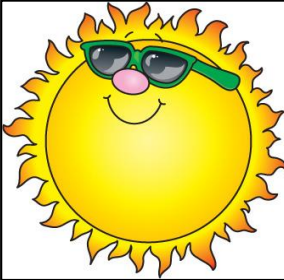


Town of Gaines

Welcome Summer



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From the Desk of the Supervisor... Carol Culhane

What is so special to me about the Town of Gaines?

I have been asked that question so many times of the past 30+ years. I lived in Gaines for 10 years in the 80's and just loved it here. When I married Jerry, I moved into his farm on 31A Town of Barre. We had a Christmas Tree Farm and I started my art career there. It was great but when we decided to sell the farm and where to move we thought how great it would be to move to Gaines. I was thrilled to come back.

Growing up in the inner city and in a tough neighborhood I learned to stand on my own two feet at a young age. My Dad was a Rochester Police Officer and well it was tough being a policeman's daughter. We lived house driveway house on a small side street off

Jay Street. My Dad was born in the house and the area was called "Dutch Town".

My parents built a cottage at Lakeside Park the year I was born. We spent summers out here and Albion area became a paradise to us. No sirens no noise wide open space and peace. We loved it. I have lived in Orleans County all but 20 years of my life and I always call it a paradise.

My goal was and always will be as your supervisor to protect and manage your tax dollars and do the best for each person in the town of Gaines. I am so proud to call Gaines my home town

and so glad we chose to live here.

I feel I have done my best working for ALL the people of Gaines. Devoting myself to the details of managing your money. Our Town is in great shape and I feel confident we have all the right people in place to keep it that way. I love this little town.

As always, I make myself available to you any time. My cell phone is on the phone message at the town hall. I will do my best to help in any way that I can or please just stop in and say hello. The coffee pot is on to share with anyone who stops in.



And Who took the money?

We are pleased to report that all of your tax dollars have been spent wisely and can be accounted for. In fact, your town is in GREAT fiscal shape! And how do we know?

YOUR TOWN IS IN GREAT FISCAL SHAPE!!

**Independent Audits have stated we are managing your money well. All posted online when completed.*

**We have met State Controllers guidelines requiring 1 ½ x budget in the bank*

**All Town Equipment and other debts (except water) are paid for*

**Your water rates have not gone up, and water remains in the black.*

**We have been able to LOWER your taxes*

From the Town Clerk's Office.....

The Town of Gaines is pleased to announce that Deputy Town Clerk Debbie Mitchell will soon be available for notary services at the Town Hall for your convenience. The Town Clerks Office is always available to assist you in any way they can. Feel free to contact Sharon Harding, Town Clerk and/or Debbie Mitchell, Deputy Town Clerk.

From the Highway Garage.....



Our highway men are working on all the summer projects keeping our town in the best condition as always doing a great job!!! Any needs or concerns don't hesitate to contact the garage.

Hydrant Meter Policy being put in place



Upgraded new meter system reader. An independent water reading system measures exact consumption of your water through radio signal.



Your water is no longer in the red but in the black which means money does not have to be borrowed for management, or upkeep, saving your tax dollar money.



News Flash!! on your Codes Enforcer

Contrary to rumors your Codes Enforcer works for both Town of Albion and Gaines with shared services 7 days a week saving you tax dollars. Dan Strong is available evening and after work hours to accommodate your work schedule. He is also busy working with several new residents who are renovating existing vacant homes in the Town of Gaines. Remember there are State Guidelines requiring proper documentation /written reports he must follow to eliminate "selective enforcement". **To speak to Dan Strong, you can call 589-4592 Ext 20.**

From the Town Historian..... Al Capurso

LOST IN HISTORY!!

Please save the dates for two important upcoming events for Gaines. First, is the rededication of the Cobblestone Schoolhouse bell in Childs (restoration to working order); reception and refreshments following at the Cobblestone Museum; Saturday, August 19 at 11AM. The second is at the Cobblestone Schoolhouse on Gaines Basin Road; the unveiling of the National Historic Register plaque and dedication of the flag pole and bench to the memory of past Orleans County Historical Association President Woodrow A. Baker; refreshments to follow. Please plan on attending these events as we honor and preserve the heritage of 19th century education in Gaines. Please call (585)590-0763

These are all Good Things that the Town of Gaines is Proud of. We are happy as always to answer any questions or concerns. Please feel free to contact Codes Enforcer: Dan Strong at ext. 20, Supervisor Culhane at ext. 14, Deputy Supervisor: Dr. Mary Neilans or Board Members Richard DeCarlo, Susan Smith, Jim Kirby.

WATER BILLS!!

For those of you who hate to receive those pesky water bills or find yourself forgetting to pay on time, there is an option of "Direct Payment".

Simply fill out the "ACH Recurring Payment Authorization Form" (enclosed in this month's water bill) or download the form on our website.

www.townofgaines.org.

Your water payment will be automatically deducted from your checking or savings account so you will never have to worry about missing your water bill payment or those late fees again.

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