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A WALL OF HONOR FOR OUR MILITARY

The precious gift of freedom enjoyed by Americans today is the result of the sacrifice of those who, past and present, have served in the United States military.

To recognize and honor our service men and women, the Village of Hilton has established a military wall of honor, located on the first floor in the Hilton Community Center, at 59 Henry Street.

Pictures of active and veteran service men and women are being displayed in an attractive and honorable fashion. All

pictures are being framed in black and are accompanied by a gold plaque that identifies the rank, person, branch of military, and dates of service. Pictured individuals do not have to reside in the Hilton-Parma area. Any military person will be accepted. All military branches will have a flag accompanying the display, along with the American and POW flags.

To participate, an 8x10, color or black and white, portrait-style photo of the military person in uniform, must be submitted to the Village Office at 59 Henry Street. A form will be provided to list the service person's identifying information along with the submitting person's contact information, provided to answer any future questions. All photos become the property of the Village of Hilton and will not be returned.

Monetary donations for the project are welcome. Please make check or money order payable to the Village of Hilton. Any questions, please contact Mayor Joe Lee at 794-7045.

* Actual display may differ from picture

MONROE COUNTY BUILDS EMERGENCY ANTENNA TOWER

Monroe County is upgrading its emergency communication systems. A total of 17 locations, county-wide, will be affected. Plans are currently underway to construct an antenna tower just north of the Hilton water tower. The structure will be 180 feet tall and self supporting. It will exceed the height of the water tower by 45 feet. The new tower is an essential element for improving communications between public safety organizations, including police, fire, ambulance and other emergency services.

The new antenna will enhance radio coverage for bad reception zones. It will also make inter-communication between emergency agencies possible.

Monroe County held a public information meeting on April 5, 2011, to inform citizens about the antenna and its location.

Notification of the meeting was advertised in the Suburban News.

The antenna is strictly for public safety use.

The tower project is projected to be fully operational by 2017.

Questions and concerns can be directed to the Monroe County Public Safety Director, Mr. Steve Bowman.

2011 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR



KAY MELVIN

The Village Board has named **Kay Melvin** as Hilton's 2011 Citizen of the Year.

Kay has been well known in the Hilton community for quite some time now. She began her career as a city school teacher. After a few years she moved to the Hilton School District, where she taught periodically over the course of 34 years. Following Kay's retirement, she became active with the **Parma Public Library**, since *books are one of her passions*. Kay and two other local women brought to life a group called the "**Friends of the Parma Library**"; a volunteer organization that raises money by selling donated books to benefit the Parma library. Kay has been the President of the group since she joined, just over 3 years ago.

Through hard work and determination the group successfully expanded and was offered space in a store front on Main Street. The new establishment became "**Mainly Books**". Kay oversees the operation of Mainly Books and with a group of volunteers, spends countless hours sorting, organizing and selling books - all without pay.

Kay's hard work and dedication is a great asset to the community and all who use our public library. Congratulations and Thank you for your generosity Kay!

2011-2012 VILLAGE BUDGET

The Village of Hilton adopted a new budget for the 2011-2012 fiscal year at an April 12th public hearing. Overall, total spending is up 2%. The tax rate remains unchanged at \$2.48 per \$1,000. This rate has remained constant since 2007. An increase in home assessments over the past few years has provided added income assistance, enabling the tax rate to remain stable.

New equipment purchases provided for in the new budget include a loader for \$135,000, a pick-up truck for \$24,000 and 4 new crew radios for \$2,500.

Office purchases include a new copier to replace a 15 year old model, and 2 computers.

Each year a section of village streets is scheduled for road maintenance which includes crack filling and slurry sealing; a process similar to that of driveway sealing. On the current maintenance schedule, streets get done once every five years. Due to the ever rising cost of oil, which is an essential product used in road repair, the normal 5 year maintenance schedule for slurry sealing has been lengthened to 7 years. By lengthening our maintenance schedule we can keep costs the same while providing the same services for our streets. The Fraser Drive and Short Hills Drive tracts are scheduled for sealing in this new budget year.

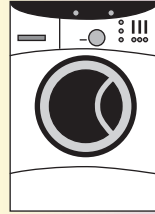
Additional maintenance costs include the removal of a portion of the platform area around the Hovey Square flag pole on both North and South sides of the pole. The platform

removal will enable crews to add four new parking spaces to the mall area. A small portion of the platform will remain around the flag pole. The parking lot between Main Street and the Post Office will be repaired. The lot will be resurfaced, with the possibility of adding two new parking spaces, and concrete work will be done. Annual scheduled sidewalk maintenance will take place on Gorton Avenue and Orchard Street. Sidewalks will be repaired and or replaced. The Jennejohn Lodge will have two scheduled upgrades. Enhanced security cameras will be added to the building and the hot water system will be replaced.

Our multi-year sewer improvement project is progressing. This year the Village has scheduled the sanitary sewer to have "slip lining" done on 1,000 feet of 8" main on South Avenue. Slip lining will cost \$85,000. A \$25,000 HUD grant was awarded to the Village to help pay for the work. There will also be some necessary pump upgrades made to our lift station at a cost of \$10,000. The June to May tax bill will show an increase in sewer rates from \$84.00 per residential unit to \$100.00. Annual rate increases have enabled the Village to slowly accumulate reserve money, exclusively funding the on-going sewer improvements and has kept work flowing uninterrupted; preventing the need to bond the project.

The Village of Hilton Department of Public Works
is now offering

FREE Metal Appliance Pick-up



Place your metal appliance by the curb by 7:00am
on Fridays for free pick-up and disposal service
No stickers required!

Included in this service are any appliances that are metal
such as stoves, most microwaves, dishwashers, washer & dryers, etc.

The Free service **DOES NOT** include
Freon containing appliances such as refrigerators, freezers,
de-humidifiers, humidifiers and air conditioning units.
These items still require a **\$12.00 sticker**
purchased from the Village Office.
Televisions and computers are not included in this service
and require a **\$5.00 sticker** for disposal.

**Call the Village Office at 392-4144
for more information.**

Village Office and DPW Summer Hours

BEGINNING MONDAY, JUNE 27TH THROUGH FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND.

THE **VILLAGE OFFICE** WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:30AM - 4:00PM.

THE **DPW** WILL BE OPEN MONDAY-THURSDAY FROM 7:30AM - 4:30PM
AND FRIDAYS FROM 7:00AM UNTIL 3:30PM.



FROM
MAYOR
Joe Lee

In continuing our efforts for
improved public safety, the
Village has been working on a
proposed skateboard law.

At a public hearing on Tuesday,
May 3, 2011 the proposed law
was scheduled to be discussed.

An outpouring of the
community came to the
hearing and many shared their
opinions. A decision was
made by the Village Board to
table the proposed law for the
time being, so more research
and study can be done.

To keep informed about
updates concerning the
proposed
skateboard
law, visit the
Hilton Village
website at

www.hiltonny.org
and watch the
Suburban News.

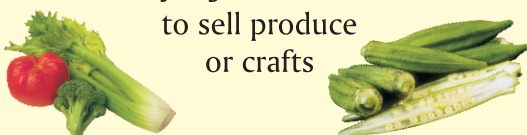


Hilton
Farmer's Market

Opened

May 1 through October 23
Sundays from 9am until 3pm
located in the Park and Ride parking lot
corner of Railroad Ave. & Hovey Street.

Call Mayor Joe Lee 794-7045
to sell produce
or crafts



Household Hazardous Waste Collection

for the residents of Parma and Hilton will be held at the

Village of Hilton Highway Garage

50 Henry Street

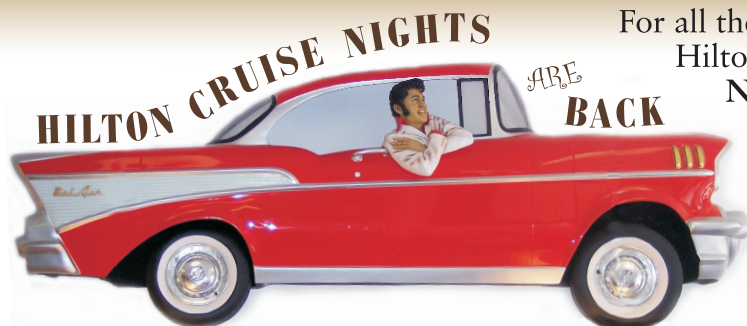


By APPOINTMENT ONLY
on **Saturday, June 11, 2011**
from **7:45am to 12 noon.**

Appointments for this collection **can be made until June 10th**

To schedule an appointment call **392-9464**

You may also go online to **www.monroecounty.gov/hhw**
Unable to come to this one day collection? The County offers other
collections throughout the year, call 753-7600 (option 3) or go online.



For all the classic car lovers out there, the Village of Hilton welcomes back the popular **Classic Car Cruise Nights**. Enjoy your summer, Saturday evenings, with friends, socializing and listening to the music of D.J. *Don Hellis*. Cruise nights begin **Saturday, June 4th** and will continue each Saturday through **September 24th**. Gather in the RTS Parking lot, north of Hovey Square from **6pm** through **9:00pm**.

BUSINESS NEWS

THE VILLAGE OF HILTON WARMLY WELCOMES
THE FOLLOWING NEW BUSINESSES TO THE COMMUNITY.

AMELIA'S FABRIC & YARN SHOPPE

7 UPTON STREET

at the end of Canning Street, in the Hilton Industrial Center

PHONE: **392-1192** OWNER: Nancy Vorndran

Amelia's offers quality fabrics, fat quarters, yarns, notions, batting, and various other items. In addition to their products, they offer services from "The Sewing Machine Doctor" on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, from 10am until 1pm. They also offer classes in knitting, crocheting, quilting and more. Check their monthly calendar, online, for specials and a listing of current classes that are available. Visit the website at www.ameliasfabricandyarnshoppe.com. Visit the shop and sign up for e-mails.



Hours:

Tuesday - Friday, 10:00am-5:30pm
Saturday, 10:00am -4:00pm,
Closed Sunday & Monday



Hours:

Monday - Friday, 10:30am-6:00pm
Saturday, 10:30am -2:00pm,
Sunday by appointment only

HILTON MONUMENT CO.

18 EAST AVENUE

PHONE: **208-7088** OWNER: Tena Kelly

The Hilton Monument Co. offers quality memorials to honor the life of a loved one who has passed. Merchandise includes cremation monuments, urns, vases and markers. Services such as cleaning, setting, repairs, custom designs, and in-home consultation are a part of their specialty. Visit their office to see a variety of items on display. Purchases made on a pre-need basis are offered at a **20% discount**.

FITNESS WAREHOUSE HAS MOVED

The Fitness Warehouse has relocated from Canning Street to the former Ben Franklin building. The new location is **35 HOVEY SQUARE**, the phone number is **392-6277**

JOHN BURCH - VILLAGE MECHANIC RETIRES

Best-wishes to John Burch on his retirement from the Village of Hilton Department of Public Works (DPW). John was Head Mechanic for the past 23 years. He retired at the end of December 2010.

John began working for the DPW in 1963, running the sidewalk plow part-time after school during his Senior year. After graduation, he continued plowing snow during the winter months and worked two summers for the Village, while attending Alfred State College. John studied Agricultural Engineering; a course of study that instructed him in mechanics, welding, electricity and physics. John became a full-time employee in 1987 when he was hired as Mechanic to replace the

position held by Bob Floyd, who left to begin his own business. John was always available and dependable. He excelled in his work. He perfected his skills to the degree that he could fix just about anything. He is said to have a photographic memory for taking things apart and putting them back together.

Fellow employees have only the best to say about John.

"He is a highly skilled mechanic"; "A great employee and a great friend"; "Truly an asset to the Village"; "He will be genuinely missed".

In addition to his job at the DPW, John and his brother Jim own "**Burch Farms**", which is a combination of three separate properties; two in Parma and one

in Hamlin. The farm sells a variety of retail and whole-sale fruit through the summer and fall months. John intends to

focus his attention on farming, now that he is down to only one job! John will remain available to the DPW for emergency assistance.

A grateful thank-you to John for using his gifts to keep the Village of Hilton in good working order.

The DPW Mechanic position was filled by Jim Leise, Assistant Village Mechanic since 2007. ■



WHAT IS A WATERSHED AND WHY SHOULD WE CARE?

A message from the Stormwater Coalition of Monroe County and the Water Education Collaborative



Written by Linda Evans

Larry
the H₂O Hero

Simply said, a WATERSHED is a drainage basin or area of land where water from rain and melting snow or ice drains into a nearby water body such as a stream, pond, river, or lake. It includes both the streams and rivers that convey the water as well as the land surface from which the water drains. In a sense, it acts as a large funnel, collecting rainwater from an extensive surface area and concentrating it into one location.

We must care about watersheds because as water flows over land, it collects soil, pet wastes, fertilizers, pesticides,

oils and other pollutants which then flow to a nearby waterway. Even if your home is not near a stream or river, runoff from your yard will flow down your street into a ditch or storm drain, directly into a neighborhood pond or stream, and eventually reach Lake Ontario. This runoff can carry damaging and polluting chemicals with it.

Be an H₂O hero! When you make wise, environmentally friendly decisions, such as using less toxic lawn care products and proper disposal of potentially damaging chemical and electronic wastes, you can

protect everyone's water quality! Better water quality means a cleaner Lake Ontario, safer drinking water and a safer environment for you and your family.

Did you know? The Genesee River Basin covers 2,700 miles, and all the runoff from that watershed will pass through the 500 foot wide channel between the piers at Charlotte!

A single quart of motor oil dumped down a storm drain can create a two acre oil slick!

For more information about local storm-water pollution and what you can do to reduce it, visit www.H2OHero.org and become a fan of Larry the H₂O Hero on Facebook!





Contributed by
Dave Crumb
Village Historian

Standing on South Avenue, in silent testimony to the changes of the past 135 years, the Hilton Pro Hardware Store is the oldest commercial building in the village. The structure has survived with few alterations and maintains much of its original charm and character.

Originally built by Mr. William Garlock in 1875, the Square peg and post, two story structure was constructed in the Victorian Italianate style; very popular in New York and many Western states between 1850-1890. Many of the original Hilton (formerly known as Unionville) buildings were constructed in this style.

Miraculously, this building has survived from among the dozen or so fires, over the last 100 years, that have destroyed so many of the village's early structures. The building is presently up for sale and it will be interesting to see what the future will hold for this venerable old landmark. Will it be restored; will it be torn down; will it continue as a hardware store, general store, restaurant, apartment or antique shop? Only time will tell and the community will have to be watchful and hope new ownership will appreciate its long standing history and familiarity in the village.

The bottom left photo shows the building as it appeared in the 1880's; the top right as it appeared in 2007. Take note of the porch with its sloping floor, designed to shed rain water; the pair of double front doors with brass latches; the front windows; the upstairs 6 over 6 pane double sash windows; and the great cupola with its original 9 pane windows; all remain intact today, including the weathered finial on the peak of the cupola.

It's a great old building worthy of historic status and looking for a new future. Hopefully in the coming year the right combination of events will insure its place as Hilton's oldest, continually operating commercial building.



1880's



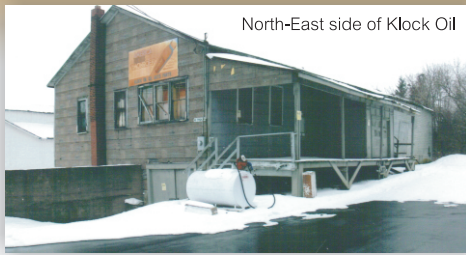
2007

The following is a historic time line showing different ownership of the property. Except where noted, the building has primarily been used as a hardware store.

- 1875 - Built by Mr. William Garlock
- 1880 - Purchased by True D. Matson
- 1889 - Operated as a hardware and grocery store by Mr. Melvin Stevens
- 1893 - Purchased by Mr. Charles Babcock
- 1894 - Operated by Mr. Joseph Ingham
- 1895 - Mr. Ingham takes in Mr. F.J. Zorn as a partner
- 1902 - Purchased by Milo F. Rowley and Earl Simmons
- 1916 - Mr. Rowley retired and Albert J. Stothard operated
- 1917 - Albert Stothard purchased and operated for the next 50+ years
- 1945 - Laverne (Shorty) Stothard joins his father as partner
- 1968 - Purchased by Harold and Alan Beardsley
- 1990 - Purchased by Sam & Joe Gionta and became Ace Hardware Later, the store was purchased by Ron Spinelli and continued as Ace
- 2008 - Purchased by Dale, Christina, Fran & Frank Crocetta, became Hilton Pro Hardware

Please Note: THE FIREMAN'S PARADE ROUTE HAS CHANGED

The annual Fireman's parade, held this year on July 28th at 7:00pm, has a new route. Instead of lining up at the Quest school and marching down West Avenue, The new parade route will begin at the fire house on Old Hojack Lane and continue to Henry Street, then on to West Avenue, and finish on South Avenue at the carnival grounds.



North-East side of Klock Oil

KLOCK OIL ROOF COLLAPSE A PIECE OF THE PAST...TORN DOWN

After a heavy, wet snowfall the morning of Sunday, February 6, 2011, the roof of the Klock Oil warehouse collapsed. The building had been vacant for the past ten years and was leased for storage, so no one was injured. The collapsed roof caused major structural damage to the entire building, so on March 16, 2011 the building was torn down and removed from the property.

The structure is thought to have been built in the early 1900's. Details of its history are sketchy. Before Hojack Lane was constructed, the property was only accessible by car from Lake Avenue. The building's location was set way back from the road along the railroad tracks which kept it hidden from view. Early records show it was owned by Myron Roberts and his family, and was first known as the Hilton Service Oil and Gas Company. It is said to have been used as an oil storage facility. Barry Klock, current

owner of Klock Oil, believes the building may have been used for more than just oil storage, as the intricate tongue and groove interior walls and ceiling suggested more.

A.G. Klock and his wife Mildred began a grocery business in Walker, NY in the late 20's to early 30's. When fuel oil became a viable heating commodity, the Klock's switched their line of business to selling oil and petroleum based products, and Klock Oil was born. John Klock, 2nd generation, grew up working in the family business and naturally took over when his elderly parents retired. John moved the successful business from Walker to its Hilton location in the late 60's. John's son, Barry, third generation, joined the business in 1981 until the present.

Barry says Klock Oil was originally a full service supplier of heating oil, gasoline and diesel fuel for homes, farms and commercial accounts. Over the years technology progression in the heating industry has transformed the business exclusively to wholesale gasoline distribution.

With the changing times, the warehouse facility became obsolete and business continued solely from the Klock's separate office building, built on the property in the late 1960's, adjacent to the old warehouse.

The Klock Oil company continues to operate from the office facility. Future plans for the warehouse site are unknown. ■



Demolition

South East side along Old Hojack Lane



2011-12 Refuse & Recycling Holiday Schedule

HOLIDAY

ALL DEPTS CLOSED

SERVICES RESUME

Memorial Day.....	Monday, May 30	Tuesday, May 31
Floating Holiday.....	Friday, July 1	Services unaffected
Independence Day	Monday, July 4th	Tuesday, July 5
Labor Day	Monday, September 5.....	Tuesday, September 6
Columbus Day	Monday, October 10	Tuesday, October 11
Veterans Day	Friday, November 11.....	Services unaffected
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 24	Wednesday, November 23
Floating Holiday.....	Friday, November 25.....	Services unaffected
Christmas.....	Monday, December 26	Tuesday, December 27
New Years 2012.....	Monday, January 2	Tuesday, January 3



If your normal pick-up date falls on the day departments are closed, your new pick-up date will be on the day that services resume.

All other days remain unaffected and on normal schedule.

Yard Waste Collection

**Collection is on Fridays,
May 27, June 24 & Sept. 30**

Acceptable material includes sod, leaves, small stones, gravel, twigs, hedge trimmings, grass and stumps. Must be placed in a plastic or metal container.

***NO plastic or paper bags
or cardboard boxes.***

No limit on number of containers. Place at the curb **before 7:30 am.**

Place stumps next to containers.

***Loose material raked to the curb
and containers over 30 pounds
will NOT be picked up.***

No stickers required.

Brush Pick-Up

Collection is on Fridays,

First and **third** week of the month

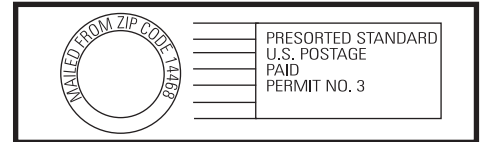
North of West and East Avenues &

Second and **Fourth** week of the month

South of West and East Avenues.



VILLAGE OF HILTON
59 HENRY STREET
HILTON, NY 14468



Hilton Postal Customer
Hilton NY 14468



UPDATE ON COMMUNITY STORAGE PROJECT

In the last issue of the **Hilton Village News** (October 2010), the community was informed of a proposal to construct two separate structures that would serve the Village, Town, School and Fire District. The first structure is a community salt storage shed and the second a community storage facility.

At present, a decision to move ahead on the salt storage shed is underway. The shed will be located at 40 Grove Street, the location of the former bus garage. The project will be phased in over the next couple of years. At present, an

engineering firm has completed a conceptual design for the shed. The Village, Town, School and Fire District are working on shared cost estimates and are seeking grants for funding by 2012. It is hopeful that groundbreaking will begin by 2013 if all works out.

In April, KA&S Construction removed the asbestos from the old bus garage and demolished the building. An environmental report was done on the site and identified the existence of petroleum type products in the soil. A soil remediation project will be undertaken in September



**40 Grove Street,
the former bus garage,
shortly before demolition.**

to remove and dispose of contaminations in accordance with NYS DEC regulations. Further updates will be given as the project progresses. ■

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