

Hello Ulyssians,

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TRUMANSBURG/ULYSSES YOUTH SERVICES CHICKEN BBQ

Date: SATURDAY, April 30, 10:30am-1pm (or until chicken is gone)

Location: ATLAS BOWL parking lot on Main Street, Trumansburg

Prices: \$9 - Full Meal - Half Chicken, Salted Potatoes, Coleslaw, Ithaca Bakery French Bread
\$6 - Half Chicken

Pre-orders are available by contacting Ethan Cramton, Trumansburg/Ulysses Youth Services Program Manager, at egc24@cornell.edu or call [\(607\) 387 4910](tel:6073874910) and leave a message. Please specify type of meal (full meal or half chicken), quantity, and preferred time of pick-up.

Proceeds will go toward the funding of Trumansburg/Ulysses Youth Services' Big Friend Middle Friend Program

SUPER SUMMER SIGN-UP NIGHT

The Trumansburg/Ulysses Youth Commission's annual Super Summer Sign Up will take place on Wed. May 4th at 6:30pm in the elementary school cafeteria. Area organizations who hold summer camps will be available that evening to provide information on their programs.

In addition, Tompkins County Youth Services' 2016 Summer Camp Guide is now online at on the county website here: <http://oldweb.tompkins-co.org/youth/campguide/index.asp>

TOWN OF ULYSSES UPDATES:

The Town Board met on April 26th and passed two important resolutions – read the full text below.

Remediation of TTHMs in Water District 3:

RESOLUTION 2016-90: AUTHORIZING AN AERATOR IN THE TOWN OF ITHACA TANK

WHEREAS Town of Ulysses Water District 3 water exceeds EPA thresholds for chlorination by-products, or TTHMs, and

WHEREAS the Town of Ulysses is under a Tompkins County Department of Health resolution to reduce the TTHMs to under the EPA limit, and

WHEREAS the Town of Ulysses, its TTHM Working Group, and engineers for the Town have been looking at options to reduce TTHMs in the system and have determined there are 2 viable options:

- 1) to connect to the Village of Trumansburg municipal water system
- 2) to install a series of aerators--one in the Town of Ithaca water tank near the hospital, and one in the Ulysses tank on VanDorn Road, and

WHEREAS the engineers for the Town both recommend that for the aerator option to successfully reduce TTHMs throughout Ulysses Water District 3, an aerator and mixer in both the Ithaca and Ulysses tanks is required, and

WHEREAS the Town of Ithaca is making a decision this week on whether to install an aerator, or not, in its water tank, and

WHEREAS the Town of Ithaca is requiring the Town of Ulysses to pay half of the expense of an aerator for their tank, and

WHEREAS in 2003, the Town of Ithaca and the Town of Ulysses entered into a 30-year inter-municipal agreement for Ithaca to provide Ulysses with water,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Ulysses agrees to pay half, or up to \$57,500, to the Town of Ithaca upon completion of the installation of an aerator in Ithaca's "Trumansburg" tank for the purposes of reducing chlorination by-products in the water it supplies to the Town of Ulysses, and further

RESOLVED the Town Clerk will send the Supervisor for the Town of Ithaca this resolution by the end of the day on 4/27/16.

For more information on the TTHM issue, visit <http://www.ulysses.ny.us/departments/water-district/tthm-information/>.

Trumansburg/Ulysses Sidewalk Project

RESOLUTION 2016-93: SIDEWALK RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ROUTE 96

WHEREAS The Town of Ulysses and Village of Trumansburg jointly received a grant for Safe Routes to School and Daily Needs Sidewalk Project, and

WHEREAS the preliminary designs have been before the public and there have been three public outreach events, and

WHEREAS no trees would need to be removed if the sidewalk were to be on the Smith Woods side of Route 96 as opposed to the estimated 30 trees if located on the Fairground side of the road, and

WHEREAS the project will stay within budget if the sidewalk is on the Smith Woods side of Rt. 96, but is estimated to need \$100,000 additional funding for the Fairgrounds side of the road due to extensive earthwork, tree removal, guard rail relocation, utility relocation and property acquisition, and

WHEREAS Fisher Associates recognizes the topography of the Smith Woods side of the road and will design the sidewalk to flow with the natural contours of the land to keep the sidewalk as natural looking as possible,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that based on input from the engineers, design professionals, the public and cost differences, the Town of Ulysses Town Board favors a 5 foot sidewalk laid on the north or Smith Woods side of Route 96 running from the Fairground entrance to ShurSave and made from permeable or porous asphalt, and

FURTHER RESOLVED that the town requests a speed limit reduction from 45 to 30 miles per hour from the village to Rabbit Run Road.

FURTHER RESOLVED, the town requests leaving the existing crosswalk at the entrance to the Trumansburg Fairgrounds.

For more information on the sidewalk project, visit <http://www.ulysses.ny.us/pages/current-issues/94/sidewalk-project-update/>

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS IN TOMPKINS COUNTY

Wednesday, May 11 from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

BorgWarner Room, Tompkins County Public Library

101 E. Green St., Ithaca

Hosted by the Finger Lakes Land Trust and the Tompkins County Planning Department

For more information, visit: <http://www.flit.org/events/conservation-easements-in-tompkins-county-a-free-workshop/>

COMMUNITY SCIENCE INSTITUTE SYMPOSIUM

DATE: Saturday, April 30, 2016

TIME: 11:30 am – 2:30 pm

LOCATION: The Space @ GreenStar, 700 W Buffalo St, Ithaca, NY

TOPIC: Phosphorus and Nitrogen Nutrients: Global Problems, Local Solutions

Speaker Preview:

- Robert W. Howarth, Ph.D., The David R. Atkinson Professor of Ecology and Environmental Biology, Cornell University
- Steve Penningroth, Ph.D., Founder and Executive Director, Community Science Institute
- Jonathan Negley, CPESC, District Manager, Tompkins County Soil and Water Conservation District
- Doug Young, Owner, Spruce Haven Farms, Union Springs, NY

Schedule:

11:30 am: Volunteer check-in and nutrient sampling workshop

1:00 pm: PUBLIC WELCOME. Speakers and Q&A

UPDATES FROM THE DEC-Bears and burns

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) reminds New Yorkers that with warming temperatures and dry conditions, residential brush burning in towns with less than 20,000 residents is prohibited from **March 16 through May 14**. With the lack of snow cover over much of the state and unseasonably warm temperatures forecasted, experts believe conditions for wild fires will be heightened in the coming weeks.

The DEC also issued guidance on how to prevent negative encounters with black bears. Nearly all negative bear encounters in New York are the result of hungry bears being attracted to human food sources. The simplest way to avoid a nuisance encounter is to remove potential food sources, which usually results in the bear moving on. Secure your garbage and remove bird feeders after April 1st (dropped seeds can attract bears).

Find more DEC updates at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/index.html> .

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Don't forget that we have a community calendar on our website here. You can find great things to do or upload your own events.

Forward this message to anyone else that you think would be interested. We'd love to connect with more residents. To send questions or comments, or be removed from this list, please e-mail clerk@ulysses.ny.us

