# The Village of Hilton

The Little Village with the Big Heart

## May 2017

## Protect the Village of Hilton

As you may be aware in the Governor's Executive Budget, there is a proposal mandating every NYS county to prepare a consolidation plan, to include new shared services in order to lower the property taxes in New York. In simple terms, this plan could result in dissolution of the Village of Hilton and placed for a vote on the ballot for the November 2017 election.

The Governor blames local municipalities for the high taxes. What the Governor has failed to realize is the Monroe County municipalities have been sharing services for decades! We are the government closest to the people, the most responsive and responsible to our residents' needs.

The Village of Hilton is always looking for more ways to save money and increase efficiencies. We have never exceeded the tax cap and the Village Board never considered adopting a resolution to go above the tax cap. My administration and budget team work very hard each year to deliver a balanced budget that provides the most services to the residents at the lowest cost possible.

I am very proud to say our tax rate is \$2.61 per thousand. The average home is assessed for \$125,000, so the average bill is \$326.25, which

Coffee Corner

includes refuse/recycling. To hire an outside refuse hauler would





cost more than the average village tax. Also included are: building inspections, code enforcement, Fire Marshall, park maintenance, shade trees, street cleaning, street/sidewalk/storm water maintenance, snow removal including all sidewalks, leaf/brush collection, Zoning Board services and a Community Center. The Village also provides water and sewer services.

The village is also debt free, which allows us to pay cash for all of our equipment and expenses. I cannot imagine a more efficient government.

In 2012, the Village of Hilton, Town of Parma, Hilton-Parma Fire District and Hilton Central School District constructed a shared salt facility, which has saved each entity thousands of dollars. The school district constructed a new fuel island in 2014. This eliminated the need for the above mentioned municipalities to construct and maintain their own fuel stations. We belong to a self insured workers compensation group, which, if we have a good safety year, we are refunded a portion of our insurance premium. The village has always received a substantial refund.

These are just a few examples of what the Village of Hilton does to share services. I am doing everything possible to work with our legislators to have this removed from the Governor's budget and protect your services!

If you would like to express your views on the Governor's "Consolidation Plan", you can contact our local representatives;

Senator Joseph Robach at 225-3650 or Assemblyman Peter Lawrence at 225-4190.

www.hiltonny.org



Contributed by **Dave Crumb** Village Historian

## Fresh-New Look in Hilton

When approaching Hilton from the south, one will notice a fresh new look in the village's oldest commercial district, located on the northeast corner of Hazen Street and South Avenue.

The old "Village Hardware" has been refreshed with new siding and the shabby old additions removed and discarded. The old blue house that stood for many years at the Corner of Hazen Street and South Avenue, having been used as a rental property for many years, had "run its course" and was also torn down. A new building has been tastefully planned and constructed. The new building's architecture has been carefully designed to blend in with that of the older original building. The owner, Gary Inzana, has been progressive in updating the corner for both an attractive appearance and a "best-use" facility, designed for use as a retail Hilton were said to have found and office complex, including new second story one-bedroom apartments. Generous parking has been allotted in the front of the building for the convenience of future customers.



The old blue house that was torn down was originally built in 1871 by Jonathan Greenwell, Hilton's Village Blacksmith. Greenwell, according to the late Historian, Leith C. Wright, was also a talented musician and directed the Baptist Church choir and most other musical events within the community. An active participant in village affairs, he served as police constable at North Parma (Hilton) from 1877-1891. In addition, he was a charter member of the North Parma Fire Company and a member of Clio Lodge 779, F.&A.M.

Later, the house was owned by Ezra Clint, a wealthy local farmer who lived there with his spinster sister, Betsy. At the time of his death in 1933, his executors at the State Bank of over \$10,000 in cash in various places in the house. This was a considerable amount of money at the time, when the average wage was a mere \$20.00 per week. Those were depression years, and Avenue in such a tasteful way. many people were keeping

stashes of cash handy during "bad times".

In 1935 Albert Stothard, owner of the adjacent hardware store, purchased the house from Betsy Clint's estate. He refurbished and remodeled the house for his son and partner, Lavergne "Shorty" Stothard and his family. Later the house was sold and used by various landlords who subsequently rented it to a series of tenants.

Behind the property stood Greenwell's old blacksmith shop complete with cupulo. It stood from the 1860's until its demolition in 1976. Among the ruins after demolition, interesting artifacts were found including horseshoes, horseshoe nails, and other items connected with the building's early function.

While it is sad to see an end come to a piece of Hilton's history, it is also uplifting to see something new and progressive take its place. Congratulations to Gary Inzana and team for enhancing the character of South





Congratulations to George Heinrich, Hilton's 2017 Citizen of the Year!

George was chosen as this year's outstanding citizen because of the many years of dedicated service he has given, and continues to give to the Hilton community.

George was born and raised in Hilton, and has lived here all his life. He and his wife Janet have been married for 32 years. They have 3 children: Jason, Jennifer and Jessica.

George is owner and operator of Heinrich Collision located at 60 Gorton Avenue in Hilton. The family owned business was first started by his father John in 1957. In 2010, George took ownership and continues to operate the business with his son Jason. Heinrich Collision serves people through their 24 hour towing and recovery service. They also provide complete collision work and auto glass repair. Their business is said to be one of the longestestablished in the community.

Not only is George involved in the community through his work, he is also very generous with his free time. Over the years, George has been on many committees in Hilton. George is on the planning committee of the Hilton Apple Festival Auto Show, and has been for many years. He also serves on the committee for the Classic Wheels on Main Street annual event. George has been active

## George Heinrich 2017 Citizen of the Year

with the Hilton Education foundation since 2006. He served as President of the organization, and previously as Vice President. The foundation is dedicated to supporting quality education programs for students. George also serves on the foundation for the Backpack Program which sponsors the Cadet Cupboard, a program that provides food for needy children. George also serves on the Hilton-Parma Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and has been active with the organization for 15 vears.

George has a lasting relationship with the Hilton Fire Department. He has been providing them with used vehicles for accident extrication training drills for many years.

In addition, for many years George and his son Jason, in collaboration with the high school and fire department, have been involved in staging an interactive DWI demonstration for juniors and seniors. George and Jason provide the vehicles and help set up an accident scene with the intent to discourage young people from drinking and driving. Unfortunately, the annual event was discontinued for a few years, but with George's urging, has been brought back every other year.

George exemplifies the meaning of community involvement. He is always willing to lend a hand and help out whenever needed. The Village Board would like to offer a sincere *Thank you* to George for "being who you are" and your unwavering commitment to serving others!



## **Reducing Stormwater Pollution**

### Wastewater Discharge from Pools, Fountains & Spas

Although it is perfectly safe to enjoy pools, fountains, and spas when their waters are treated properly, that same water in our stormwater system can become hazardous for aquatic life and our environment. Chlorine, acid, algaecides and other water treatment chemicals should be handled, stored, used and disposed of properly. Even the empty containers need proper cleaning before disposal.

### **Using Water Treatment Chemicals**

When using water treatment chemicals, purchase only the amount needed to do the job. If chemicals need to be stored, place in a covered and well-ventilated area. Thoroughly read all information provided on chemical container labels. Triple rinse all chemical containers, each time pouring the rinse water back into the pool, fountain or spa. Containers are then safe for disposal. Dispose of old or unwanted chemicals only at a Household Hazardous Waste facility. In Monroe County, call 753-7600 to schedule an appointment for disposal.

#### **Pool Backwashing**

Pool Backwashing is the most common maintenance activity. Backwash water can become a pollutant to our stormwater system, and draining to a storm sewer or water body is illegal if the water contains chemicals. Some basic practices to prevent backwash chemicals from entering a water body are as follows: backwash water should drain into the lawn or other landscaped area of your property. Draining



slowly will allow chemicals to dissipate and prevent erosion. Never drain backwash into a stream, creek, pond, or other natural water body. Do not drain backwash water into the storm sewer, onto driveways, sidewalks, streets or other impervious surfaces. All wastewater from acid washing should be neutralized to ph between 6.0 and 7.0 and discharged to the lawn or sanitary sewer. Dispose of diatomaceous earth (DE) in the garbage.

### **Draining Pools, Fountains and Spas**

Drain your pool, fountain or spa only when a tested sample does not contain chlorine. Do not drain down a driveway or into a storm sewer. Instead, drain slowly to the lawn or other landscaped area of your property using a lowvolume pump or siphon. Be aware of drainage patterns that may affect neighboring properties, especially steep slopes.

Winterize your pool by waiting for chlorine levels to be close to zero, draining your pool as described above and then adding your winter treatment chemicals. Draining first reduces the amount of chemicals needed and saves money. Mix the chemicals in your pool by using a skimmer pole and brush attachment.

To learn more visit the Stormwater Coalition of Monroe County website: <u>www.thestormwatercoalition.org</u> or the H2O Hero website: <u>www.h2ohero.org</u>.

Thank you for helping preserve and protect water quality in Monroe County.



## 2017-18 Village Budget

The Village of Hilton has adopted a new budget for the 2017-18 fiscal year, effective June 1, 2017. This year the tax rate will have an increase of 3 cents per \$1,000. The former rate of \$2.58 will change to \$2.61 per \$1,000. The increase falls under the Governor's tax cap limit.

Included in the new budget, \$112,000 has been set aside for street maintenance. Crack filling and slurry sealing have been planned for the Fraser Drive subdivision, Short Hills Drive subdivision, Underwood Avenue and Orchard Street.

We are excited to announce, this year the Village has been awarded a \$72,000 HUD Community Development Grant to pay for the repair and/or replacement of damaged gutters and sidewalks on Little Tree Lane. The Grant money will cover the cost of concrete and labor. The money that is recovered for the cost of labor will in turn go toward milling and resurfacing Mockingbird Lane.

Within the Village vehicle replacement plan, \$101,000 has been budgeted for a new tractor with mower and a 1<sup>1/4</sup> ton roller. \$100,000 will be placed into an equipment reserve savings fund to provide for future purchase needs.

\$3,500 will be used to purchase a mobile speed and traffic monitor. \$2,500 will be used to purchase new diagnostic software for the Department of Public Works, to be used by the village mechanic, and will be shared with the Town of Parma.

Continuing in the 3rd year of on-going upgrades to the village street-lighting system, \$27,000 has been budgeted to purchase 67 new LED streetlight heads to replace the old heads on East Avenue, Parma View Drive, Doud Circle, Applewood Lane, Hillside Drive, Cedar Terrace, Hilton Heights, and Bernie Whelehan Drive. The Village is currently applying for a grant to help offset the costs of this project.

\$95,000 has been budgeted for on-going sanitary sewer improvements. The sewer mains in the Hovey Square parking lot and on Gorton Avenue are scheduled to be slip lined.

Sewer rates will increase from \$130 per

residential unit to \$135.

Due to an increase in Monroe County Water rates, there will be an increase in the consumption charge from \$2.99 per 1,000 gallons to \$3.20. The daily water charge will remain unchanged at .21 cents a day.

The Village of Hilton previously received a HUD Community Development Grant for \$32,000 for the upgrade of the first floor men's and women's restrooms in the Community Center. The money will be used to make both restrooms compliant with the American Disabilities Act. New sinks will be added and push-button automatic hall entry doors will be installed. In addition, a new ADA drinking fountain will be installed in the hallway. Work on this project is expected to take place within the next 6 months.

A third grant has been awarded to the Village this year in the amount of \$203,845 from NYS DASNY. This grant will pay for the replacement of the culvert on Carter Drive. A section of Carter Drive, between Green Lane and Cross Lane, will be closed to traffic from the beginning of July to the end of August while the culvert work is being done.

Village employees are working diligently to keep costs down and provide excellent service to our community!



## Yard Waste & Brush Collection

This year, as in previous years, yard waste will be picked up on the last Friday of the month on the following dates: April 28th, May 26th, June **30<sup>th</sup> and September 29<sup>th</sup>**. Place acceptable materials including sod, leaves, small stones, gravel, twigs, hedge trimmings, grass and stumps at the curb by **7:00am**. All material must be placed in a plastic or metal container. *Plastic or* paper bags will not be accepted, nor will cardboard boxes. Place stumps next to

containers. Containers over 30 pounds will not be picked up. Loose material raked to the curb will also not be picked up. No stickers are required and more than 3 containers are acceptable.

**Brush** will be picked up on the first and third Friday of each month, north of West Avenue and East Avenue, and the second and fourth Friday of each month, south of West Avenue and East Avenue.

## Garbage & Recycling Holiday Pick-up Schedule

### HOLIDAY

#### **ALL DEPTS CLOSED**

### **PICK-UP DATE**

Memorial Day $\ldots$ . Monday, May 29 <sup>th</sup> $\ldots$ . Tuesday, May 30 <sup>th</sup>
Independence Day Tuesday, July $4^{th}$ Wednesday, July $5^{th}$
$\ldots$ Services unaffected September $1^{st}$
Labor Day $\ldots \ldots$ . Monday, September $4^{th}$ $\ldots$ . Tuesday, September $5^{th}$
Columbus Day Monday, October $9^{th}$ Tuesday, October $10^{th}$
Veteran's Day Friday, November 10 <sup>th</sup> Services unaffected
Thanksgiving Thursday, November 23 <sup>rd</sup> <u>Wednesday, November 22</u> <sup>rd</sup>
Services unaffected
Christmas $\ldots$ Monday, December 25 <sup>th</sup> $\ldots$ . Tuesday, December 26 <sup>th</sup>
New Year's 2018 $\ldots$ . Monday, January $1^{st}$ $\ldots$ . Tuesday, January $2^{nd}$

If your normal pick-up date falls on the day depts are closed, your garbage and recycling will be picked up on the new pick-up date. All other days remain unaffected and on normal schedule.

## 3 on 3**Basketball** Tournament

Hilton Select Basketball, the Village of Hilton and Parma Recreation will sponsor the Battle on the Blacktop, 3 on 3 basketball tournament again this year. The fun will take place on Saturday, June10<sup>th</sup>. The tournament will be held in the Community Center parking lot. Registrations can be made by calling 392-9030.

Department of Public works **Summer Hours** May1-August 31 7-4:30 Mon-Thurs 7-3:30 Friday

Support our local economy

Business News Help us welcome the newest businesses to the Hilton Community!

## **Craig's Barber Shop**

109 Lake Avenue, Suite 106 585-315-4640



Owner: Craig Francis cfranchise85@gmail.com craigshiltonbarbershop.com

assisted by Marisa Mantisi, Instagram: GlaMaris\_Mantisi 585-704-7163

Appointments and Walk-ins welcome. Services exclusively for men and boys: Shampoo, beard trim, face shave, hair cut, edge-up, clean-up. *Discounts for military, fire and police!* 

<u>Hours:</u> Tues. 10-5, Wed. 10-8, Thurs. 10-8, Fri. 10-8, Sat. 8-1, Closed Sun. & Mon.

## **The Hilton Sub Station**

Brand New business-not affiliated with previous Sub-Hub!

75 Lake Avenue 366-4294

Owner: Mark Longwell

Website coming soon!

You can find their menu online at www.yelp.com or



by googling the Hilton Sub-Station. Featuring **Boar's Head premier deli meats & cheeses,** fresh, locally baked Martusciello rolls, subs, sub trays, breakfast pizza, pizza and wings, fish & chips, plates,

kids menu. <u>Hours:</u> Tues. to Sat. 11-7:30, Closed Sun. & Mon. subject to change

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## **Illusion's Salon**

Visit their new location! 53 South Avenue 392-9101

Owner: Thao Nguyen

assisted by Shelby Waldron on Fridays from 12-7 and Saturdays from 12-5



Hours: Closed Sun. Mon. - Tues. 9am-6pm, Wed. - Fri.: 9am-7pm Sat.: 9am-5pm

Appointment and walk-ins welcome. Serving men, women and children: Shampoo, cut, style, color, highlights, perms, waxing, manicure, pedicure, kids pricing. Hair care products available for purchase on site.



## Bozza's Pasta

7 Upton Street, Suite 3 585-764-2848

Hours: Mon. - Fri. 9-4 Sat. 10-3, Closed Sun. Owner: Michael Bozza Family owned since 1977 Michael@Bozzasitalian.com

Featuring hand made, fresh, frozen, traditional pasta, diet specific pasta, gluten free, low glycemic, whole grain, vegan and vegetarian options. Order on Facebook.

### **E-Treasures**

7 Upton Street, Suite 7 585-770-3578



Owner: Erika Spiroff

Hours: Fri. - Sat. 10-5 subject to change

Looking for a unique treasure to furnish or decorate your home? Visit our 3,000 sq ft showroom filled with gently used, reasonably priced, well-made furniture and household items. Website coming soon!



Owner: Engels Gualdani, sales@glclassiccars.com www.glclassiccars.com

## Save the Dates...

**9th Annual Hilton-Parma Community Garage Sale** Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> & Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm

Hilton Memorial Day Parade Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am

Hilton Fire Department Carnival Wednesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>

> Hilton Apple Festival Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> & Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup>





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## 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Classic Wheels on Main Street Sponsored by the Village of Hilton & Carb Kings Car Club of Hilton

## Saturday, August 12th ~ 9:00am to 4:00pm

Main Street will be closed to traffic from 8 am until 5:00 pm.

Enjoy the music, cars, food, prizes and fun! Bring the whole family!

Proceeds benefit the Hilton Parma Emergency Food Shelf. Donations gratefully accepted during the event.



Awards presentation at 3:30 p.m. Must be present to win.

<u>Awards for</u> Each car class category, Best dressed car owner, Mayor's choice, D.J.'s choice

## Car owners may register online at <u>www.hiltonny.org</u>. *Entertainment by D.J. Mike Vickers, Legends 102.7* Want to volunteer? Email Connie at <u>cdeconinck1@gmail.com</u> or call Kevin at 392-7793

#### Hilton Village Office 392-4144

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