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Upcoming Dates

Public Forum 7:30 pm

Sept. 8, Oct. 11, Nov. 14, Dec. 12

Business meeting 7:30 pm

Sept. 12, Oct. 11, Nov. 14, Dec. 12

Planning Board* 7 pm

Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Dec. 13,
Jan. 10

Zoning Board* 7 pm

Aug. 16, Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15,
Dec. 20, Jan. 17

* A pending application is required,
and applicant must be on the agenda
to participate.

How to reach us

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Office hours

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Monday through Friday

**Department of Motor Vehicles visits
every Wednesday 10 am - 3:30 pm**

East Rochester Volunteer Ambulance Corps

The East Rochester Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Inc. is in need of your help so we can continue to provide our community with the best pre-hospital medical care available.

We have two different types of memberships available for people 18 years or older:

1) Running Active Members can become a driver or EMT/first medic, and must be able to fulfill a minimum monthly requirement of 24 hours.

2) Auxiliary Affiliate Members are currently a member of any emergency services agency. They may be a driver or medic, and must be able to fulfill a minimum monthly requirement of 12 hours. We offer a small stipend for taking calls and covering shifts.

For more information on the privileges and responsibilities of these two memberships, or to make arrangements to visit our base and learn more about us, please call 586-5723 and leave your name and number. We will contact you to discuss this rewarding experience.

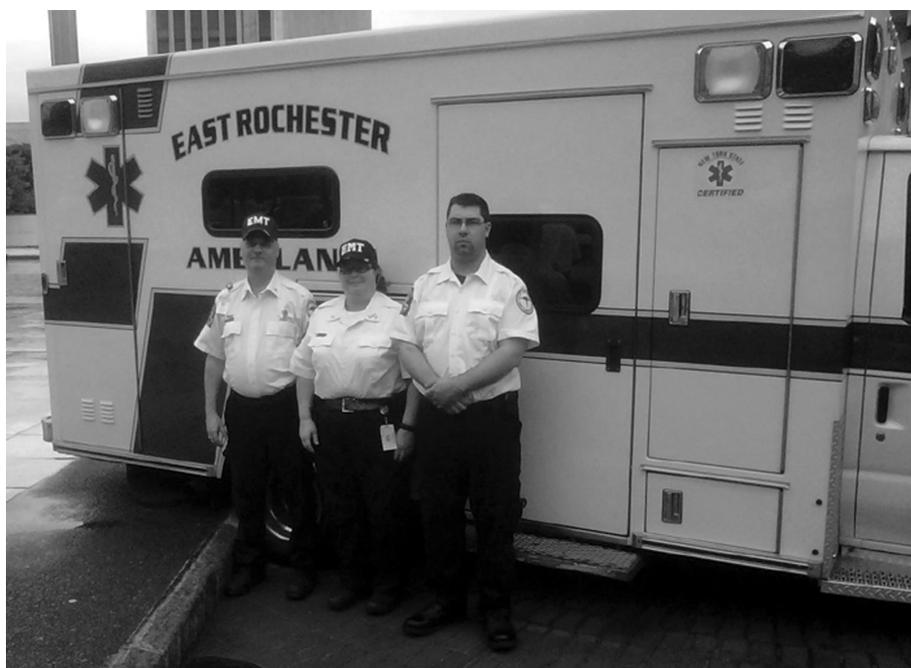
We also offer an Explorer Post for those ages 14-21. If you're interested in joining, please call 586-5723.

The ER Ambulance Corps, a 100% volunteer organization, is currently holding its annual fundraiser. Please, help us so we can help you. Send donations to 254 W. Ivy St., East Rochester, NY 14445.



The Ambulance Corps celebrated 73 years of service at their annual awards banquet, held April 16 at the Green Lantern Inn.

Ann Loughlin received an award for 25 years of service, and **Bethany Ruggero** was recognized for five years of service. **Karen Fletcher, Margaret Ziemba, Steve Briskin, Mary Kay Knorr, and Jerry Miller** all received awards for running between 500 and 700 hours in 2010; **Bob Meisenzahl and Terry Flanigan** ran more than 1000 hours in 2010.



Standing in front of Ambulance 3259 at the EMS Memorial in Albany are Jerry Miller (left), Margaret Ziemba, and Chris Taccetta.

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Library notes....

The East Rochester Public Library strives to maintain a level of service the ER community has come to expect. In responding to the needs of the public, we offer a variety of materials, such as popular DVDs and new fiction, non-fiction, audio, and electronic books. The library has been busy – in 2010 there were 63,361 visitors and a total circulation of 78,646 items.

With the current economic situation, area libraries are feeling the pinch, too. The Monroe County Board of Library Directors has voted to increase the cost of **'Holds' fees** to \$1 per item. Holds are items patrons send for within the county library system that their local branch doesn't own, or items which can be supplied by area libraries to fill popular title requests. Some libraries, including Central Library, have already increased the holds fee to \$1. ER will begin charging \$1 for holds on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2011. The cost of fines will also be raised area-wide that day, from 25 to 35 cents per item per day.

The **Summer Reading Kick-Off** for all ages was Tuesday, June 28 at 3pm. The Seneca Park Zoo mobile was here, featuring live animals, interactive activities, and animal-related artifacts. For the latest information on the library and summer activities, check us out on Facebook, or visit www.libraryweb.org/erochester/.

The ER Public Library was pleased to participate in this year's **NYS Summer Reading Program**. The program's themes were One World, Many Stories (for children), and You Are Here (for young adults). In July we also featured 'Steps to a Healthy Planet' – an interactive program for children ages 5-12, sponsored by the Monroe County Department of Educational Services. Children learned about the environment, viewed demonstrations, and made crafts.

Special summer programming for babies and toddlers included two Sing and Sign programs. Babies learned some basic sign language techniques.

Our Child and Youth Coordinator, Stacey Martin, has obtained a special grant which will **allow children to learn and explore nutrition in the library**. These six special sessions are being held in August. Children will be instructed in proper handling and preparation of fresh foods, and there will be demonstrations of these techniques. Registration is required; please call us at 586-8302 for remaining dates and times.

The **Teen Program** has been featuring book discussions and crafts, led by Alicia Snyder. Teen Time Craft Days are Mondays at 3 pm. Teens have been enjoying a variety of crafts from around the world, learning and exploring, with plenty of information and handouts to supplement the projects. Each program earns teens miles (or points) toward a variety of prizes to be distributed throughout the Summer Program.

Teen Time-Anime/Manga Days were Friday mornings through July and early August. Anime is the rage today, so why not devote every Friday to the awesome world of Anime and Manga? Teens came and discussed their favorites, had drawing sessions, or just chilled out from the summer heat and read! There have also been two book discussions during the program season, led by Alicia.

The **Adult Reading Discussion Group**, led by Danette Weingarten, featured 'Still Alice' by Lisa Genova in July, and is featuring Harper Lee's 'To Kill a Mockingbird' in August. This dynamic and exciting discussion group meets the third Thursday of each month at 7 pm at the library.



Patty Pullano (left) and Jeannette Pullano reflect on their passion for reading at the Book Nook Grand Opening.

Joe Russo, station manager of East Rochester Community News/cable channel 12, has announced that as of Monday, Aug. 1, ER is broadcasting for 20 hours a day, seven days a week. With the increase in on-air hours, more volunteers are needed. Anyone interested in camera work, editing, or research is encouraged to call 641-0183 and leave a message.

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The village's Website has been active since February '09, and is updated frequently. The Channel 12 link feature is active, as well as the Video Tour Book. Please bookmark this site or set it as your default. If you have questions, please use the 'Contact Us' section on the main page: www.eastrochester.org.

Marriage Licenses:

To obtain a marriage license in the Town/Village of East Rochester, both potential spouses must be present.

Both must show proof of identity (current name). We accept a photo driver's license, a DMV-issued photo non-driver's ID, an employee picture ID, original naturalization papers, a military photo ID, or a passport.

Both must also show proof of birth/age; we accept birth certificates and baptismal certificates.

Married before? We MUST see all divorce decrees for each marriage (i.e., if you've been married twice, we must see the decrees from both marriages). In the case of a deceased spouse, please present the death certificate (or know the exact date of death).

After a marriage license is issued, it can be used after 24 hours and is valid for 60 days. The fee is \$40; we accept cash or checks (made payable to 'Village of East Rochester') only.

Fourth-Annual CleanSweep and Recycle Day 2011

More than 115 volunteers donated more than 345 hours of community service by participating in East Rochester's fourth-annual CleanSweep event on Saturday, May 21. This event was designed to spruce up the village and promote 'green' behavior.

"The community support for this event was phenomenal. CleanSweep was initiated four years ago to help create awareness that there's more to conservation and recycling than taking your blue bin to the curb each week," Lauren Burns of Bonadio Payroll Services said. "This event continues to grow each year, and this year we welcomed Family First Federal Credit Union as a major financial co-sponsor as well as a participant."

Volunteers met at Village Hall at 9 am to receive their assignments and neon orange t-shirts, along with bags, pails, and gloves to clean the streets. They removed more than 100 bags of garbage, weighing a total of 3,300 pounds, from village streets and parks.

"It was a great day in the village. Residents and businesses joined together to clean and beautify our wonderful community," Village Administrator Martin G. D'Ambrose said.

The GreenER committee also sponsored a computer and electronics recycling event for residents and small businesses during CleanSweep.

Sunning Electronics Recycling collected 5,671 pounds of 'eScrap' (recycled electronics), diverting this waste from landfills. Also, J.C. Fibers Inc. collected three large bins of documents to be shredded.



Family First Federal Credit Union CEO Christine Peters, Jenn Habecker, and her son, Jake, hand out gloves and other supplies at the fourth-annual CleanSweep event.

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ER Building and Code Enforcement:

Permits are needed for the following home improvements: resurfacing of driveways, roof installation, shed installation (over 47 square feet), fence installation, pool installation, and deck and patio installation.

When applying for a permit, please bring a copy of your survey map or a scale drawing of your lot, and a picture of the structure you're installing.

All contractors need to provide certificates of Liability and Workers' Compensation Insurance.

If you have any questions, please contact the Building Department at 385-3513.

Peddler's Permits

Peddling is governed in East Rochester by local law. In the town/village, each person going door-to-door must have a permit issued by the town. Currently, the permit is white and signed by the village clerk.

To obtain a peddler's permit to solicit in the town, an applicant must apply at the Clerk's Office at the Town/Village Hall. The application fee is \$25 for three days, and \$10 for each additional day. The annual fee is \$350. There is a waiting period after applying for a permit while a police check is completed on each applicant. We require copies of driver's licenses, and vehicle information including make, model, year, and plate number. Payment is expected when the certificate is issued.

139-8 Restrictions on Peddling and Soliciting

It shall be unlawful for any person to enter upon private property for the purpose of peddling or so canvassing before the hour of 11 am of any day or after the hour of 6 pm of any day except upon the invitation of the householder or occupant.

It shall be unlawful for any peddler or canvasser in plying his trade to ring the bell or knock upon or enter any building whereon there is painted or otherwise affixed or displayed to public view any sign containing any or all of the following words: 'No Peddlers,' 'No Solicitors,' 'No Agents' or other wording, the purpose of which purports to prohibit peddling or soliciting on the premises.

No peddler or canvasser, shall peddle, vend, or sell his goods or wares within 200 feet of any place occupied exclusively as a public or private school or for school purposes, nor shall he permit his cart, wagon, or vehicle to stand on any public highway within said distance of such school property.

No peddler or canvasser shall falsely or fraudulently misrepresent the quantity, character, or quality of any article offered for sale. No person shall by any trick or device or by any false representation obtain or attempt to obtain admission to the house or garage of any person or corporation in the town/village.

No peddler or canvasser shall blow a horn, ring a bell, or use any other noisy device to attract public attention to his wares or shout or cry out his wares.

It shall be unlawful to create or maintain any booth or stand or place any barrels, boxes, crates, or other obstructions upon any street or public place for the purpose of selling or exposing for sale any goods, wares, or merchandise, or to operate in a congested area where operation might impede or inconvenience the public.

– *Raymond J. Parrotta, Clerk-Treasurer and Tax Receiver*

~ News from the Jean Daniel Senior Center ~

The Senior Citizens have been having an active program throughout the summer:

The first three Fridays in June, our Comedy Fashions Show presented programs at Elderwood in Penfield, Seabury Woods Living Center in Gates, and the Wellness Center in Rochester.

Our July and August picnics, with our men cooking outdoors, were held at the Center.

Monday, Aug. 15, we took a day trip to Auburn for a sit-down lunch at the Springside Inn, followed by a matinee performance of '42nd Street' at the Merry-Go-Round Theatre.

The Singles Group continues to go out for dinner every other Tuesday. This is a very popular group whose members enjoy fellowship together.

Card games (such as euchre, pinochle, and hand and foot) and Bingo are scheduled on a regular basis, and we hold a pool tournament every month.

All activities are listed on our monthly calendar, which can be picked up at the Center. Membership is required and is open to anyone 55 or older with a nominal membership fee.

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FAQ's for the DPW

GARBAGE PICKUP:

When can I put garbage out for collection?

Your weekly trash should be placed at the curb no later than noon the day before your pickup day, and no later than 7 am the day of your pickup day.

What's the proper way to put out garbage for collection?

All garbage should be properly contained. Garbage cans can be no larger than 35 gallons and cannot exceed 50 pounds per can; if plastic trash bags are used, they cannot exceed 50 pounds per bag. Please don't place at the curb for pick up any items that aren't properly contained. Loose material is unsightly and reduces the efficiency of our collection.

What do I do if my garbage wasn't picked up?

First check to see if a yellow sticker was left on your can or bag. This sticker will explain why your items were left. We will not pick up illegal cans or bags for safety reasons. If there's a yellow sticker, please resolve the problem and call for a pickup. If there isn't yellow sticker, it's possible it was put out after we came by, or we missed it. Please call us and we will return.

What types of items am I allowed to put out for pickup?

Your weekly garbage pickup is for the trash you generate in a normal week. Simply stated, any item you don't normally put at the curb every week is considered bulk, and could result in a special pickup fee. Some examples of bulk items are carpet, mattresses and bedding, furniture, wood debris, concrete, blacktop, dirt, sod, computers, large and small appliances, and construction or demolition material. Household and outdoor chemicals, paints, cleaners, degreasers, or any other hazardous waste are not allowed at any time.

Can I call to arrange for a special pickup, or do I have to wait for bulk week?

You can call any time to arrange for either a special pickup, or to find out what other options are available to you.

RECYCLING PICKUP:

When can I put out my recycling box for collection?

The same rules for garbage pickup apply for your recycling pickup.

What can I put out for recycling?

You can recycle all glass, plastic, and metal containers. These items should be rinsed out before recycling. All paper items can also be recycled. Cardboard can also be recycled, but has to be no larger than 2 feet by 4 feet. Any item that contained food can be recycled, as long as there are no food particles remaining on the item.

What's the proper way to put out my recycling?

Your recycling bin should only contain recyclable items. Please don't mix in any non-recyclables. All items should be properly rinsed, if necessary. We request that all paper items be put on the bottom of the bin, and all containers put on top of the paper. This eliminates the chance of the papers blowing away, and makes it more efficient for us to separate when we collect your recycling.

What do I do if my recycling wasn't picked up?

First check to see if a yellow sticker was left on your recycling box. This sticker will tell you why we didn't pick up your items. If there's a yellow sticker, please correct the problem and call us to return for your pickup. If there isn't a yellow sticker, it's possible it was put out after we came by, or we missed it. Please call us and we will return.

Why do I have only one recycling bin?

There's no rule that says you can have only one bin. If you have two, please separate your items (paper products in one and containers in the other), and place the box with the containers on top of the one with the papers. This will eliminate the papers from blowing away, and help us be more efficient with our collection.

How do I get another recycling box?

Recycling boxes are available at the Village Office. You can purchase them from us at the same price we pay, or you can buy your own from any department or home-improvement store.

BULK PICKUP:

What's bulk pickup week?

Bulk pickup week is when you're allowed to put at the curb any items that aren't allowed during your normal garbage collection. Please, at no time is any contractor's debris allowed – all contractors should remove their own debris.

Examples of bulk items are appliances, furniture, carpet, and concrete. Please call us if you're not sure what constitutes a bulk item.

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When is bulk pickup week?

Bulk pickup week is the first full week of the six even months (February, April, June, August, October, and December), on your regular scheduled garbage day. We will pick up your bulk only on your regular garbage day.

How should I put my bulk items out for pickup?

All bulk items should be kept separate whenever possible. All metal items should be in a separate pile, all wood items should be in a separate pile, and all concrete, blacktop, stone, and dirt should be in a separate pile. There should be no garbage mixed with any bulk items at any time. We pick up all types of bulk items separately for recycling, and these facilities don't allow different types of material to be mixed together. Thus, please don't mix these items, as you could be assessed a fee for the unnecessary time we spend separating them. Keeping item separate allows us to get all items picked up in a safe and efficient manner.

What if I have too much bulk to fit on my yard?

Please call us if you're going to have an excessive amount of bulk items so we can make other arrangements with you to have everything removed, and to discuss other available options.

BRUSH PICKUP:

When is brush pickup?

Brush pickup is normally done for the entire village every Monday. If Monday is a holiday, we'll collect brush on Tuesday.

What can I put out for brush pickup?

Brush is considered any tree limbs or bushes you remove from your property. It could also be an entire tree, as long as you removed the entire tree. We will not pick up any trees or bushes that were removed by a hired contractor; he or she is responsible for removing the debris.

How do I put out my brush for pickup?

Place your brush between the curb and sidewalk in a separate pile, in a neat and orderly manner, making sure you don't obstruct the sidewalk or infringe on the roadway. It's very difficult for people walking or driving at night to see any tree limbs that might be a hazard. Please don't place tree limbs or brush in garbage cans, as we must recycle the brush. This reduces the efficiency of our collection and can add to unnecessary landfill fees.

What if I have too much brush for this area?

If you're going to have a large amount of brush, please call us so we can arrange for multiple pickups, or to discuss other options available to you.

Will I get fined if my brush is out during the week?

You can put out your brush whenever is convenient for you. You won't incur a fine if your brush is out during the week, however, we won't pick it up until the next Monday. The only time you'd get a fine for brush is when we have to pick it up due to an obstruction of the sidewalk or roadway, or another hazardous condition exists.

~ **FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE DPW at 381-1565** ~

Congratulations to Chris Mercado on the grand opening of Chris' Village Way Pizza, 108 Main St.!
At right are Chris, second-grader Jacob Mercado, Nikki Butler, and sixth-grader Josh Butler.



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FIRE-SAFETY REMINDERS FOR SUMMER

With summer still in full swing, please take a few minutes to think about and practice some simple safety tips.

Because lawn-mowing season is here, think about the safest way to handle, use, and store gasoline. In hot weather, gas expands and vents vapors in the storage containers as the temperature rises. These vapors are highly flammable and can ignite suddenly. When you plan on using your gas we recommend you open the can outdoors. Take the can outside and open the vent first to relieve the pressure that may have built up in the can. This should prevent the gas from rushing out and spilling on your hands and clothing. When you need to refill lawnmowers and gas trimmers, allow time for the engine to cool off before attempting to refill the tank.

When grilling that summertime barbecue, please make sure you're a safe distance away from any structures that may start on fire if your food should go beyond the well-done stage and the flames get out of control. Do NOT pour lighter fluid or gas onto a fire that has already been started. Do not fire up the grill on the porch, in the house or garage, or right up against the side of the house. Have a bucket of sand or water on hand for small flareups, and call 911 for emergency fire assistance.

At this time of year we seem to have an increase in the number of recreational fire complaints. Please check with the fire marshal as to what is legal in regards to burning in the district.

The next three bulk refuse pickup weeks are Oct. 3-7, Dec. 5-9, and Feb. 6-10



At left, 9-month-old Carmella (left) and Abigail Landolfi get a hug from the Easter Bunny at the ERFD's Easter Egg Hunt; above, Jim Diego, Amy Kurmis, Billie Jo Marr, Bill Marr, and Alex Nudd help the Easter Bunny color eggs.

**Come enjoy an evening of pop hits performed by NOSTALGIC REUNION!
7 pm Wednesday, Aug. 24 in the Village Hall parking lot**

In case of rain, the concert is cancelled.

Pizza, soda, and other treats will be for sale.

And the famous Alfieri Popcorn returns! Buy a box – it's the best treat of the summer.

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News from the ER Youth Activity Center

(for students in grades 6-12)

242 W. Commercial St. 586-1003 open 3-7 pm Monday, Wednesday, and Friday

ERHS students Liz LaDelfa and Chelsea Seward, and several other youth, successfully applied for a grant for a community-service project this summer. We, along with School of the Holy Childhood and other young people in the Rochester area, are making hygiene kits for the homeless in Monroe County, for donation to the Open Door Mission. If you're interested in helping with any part of this project, please call the Center at 586-1003. We also had a luncheon at the ER Senior Center on Monday, Aug. 1, which included a presentation from the Open Door Mission on services they provide. Everyone who attended was asked to bring a food item (specifically pancake mix, syrup, hamburger/tuna meals, canned pasta, and crackers) for donation to the ER Community Resource Center in exchange for lunch. Anyone who'd also like to make a donation can bring these items to the Youth Center between noon and 5 pm weekdays by Friday, Aug. 26.

We also participated in the Cardboard City Lock-out, at which youth slept outside in cardboard boxes to help raise awareness of, and collect donations for, Rochester's homeless shelters. This event was Aug. 9-11 at Washington Square Park.

Liz and Chelsea also traveled to Albany for the Youth Academy New York Association of Training and Employment Professionals conference for three days in March. They attended several workshops to expand their knowledge about youth and youth training programs.

We are now hosting the Summer Youth Training and Employment program, through which 14 of our young people are working at different offices and businesses in the community. Salaries are paid through a Rochester Works grant. We also offer a similar youth-employment program. If you own a business and are interested in hiring one of our young people, you can be reimbursed \$3 an hour for 120 hours. This offer is for new hirers only. If you're interested in this benefit, call me at 586-1003.

If you're interested in volunteering at the Center or if you'd like to serve on our Board of Directors, please call us at 586-1003. Both youth and adult members are needed. The time commitment is small – only one to two hours a month! You can make a lifelong impression on a young person for a small investment of time!

The ERYAC promotes the '40 Developmental Assets' and 'Small Talk, Big Difference' initiatives. If you're interested in buying an ASSET initiative t-shirt, promoting healthy youth and a healthy community, please call the Center at 586-1003.

– *Barbara Maine, ERYAC director*

~ *Angel Food Ministries* ~

Angel Food Ministries is a program to help families and individuals stretch their food dollars. It's available to all, with no limits on income. Food can be ordered through the ER Resource Center or the First Baptist Church, using cash, money orders, or food stamps. Ordering is done once a week, with pickup on the following Saturday. To view a menu, go to www.angelfoodministries.com, or for further information, call 586-0525 or 586-5287.

~ *East Rochester Housing Authority* ~

Landlords take note.....

If you're tired of maintaining that rental property and have even considered selling it, perhaps you should consider contacting the East Rochester Housing Authority. The Authority, one of only a handful of such agencies in New York, is beginning a rehab and conversion program intended to improve housing in ER. Housing Authorities are empowered to buy properties in order to make improvements that most private owners wouldn't otherwise be able to afford.

If you'd like more information, contact the Housing Authority's Volunteer Executive Director, Fred Ricci, at fricci@eastrochester.org.