



## SUPERVISOR'S CORNER

By: *Chris Mathews, Town of Neversink Supervisor*

*On a personal note: I'm going to take advantage of having my own column. My lovely wife Caryn and I celebrated our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary recently. Caryn, I'm grateful for all you do for me and our family. Love you and see you at 50 years!*

*Warning drivers of Neversink! My daughter Gillian just turned 16 and got her permit the next day. Happy Birthday Gill and look out world!*

*Please keep our Councilmen Mike Mullen and Mike Brooks in your thoughts and prayers. Mickey Mullen has been battling cancer for over two years. The family is enduring tremendous medical and travel expenses and has set up a "Go Fund Me" page. You can read about Mickey by following the link: <https://www.gofundme.com/2krzn5gq> Also, Mike Brooks is home recovering from surgery. He is a little tired, but feeling good. Get Well Wishes to both of them!*

**Congratulations** to the Neversink Renaissance for winning the \$12,000 Sullivan Renaissance Award. Many volunteers lent a hand and their hard work at the Town Park, museum and transfer station really made a difference. Additional thanks and recognition also needs to be extended to the Tri-Valley Little League and their volunteers for all the time and effort they put forth into making the Town Park ready to be presented to the Sullivan Renaissance Judges. The efforts of everyone involved definitely made a positive difference.

**Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)** - The HEAP program is designed to offset fuel and utility costs for eligible families or individuals. HEAP funds are usually available mid - November until mid - March. The amount of this benefit is based on the type of household, income for the household and the type of fuel or utility. If you would like information and an application, you can call 807-0142. Applications will be mailed out on November 14<sup>th</sup>. For eligibility guidelines and application information go to: <http://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/>

**New Town Park** - The Town Board would like to thank the City of New York for the use of their Sundown Road property, which for over thirty years served as home for the Tri-Valley Little League complex. It was 2011 when flooding from Hurricane Irene destroyed most of our Little League Complex. Our new Town Park will now be the host for the Tri-Valley Little League. As we move on to our new facility and get ready for next year's inaugural Little League season there, the Town Board thinks it an appropriate time to recognize the City of New York for its role in helping make the Little League program a success.

**Giant Pumpkin Party** will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2016 from 9 AM - 5 PM Rain or Shine! This is always great Fall fun for everyone with lots of activities, games, live entertainment, shows and much more! Visit [www.giantpumpkinparty.org](http://www.giantpumpkinparty.org) for complete details and more information.

**Hunting License** Hunting licenses for the '16-'17 hunting season are now on sale. Southern zone bow hunting season begins on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Southern zone regular hunting season begins on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Hunting licenses can be purchased at the Town Clerk's Office from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

**Parks & Rec Dept.** The Town Board is working together with the Parks & Rec Dept. in an effort to come up with more ways to utilize the valuable resources we currently have in town. If anyone has any suggestions, feel free to contact anyone on the Town Board and/or Jamie Brooks, our P&R Director. All thoughts and ideas are welcome and open for discussion. In an effort to conserve taxpayer dollars, the Town will help fund four trips annually, two focused on children and two for adults. Additional trips are unlimited as long as they pay for themselves. Jamie is able to organize trips with discounted pricing and pass those savings on to you. The wonderful thing about utilizing our Parks & Rec Dept is that you do not need to worry about planning the trip, and most of the time you do not need to worry about transportation...leave that up to Jamie and enjoy a trip, worry free and at a discounted price!

**Reminder** The Town Hall will be closed on October 10<sup>th</sup> in observance of Columbus Day, November 8<sup>th</sup> for Election Day and November 11<sup>th</sup> for Veteran's Day.

**Tractor Show** The Neversink Rondout Antique Machinery will be sponsoring its 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Tractor Show along with the Grahamsville Rod & Gun Club's 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Sportsman Flea Market on September 17&18, 2016 from 9 AM to 5 PM at the Grahamsville Fairgrounds. There will be craft and food vendors, games for kids, tractor swap meet, antique and classic cars and trucks, chicken BBQ, plus much more.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 985-2262 ext. 301.