

### **Remembering Two of Hilton's Finest!**

The Hilton community has lost two fine individuals over the past year. Not only did they live in Hilton, they also served the people of Hilton in numerous capacities. Both were exemplary people, who went over and above in their commitment to community service. Although the accomplishments of both are many, only a few are highlighted here, to help others understand what outstanding individuals both men were.

Charles F. Kimball, fondly known as Charlie, passed away on April 23, 2015. He was 70 years old.

Charlie was a well respected Math Teacher in Hilton for over 30 years. Because of his expertise in computers, he later became the District's first Director of Technology. Charlie was



Charles F. Kimball

involved with the Teacher's Union and served as Treasurer.

In addition to his dedicated service in the School District, Charlie was an active member of the Hilton Fire Department for 13 years. His membership status changed to Associate in 1993, because of a health condition. Because of Charlie's continued dedication in the department, he was later awarded Life Membership in 2011. Over the years, he served in numerous capacities on the Fire Department Board; as Vice President, two terms as President, as Treasurer and as Secretary. He was an all-around great guy to work with. When it came to computers, he was able to competently handle

any of the day-to-day business in the department. He introduced the first computers into the fire department and converted all the paper records to computer documents. He also updated the bylaws and re-wrote the oath of office.

Charlie served on the Village Board, as Trustee from 2002 until 2006. He was very active with the personnel team.



Douglas C. Hurlbutt

Douglas C. Hurlbutt passed away on July 23, 2015. He was 75 years old.

Doug, as most folks called him, was a life-long resident of Hilton. Most people remember him as the milkman! As the owner of Hilton Dairy, Doug faithfully delivered milk, juice and eggs to local homes for 40 years.

For as long as anyone can remember, Doug was always

involved in the community. He served as a firefighter for 15 years, he was active in the school district, he served on the library board, and was an avid member, leader and volunteer at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Most honorably, he served on the Village Board, as Trustee from 1966 until 1970. In 1970 he was voted in as Mayor of the Village of Hilton and served until 1974.

Both Charlie and Doug will be greatly missed! They are truly two of Hilton's finest. They are both shining examples of selfless service and will be remembered as two individuals who were great assets to the Hilton community.



MAYOR

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I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the many people who support our community.

First, I'd like to give special recognition to Senator Joe Robach. Senator Robach was instrumental in helping the village obtain a \$121,000 grant that was used to fund the milling, recycling and paving of Village II Drive and Cedar Terrace. Without the acquired grant money, the village would not have been able to complete the much needed work. My sincere thanks to Joe for his assistance in this project.

I'd also like to offer my personal thanks to the people of this community. Your patience and understanding during the many times traffic has been shut down, or re-routed for various road construction projects and village events is much appreciated. I understand the frustrations that motorists endure and I truly appreciate the willingness of people to patiently cooperate and endure these temporary inconveniences for the greater good of the community.

Finally, I am grateful for the people who coordinated, volunteered, spoke and came out in support of the village's first annual 9-11 remembrance event. It

was a great turn out for our first year and I am pleased so many could attend.

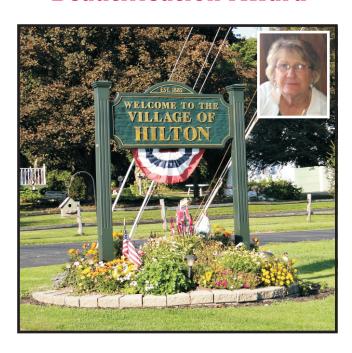




### **Donna LaForce**

2015 Recipient of the

# Walt Horylev Civic Beautification Award



Since 2012, the Village Board has been recognizing an individual, group or business that adds beauty or enhances a specific site within the Village of Hilton.

Congratulations to **Donna LaForce**, the 2015 recipient of the Walt Horylev Civic Beautification Award.

Donna has spent many years supplying, planting and caring for the beautiful flowers and decorations surrounding the "Welcome to Hilton" sign on South Avenue. Over the years she has done a wonderful job enhancing this area with her generous talents of gardening and decorating.

At the October Village Board meeting,
Donna was awarded a plaque and
a certificate in appreciation for her
dedication and continuous efforts to
make the entrance to the village
beautiful for all to see! It is people like
Donna who make this community a
better place. If you see Donna, be sure
to thank her for her wonderful talents
and generosity!

# 11 Structure Fires in Monroe County, in 2015, Caused by Improper Disposal of Ashes!



Photo used with permission Courtesy of **Robert Steimer** Chili Fire Department

2015 has seen an alarming number of structure fires caused by improper disposal of ashes from wood burning stoves and fireplaces.

On September 10, 2015, a major fire broke out at Creekside Commons in Chili. It was later determined that the fire was caused by improperly disposed of ashes. The whole tragedy could have been avoided, had the ashes been treated and discarded in the proper manner.

Fire Departments around the county are urging residents to beware of where they are storing discarded ashes and what they are discarding them in.

As the cold weather descends upon us, many people will be using wood as a source to heat their homes, for recreational campfires or outdoor cooking. For the well-being of everyone, please adhere to the following safety measures to avoid the risk of fire.



**ALWAYS** treat ashes as hot. If possible, wait at least 24 hours after a fire before removing ashes.

**ALWAYS** use <u>only</u> a <u>metal</u> container to discard ashes and cover the container with a tightly closed <u>metal</u> lid. This will prevent the hot ashes from blowing around in the wind.

**ALWAYS** add water to the ashes in the pail and stir them around with a metal utensil to wet all of the ash. Allow ashes to sit in water for at least 3 days before disposal.

Be sure to teach all family members about the dangers associated with ash disposal. **NEVER** add anything combustible to the ash bucket.

**NEVER** dispose of ashes in paper, plastic or cardboard containers or in a trash receptacle.

**NEVER** dump loads of wood ashes into a pile. The pile can retain heat and insulate embers for long periods of time.

**NEVER** assume ashes are cold and pour them onto the ground or into a hole. Leaves can blow onto them or the wind can stir up sparks.

**NEVER** place ashes in a dumpster. Hot ashes could ignite a fire with material already in the dumpster.

**NEVER** store your metal ash container on your deck, in your garage or in any location that could allow heat to transfer from the hot ashes to nearby flammable items.

**NEVER** vacuum hot ashes from around your fireplace or stove.

### Reminder - Televisions are not accepted in the trash!

New York State law prohibits it. For a complete listing of electronic recycling facilities visit **www.dec.ny.gov** or call **(518) 402-8706** or e-mail **ewaste@dec.ny.gov**.

There is \$100 fine for each electronic device that is improperly discarded.

# Foodlink Mobile Pantry

The Foodlink Mobile Pantry will be in the Village of Hilton on

**November 14th** 

at the

## Department of Public Works 50 Henry Street

From **11 am** until **1:00 pm** or until food items are gone.

Foodlink is a non-profit organization that assists people with

### FREE nutritious food.

There are no income or residence requirements.

Anyone 18 years and older is eligible

to receive the free food.

Vehicles should line up on Old Hojack Lane and proceed through the DPW for food distribution.

### Limit of one order per household.

This is a drive-through service. Volunteers will load the food into your car.

If you are collecting food for someone else, please come to the Hilton Food Shelf, 59 Henry Street, Room 1B <u>before the distribution date</u>, for the pre-approved paperwork.

For more information, call the Hilton Emergency Food Shelf at 234-2090.



# From the Office of Code Enforcement

### **Cold Weather Safety Reminders**

- Do not plow or shovel snow into the roads or sidewalks. This can make it more difficult for emergency responders to get to your residence when assistance is needed.
- If you have a fire hydrant on your property, please keep it clear of snow by shoveling whenever necessary. Your assistance is appreciated!
- Ensure that your building/house numbers are visible from the street. Emergency responders depend on house numbers to find the correct address. According to New York State Code, building numbers must be at least 4" high, in sharp contrast to the background color of the building, must be on the side of the building that faces the road, and must be visible from the road.
- When cleaning ashes from your fireplace or wood stove, use a <u>metal</u> pail and place out doors until cool. *See article on page 3*.
- 💢 Be sure the chimney on your wood burning stove has been inspected and cleaned. Carbon Monoxide (CO) poisoning is a danger that occurs when fuel-burning heating equipment is not vented properly. CO is known as the "silent killer" because it cannot be seen, has no smell, and cannot be tasted. At lower levels of exposure, CO causes mild effects that are often mistaken for the flu. These symptoms include headache, dizziness, disorientation, nausea and fatigue. The effects of CO exposure can vary greatly from person to person depending on age, overall health, and the concentration and length of exposure. Install a carbon monoxide alarm in a central location outside the sleeping area in your home. Each home must have at least one working detector. CO alarms are designed to sound before the average adult would experience symptoms. If you do not own a CO detector, for the safety of you and your family, please install one immediately.
- Do not run a portable generator in an area that would allow CO to build up in the garage or home. Be sure the generator is out doors and the air flow is pushing the exhaust away from the home.

### **Kathleen Ann Tenny Animal Shelter**

### K.A.T. Shelter in Danger of Closing!

















Your urgent assistance is needed. The K.A.T. Animal Shelter in Hilton is in danger of closing!

K.A.T. stands for Kathleen Anne Tenny. Kathleen was a life-long resident of Hilton. She passed away in 1991. Because of her avid love of animals, it was her dying wish to leave the proceeds from her estate to establish a non-profit animal shelter in the community of Hilton. In 2002 her dream became a reality, and the shelter was finally opened. Kathleen's estate provided \$446,000 for the animal shelter.

With little extra monetary support from the community, the shelter has cared for, and adopted out over 1,050 cats over the last 12 years. The shelter charges a minimal fee of \$100 to adopt a cat. The fee includes a veterinary check-up, tests for Leukemia and Aids and first shots for kittens. It also includes the spay or neuter of each animal. It costs the shelter an average of \$300 per animal, for all these services. So, for each animal adopted out, the shelter loses \$200. It has been difficult to make up that loss. With an annual budget of \$45,000, funds are quickly being depleted. It is projected that in 2 years time, the shelter will run

out of funds completely.

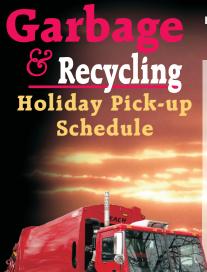
The small shelter was designed to accommodate 50 to 55 cats comfortably. With a volunteer staff of 30 caring individuals, the cats are kept clean and healthy and are cared for until they can find a loving home.

Over a 3 week time-span, the shelter had a total of 22 cats left on their doorstep, including pregnant females about to have kittens.

The shelter is asking for help from the Hilton community. We urgently need monetary donations so we can continue to care for the welfare of these wonderful animals. Won't you help?

Donations can be made by visiting the K.A.T. shelter at **62 Gorton Avenue** during regular hours, through a pay-pal account on the shelter website at **www.katshelter.com**, or by calling the shelter at **392-0995**. When calling, an answering machine will pick-up, so please leave your name and phone number, and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

Thank you for considering help for these loveable kitties!



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.

HOLIDAY	ALL DEPTS CLOSED	PICK-UP DATE
Columbus Day	. Monday, October 12 <sup>th</sup>	. Tuesday, October 13 <sup>th</sup>
Veteran's Day	. Wednesday, November 11 <sup>th</sup>	. Thursday, November 12 <sup>th</sup>
Thanksgiving	. Thursday, November 26 <sup>th</sup>	. Wednesday November 25 <sup>th</sup>
	Friday, November 27 <sup>th</sup>	Services unaffected
Christmas	. Friday, December 25 <sup>th</sup>	. Services unaffected
New Year's Day 2016	. Friday, January 1 <sup>st</sup>	. Services unaffected
Martin Luther King Day	. Monday, January 18 <sup>th</sup>	. Tuesday, January 19 <sup>th</sup>
President's Day	. Monday, February 15 <sup>th</sup>	. Tuesday, February 16 <sup>th</sup>
Good Friday	. Friday, March 25 <sup>th</sup>	. Services unaffected
Memorial Day	. Monday, May 30 <sup>th</sup>	. Tuesday, May 31 <sup>st</sup>



Have you heard the news? Hilton has a new radio station!

Now there is a new way to keep up with what's going on in the community. Tune in to listen to your favorite music from Hilton's greatest hits, or listen to a broadcast of live local events happening right here in the Village of Hilton.

Thanks to long time radio personality, owner and General Manager RJ Jordan, people can tune in to villageradio.net and listen live to play-by-play coverage of Hilton Cadet sporting events, find out what's happening in the Hilton Central School District or get the latest updates on community events such as the Hilton Apple Festival or the Hilton Fire Dept. Carnival. The station even provides a daily weather forecast exclusively for Hilton. There is a community bulletin board where groups can send details of their non-profit events to be broadcast for others to hear. In addition, there's a Sunday worship service, broadcast at 11 am from the Life Quest Community Church. Check out the many other features this new endeavor provides.

The station broadcasts from a studio right in RJ's home, in Hilton. You can listen live on your computer or tune-in with live mobile streaming through your Android or I-phone. Check it out - it's pretty cool!

For more information visit <a href="https://www.villageradio.net">www.villageradio.net</a> and click on the link you are interested in.



Village Radio Broadcast Studio

### **Business News**

The Village of Hilton warmly welcomes the following new business to the community!

### Gartland Technologies

53 South Avenue **phone 392-8324** 

Owner: Greg Gartland www.gartlandtech.com

Honest & family owned. Over 20 yrs.experience. Offering a full range of



residential and commercial computer repair, sales and IT services. In home services also available.

Hours: M-F 9<sup>am</sup>- 6<sup>pm</sup>, Sat. 1<sup>pm</sup>- 5<sup>pm</sup>, Closed Sun.



**DO NOT** bag leaves.

Keep leaves out of the storm drains.



### CELEBRATE THE CHRISTMAS SEASON





### Plan Ahead!

### Get Inspection Before Driveway Paving

Those planning on paving a driveway should notify the Village Office at 392-4144 on or before April 1st of the same year that the work will be done.

A Village representative will inspect the sidewalks and gutters by the driveway and make a determination if any repairs are needed. Scheduling for sidewalk or gutter repair work takes place early in the season and will not be done after

April 1st. After the inspection, replacement work, if needed, can be done in advance of paving and will save the new driveway from any damage.

DPW crews work hard to keep gutters free of debris.

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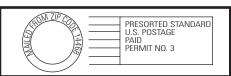
**DO NOT** rake leaves into the gutters.



Leaves in the gutter block storm drains, and inhibit water drainage.

This results in flooded streets and creates extra clean-up work for crews.





Postal Customer Hilton NY 14468

The DPW will soon be plowing village streets and sidewalks.

Please be considerate when parking your automobile in the driveway.

Keep all vehicles clear of the entire sidewalk. The sidewalk plow cannot plow where vehicles are parked. Children who walk to school depend on clean sidewalks.



#### Hilton Village Office 392-4144

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