



## TOWN TALK NEWSLETTER

West Chazy - Sciota - Chazy

January - March 2011

Staub Spiegel ~ Supervisor



Happy New Year to everyone! I hope everyone had a great holiday season. We have had many compliments on the holiday decorations and would like to thank all those who participated to make our holiday decorating contest another huge success. We have had a very busy fall with the daily operations of running the town, along with finalizing a new budget for the coming year. I would like to thank the board for working hard to provide a budget that is as fiscally responsible as possible. With the closing of the Chazy Pfizer

location, we will find challenging times ahead. We can only hope that the Laurentian project, along with other economic growth will spur new businesses and faces to our community to offset this loss.

Many thanks to JoAnne Morris for leading a successful youth soccer program. I would also like to thank all the coaches of the soccer program, and the coaches currently running basketball programs for their dedication to our youth.

We are very excited to announce that the Chazy Youth Commission, under the direction of Tom Tetreault, is planning new camps this summer. Please see Tom's letter to the editor and camp schedule planned. Great job Tom!

We are happy to announce the award of a New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Water Quality Improvement grant in the amount of \$339,000 to build a salt storage building at our highway department site. I would like to thank Dick Lewis for his persistence in a project that will not only enhance our highway department but will help improve the quality of the surrounding environment at the same time. We hope to have this project completed in 2012.

As many of you know, Bob West has retired from the position of Codes Enforcement Officer. We wish Bob the best of luck in his retirement and thank him for the many years of dedicated service to our community.

We would like to welcome Frank Slycord as our new Codes Enforcement Officer. Frank brings many years of codes experience to our town and I am confident he will do a great job. Welcome aboard Frank!



We look forward to a very busy new year of running our Town Government and wish all the best to all our town residents.



**Leo J. Oliver ~ Town Clerk/Tax Collector**

**OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday thru Thursday - 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.  
Closed Fridays and weekends.**

**TOWN AND COUNTY TAXES**

The Town and County tax bills were mailed out the first of January 2011. Please let me know as soon as possible of any address change. If you have not received your bill and you do not have an escrow account, please contact me at 846-7544 ext. 2, for a copy of the bill or go online to our Town website, [www.townofchazy.com](http://www.townofchazy.com) and click on Links then click on "View and Pay Your Tax Bill Online" to get a copy and even pay online if you wish. If you chose to pay by installments, please note that the second, third and fourth coupon is to be paid to the Clinton County Treasurer's office in Plattsburgh as noted on the coupon. I will be collecting the Town and County Tax bills until April 30, 2011.



**DOG LICENSES**



Your dog license is now issued by the Town of Chazy and not NY State Agriculture and Markets. You will receive a new Town of Chazy dog license tag when you re-license your dog.

A reminder that once a dog reaches four (4) months old the dog needs a rabies shot and then needs to be licensed at the Town Clerk's office. \$7.50 for neutered or spayed dogs and \$15.50 for dogs un-neutered or un-spayed. There will be no purebred licenses issued. Each dog will have to have its own license.

Should have any problems with other dogs you may contact our Dog Control Officer, David Underwood at 236-4135 or 534-3898.

**TOWN BOARD MEETING DATES FOR 2011:** The regular meeting night remains the second Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Chazy Town Hall, with the exception of October, which will be the second Tuesday and November, which will be held on the Thursday immediately following Election Day.

<b>TOWN BOARD MEETING DATES FOR 2011</b>		
February 14, 2011	June 13, 2011	October 11, 2011
March 14, 2011	July 11, 2011	November 10, 2011
April 11, 2011	August 8, 2011	December 12, 2011
May 9, 2011	September 12, 2011	

**Frank Slycord ~ Town of Chazy Codes/Zoning Officer**

**OFFICE HOURS:  
TUESDAY 8AM TO 12  
THURSDAY 8AM TO 12**

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**ALL OTHER TIMES CALL  
518-546-3650 LEAVE MESSAGE**



**Susan Patnode ~ Secretary ~ Chazy Water and Sewer District**



It's not the little leak that wastes water-- it is the little leak that keeps on leaking that wastes water. And the fact that the leak is so little means that maybe you ignore it. So, how can a little leak turn into a big waste? Many of our toilets have a constant leak--somewhere around 22 gallons per day. This translates into about 8,000 gallons per year of wasted water, water that could be saved. Or think of a leaky water

line coming into your house. If it leaks 1 gallon of water every 10 minutes that means that you are losing (and paying for) 144 gallons per day, or 52,560 gallons per year.



**Joint Council For Economic Opportunity Of Clinton and Franklin Counties, Inc.**

**54 MARGARET STREET, PLATTSBURGH, NY 12901  
(518) 561-6310 (PHONE)**



JCEO has a vacancy for a Community Outreach Worker for the Town of Chazy. This position is 17.50 hours per week at \$9.60/hr., Grade 11.

Applicants must reside in the Town of Chazy. The Community Outreach Worker provides services including, information, referral, and advocacy.

Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED and six months of related experience or training. JCEO is an Equal

Opportunity Employer.

**David Lucia ~ Chief, West Chazy Fire Department**



“Happy New Year from the West Chazy Fire Department!!!! Our call volume was down compared to 2009 and to break it down even further fire related calls were up but EMS Call were down for 2010. During last years recruitment campaign we had 3 new members join. If you are interested in joining stop down on any Monday night or visit our website for more info [westchazyfiredepartment.com](http://westchazyfiredepartment.com). The fire department purchased a new I-One rescue vehicle to replace our previous squad truck and is now in service. This new truck will now be much safer and meet NFPA required safety standards. Year 2010 was also a very busy year besides our firematic duties. We participated in the Clinton County firefighters softball league, American Cancer Society Relay

for Life, The American Heart Association Heart Walk, and the Toy Drive for the Clinton County Christmas Bureau. A big thank you goes out to the members of the fire department, and the ladies auxiliary for all their support throughout the year.”

**Mike Cahoon ~ Chief, Chazy Fire Department**

On December 18, 2010 three firefighters Jerrid Juneau, Nykole Filion, and Lindsey Seymour, graduated from the NYS Firefighter I Course which certifies them as interior firefighters and in Hazardous Materials operations. Also, this grants the fire department tax relief. [chazyvfd.com](http://chazyvfd.com)



**2011 ANNUAL LINE OFFICER ELECTIONS**

Fire Chief - Mike Cahoon  
1st Asst Chief - Bob Mesick  
2nd Asst Chief - Paul Parent  
Fire Captain - Dennis Pilon

Rescue Captain - Dan Harriman  
Fire Lieutenant - Cory Tucker  
Fire Lieutenant - Carter Favreau  
Rescue Lieutenant - Chris Starace



**Scotts' Memorial Rink**

52 Macadam Rd ~ 518-846-7825

**OPEN SKATING FREE FOR TOWN OF CHAZY RESIDENTS**  
Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, February 13<sup>th</sup>, March 13<sup>th</sup>

**Thomas Tetreault ~ Chairperson, Youth Commission**

On behalf of the recreation department and coaches I would like to wish everyone a "Happy New Year"! I would also like to thank the parents, coaches, and kids for making 2010 a fun and successful year.

Summer 2011 the Town of Chazy will be offering some different types of camps for Chazy children and the best part about it the camps will be free. We are still working out the dates and times. In the next few months we will have a registration form available online at [townofchazy.com](http://townofchazy.com) and at local schools.



**Patricia Ayer ~ Town of Chazy Assessor**

Assessment Exemptions renewals for 2011 have been mailed to property owners. For senior citizens, if any property owner is turning 65 before December 31st, or is already 65, and has not signed up for the senior assessment exemptions, contact me at the Town Hall. Do not forget to send in the other yearly renewal exemptions: Agricultural Land, Income Disability, Non-profit.



All exemptions are due by  
**MARCH 1ST 2011**



## Richard Lewis ~ Highway Superintendant



So far this year the weather has been a little better than last year. As of January 14th we have used 160 loads of sand and salt on the roads. Last year at this time we used about 50 more than this year. You may drop off your Christmas trees at the highway garage. Please be sure that there is no metal in them because we chip them. With the low snow fall this year we have been able to keep cutting and chipping brush along Town roads.



The Town has been awarded a \$339,000 grant to build a salt and sand storage shed. I will be ordering a new plow truck this year. The new truck will have a combo box which means we will be able to use the truck as a dump truck or a sander without the time consuming job of removing and reinstalling the sander. The cost of the new truck will be about \$200,000. I will use \$150,000 that I have saved since I took office and \$50,000 from Highway Capital Reserve Fund that I have put aside to purchase needed equipment for the highway department. Have a safe winter.



## Robert Cheeseman ~ Town of Chazy Historian

The year 2011 is upon us and time keeps marching on as well as history is in the making. In the year 2010 we were able to erect three historical markers that had been waiting to be put up. There were countless inquires of family genealogies as well as a more than usual inquires of building and their origin and former owners. Another project that has been under way is the rebinding of the genealogy binders and folders and in doing so has relieved the crowded shelves made it possible to add many more genealogy books in the space. The historian had visitors from Maine, Georgia, Illinois, Wyoming, and even the United Kingdom as well as towns from all over our region and Montreal. It has been a rewarding year to be able to meet and provide these people with the information that they seek or help them find the place to look. A joyous event for me was on Miner Day at CCRS to act with Dick West as school masters at the Little Red Schoolhouse to give the first graders a look into school days of the 1800s. Then later that day to give the third graders a tour of Riverview Cemetery and the Miner Mausoleum and Chapel. It is always good to work with young people.



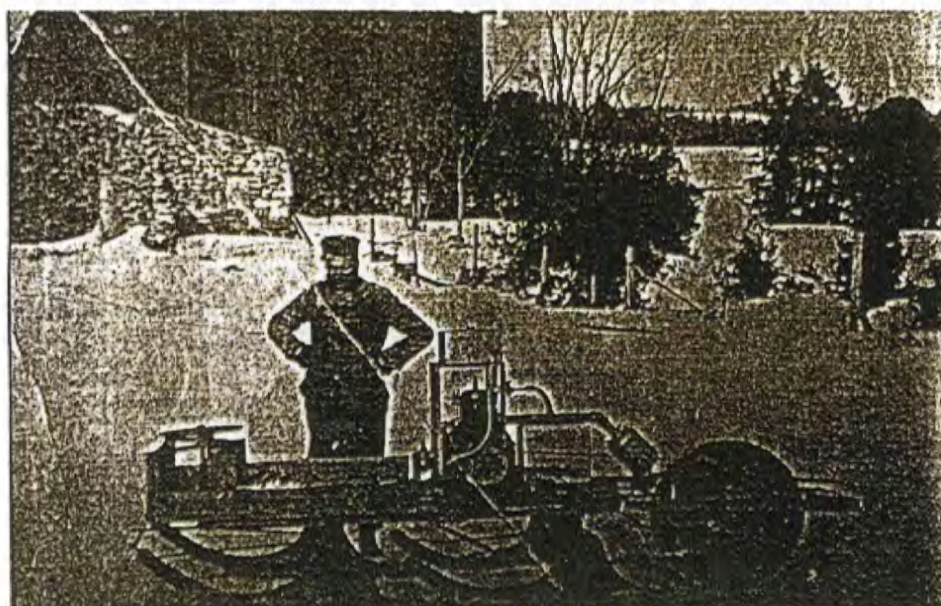
2011 is going to be another busy year as we look forward to 2014 and the commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Plattsburgh. Chazy being a key point of encampment and Chazy Landing the stopping point for the British naval fleet before and after the battle, we must be involved. There will be activities starting sometime this summer all along the corridor from the Canadian side of the border to the Battle site in Cumberland Bay. So, keep watchful and keep an open mind as we all can be involved.



Have you ever wondered how they put our Rt.9 railroad bridge in and kept the trains running at the same time? We found out last fall when Tim Richmond of Cheyenne, Wyoming brought us 100 photos of the project to be scanned and added to our digital collection.



This is for all you snowmobilers. Joseph Cassevaugh of West Chazy after selling his farm and horse, missed his sleigh rides, so he got an idea. He took a farm bobsled and put a box on top and bolted a one cylinder engine in the box. Belted it to a three foot wooden wheel in the back with spikes for traction. It was steered with a wheel on the front and ropes to each front runner. Joseph stood in the box and was able to go in the direction desired. The machine was a big attraction, it was also very noisy and disliked by the horses that would rear and snort at the smelly contraption. This very well could have been the first snowmobile built circa. 1920.



**TOWN OF CHAZY CONTACT LIST 2011**



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