

TOWN OF CANANDAIGUA NEWSLETTER



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From the desk of
Town Clerk,
Jean Chrisman

Dog Enumeration

Every five years, New York State requires municipalities to conduct a dog enumeration. The purpose of the dog enumeration is to obtain an accurate count of the number of dogs within the Town of Canandaigua. The number of dogs is also used for the amount of money the Town pays annually for dog control services through Ontario County.

According to Article 7, Section 109 of New York State Agriculture and Market Law, all dogs four (4) months or older are required to be licensed in the municipality in which they are harbored. In August 2017, every household will be receiving a letter explaining the purpose of the dog enumeration along with a self-address stamped postcard that you will be asked to return to the Town Clerk's office.

If you own a dog and it has an up-to-date license from the Town of Canandaigua, all you need to do is fill out the postcard and return it to the Town Clerk's office. You are requested to return the postage-paid postcard on / before **Monday, October 2, 2017**.

If you own a dog and it is *not* licensed with the Town of Canandaigua, you must bring the postcard, the dog's rabies vaccination certificate, and spayed /neutered certificate (if applicable) to the Town

Clerk's office to purchase a dog license. If the dog is spayed/neutered the cost of the license is \$14. If the dog is not spayed/neutered, the license will cost \$22.

At the conclusion of the dog enumeration project, the Town will be conducting a random check. Any unlicensed dog at that time will be subject to a court ticket and fine.

Your cooperation with this Town-wide enumeration project will be greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office at (585) 394-1120 ext. 2225 or jchrisman@townofcanandaigua.org. My office hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm with extended hours every Wednesday until 7:00 pm.

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Memories of Luella Walker Corbit

*Excerpts from "Memories of the Heart" (2006)
by Ray Henry, Town Historian*

Luella Walker Corbit spent her teenage summers on Canandaigua Lake at a summer home called the 'Hermitage' on Forrester's Point, just north of Black Point between the years of 1925 and 1932. Luella passed away on July 17, 2012, and it is appropriate at this time to remember her memories:

"When I was a youth my father (Dr. Alexander Walker) bought a cottage on the west side of Canandaigua Lake.
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Did you know? Transfer Station Permits expire every 2 years. Update yours today!

Transfer Station: Traffic Still Flowing

From the Public Works Committee

The traffic pattern may be different, and the surroundings have certainly changed, but operation of the Transfer Station remains a vital service in our community.

"It was necessary to re-route transfer station traffic to insure the safety of both customers and their vehicles," said Terry Fennelly, Councilmember and Chairman of the Public Works Committee which recommended the change. "People have followed the new procedure and adapted very well," he added.

The Transfer Station employs a full-time supervisor and two part-time attendants to help unload vehicles, monitor disposal, and ultimately to keep

wait times as low as possible. In addition, Highway Superintendent, Jim Fletcher, is in the process of hiring a third part-time attendant. "This addition can be made within the adopted budget," said Jim. "When we can increase the level and efficiency of service to our residents without increasing the cost, then it only makes sense to move forward."

Residents can expect the current traffic pattern to remain in place as the Town enters the next phase of building the new facility. Construction is scheduled to begin in July. Phase I primarily focuses on enclosing the new garage by the end of this year. Once complete, phase II will focus on interior finish work for the administrative and maintenance areas of the facility, and lastly, phase III will concentrate on remodeling the existing outbuilding.



Memories of Luella Walker Corbit

(Continued from Pg. 1)

"My mother and we five children went to the cottage the day after school closed and returned home Labor Day weekend."

"The cottage was large and unfinished inside. There was a large kitchen, a large living space, and a huge homemade refrigerator that I suppose they had for the Men's Club. It took 200 pounds of ice twice a week. Of course, we had kerosene lamps for our lighting. We had no electricity. . . . We used lake water which we pumped up from the lake, and for drinking water we rowed out some and lowered a jug."

"West Lake Rd. was a dirt road." When Luella was little she was very scared, because if it had rained recently, "I thought we were going to slide into the lake. I would cover my eyes. We had to go down a steep hill and we could only go half way and then my father had a shack built there to put the car under."

"I don't remember that we had a 'ring of fire' back then, but I do remember going down and sitting on the pier on July 4th and watching all the people shooting off fireworks around the lake. I think it was later when they had the Ring of Fire."

Regarding taking a steamboat down to Woodville: *"We'd get on the boat on the dock and go down to Woodville and change to the other boat and go up that side to Canandaigua and get on the other boat and come back. It was a big day's journey. One (of the boats) was the Eastern Star and the other was the Oriana. It stopped at the dock. We had a flag to let the boat know to stop. We drove our mother crazy 'cus she'd go off, we'd put up the flag and the boat would stop and we weren't going anywhere."*

"We always had cousins and friends, ya know. You don't go down just by your family; you always took somebody with you. That made it more fun. It was a great time to grow up."



Natural Resource Protection News

From the Town of Canandaigua Environmental Conservation Board

Visit our website: www.townofcanandaigua.org- Select "Boards and Committees"

Plant a Rain Garden For Beauty, For Water Quality, For Wildlife

Rain gardens are designed to allow stormwater running off hard surfaces to infiltrate into the soil. There are many benefits and a few patterns to observe in their construction.

The first quarter-inch of precipitation running off of a hard surface carries the greatest loading of contaminants. Bird droppings and dust from roofs; road salt, soil, oil and automotive fluids from driveways and other pollutants are washed off in that first flush of stormwater. Infiltrating runoff water into the ground where plant roots and soil filter out contaminants promotes clean water reaching our streams and lakes. More information about creating rain gardens can be found on the Environmental Conservation Board page of the Town of Canandaigua website.



Support Your Local Pollinators

The past few years have seen a sharp decline in the number of butterflies, honey bees and bumble bees that grace our landscapes and pollinate our crops. The reasons for the decline are the subject of much scientific research and debate. Among topics being investigated are pesticides and other chemicals suspected of being harmful to the insects.

Loss of habitat is one cause that everyone agrees upon as a prime culprit in the loss of pollinators. We can do something about that. Gardens can offer prime habitat for bees, humming birds, butterflies and other pollinators. More information about creating a pollinator habitat can be found on the Environmental Conservation Board page of the Town of Canandaigua website.

**YOU ARE INVITED to a FREE, FAMILY-FRIENDLY
Hands-on Aquatic Invasive Species
And Clean, Drained and Dry Boat Inspection Seminar**

August 10, 2017: 6pm – 8pm

Crouch Hall, Onanda Park, 4965 County Road 16

Speakers: Dr. Bruce Gilman, FLCC and CLWA/FLI Watercraft Steward



*Do you want to help keep an educated eye on the lake?
Invasive aquatic plants hitch rides on boats and in bait buckets.*

*Learn what's native and what's not - and how to be sure
you aren't transporting problems to Canandaigua Lake!*

DATES TO REMEMBER**July**

- 4 - Independence Day, Town Offices CLOSED
 11 - Planning Board Meeting, 6:30pm
 17 - Town Board Meeting, 6pm
 18 - CIC Meeting, 9am
 18 - Zoning Board Meeting, 6pm
 25 - Planning Board Meeting, 6:30pm

August

- 1 - CIC Meeting, 9am
 8 - Planning Board Meeting, 6:30pm
 10 - Aquatic Invasive Species Seminar, 6pm
 15 - CIC Meeting, 9am
 15 - Zoning Board Meeting, 6pm
 21 - Town Board Meeting, 6pm
 22 - Planning Board Meeting, 6:30pm

September

- 4 - Labor Day, Town Offices CLOSED
 5 - CIC Meeting, 9am
 12 - Planning Board Meeting, 6:30pm
 18 - Town Board Meeting, 6pm
 19 - CIC Meeting, 9am
 19 - Zoning Board Meeting, 6pm
 26 - Planning Board Meeting, 6:30pm

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**In the
Spotlight**

Employee Recognition

The Town of Canandaigua would like to take a moment to recognize one of our many outstanding employees:

Todd Wood

Todd is a Motor Equipment Operator with the Highway Department. His duties include plowing snow, operating the Town's roll-off truck, and most notably, supervising the Town's Transfer Station. Todd's regard for his work is clearly demonstrated by his motto: Greet everyone with a warm smile.

Todd is currently in his 30th year of service with the Town of Canandaigua! Despite his dedication to the Town, Todd is actually a resident of Middlesex. When he's not working, Todd enjoys being outside, going on hunting excursions, and spending time with his grandchildren.

Thank you for your service to the Town of Canandaigua, Todd!