



***TIME WARNER CHANGES MIGHT AFFECT  
YOUR ABILITY TO RECEIVE ERCN TV-12***

We have been notified by Time Warner Cable that on or about Tuesday, July 23, 2013, they planned to discontinue analog cable service for Channel 12. It will now be broadcast only in digital. This means a change in channels or addition of equipment for some of our ERCN TV-12 viewers. More than one scenario may apply to your household, so please read this carefully to make sure you can continue to watch TV-12. There are three different scenarios:

1) If you already use a Time Warner-supplied digital cable box or digital adapter/tuner with your TV, our station will still be on Time Warner Channel 12. No changes apply; this will still be part of the basic Time Warner cable TV package.

2) If you run your cable connection directly from the wall into a newer 'digital-ready' TV, you will have to reprogram the TV tuner to get ERCN (do this only if you don't see ERCN on channel 12, which was scheduled to happen on or around July 23). Reprogram your TV tuner by using the menu settings on your TV. Once your tuner rescans all the available stations, you will find ERCN on Channel 98, not Channel 12. Channel 98 will still be part of the basic Time Warner cable package.

3) If you have an older analog TV, you'll need a Time Warner digital adapter/tuner to get ERCN on Channel 12 after July 23. Digital adapters are provided by Time Warner free of charge (through Thursday, Sept. 26). There are three ways to get your adapter: pick one up at the Customer Care Center in Piano Works Mall, order one by calling Time Warner at 1-855-286-1736, or go online to [twc.com/digitaladapter](http://twc.com/digitaladapter). There will be no fee for the digital adapters until January 2015, at which point a monthly rental fee of 98 cents per adapter will be applied to your cable bill. Again, this will be part of the basic Time Warner cable package.

If you have any questions or issues, call Time Warner customer care number at 756-5000. The staff at TV-12 is also happy to help you with any technical questions; call us 641-0183 and leave a message, or email us at [ercn@eastrochester.org](mailto:ercn@eastrochester.org).

Don't hesitate – if you need a digital adapter, we hope you got one before July 23 so you didn't miss any great programming from ERCN!

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Upcoming Meeting Dates

**Public Forum**

7 pm Mondays Aug. 12, Sept. 9,  
(Tues) Oct. 15, (Tues) Nov. 12, Dec. 9

**Business Meeting**

7 pm Thursdays Aug. 29, Sept. 26,  
Oct. 24, Nov. 21, Dec. 26

**Planning Board\***

7 pm Tuesdays Aug. 13, Sept. 10,  
Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec. 10, Jan. 14

**Zoning Board\***

7 pm Tuesdays Aug. 20, Sept. 17,  
Oct. 15, Nov. 19, Dec. 17, Jan. 21

\* 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 - Friday

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

Upcoming bulk refuse pickup weeks:

**Oct. 7-11 and Dec. 2-6**

**~ SUMMER CONCERT SERIES CONTINUES ~**

*(weather permitting, all start at 7 pm in the Village Hall lot;  
food and beverages from local merchants available –  
including the famous Alfieri popcorn!)*

We hope you enjoyed It's My Party ('50s and doo-wop), Wild Horses (Rolling Stones tribute), That Party Band (top hits and covers), Mr. Mustard (Beatles tribute), and Reporter (music for all ages) in June, July, and early August. Please join us for these three remaining concerts....

Wednesday, Aug. 14 – Four on the Floor (easy-listening and hits)

Wednesday, Aug. 21 – Ruby Shooz ('50s and '60s rockers)

Wednesday, Aug. 28 – E.R. All-Stars reunion

(with the Greece Jazz Band)

# VILLAGE DESPATCH

## *Library notes....*

The East Rochester Public Library is sponsoring **Summer Reading events** well into August. We enjoyed bingo (and the winners enjoyed prizes!) the afternoon of Friday, Aug. 2. Our world was rocked with a hands-on program presented by the Rochester Museum & Science Center the afternoon of Friday, Aug. 9. Kids entering grades 3-5 learned how to identify rocks and minerals, and gained an understanding of geology through experimentation and observation. Finish off the summer with our famous **Ice Cream Social** at 2 pm Friday, Aug. 16. All ages are welcome, and prizes will be awarded to the top three readers of the Summer Reading program. Please register by stopping by the library, or call us at 586-8302.

Babies (ages 6 months to 2 years) and their caregivers can enjoy **Baby Signing time** at 10:30 am Monday, Aug. 12. Teach your baby to sign with instructor Linda Schmackpfeffer. This free class uses books, music, and playful activities to teach infants pre-verbal communication using ASL signs. Please register by contacting the library.

**For kids 11 and older**, there is Teen Mehndi and a movie at 3 pm Wednesday, Aug. 14. Participants can have their body painted with henna, and enjoy a film while they wait.

Looking ahead to October, join us at the Library Saturday, Oct. 19 for a very special **Open House** featuring the Reptile Guys, Mike Kornrich with music for kids, and our very special face painter, Sylvia. The Open House begins at 10 am (with retired ER Elementary School librarian Anita Mance reading stories for the kids), and events will run through 1 pm. Also, the ER Rotary Club will be giving out pumpkins for their annual decorating contest starting at 10 am.

The Library looks forward to welcoming author/instructor Joan Baier, who will be running a special **creative writing program for adults** from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm Thursday, Oct. 10. Students will fine-tune their writing technique and story-development skills through class instruction, discussion, critiques, and writing. Participation in previous writing classes (OASIS or elsewhere) or some writing experience will be helpful, but not required. Published authors are welcome! Please bring something to snack on for the morning and lunch breaks. This class will be limited to nine people, so call the library at 586-8302 to register.

The Friends of the Library will host **book sales** at the Book Nook the following Fridays and Saturdays: Aug. 9-10 and 23-24, Sept. 13-14 and 27-28, and Oct. 11-12 and 25-26 (with the last weekend featuring a \$3 bag sale). The Book Nook is open from noon to 4 pm Fridays and 10 am to 2 pm Saturdays. Please stop by and support your local library! New members to the Friends group, as well as your donations of books and DVDs, are welcome at any time.

Please be sure to 'like' us on Facebook, and visit our Website: [www.libraryweb.org/erochester](http://www.libraryweb.org/erochester).

## *~ STAR EXEMPTION RE-REGISTRATIONS ~*

There are many questions about re-registering for STAR exemptions. Re-registration will begin in 2014 and be administered by the NYS Department of Taxation and Finance. The state will notify homeowners directly, and there is nothing that needs to be done until that time.

*— from the ER Assessor's Office (381-5151)*

## **FROM the ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICE**

**All dogs living in the village need to be licensed on a yearly basis!** Please call the Village Hall at 586-3553 or Animal Control at 381-4360 for more information.

This time of year we get many phone calls about pets barking for long periods of time, left outside without water, or running unleashed. The village has a leash law, and dogs need to be leashed at all times. There is also a noise ordinance in effect regarding animals. For details, see the Village Code on our Website ([www.eastrochester.org](http://www.eastrochester.org)) under Government, Town/Village Code, Chapter 123-11 (M). Please be courteous to your neighbors!

### ***SPAYS for STRAYS!***

Habitat for Cats is offering to spay or neuter, vaccinate, and treat for parasites all stray, homeless, and feral cats in East Rochester free of charge. This project is made possible by a grant from PetSmart Charities. There are also a limited number of free appointments available for pet cats of low-income owners at a vet hospital that has partnered with Habitat for Cats. Too often, pet cats are abandoned outside or are allowed to have kittens that add to the feral cat population. To help prevent this problem, we have arranged to have pet cats whose owners can't afford to spay or neuter them spayed and vaccinated for free. The owners and cats must reside in ER to be eligible for this free service. Please call 234-2894 to schedule an appointment.

## **GOOD-BYES, GOOD LUCKS, CONGRATS, and WELCOMES!**

### **CHANGES AT THE DEPARTMENT of PUBLIC WORKS:**

We are both happy and sad to report that two long-time Department of Public Works employees have retired from their public service duties to begin a new phase in their lives. **Rick Essom** retired from the foreman's position as of June 29 and **Ed VanThof** from the mechanic's position as of July 30. Each had given more than 30 years of faithful and dedicated service to the village. Rick and Ed were very skilled and knowledgeable in their positions and will be greatly missed. We wish both the best of luck in retirement and thank them for their combined years of dedicated public service.

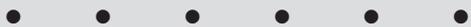
As a result of these retirements, **Bill Marr** and **Mike Ross** have been promoted to fill the foreman's and mechanic's positions, respectively. Bill has been with the village for 11 years and Mike for 28. Both have large shoes to fill, but we're confident they'll accept and meet the challenge with no loss of service to the taxpayers.

In addition, we've hired **Pete Calabrese** to fill one of the vacated spots remaining from the two promoted employees. Pete is a longtime ER resident with more than 12 years experience with the town and village of Pittsford DPWs. He brings extensive knowledge of sanitary and storm sewer system maintenance and operations, as well as an excellent work ethic relating to public service. Pete is an outstanding addition to the department and we look forward to many years of dedicated service from him.

### **CHANGES AT THE VILLAGE OFFICE:**

After almost 38 years of public service to the village he was born, raised, and lived his entire life in, **Ray Parrotta** has officially retired. But before you offer Ray your congratulations and best wishes, you may want to know he isn't going anywhere any time soon – he's agreed to stay on in a part-time role, helping the new clerk-treasurer. Ray's familiar face and laugh can still be heard at the village office and will be moving to the Eyer building with everyone else next spring. We wish Ray and his family all the best as he makes the transition to retirement over the next several years, and thank him for his many years of dedicated public service.

As a result of Ray's retirement, we are very proud to announce that **Gerri Raschiatore** has been appointed as the new clerk-treasurer. Gerri has more than 25 years of service with the village, in both the recreation department and clerk's office. She brings a wealth of knowledge with her every day as she embarks on her new role. You can look forward to a seamless transition, as the taxpayers of this community are in very capable hands.



Please join us in welcoming **Jenni Raymond** to the Village Building Department, effective July 17. Jenni comes to us from the town of Irondequoit, where she spent nine years supporting the Department of Community Development. In her new role here in ER she performs many of the same activities she did in Irondequoit, such as issuing permits, handling department calls, supporting the assessor, and other administrative responsibilities. Jenni is very familiar to our Building Inspector, Dave Smith, as they worked closely together during his tenure in Irondequoit. Jenni not only has five years of Building Department experience, but also earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from SUNY Fredonia.

She replaces **Traci Miller**, who resigned effective July 3 to pursue other career opportunities. Traci had been with the village since 2009 and will be greatly missed. We wish her the best in her future endeavors.

## **FROM the BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

There's lots of time left for those summer projects! Please remember **building permits are needed for the following:**

- \* POOLS (any pool capable of holding 24 inches of water, per NYS law)      \* ROOFS
- \* SHEDS (larger than 47 square feet)      \* DECKS      \* FENCES      \* ENCLOSED FRONT PORCHES
- \* NEW CONSTRUCTION/ADDITIONS      \* DEMOLITION      \* SOME INTERIOR REMODELING

Reminder: Please call the Building Department, at 385-3513, before starting any construction project to find out if a permit is required. A list of the most common permits needed can be found on [www.eastrochester.org](http://www.eastrochester.org) under Departments/Building Inspector/Building Permit Information (on the left side). Building permits can be acquired at our office from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm weekdays. The contractor performing the work must apply for the permit, and proof of General Liability and Workers' Compensation insurance must be supplied before the permit can be issued.

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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

Our staff – Sam Hook, Liz LaDelfa, Timothy Bovay, and Jessica Maine – have been feverishly working with our youth on this summer’s community service project, ‘**Backpacks for Buddies.**’ This is a service project we are doing with the ER School District and the ER Community Resource Center. The goals of ‘Backpacks for Buddies’ are to provide students with backpacks and school supplies for the coming school year and to increase awareness about the importance of students having appropriate school materials. Student participants have done an excellent job directing the program. They have canvassed local businesses for donations, distributed flyers, done substantial research, and used social media to spread our message of the importance of students having enough school supplies. This project is sponsored by the Monroe County Youth Bureau and funded by the Rochester Area Community Foundation, through a \$1,000 Youth As Resources grant.

Working side-by-side with School of the Holy Childhood students and staff on Tuesdays to fill backpacks, our young participants have been able to provide school supplies to many in our community. Holy Childhood participants had two fundraisers for this service project, through which they raised \$200. The need is great. If you are interested in contributing to this service project, donations will be accepted through Wednesday, Aug. 21.

In addition to our ‘Backpacks for Buddies’ program, **students also work at job sites in the community** preparing for careers while learning valuable job skills and building a portfolio for future job interviews. We would like to sincerely thank Penfield Place, Surace’s, Village Fair, the ER Public Library, the ER Department of Public Works, Second Thought Resale Shop, Linden East Condominiums, Sunoco, ER Junior/Senior High School, Mooseberry’s, The Rivers Organization, Rubino’s Italian Subs, and the ER Community Resource Center for providing mentoring and work positions for our students. These services have been made possible through a Rochester Works grant called the East Rochester Youth Training and Employment Program.

The ER Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a **Day Camp in Northside Park** this summer. The camp is open from noon to 2 pm weekdays. There are different crafts and sports each day, along with snacks. Come down and enjoy the fun! On Friday, Aug. 23 there will be an end-of-camp party. Hope to see you at the park!

**As a way to help our community,** ERYAC participants recently washed and shined the ER Police Department vehicles. In addition, we helped with safety and traffic flow at the Karknocker 5K in the village the morning of Saturday, July 27. Save the date – the annual **Halloween Party** at the Eyer Park Lodge, for kids in pre-school through fifth grade, is set for Tuesday, Oct. 29.

**Are you out of school and between the ages of 17 and 21?** Stuck in a rut when it comes to where your future is going? We can help you find a job, choose a career path, get your GED, look into colleges, apply for your driver’s license, and whatever you need to get you on track for a successful future. Slots are going fast, so call us today while they’re still available.

If you are 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 – just one or two hours a month! You can make a lifelong impression on a youth for a small investment of time!

The ERYAC promotes the ‘40 Developmental Assets’ and ‘Small Talk, Big Difference’ initiatives.

– Barbara Maine, ERYAC director

### ER COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER

120 W. Commercial St. (mailing) 333 E. Chestnut St. (site) 586-0525

Teresa Quinzi-Willette, director Pat Cragg, associate director

### ANNUAL FALL CLOTHING CLEARANCE SALE

9 am to 2 pm Wednesday, Sept. 18 through Friday, Sept. 20, at the Resource Center

The **FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION** program is temporarily discontinued. For more information call the CRC at 586-0525, or watch Channel 12. Please note this particular distribution is for ER residents only. Thank you!

**ADVENT CRAFT SALE VENDORS NEEDED!** This year’s event is set for 9 am to 3 pm Saturday, Dec. 7, at ER Schools. Please contact the ER CRC for more information.



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## ER Community Resource Center and ER Fire Department 2013 Christmas Program for the Needy in East Rochester

send, or bring, to ER Village Office at 120 W. Commercial St. or ER CRC at 333 E. Chestnut St.

**\* for families with children only \***

Last name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's \_\_\_\_\_

(if living at home)

(if living at home)

child's name                      age   gender   size                      child's (reasonable) wish list or interests

_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Total household income \_\_\_\_\_ weekly   monthly   yearly (circle one)

From: employment \_\_\_\_\_ public assistance \_\_\_\_\_ disability \_\_\_\_\_ unemployment \_\_\_\_\_ other \_\_\_\_\_

**Application deadline is Monday, Nov. 25 – Please return this form as soon as possible. (first come, first served)**

*If you have any questions, please contact the Resource Center at 586-0525 – thank you!*

### 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 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, large and some small appliances, and construction or demolition material. E-waste, household and outdoor chemicals, paints, cleaners, degreasers, or any other hazardous waste are not allowed at any time.

#### **BULK PICKUP:**

**What and when is 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 large appliances, furniture, carpet, and concrete. Please call us if you're not sure what constitutes a bulk item. Bulk pickup week is the first full week of every month except July, September, and November, on your regular scheduled garbage day. We will pick up your bulk only on your regular garbage day or sooner; any bulk put out after your normal day will incur a collection fee.

**When can I put out bulk items?** They can be put out no earlier than the Saturday before the bulk pickup week. We allow this because we understand there isn't enough time for some people to put bulk items out the night before their regular pickup day. Only bulk items are allowed to be out before your regular garbage collection day. Please don't put out any normal garbage with your bulk, as you could be charged a fee for the garbage items.

**How should I put my bulk items out for pickup?** All bulk items should be kept separate whenever possible. All metal items, all wood items, and all concrete/blacktop/stone/dirt should be in separate piles. 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 time we spend separating them. Keeping items separate allows us to get them picked up safely and efficiently.

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