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Summer Construction Around Croton

Summer is the time when most construction occurs due to the favorable weather. Around Croton many projects are beginning or will be under way soon. Among the projects that the Village is administering are the railroad station parking lot improvements, a new genera-

administering are the railroad station parking lot improvements, a new generator installation at the Nordica Dr. pump station, the Batten Road drainage and High Street drainage, sewer and sidewalk improvement projects, the repair

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Drainage pipes to be laid

of the Silver Lake dam, and the sidewalk replacement program.

The parking regrading project is on schedule and Phase I should

be complete by July. This will allow for a return of most cars to the parking lot until Phase 2 paving begins in late autumn.

The new generator at the Nordica sewer pump station will provide reliability during storm outages. Both the Batten



Nordica Pump Station

Road and High St. improvement projects will relieve homeowners of damage caused by periodic flooding conditions following severe storms. New water and sewer mains will be installed on High St. A long-needed repair of the dam at Silver Lake on the Croton River is sched-

ver Lake on the Croton River is scheduled for the last 2 weeks of August contingent upon low flow in the River. The park will be closed during this work.

Other work going on in the Village includes a major repair by Con Ed on NYS

Route 129/Maple St. between Old Post road South and Olcott. This work consists of some excavation of the road,



Con Ed Road Work

pouring concrete slabs, milling and resurfacing of significant sections which were previously disturbed by

Con Ed in prior years.

A cellular tower is being constructed



Cell Tower Foundation

south of the DPW garage on Veterans Way by Homeland Towers LLC. Four services will be co-located on

it including T-Mobile, AT&T (Cingular Wireless), Metro PCS and Nextel. The tower is to be completed at the end of July followed by equipment and antenna installations.

The replacement of Quaker Bridge by Westchester County is also planned to begin during the summer. The County is making every effort to ensure that work will be completed by this Fall. During this period access to the east side of Croton River will be only from the Quaker Bridge Rd. intersection with Route 9A south of the Croton River. The Fire Dept. is arranging for emergency access over the Croton Dam during this period of construction.

Sidewalk replacements will occur during the summer at various locations. The maintenance and improvements of our infrastructure this summer will mean a better village overall. Patience is required on the part of all our residents.

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SUMMER MOVIE, CONCERT & FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT SERIES

MOVIES

Movies are on Wednesdays at Senasqua Park beginning at dusk. In case of rain, they will be shown the next evening. Picnicking is encouraged.

July 8 IGOR (PG)

A new twist on the classic mad scientist/monster genre. Igor is a hunchbacked lab assistant who has big dreams of becoming a mad scientist and winning the first place prize at the Evil Science Fair in this animated comedy.

July 15 MADAGASCAR 2 ESCAPE 2 AFRICA (PG)

This sequel brings back lovable NY zoo animals, Alex the Lion, Marty the Zebra, Melman the Giraffe and Gloria the Hippo. Still stranded in Madagascar, they manage to leave the island only to land in the wilderness of Africa. There, Alex meets the rest of his family in this animated adventure.

July 22 THE SPIDERWICK CHRONICLES (PG)

From the bestselling series of books comes this fantasy ad venture about the Grave family who moves into the secluded house of their great, great Uncle Arthur Spiderwick. Once there, they begin to notice strange accidents and disappearances and they begin to uncover the fantastic truth of creatures which inhabit Spiderwick estate.

July 29 KUNG FU PANDA (PG)

PO is a lazy, irreverent slacker panda who is a fan of Kung Fu but that doesn't help his boredom at working at his family's noodle shop. Chosen to fulfill an ancient prophecy, PO's dreams become reality when he comes under the leadership of Kung Fu guru Shifu and trains to hilarious results.

Aug. 5 JOURNEY to the CENTER of the EARTH (PG)

A scientist whose radical theories have completely tarnished his reputation goes backpacking across Iceland and finds a cave that leads him deep into the bowels of Earth. He discovers a fantastic and dangerous lost world filled with bizarre landscapes and terrifying creatures.

CONCERTS

Concerts are on Fridays in Senasqua Park (except July 2nd). The rain date is Saturday night, unless otherwise indicated.

July 2 (Thursday) <u>BRITISH INVASION</u> 8 PM TRIBUTE BAND *

This nostalgic 1960's tribute band features songs by the British Invasion Bands such as The Zombies, Dave Clark Five, The Hollies, Herman's Hermits and many more. Songs from the American response to the British groups include The Monkees, Beach Boys, The Turtles and more.

July 10 BLUE WATER

7 PM

This local Croton Band is back for another night at the park. Blue Water plays acoustic and electric Rock & Roll with a harmony twist.

July 17 SUNDOWN BAND

7 PM

Sundown performs unique renditions of Southern Rock classics from bands such as Lynyrd Skynyrd, The Allman Brothers, The Outlaws, Marshall Tucker, Molly Hatchet and more.

July 24 **SECOND WIND**

7 PM

Whether it's classic rock, Second Wind style R&B or "unplugged" acoustic, the Second Wind Band of local talent will make it a night to remember.

July 31 <u>REAL ROUGH DIAMONDS</u> 7 PM

A rough and tumble sound that has a healthy dose of garage band bravado and great songwriting to back them up. The Diamonds blend the best of American roots music with a flavor of 60's pop that evoke the vibe of the Kinks, the Monkees and a range of AM radio hits that traveled the airways back then.

* Rain location is at the Croton-Harmon High School Auditorium

FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT SERIES

*** All performances will be at Senasqua Park at 7PM except the July 16th event which will be at 10AM in Vassallo Park.

- July 9 <u>THE GREAT AMERICAN VAUDEVILLE</u> The two 20-year veterans of NYC's Big Apple Circus present the Great American Vaudeville. The show includes live music, comic juggling, virtuoso concertina, classic slapstick, audience participation, mediocre saxophone and the SQUARE BUBBLE!
- July 16 <u>DRUMMING ABOUT YOU</u> (Vassallo Park) Vassalo Park is going to sparkle and sway! You'll see everybody, kids to grandparents, getting hands-on with a beautiful array of drums and percussion trinkets. Everybody partners with BOB BLOOM as he launches the most inviting songs that Croton-on-Hudson will ever hear!
- July 23 <u>BETH & SCOTT AND FRIENDS</u> Parent's Choice Award Winner, BETH and SCOTT BIERKO, share some of their most beloved stories and songs. From long time favorites like "Hello, My Name is Joe" and "I Don't Want to Go to Bed" to new songs like "Be Banana". Every song is a crowd-pleaser sure to delight all ages!
- July 30 GOOWIN'S BALLOOWINS Madcap balloon artist, ALLYNN GOOEN, invites audience members into his stories as they become the actors, while he creates their sets, props, and costumes from twisting balloons. This unforgettable show will surely captivate the audience and spark their imagination!
- Aug. 6 SQUEAKY CLEAN
 Squeaky Clean will perform musical favorites from the 1950's, 1960's and 1970's including "Rock Around the Clock", "Rockin Robin", "Surfin USA" and many more. Children will love interacting with Squeaky Clean and adults will love the authentic look and sound!





Spotlight on the Barbara Salvatore

Barbara Salvatore has been working in the Village's Recreation Department on a part-time basis for six years. Prior to joining the department, Barbara worked for 34 years for General Motors most of that time at their Tarrytown location. After that location closed, Barbara spent about 6 years working for them in Manhattan before retiring. While working for General Motors, Barbara worked in both Human Resources and Finance.

The Recreation Dept. position fits Barbara perfectly as she enjoys being around people. In her job she helps out on a daily basis with residents who come in to sign up for programs, get photo-IDs, handle phone calls and compile reports. Barbara also helps with the Summer

Camp process by helping to set up camp groups, organizing paper work, assisting in filling out forms, and other clerical duties associated with administering a large summer camp.

Barbara grew up in Croton attended Croton schools, graduating from Croton-Harmon High School. Although she now lives in Cortlandt Manor with her husband, Rick, Barbara enjoys encountering old acquaintances who come into the Recreation office. Every day brings something different which is part of what she likes about her job. She particularly enjoys the people with whom works.

In her spare time, Barbara and Rick enjoy seeing family

in the metropolitan area. They spend vacation time at a condo in Venice. Florida a few weeks each winter. In the future, they are considering going to Florida for an entire Winter. Since Rick

is an avid golfer, Barbara has been taking it up as well.

In her free time, Barbara also enjoys sewing and going on a small fishing boat they own. She is also hoping to plan a trip to the Western US in the future to see Grand Canyon, Yosemite and other national parks and also a cruise through the Panama Canal. Mostly, Barbara says she enjoys coming to work.



"I enjoy all the people I work with and I enjoy seeing old acquaintances."

Barbara Salvatore

Symphony Knoll Nearing Completion

A year ago May, ground was broken for the construction of Symphony Knoll, the Croton Housing Networks eleven-unit affordable housing for Seniors. Oc-



Symphony Knoll Under Construction

cupancy is now scheduled for Fall 2009. There are eight bedroom units of 650 square feet which will for rent \$793/month utilities. plus 1 -Three

bedroom units of

800 square feet will rent for \$975/month plus utilities. Located at 15 Mt. Airy Rd., near Grand St., Symphony Knoll features a patio or terrace with each unit, individual heating and A/C units, an elevator, laundry on premises, common room, easy walking distance to the Upper Village area, on-site access to the Croton Trail System, landscaped outdoor seating area and parking for one car per unit. All units are handicapped accessible.

As an affordable housing project for seniors, there are

age requirements and income limits for residency. Applicants must be 55 years or older by December I, with incomes limited to between \$36,850 and \$50,520, depending on family size. Copies of 2007 and 2008 income tax returns, including W2 and 1009 forms, will be required to verify income. Applications that appear to meet the basic qualifications will be placed in a lottery to determine the order in which further processing is done. An interview and verification of the application information will follow.

The II applicants with the lowest lottery numbers that meet all requirements will be notified regarding the move in date. Further information on Symphony Knoll is available at www.crotonhousing.org. If you are interested in applying, send a note to info@crotonhousing.org or leave a message at 914-862-0448.

Noise Law Reminder

Now that the summer months are here, it is important to remember that the Village's Noise Law (Chapter 160) was amended in Sept., 2008 to prohibit the operation of

power lawn mowers, rakers, leaf blowers or other motor-driven lawn or garden equipment during certain hours.

This equipment cannot be operated between 8 pm to 8 am from Sunday through Friday, from 8 pm Friday to 9 am on Saturday, and from 8 pm Saturday to 10 am Sunday.

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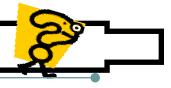
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Got a Question?





What rules apply to walking dogs in the new Croton Landing Park and other parks in the Village? Dogs may be walked on a leash that extends no more than six feet only on the paved Riverwalk trail

within Croton Landing Park and only during the posted hours that the park is open. Elsewhere in the Village, dogs are not permitted in any parks or play areas except, by permit, in the Dog Park at Black Rock Park where they may be unleashed. Leashed dogs may be walked on Village streets including Elliott Way but cannot go on private property without the owner's permission.

Village law also requires that dog feces be removed by the owner in any place a dog is permitted to be walked or run. It is the owner's responsibility to pick up and remove such feces in an air tight bag and dispose of it in a refuse container. Bags for this purpose are NOT provided at Croton Landing Park or Black Rock Park. Owners must bring a bag with them while walking their dog.



Historical Society News

The Croton History Museum is actively seeking books about Croton residents and Croton's history as well as books written by Croton authors. Its collection is housed in new bookcases in the History

Room on the first floor of the Municipal Building. Recent acquisitions include books by Floyd Dell, Max Eastman, Margaret Mayo, David McLellan, Daniel Botkin and B.A. Botkin.

Village Historian, Joyce Finnerty, has been collaborating with David Oestreicher who is curating a major exhibition on the Lenape Indians - Croton's first residents. This display will be part of the Quadricentennial Celebration to be housed at Ellis Island. It includes works of local artist and conservationist, Theodore Cornu, who was an authority on the Lenape.

The Society is also selling "Croton is a Dam Town" T-shirts for \$10.00. They may be obtained at the History Room or at the Village Office on the 2nd floor.