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## Ulysses Updates for 5/26/23

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Hello Ulysses,  
Please note that town offices will be closed on Monday, May 29.  
See updates for this week below and have a great weekend!

### IN THIS WEEK'S ULYSSES NEWSLETTER:

- Healthcare Navigation at Town Hall
- Writing Program
- Dog Census
- Water Service on Route 96
- Septic & Well Maintenance Workshop
- Home Improvement Funds for Mobile Home Residents
- Water Protection Volunteers Needed
- Brush Drop Off
- Food Pantry Info
- Help Distribute Opioid Settlement Funds
- TCAT Summer Service
- Fairground Maintenance

### HEALTHCARE NAVIGATOR AT TOWN HALL:

Visit <https://hsctc.org/health-insurance-assistance/> to get assistance navigating healthcare options to:

- Understand your insurance options
- Complete an application
- Renew health insurance
- Find out about eligibility for free or low-cost plans
- Make changes to your plan if your situation changes

Liz Hoyt, a health care navigator with the Human Services Coalition, is at the Ulysses Town Hall once/month to meet with interested parties. (Appointments preferred). Make an appointment at <https://hsctc.org/health-insurance-assistance/>

### WRITING PROGRAM AT LIBRARY:

Jumpstart your Creativity!

*Tuesdays June 6th, 13th, and 27th; 7:00-8:30pm*

Ready to start a new creative project? Have a story idea but need help getting going? Trumansburg author [Rebecca Barry](#) will help you find your creative spark in this three-session writing workshop series! Participants will work on writing prompts to spark creativity and begin developing pieces of writing in any genre. No writing experience is necessary!

Registration required – please call 607-387-5623. Childcare available for people attending the program! Sign up when you call to register.

Visit <https://trumansburglibrary.org/UPL/> or call 607-387-5623 for more information.

### **DOG CENSUS:**

As required by law, the town is conducting a town-wide dog census. Please respond at <https://forms.gle/PmQ49SPsvESGZind9>.

If you have a pandemic puppy or other dog that does not yet have a license, complete the form at [https://townofulyssesny.gov/\\_cms/docs/Dog-license-form-2022.pdf](https://townofulyssesny.gov/_cms/docs/Dog-license-form-2022.pdf) and return along with rabies/spay information.

Any dogs found to be unlicensed as of June 2, 2023 will be assessed a \$25 census fee in addition to the usual licensing fees. For information, visit <https://townofulyssesny.gov/departments/dept-clerk/clerk-dog-control/>

### **WATER SERVICE ALONG ROUTE 96:**

The town is hosting a Public Information Session on Wednesday, May 31 at 6pm at Town Hall on a potential water line extension on Route 96 between the southern village line and Cold Spring Road. Property owners along that corridor and any members of the interested public are strongly encouraged to attend.

The Town's engineers, MRB Group, will be providing an overview of potential routes and preliminary cost estimates. Under New York State law, water district costs are paid for by those in the district and not Town taxpayers as a whole. The meeting will be available [via Zoom](#) and will be later posted on the Town's [Youtube channel](#). Relevant documents will be posted in advance of the meeting on the [Town's website](#).

### **SEPTIC SYSTEM AND PRIVATE WATER WELL MAINTENANCE WORKSHOP**

Tompkins County homeowners are invited to attend a free Septic System and Private Water Well Maintenance Workshop. Attendees can receive a \$200 rebate coupon good for septic system maintenance by attending this free workshop from 6:30pm-8pm on the following dates:

- June 14, Lansing Town Hall (29 Auburn Rd, Lansing)
- August 17, Danby Town Hall (1830 Danby Rd, Ithaca)
- September 21, Ulysses Town Hall (10 Elm St, Trumansburg)

The workshops will focus on homeowner septic system management. Topics will include how a septic system functions, current system standards, maintenance requirements and schedules, trouble shooting, and system failures. Private water well components, maintenance, and recommended testing schedules will also be discussed.

Registration is required and space is limited to 15 people per workshop.

Call Doug Barnes (Tompkins County Environmental Health) to register at 607-274-6688.

### **HOME IMPROVEMENTS FOR MOBILE HOME RESIDENTS:**

A new program from Sustainable Finger Lakes will help 50 low-to-moderate income mobile home owners in Tompkins County upgrade their homes with high-efficiency heat pumps and electric panel upgrades. These home energy improvements can provide income-qualified mobile home residents with year-round comfortable temperatures, healthier air quality, long-term affordability, and an alternative to fossil fuels. For more information, contact the Project Coordinator: [holly@sustainablefingerlakes.org](mailto:holly@sustainablefingerlakes.org) 607-272-1720 or visit <https://sustainablefingerlakes.org/finger-lakes-climate-fund/mhupgrades/>. This project is funded in part by the Tompkins County Legislature via the Tompkins Community Recovery Fund.

**WATER PROTECTION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

The Community Science Institute (CSI) is seeking volunteers to assist with water quality monitoring:

- [Synoptic Stream and Lake volunteers](#)
- [Cayuga Lake Harmful Algal Bloom \(HABs\) Monitoring volunteers \(AKA HABs Harriers\)](#)
- [Biomonitoring volunteers](#)
- [Red Flag Monitoring Program](#)
- Transportation volunteers

If you are interested, fill out [this form](#) or send an [email](#).

**BRUSH DROP OFF & SUMMER HOURS AT TOWN BARN:**

Town of Ulysses residents may drop off their brush and yard waste (not stumps or logs) at the town highway garage at 3888 Colegrove Rd., Trumansburg. (No contractor refuse, please). Summer hours for the highway crew are 6am-4:30pm, Mon-Thurs. (closed on Fridays).

**FOOD PANTRY UPDATES:**

The Variety Table at the Food Pantry holds one-of-a-kind items like boxed dinners, cake mix, sardines, etc. If anyone is interested in donating to the Variety Table, there is a collection box at the entrance to ShurSave.

The next open pantry date is June 5 from 3:30-6:30 p.m. at the Trumansburg United Methodist Church, 80 E Main Street. The pantry is open every other Monday and all are welcome.

Follow them on Facebook for more updates.

**HELP DISTRIBUTE \$700,000 IN OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS IN TOMPKINS COUNTY:**

The Tompkins County Opioid Task Force, a group appointed by the Legislature, is seeking community input on how best to use funds distributed to the County from recent Opioid Settlements. A [survey](#) is now open through May 29 for community members to share input on how \$700,000 can best be used in Tompkins County to address the issue of harm from opioids in the community.

**TCAT'S SUMMER SERVICE STARTS 5/28/23**

TCAT's summer 2023 service will be in effect Sun., May 28 through Sat., Aug. 19. The Summer 2023 Schedule and Service Guide is now available on TCAT's [website](#). New schedules will replace current fall service ending end of service day Sat., May 27, and will be posted on the website's [schedule page](#).

**Note: TCAT will not operate on Mon., May 29, in observance of Memorial Day.**

**Route 22 summer service:**

- **Sat.-Sun** service to Robert Treman State Park; Buttermilk Falls State Park, Cass Park, Cayuga Nature Center; and Taughannock Falls State Park.
- Effective Mon., June 26 through Fri., Aug. 18, **Mon.-Fri. service** to Stewart Park; Cass Park, Cayuga Nature Center and Taughannock State Park.

**Route 21 (Trumansburg/ Jacksonville/ Commons)**

- **Mon.-Sun:** Significant timing changes with both earlier and later departures. Added trips.
- **Mon.-Fri.:** 12:00 p.m. trip added.
- **Sat.:** Last trip departs 25 minutes later at 7:20 p.m.

- **Sun.:** First trip departs 20 minutes earlier. 10:55am trip added and midday trip departs 50 minutes later at 2:00pm. Last trip departs 25 minutes later at 7:25pm.

TCAT no longer prints service guides for mass distribution, but riders or organizations desiring printed ride guides or schedules can call TCAT at (607) 277-RIDE (7433); email staff at [tcat@tcatmail.com](mailto:tcat@tcatmail.com); or mail a request to TCAT, 737 Willow Ave., Ithaca, NY, 14850, marked "schedule request." (Please remember to provide a return mailing address.)

TCAT advises riders to check for updates and service changes before boarding by using TCAT's trip planners on the home page or:

- TCAT's Bus Tracker at <https://realtimetcatbus.availtec.com/InfoPoint/>
- TCAT's real-time apps at <https://www.tcatbus.com/Apps>

### **FAIRGROUNDS CLOSED**

The Trumansburg Fair will close the fairgrounds for maintenance from May 22-29, 2023. For more information, contact Bill Conroy at 607-227-4682.

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Best,

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