happy to answer any questions. Call 315-468-3600 Ext.8 or email us at dbalcer@townofgeddes.com.

From the Dog Control Office:

Diana Fadden, Dog Control Officer

Hello pet parents; as summer approaches many people are bringing new dogs into their lives/households.

Please don't forget that ANY dog living with you needs to be licensed with our town; it's a New York State law.

All you need to do to license a dog is

get us a current rabies certificate, and pay for the initial tag/registration.

If you'd like a mail out instruction sheet you can call my office anytime requesting one; 315-468-3600. Thanks for taking the time to read this article!

From the Geddes Police Department:

John Fall, Jr., Chief of Police

The good weather is hopefully upon us, here are some safety tips to follow. Please attempt to wear reflective clothing, or at least light colored clothing when walking in our neighborhoods especially in the evening. Always try and walk with another person, not only for personnel safety, but also in the event you have a medical issue/emergency. Make sure if you are outside for extended periods of time that you hydrate, which is extremely important.

Please make sure that everyone wears a helmet when riding a bicycle, scooter, rollerblades, skates and skate boards. Try to use caution and be careful, while having FUN at the same time!

Reminder to all drivers in our neighborhoods, our citizen's will be out walking and exercising. Children will be out playing and riding bikes. PLEASE USE CAUTION, drive safely and be aware of pedestrians and kids playing who may dart out into traffic at times. We will be in the neighborhoods and main streets in the town, enforcing traffic safety. Our speed signs will also be out, bringing awareness to speeding vehicles on our streets. If we all do our part, our streets will be safe to enjoy this summer!

Please always remember to lock your vehicles and your homes. Try and get into a routine of doing this. We call it "The 9PM ROUTINE", just takes a few seconds to make sure your vehicle and home is secure. It also just takes a few seconds for someone to open your vehicle and take your belongings or money.

Please always remember if you see something say something. A phone call to the 911 Center or our office might be the tip or alert we need to stop a crime or help a citizen. Never be afraid to call, you can make your call anonymous if you wish. We need those extra eyes out there in our Town Neighborhoods!

The Solvay and Lakeside Fire Departments would like to ask all residents when having open burns in their backyards, use the proper precautions. Have a hose nearby and only use burn pits or burn stove style burn pit ensuring there is a screen over it.

Any resident planning on going away for any period of time, please feel free to contact our office. We will be happy to check your home for you while you're away. We have had a Home Check Program for years and our hope is that all resident would take us up on this offer to keep an eye on their home. Please call 315-468-3283 weekdays between 8:30am and 4:30pm and we will ask you a few questions and then you'll be all set to go on vacation! If by chance your home or a family member's home becomes vacant, please let us know about that also. We would like to check those homes as well.

The department has been able to take advantage of some specialized training in our county. Officers Taylor Delperuto and Makenzie Glynn completed DWI awareness training. Officer Brad Boothe and Adam Lustrinelli completed Breath Test Operations training, taught by Sgt. Ben Nightingale of our department. Officer John Dungey completed Evidence Technician training. Sgt. Ben Nightingale and Officer Adam Lustrinelli completed Glock Armor Training. Officer Brad Boothe completed Crisis Intervention Training. We also have a New Officer Kody Homann starting May 6th, 2021 with our department. The department Congratulates Officer Richard Lucio on his retirement January 7th, 2021. We would also like to Congratulate Officer Nate Willsey who will be retiring on May 31st, 2021. Both served our Town for over 20 years! Officers CONGRATULA-TIONS and we all wish you the best on the next chapter of your life in retire-

The Town of Geddes Police Department would like to announce a new partnership. We have partnered with Liberty Resources Mobile Crisis Services, which will help provide a higher level of service for citizens in need of crisis intervention services. We have joined along with other Law Enforcement agencies throughout our county, committed to helping individuals involved in a mental health crisis. Thank You Liberty Resources for providing this important service

Our Department is extremely dedicated to our Missions Statement.

"A Safe Community for all citizens is our Commitment and our Duty, serving all with Integrity and Dedication."

Please follow us on FACEBOOK (Town of Geddes Police Dept). If any resident needs anything please call 911 or our Administrative Office Monday to Friday during our business hours (8:30am to 4:30pm). Thank You.

Town of Geddes Department of Parks and Recreation

John Carno Recreation Center • 823 State Fair Blvd. • Syracuse, NY 13209

OFFICE TELEPHONE: 315-487-8238/315-487-8243 OFFICE HOURS: Weekdays: 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

(Memorial Day Weekend to Labor Day Weekend - Fridays Only: 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.)

Email: parks@townofgeddes.com

RECREATION DEPARTMENT STAFF:

DEBORAH MORRELL - Director of Recreation JOHN LIBERATI, JR. - Senior Recreation Leader

Scott Bartowski - Recreation Attendant Katherine Lobello - Recreation Attendant Megan Sierotnik - Recreation Attendant Jack Allen - Recreation Attendant Cole Ladouceur - Recreation Attendant

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES:

- Advanced registration is required for all programs, unless otherwise stated. Town residents will be given preference.
- Register by calling the Recreation Department at 315-487-8238, or by stopping by the office located in the John Carno Recreation Center, 823 State Fair Blvd., Lakeland, during office hours.
- Registration fees must be paid prior to the first class/program by mail or in person.
 NO REFUNDS will be made after classes/programs begin.
- All programs and classes are on a first come first serve basis. Class sizes are limited, and we reserve the right to combine or cancel classes.
- The department does not carry medical insurance for program participants.
- Registrants are responsible for their own transportation.

Programs and classes through the Recreation Department are added throughout the year and are not necessarily advertised in the AbouTown newspaper. For updates and program/class listings, please check the Town of Geddes website or call the department at 315-487-8238 during business hours.

Recreation Programs / Mews

Due to NYS and School District guidelines and protocols dealing with the COVID-19 virus, some programs, dates and times of programs may be canceled or changed. For updated information, check our website, Town of Geddes & Town of Geddes Parks Rec Facebook pages, email the Department at parks@townofgeddes.com or call the Department at (315) 487-8238. We appreciated your understanding and stay safe and well!!

Due to construction and COVID protocol at Westhill schools, we are unable to offer our normal programs for this summer (playground program, concerts, sport clinics).

*The John Carno Recreation Center gymnasium has re-opened for open gym (with limited numbers) or scheduled organizational meetings. A parent must complete a health screening form for any child under 18 interested in using the gym when entering the building. Temperatures will also be taken, as per COVID guidelines and protocol.



SUMMER EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS TO BE ACCEPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

The Town of Geddes Department of Parks and Recreation is accepting applications for seasonal summer employ-

ment. Town of Geddes residents are given preference. Must be current high school graduates or enrolled in college at the time of their appointment. Recent college graduates or teachers may also be considered for employment. Positions to be filled include playground leaders and supervisors. Applications can be obtained at the Town Hall, 1000 Woods Road, Solvay, NY between 9:00am and 4:30pm, or by emailing jkolakowski@townofgeddes.com. Deadline for applications is **Friday May 21, 2021**. For more information, call the department at 315 487-8238.

ACTIVITY KITS

Each month, we will again be offering theme based activity kits, similar to the ones offered last year!!

The fee for each month's kit will be only \$5!

The kits will include various supplies and activities for the season and Holidays.

The kits have lots of activities and crafts to keep your child busy! Call the Recreation Department at (315) 487-8238 to register for a kit today!

LIMITED TO 20 KITS.

CASINO TRIPS

At this time, the Recreation Department is not offering any casino trips, until we feel it is safe for our participants. We are considering scheduling a few trips in the Fall to nearby casinos. Please check the Town website, Facebook pages or call the Recreation Office for more information and updates, at (315) 487-8238, Monday-Friday, 9:00am to 4:30pm.

ZUMBA

Take the "work" out of workout!! Zumba mixes low-intensity and high-intensity moves for an interval-style, calorie-burning dance fitness party. Once the Latin and World rhythms take over, you'll see why Zumba Fitness classes are often called exercise in disguise. Zumba is a total workout, combining all elements of fitness – cardio, muscle conditioning, balance and flexibility, boosted energy and a serious dose of awesome each time you leave class! (For ages 12 to adult only)

John Carno Recreation Center, Lakeland

Session 1: Thursdays, June 3 to July 1 (5 wks.)

Session 2: Thursdays, July 8 to August 5 (5 wks.)

Session 2: Thursdays, July 6 to Hugust 5 (5 wks.)
Session 3: Thursdays, August 12 to Sept. 9 (5 wks.)

6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Fee: \$30.00 for Geddes residents, \$32.00 for nonresidents (5 week session)

Instructor: Alyssa Bartlett, licensed Zumba instructor

Minimum of 6 needed to hold class.

For registration or more information, call the Department at 487-8238, M-F, 9am-4:30pm

TAI CHI CHUAN

TAI CHI is an art that teaches you to move slower and realign the pain in your body, relieve stress and have you feeling better with no hard work outs. Instructor will take you through the Tai Chi class step by step class. Learn to move slowly to realign your body, relieve stress, learn to relax and feel better, without hard work-outs! Anyone, age 13 to 80, is welcome to register!

John Carno Recreation Center, Lakeland

Session 1: Mondays, June 21 to July 26 (6 weeks)

Session 2: Mondays, Aug. 2 to Sept. 13 (exc. Sept. 6) (6 weeks)

Session 3: Mondays, Sept. 20 to October 25 (6 weeks)

Fee: \$65 residents, \$67 nonresidents (per session) **6:00 to 7:00 p.m.**

Instructor: Dave DeLuca, Tai Chi Chuan instructor

Minimum of 6 needed to hold class.

For registration or more information, call the Department at 315-487-8238, M-F, 9am-4:30pm.

BEGINNING A YOGA AND MEDITATION PRACTICE

Class is structured as a gentle vinyasa flow, aligning the breath with movement. All levels of students from beginners to those with experience are welcome. Poses are offered with modifications adding increasing levels of complexity. Each class is composed of quiet time to de-stress, gentle movement for flexibility, and poses to increase stretching and balance. Class is concluded with a few minutes of quiet relaxation. Wear loose comfortable clothing for class. Please bring a mat, strap and block if you have one, these items are available if you do not have them.

Class guided by Heidi Noce, RYT (Registered Yoga Teacher), who is a yoga instructor with over 8 years of experience teaching yoga to many different levels students.

Session 1: Tuesdays, June 1 to July 6 (6 weeks)

Session 2: Tuesdays, July 13 to August 24 (exc. Aug. 17) (6 weeks)

Session 3: Tuesdays, August 31 to October 3 (6 weeks)

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

John Carno Recreation Center, Lakeland

Instructor: Heidi Noce, registered and experienced yoga instructor Fee: \$55.00 for Geddes residents, \$57.00 for nonresidents (6 week session)

Minimum of 6 needed to hold class.

To register or for more information, call the Recreation Department at 487-8238, during business hours, Mon.-Fri., 9am - 4:30pm

Recreation Programs / Mews

UPCOMING FALL SENIOR PROGRAMS

SENIOR CITIZENS "FALL" CARD PARTY

Seniors 55 and over are invited to attend our annual Spring Card Party. Each table will determine what type of card game they will play and how they will distribute the table prizes. Prizes will be furnished by the Recreation Department. You must bring your own cards.

Social distancing and COVID protocol will be followed.

John Carno Recreation Center Thursday, October 7th, 2021 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Lunch - bring your own (bottled water will be available)

Reservations are necessary and may be made by calling the department at 487-8238, and must be received by Tuesday, October 5th

SENIOR CITIZENS FUN BINGO PARTY

Seniors 55 and over are invited to attend our Fun Bingo Party. All materials will be provided.

Prizes will be furnished by the Recreation Department. Social distancing and COVID protocol will be followed.

John Carno Recreation Center Thursday, September 23rd, 2021

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Lunch - bring your own (bottled water will be available)

Reservations are necessary and may be made by calling the department at 487-8238, and must be received by Tuesday, September 21st

BUNCO GAME DAY

Seniors 55 and over are invited to join us for the first Bunco Game Day! Supplies are provided! Prizes will be furnished by the Recreation Department. Social distancing and COVID protocol will be followed.

John Carno Recreation Center Wednesday, October 20th, 2021

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Reservations are necessary and may be made by calling the department at 315-487-8238 and must be made by Monday, October 18th.

AARP SMART DRIVER COURSES

Take the 6-hour classroom refresher course specifically designed for drivers age 50 and over.

Auto insurance discounts in most states – consult your insurance agent. Class size is **limited to 20** and a minimum number of participants is required. Pre-registration is necessary and can be made by calling the department at 315-487-8238. Classes may be canceled based on AARP National Organization rules. COVID guidelines and protocol will be followed – **MASKS are necessary!**

John Carno Recreation Center 823 State Fair Blvd., Lakeland

Wednesday, September 22nd, 2021

9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (one day course)

Instructor: Jay Guss

Tuesday and Wednesday, October 12th & 13th, 2021

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (two day course)

Instructor: Jay Guss

Wednesday, November 17th, 2021

9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (one day course)

Instructor: Jay Guss

Cost: \$25.00 (with AARP membership card)

\$30.00 (non-members)

Payable to: **AARP** (checks only – payment must be received prior to class)

Mail payment to the Geddes Recreation Department, 823 State Fair

Blvd., Syracuse, NY 13209

FLU SHOTS

APPOINTMENTS ARE NECESSARY FOR THE CLINIC!! PLEASE READ!!

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th

from 3:30 to 5:00 pm

at the John Carno Recreation Center

823 State Fair Blvd., Lakeland

315-487-8238

The Flu Shot clinic is being sponsored by Wegman's Pharmacy. Proper guidelines and protocols will be followed by both the Recreation Department and Wegman's Pharmacy.

To receive a flu shot, an appointment is necessary. Reservations for appointment times can be made by calling the Recreation Department at (315) 487-8238, during office hours, Monday-Friday, 9:00am to 4:30pm.

After receiving your appointment time, the Wegman's Pharmacy will contact you 10 days prior to the Clinic date for all your necessary billing information. With this format, the only paperwork needed to be completed on the Clinic date will be the consent form with the Pharmacist administering the shot.

GYMNASIUM HOURS at the JOHN CARNO RECREATION CENTER

*The Lakeland Senior Citizens use the Recreation Center

the second Wednesday of each month.

Non-Residents will be charged a user's fee (\$5.00)

during supervised/recreational gym.

For more information, call the department at 487-8238.

Community Tess

DOGS

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BASSET HOUND
BEAGLE
BOXER
BULLDOG
CHIHUAHUA
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DACHSHUND
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GREAT DANE
GREYHOUND
HAVANESE
IRISH SETTER
LABRADOR
LHASA APSO
MALTESE
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NEW FOUNDLAND PEKINGESE POINTER POMERANIAN POODLE PUG PUP RETRIEVER

ROTTWEILER

SCHNAUZER SHEPDOG SHIHTZU SPANIEL ST BERNARD TERRIER WEIMARANER

Community Mess

Please mark your calendars

Please wear a face mask and adhere to social distancing protocols!

Solvay-Geddes Community Youth Center

1010 Woods Road, Solvay, NY 13209 • (315) 488-3666 • Contact@Solvayyouthcenter.com

Swim Lessons

\$60/ 6 week session - \$30 with CYC Family Membership

Please call for class information, dates and registration form

Defensive Driving Class*

AARP Members \$25 Non-Members \$30 15 maximum in class *Please call 315-488-6639 for details and enrollment

Bingo

Saturday Evenings at 7pm, Kitchen opens at 5pm. Reservations must be made, due to Covid-19 restrictions

For more information, please call 315-488-3666 or email us at contact@Solvay Youth Center.com



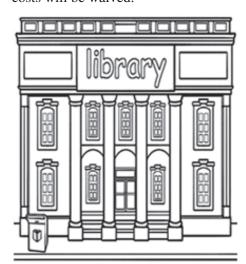
Solvay Public Library

615 Woods Road, (Corner of Woods & North Orchard) Village of Solvay, New York 13209 - Telephone 315-468-2441 for details or directions. To view our Event Calendar with a listing of our programs, online catalog, and databases go to www.solvaylibrary.org. Also, find us on Facebook.

Solvay Library Re-Opening

On March 22, the Solvay Public Library reopened to the public our normal hours, 7 days a week! This is for browsing, studying or computer use. Both the main and handicap entrances are open for patrons to use. Per state, county and village mandates, masks are required for entry, no exceptions. If you do not wish to enter the building, takeout is still available upon request.

Our maximum capacity is 25 people. Overdue fees will still not be accrued, but if you have excessive fees for items not returned, you must pay at least 10% to take items out. If you return the items, the replacement costs will be waived.



Summer Hours: (from June 20 to September 5)

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We are closed Sundays.

Be sure to check our Facebook page as well as our website and online calendar regularly for updated library news. These are great ways to know about upcoming library events and program information.

Takeout

The same takeout rules apply, just call us to let us know when you want to pick-up your items, then either enter the back, handicap entrance and hit the buzzer to let us know you're there or call us to bring you your items. Takeout will end a half hour before closing time every day.

Item Returns

Patrons are still encouraged to use the outside book drop, but can return items into the book slot at the front desk of the library.

Patron Donations

We are once again not accepting donations of old books as we have no room to store them at the moment. If you have a couple, newer books, DVDs or blu rays, call the library and we will discuss whether we can accept them now or not.

Meetings or Room Reservations

We still cannot allow room reservations or public events at this time.

Rapid Reads and Fast Flicks

Our 7 day Rapid Read books and 3 day Fast Flick dvds are back! Want the newest book or dvd? Stop in and maybe you'll be lucky and find them, these items cannot be placed on hold.

Library Services

- Do you have an eReader? You can download books to read or listen to for free from our online catalog. You will need to download some free software in order to access our books.
- Computer and Tech Help- The library has 14 computers available for public use with printing capabilities. We provide free WiFi service if you'd like to come in with your own device and connect to the Internet. We also offer free one-on-one tech assistance by appointment. If you need help with computer basics including using the Internet, how to set up an email account, fill out an



online application, or help with downloading books onto your eReader, call the library at 468-2441 to make an appointment.

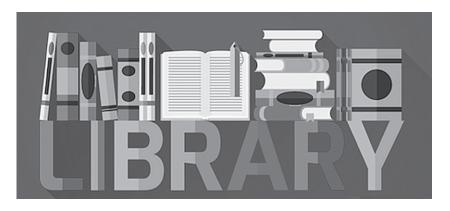
- Library Community Room and Meeting Rooms- The library has a variety of meeting spaces for your community group and clubs. Our spaces are ideal for a special program, workshops, or a committee meeting. We have wireless access, a digital projector, and other equipment for meeting use. Due to municipal laws paid, private tutors are not allowed to use our facility. Call the library for more information on how to schedule a room for your meeting or group.
- Public use scanners and a photocopier.
- The Library is home to the archives of the Solvay Process Company and has special collection mate-

rial related to the remediation of Onondaga Lake. The Local History room also houses archives of the Solvay Union Free District and some local history materials. Use of the room is possible by appointment only.

- Artist of the Month- We welcome local artists to display their work in the library. If you would like to share your creative talents with our community by exhibiting your work, please contact the library.

Friends of the Library

- The Friends of the Solvay Public Library was established in 2004. They provide vital support to the library and its programs, and advocate for the library in our community.
- Help support the ongoing programs and book collection at Solvay Public Library by joining the Friends of the Library organization. Active members attend monthly meetings every third Thursday at the library and/or volunteer at book sales, programs, and fundraisers. Unable to attend the meetings or commit your time to volunteering? Inactive members contribute with membership dues. Membership forms are available at www.solvaylibrary.org, at the library, or can be mailed to you by calling the library at 315-468-2441.
- Join them at their next meeting as they plan and prepare for their next fundraiser and annual book and bake sale.



Community Mess

Solvay Tigers Auxiliary

Submitted by: Carolyn Femano, Trustee and Chris Johns Kirby, President

The Solvay Geddes Youth Center What you didn't know about the Auxil-

The Auxiliary of the Solvay Geddes Youth Center is always seeking new members. Our organization is not your average group of just retired individuals. We are a robust and varied group. The consistent theme is that our community youth matter to us. This is the motive that unifies our members ages 32 to 94. If this rings true for you, join and be part of our organization. Volunteer your time to financially assist Youth Programs for students in the Solvay Geddes Community.

We welcome new adult members who

live in the towns of Geddes, Camillus, Onondaga or in the Village of Solvay. New members need to commit to work five times for a year at Bingo selling refreshments, 50/50 or supplies. When your year is completed you are entitled to a Family Membership. A Family Membership applies to you, your significant other and children under 18/or enrolled in college.

Come join and have fun with us! With a FAMILY Membership you and your family will be able to use the pool for daily exercise, swimming laps and attending aerobics (soon). You can also

use the gym to walk or shoot hoops and the exercise room to stay in shape. For more information, call Trustee, Carolyn Femano at 315 488-7194 or Chris Johns Kirby, President at 315 481-5046. Bingo is back in session so we really need new members.

Bottle Drive

Donate your returnable bottles and cans to a good cause! The Solvay Tigers Auxiliary is continuing sponsor a drive at Bottles End Redemption Center on Montrose Ave. The money earned will support youth programs such as scholarships, sponsorship of teams and other youth programs. No waiting at the Redemption Center, just leave the bottles and ask them to credit the bottles to the Youth Center. Bottles End is open Mon.-Wed.: 8 -5, Th. closed, Fri.: 8- 5 and Sat. 8 -4. Bags/boxes of bottles may also be dropped off at the Youth Center during normal business hours. (8-2/6-8) If you need assistance or have a large donation, please call 315 488 3666. Leave your name and number to arrange for a pickup. Someone will call you. Thank you so much for your support of this fund raiser. We anticipate continuing the fund raiser for as long as possible.

Senior Citizens Corner









Solvay Senior Citizens

submitted by: Sharon Marr, Publicity

Hello to all our Solvay Seniors. Hope everyone is staying safe and finally enjoying the good weather. We will be discussing the future of our club. We're hoping to be able to start doing some things shortly. Hope to see you all soon.

Lakeland Senior Citizens

submitted by: Joe Mingin

Here's my story, it's sad but true. It's about a club that we once knew. Covid took our fun away. Now we take it day by day. (thanks Dion). Well it's true. We've had no meetings since March of 2020. No lunch outings, No speakers enlightening us about various topics. No great entertainers lifting our spirits with song. But hope springs eternal. It's May, it's spring. We are ready for some fun activities. So let's put on our masks and start living again. We actually began in March. We had another drive through dinner at Suzie's. She provided us with two fabulous meal choices. Pot Roast

and Corned Beef and Cabbage. You can't see me, but I'm smacking my lips. She does such a great job. Suzie, hold on to your apron, cause we may be coming back for more. Our Activities Committee is hard at work trying to co-ordinate a summer picnic for our members. We are hopeful that the town will be able to allow us to hold our picnic in July at Lakeland Park. We're going to make Debbie an offer she can't refuse (thanks Godfather). Are we going to have a Christmas party this year? You better believe it. And we hope to be able to eat without our masks on. In October, we are sponsoring a Doug's to go fish truck at Holy Family Church in Fairmount. You're all invited. Final date to be printed in the summer edition of Aboutown. Some more good news. A free outdoor community concert is being planned for some time in June, possibly at Woods Road Park. The music will feature two local music groups. Also, since the music died last year (thanks Don McLean), the town will be scheduling six free concerts at Lakeland Park, Woods Road Park and possibly Cherry Road School. Hope to see you there. We're trying to make Lakeland Great Again (Gulp! Thanks

Donald).

On a sad note, we would like to note the passing of several of our members. Since January of 2020, we lost seven of our Seniors: Barbara Bradley, Liz Ladouceur, George Pisegna, Beatrice Reed, Margaret Solomon, Patricia Welch and Marcia Zack. Additionally in the last couple years we lost:

Phil Broton, Marjorie Kelly, Guy Pagano and Anne Schrank. May they rest in peace.

Well, that's all for now. Don't forget, if you want to be part of the best Seniors club in Lakeland, call Joe 315-488-3713.

Think Spring

Geddes Senior Citizens

submitted by: Conni Walker

Hello!! Hope this finds you well. Things are starting to open up- slowly but surely-giving us an opportunity to get out a little bit! Vaccinations are on the rise and cases of COVID are down. Let's hope it stays that way!!

Everything is budding out, and starting to green! I think we are all ready to have the good weather stay! Even though winter wasn't harsh, it seems like it over stayed it's welcome! (or maybe COVID made it seem so!).

On March 22nd, we were treated to a traditional Irish dinner of corned beef or ham with cabbage, potatoes and cabbage, pre-

pared by Suzi's Diner in Lakeland. It was great to see the friendly faces of our members who were working when picking up our dinners. Thank you to all who made that possible.

On May 10th, we will be having another to dinner, prepared by

Suzi's- this time it will be chicken and biscuits. I'm sure it will be as delicious as the previous dinners.

Hopefully, we will be able to get together in the not too distant future. We will keep you posted on any future meetings or events. Everyone stay safe and healthy!!