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VILLAGE NEWS

DR. MILTON M. SHULMAN, DDS

A SALUTE TO NEARLY 60 YEARS
SERVING IN THE HILTON COMMUNITY

Dr. Milton M. Shulman, DDS, has been in the business of general dentistry in Hilton for nearly 60 years. This is quite an accomplishment considering that Dr. Shulman is 88 years young! The good doctor is still “steady as ever” and says that he will only quit working when he begins to shake. Such a dedicated individual deserves to be recognized and saluted for his service in the Hilton community for more than half a century.

Dr. Shulman began his practice in Hilton in 1949 working a full time shift that often included working evenings. He currently runs the oldest existing business, with the original proprietor, still in operation in Hilton. Over the years he has served a great many people, including residents of Hilton and other surrounding communities. Doctor Shulman began his practice in the small flat-iron building located at 1 East Avenue, and has remained there ever since. Even at the age of 88, he still actively serves several hundred patients. New patients are always

welcome. Although Dr. Shulman no longer offers specialized services such as tooth extractions, he still provides general services including fillings, crowns, bridges, dentures, and partials. Services he no longer provides are quickly referred to a specialist. Dr. Shulman employs 2 dental hygienists to clean teeth, take x-rays and perform various other duties. Currently the Doctor puts in a two and a half day work week with office hours on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8 to 11 am and 1 to 4pm, and on Fridays from 8 to 11 am.

While reminiscing about his years in Hilton, Dr. Shulman vividly recalled the village fire of 1965. He witnessed the horrible tragedy of the destruction of many of the surrounding businesses in the village, while, by a twist of fate, his own building was spared by a simple shift in the wind. One other business that survived the fire and is still in operation from that era is that of

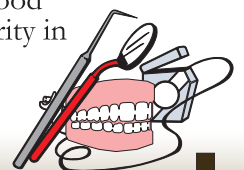
Pete McCann Insurance Agency. “I remember Pete’s father and grandfather running the business back then,” recalls Dr. Shulman.



Times have changed, along with the face of our village, but an important part of Hilton’s history remains and willingly continues to serve the people of the community today; the practice of Dr. Shulman.

Dr. Shulman currently resides in the city of Rochester with his wife of 60 years, Harriet. In addition to his dentistry practice, Dr. Shulman is solely responsible for the care of his wife who is handicapped and completely dependent upon him. Together, the Shulmans have two adult sons whom they are very proud of, Mark and Dean. Mark is an Anesthesiologist in Boston, at St. Elizabeth Hospital, and Dean is a doctor of Acupuncture in San Diego, California.

A heart felt congratulations to Dr. Shulman for 59 years of service... and still counting, in the Hilton community. May you enjoy continued good health and prosperity in the Village of Hilton.



Office building corner
of South & East Ave.



Entrance 1 East Ave.



HILTON TRAFFIC STUDY UPDATE

In August 2008, a year-long transportation study of the Village of Hilton's Main Street district came to completion. The study was commissioned by the Genesee Transportation Council and conducted by SRF & Associates, Ingalls Planning & Design and Steinmetz Planning Group. An Advisory Committee was formed consisting of officials from the Village of Hilton, officials from the Monroe County DOT and the New York State DOT, a representative from the Hilton-Parma Chamber of Commerce, the Village Public Works Superintendent, the School District Director of Transportation and local business professionals. Community involvement was both encouraged and implemented. The purpose of the study was to develop transportation planning and design concepts to improve circulation, accessibility and parking in the central business district for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists.

The study began with a public design workshop in August of 2007 where residents and committee members took a walking tour, made observations and critiqued the transportation system. A community transportation survey was given to the public as a part of the planning process. In May of 2008 a second public meeting was held to discuss recommendations and feedback from the community. The professional consultants advised those involved in the study to set goals to determine desired improvements that would meet the future transportation needs of the Village. The results of the community survey along with input

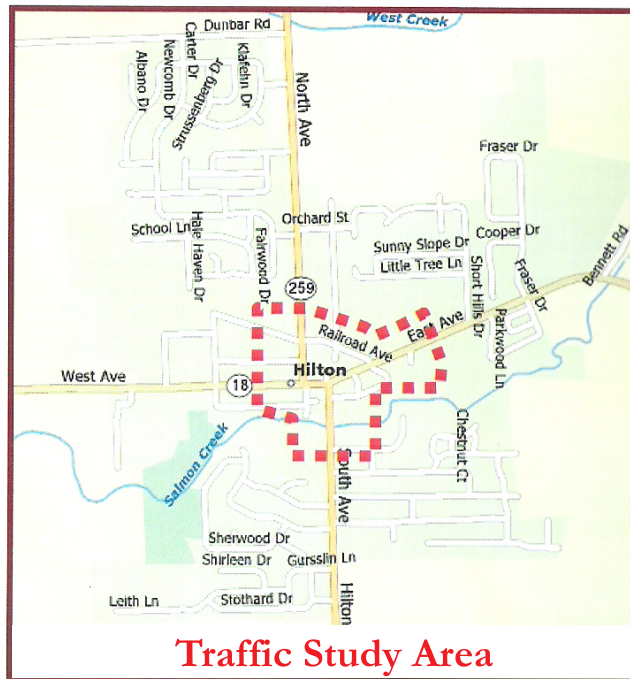
from the public workshop, combined with recommendations

pedestrian signals. In addition, add decorative plantings and visuals along the South Avenue bridge.

Study the future possibility of a multi-use trail development along Salmon Creek, with the addition of two pedestrian bridges that would cross the creek. Also, develop sidewalks along both sides of East Avenue near the High School; bicycle lanes on East and Lake Avenues to enhance the existing 5 mile bike route, along with adding future bike lanes on South, West and Lake Avenues. Visual enhancement recommendations call for the addition of trees on East Avenue and benches, trash receptacles, ash urns, bike racks and planters on Main, Hovey and other high level pedestrian areas. Pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements could be

facilitated by forming a safety advisory board, assigned to an existing group such as the Village Planning Board. Additional recommendations include the conversion of Hovey Street to a one-way northbound (enter only) entryway, in an effort to significantly improve the safety and efficiency of the intersection at Main and Hovey Streets. Hovey Square parking is suggested to be reconfigured for a safer and more convenient north to south route. A new roundabout is proposed at Village II Drive to control speed, right of way, and enhance safety while providing traffic calming benefits. Roundabouts are said to cause fewer conflict points, lower speeds and make decision making easier with less delay.

Recommendations for implementing the proposed



from the study consultants helped to formulate the following goals:

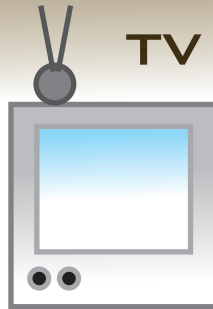
1. Increase safety especially for pedestrians and bicyclists
2. Promote walking & bicycling
3. Reduce speeds on roadways entering the Village
4. Maintain current vehicular access and capacity levels
5. Maintain parking supply and convenience
6. Improve aesthetics and community character by adding transportation enhancements.

These six goals came with the following recommendations for implementation: first, enhance the appeal of Main Street by adding flush decorative pavement, widening the existing sidewalks, adding new trees and enhancing safety crosswalks with countdown

Continued Traffic Study...

improvements could occur over a time period of 3 different levels of importance: immediate term (0-5 years), medium term (5-10 years) and long term (10-20 years). The survey summary helped to determine what suggestions were a high priority, and what could wait. Many of the immediate recommendations could be implemented as part of the low-cost, maintenance programs already in the Village. Medium term improvements require more planning and funding to implement. The long term improvement recommendations are generally more expensive and are likely to require significant planning and special funding such as a Capital Improvement Program.

While many recommendations have been made, nothing has been set in stone. The next step in the process will be a general meeting, to be held by the end of the year, with the 3 Village Boards and the Village Public Works Superintendent, to discuss which suggestions to implement, determine a time-line of priorities, discuss a budget and develop an implementation plan. Stay tuned for further updates.



TV CONVERSION FROM ANALOG TO DIGITAL

On February 17, 2009, older analog televisions will no longer be capable of receiving network broadcasting signals without the purchase and installation of a digital-to-analog signal conversion box. If your television receives its signal through cable or satellite or another type of pay-tv, you will continue to receive programming after February 17th without interruption. If your television relies on rabbit ears or a roof top antenna for reception you must either purchase a conversion box, or replace your television set.

The Village is preparing for a large number of television sets to be discarded. As a means of providing residents with an environmentally friendly way to dispose of their television sets and other electronic items, the Village of Hilton and Sunnyside Recycling Center will be providing a collection program for such items. There will be two

collection days, **Saturday, January 24th and Saturday February 7th 2009.** Items may be dropped off at the Hilton Public Works facility located at 50 Henry Street, from **9 AM until 1 PM.** cost will be **\$5.00 per TV or computer monitor. ALL OTHER ELECTRONIC ITEMS ARE FREE.** Coupons for \$5.00 off, will be provided by Page Appliance with the purchase of a new TV at their store. The \$5.00 credit will help to offset the cost of recycling the old set.

Digital to analog signal conversion boxes can be purchased at most electronics stores, or can be found online by googling digital to analog conversion box.

For information on how to obtain a \$40 savings coupon from the government toward the purchase of a conversion box, call the 24 hour hotline at

888-DTV-2009 or visit the website at www.dtv2009.gov. Once obtained, the coupon is valid for 3 months.

November 2008 through April 2009 Refuse & Recycling Holiday Schedule



2008 HOLIDAYS

Thanksgiving

Christmas

ALL DEPARTMENTS CLOSED

Thursday, Nov. 27

Friday, Nov. 28

Thursday, Dec. 25

Village Office only closed Friday, Dec. 26

SERVICES PROVIDED

Wednesday, Nov. 26

Not Applicable

Friday, Dec. 26

2009 HOLIDAYS

New Years Day

Martin Luther King

President's Day

Good Friday

Thursday, Jan. 1

Monday, Jan. 19

Monday, Feb. 16

Friday, Apr. 10

Friday, Jan. 2

Tuesday, Jan. 20

Tuesday, Feb. 17

Not Applicable

Note: 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 except Thanksgiving.



VILLAGE MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC

VOICE YOUR CHOICE PROGRAM

RG&E began its 2009 Voice Your Choice program on November 1, 2008.

Existing customers who wish to continue receiving their electricity supply from the Village of Hilton can ignore all of the RG&E Voice Your Choice advertising, enrollment kits and mailer information. We will contact RG&E for you.

Those customers who **DO NOT** want to continue with Hilton Electric will have to **contact RG&E**. Please follow the RG&E instructions on the forms they send you.

New customers who wish to switch to Hilton Electric will have to fill out an enrollment application. Forms are available online at www.hiltonny.org or can be picked up at the Village Office, at 59 Henry Street.

We look forward to serving our customers next year. **Thank you for your support!**

* A variable rate plan is also available in addition to the fixed rate plan listed.

Fixed Price* Plan for Village of Hilton Residential Customers Only

	2009 RG&E Fixed Rate	2009 Hilton Fixed Rate	Customer Savings per kw
Supply	\$0.0834	\$0.0800	
RG&E retail access credit	<u>\$0.0000</u>	<u>-\$0.0040</u>	
Net Electric costs per kw	\$0.0834	\$0.0760	\$0.0074
Transition Charge	-\$0.0218 Fixed	variable	

Example: A customer who uses an average of 1,000/kw per month would save \$7.40 per month. The more electricity used, the higher the savings.

RG&E Transition Rate History	Variable Hilton	Fixed RG&E	Difference
1/1/2008	-\$0.0504	-\$0.0199	\$0.0305
2/1/2008	-\$0.0270	-\$0.0199	\$0.0070
3/1/2008	-\$0.0398	-\$0.0199	\$0.0199
Monthly Savings could be higher or lower depending on the RG&E transition rate.	4/1/2008 \$0.0067	-\$0.0199	-\$0.0266
	5/1/2008 -\$0.0169	-\$0.0199	-\$0.0031
	6/1/2008 -\$0.0262	-\$0.0199	\$0.0063
	7/1/2008 -\$0.0524	-\$0.0199	\$0.0324
	8/1/2008 -\$0.0217	-\$0.0199	\$0.0018
	9/1/2008 -\$0.0424	-\$0.0199	\$0.0224
	10/1/2008 -\$0.0353	-\$0.0199	\$0.0154
	11/1/2008 -\$0.0071	-\$0.0199	-\$0.0129

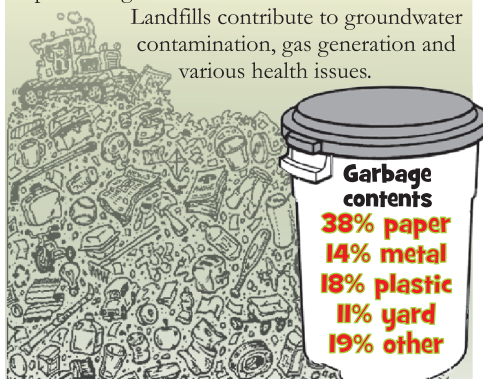
VILLAGE *Environmental* ISSUES

**Reduce, Reuse
and Recycle**

Look at what is filling landfills

A landfill is where most waste ends up. Paper is still the dominant material filling up landfills. [Recycling helps our environment](#) by reducing landfill sites, saving energy and preserving our natural raw materials.

Landfills contribute to groundwater contamination, gas generation and various health issues.



Residents of the Village of Hilton deserve a great big pat on the back for their recycling efforts.

In 1988 Hilton residents began recycling. That year the Village disposed of 3,407 tons of solid waste. In 2008, the Village decreased its disposal of solid waste to 2,464 tons. Residents have had a whopping **28%**

decrease in solid waste disposal over the span of 20 years, while the population has increased by an estimated 23 %. This decrease in solid waste has made a huge impact on helping to reduce the carbon footprint in our community, as well as the financial cost and landfill tonage.

Great job, people!

Keep up the good work.

As with everything, we still have room to do even better! The greatest amount of recyclable materials that are still being put into landfills are paper products such as junk mail, newspapers, magazines, books, etc. The Village would like to challenge residents to be even more vigilant with the paper products that are being put into trash cans. Please recycle your paper products as much as possible, and **a great big thank you to the good people of this community** for really caring about the future of our beautiful planet.



FALL LEAF COLLECTION

ONE OF THE MANY
BENEFICIAL SERVICES
THE VILLAGE OFFERS
RESIDENTS...

Reminders:

Do not bag leaves

Place in loose piles **between
the sidewalk and street**

**Do not rake your leaves
into the street** as this causes
a dangerous traffic obstacle
and could cause a motor
vehicle accident, or worse, an
injury to a child playing in
those leaves.

Leaves in the street also cause
the Village **storm drains** to
plug-up resulting in **flooded
streets** and extra clean-up
work for Village crews,
sometimes after normal
working hours, costing
overtime.

Please be courteous to the
community and to the Village
employees who serve you, by
following these simple
reminders.



Winter IN THE VILLAGE OF HILTON

WINTER PARKING RESTRICTIONS



No vehicle shall be parked on any public highway within the corporate limits of the Village of Hilton between the hours of **12:00 midnight** and **6:00 a.m.** during the period beginning **November 1st** and ending **April 1st** of each year. Please be respectful of this Village law and be courteous to those who work hard to keep our streets free of snow. Violators run the risk of having their vehicle towed at owner's expense.

KEEP STREET CLEAR OF SNOW

A reminder that plowing, shoveling or blowing snow into a public street is **illegal**. This law also applies to contractors hired by homeowners. Driver and pedestrian safety can easily be compromised by snow piles that become dangerous obstacles on a roadway. Be considerate of others when you are removing snow from your driveway.

Do not leave garbage cans or recycling bins in the path of the snowplow or sidewalk plow. Place them in your driveway apron between the sidewalk and street.



ROADSIDE SNOW BANKS POSE HIDDEN DANGER FOR KIDS

Inform your children about the dangers of playing on roadside snow banks and making tunnels in piles left in cul-de-sacs. Children are dangerously concealed and hard to see to a person plowing the roadway and to other motor vehicles. For the safety of all, **prohibit** your children from playing on or in such snow banks. Children should also be advised to wait for the school bus in the driveway away from the sidewalk during plowing operations.

CHECK YOUR MAILBOX

Check the condition of your mailbox and make sure that it is sturdy enough to withstand the impact of flying snow resulting from snow plowing. Most mailbox damage is from the snow exiting the plow, not from the plow itself. Only mailboxes that are actually hit by a plow will be replaced and only standard mailboxes will be provided, not designer styles.



BUSINESS NEWS

A Warm WELCOME to the New Businesses in Hilton

IT'S REIGNING CATS AND DOGS

Doreen Rund is the new owner of “**It's Reigning Cats & Dogs**”, pet grooming shop. The shop was formerly known as “Diane's Dogs of Distinction”. Rund purchased the business and gained the clientel from Diane, the former



owner. The shop is located in the rear of the building at 1 Main Street (just North of the Post Office). Pet grooming hours are by appointment, M-W 8am-4pm, F-Sat. 8am-4pm. Closed Thursdays. For an appointment call **392-4866**.

MAINLY BOOKS

There's a new bookstore in town called “**Mainly Books**”, located at 24 Main Street, suite 3. Mainly Books is run by 40 volunteers known as the “Friends of the Library”. **Kay Melvin** is the President. The book store is an organization whose proceeds benefit the **Parma Public Library**. Donations of hardcover and paperback books are accepted at the store, that will in turn be re-sold. No magazines, Reader's Digest books, text books or encyclopedias please! Store hours are Mon. 10-1 and 4-7, Tues 4-7, Wed. 4-7, Th. 4-7 and Sat. 10-1. For information, stop in; there is no phone.



HILTON PRO HARDWARE

The previous Hilton Ace Hardware, located at 9-11 South Avenue, has changed owners and become the new and improved “**Hilton Pro Hardware**”. The store boasts of newer products including a new line of paints, and updated competitive pricing. Owners, **Dale, Christina, Fran and Frank Crocetta** invite everyone to come in and see what's new. Store hours are M-F 8am-6pm, Sat. 8am-5pm, Sun. 10am-3pm with special hours in the summer.

GREENPOINT

Located at 7 Upton Street, in the Hilton Industrial Center, the former Cold Storage building is the new home of **GreenPoint**. The business is the most



recent occupant, of several, located within the Center. **GreenPoint** is a mobile, independent, professional lab and hospital equipment service facility. The company performs warranty work in the service and repair of medical equipment and instruments, for major equipment manufacturers. While their mobile unit is used for service calls, they are now happy to have a new “home base” for office and paper work.

John Goodrich is the Field Service Representative. John can be reached by **phone: 392-8839, Fax: 392-7559, or Toll Free at: (800) 799-8489**.

LIBRARY/COMMUNITY CENTER PROPOSAL PUT ON HOLD

In Light of the slowing economy and the added financial burden a study and public vote would put on the community, Town officials have placed the proposed Library/Community Center project on indefinite hold.

In the future, should the economy improve, and residents favor the pursuit of the project, the Town Board may be willing to review the proposal again.

WHAT'S NEW IN HILTON SEWER SYSTEM STUDY UNDERWAY

In late October, the Village of Hilton Public Works Department began a study of the sewer systems in the village to determine if repairs or upgrades are necessary. The study and following project has been assigned to **Mike McHenry**, Assistant Superintendent of Public Works.

Village crews have been busy cleaning, inspecting and video taping the 8" sewer main from Salmon Creek, behind the fire hall on South Avenue, up to the property located at 263 South Avenue. A special sewer video camera that is shared between the Brockport Spencerport and Hilton communities is being used to video tape the pipe at this site. Thanks to **Tom Tilebein**, Superintendent of Public Works, the Village secured an **\$11,150 Community Development Block Grant**, a program of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), to go to bid in early November to hire a contractor who will clean and video tape the much larger sewer main West of Salmon Creek Park, following the creek to the South Avenue bridge. This section requires a larger camera, with extended facilities to properly examine the 18" sewer pipe. Following the study, upgrades and improvements will be considered.



Village employee, Chad McManus video taping the 8" Sewer Main



Motorized sewer camera

DON'T BECOME A VICTIM

SAFETY TIPS FROM THE MONROE
COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Deputy Campanella

Deputy Charles Campanella, the Crime Prevention Officer for Zone C, of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office encourages homeowners to set up a neighborhood watch program.

The Neighborhood Watch program has been around for over 30 years. Neighborhoods band together to form a group of eyes and ears that assist the police in helping to catch and deter would-be criminals. Organized residents look out for one another.

To set up your own Neighborhood Watch program, contact
Deputy Campanella
753-4456.

Help keep your neighborhood safe!
For weekly crime updates in your neighborhood, visit www.monroecountysheriffny.info.

Start Your Own Neighborhood Watch Learn how to...

- ★ Organize your neighborhood to help fight crime
- ★ Set up phone trees to effectively share information
- ★ Decide how and when to notify the police
- ★ Look out for others as well as yourself
- ★ Secure your home more effectively
- ★ Address areas of concern such as speeding cars, vandalism, burglaries, etc.
- ★ Feel safer in your own neighborhood

WIND ENERGY VILLAGE BOARD INVESTIGATES, BECOMES BETTER EDUCATED

Mayor **Larry Gursslin**, and Village Trustees **Jim Gates**, **Walt Horylev**, **Joe Lee** and **Larry Speer** along with Village Clerk-Treasurer, **Janet Surridge** and Deputy Clerk, **Shari Pearce** (pictured) went on a late-Fall field trip to investigate and explore the workings of wind power. The intent of the group was to



learn more about this form of clean energy. Presently, the group is only gathering information and discussing possibilities. Additional talks regarding this subject will take place when the Village and Town Boards meet on November 20 in the Village.

THANK YOU MARY TOWNSEND VILLAGE HISTORIAN RESIGNS



Village of Hilton officials and employees send a gracious "Thank you" and "best wishes", to **Mary Townsend**, the **Village Historian**, for 19 years of dedicated service in the Hilton community.

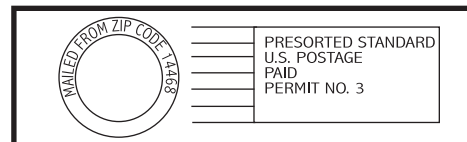
Mary began working for the Village in 1989 and served as Assistant Historian for several years before becoming Historian in 1996.

Mary has thoroughly enjoyed working with the people of Hilton and will miss her position as Historian.

As of December 31, 2008, Mary will resign her post to pursue a more flexible, relaxed lifestyle. Mary will be greatly missed. Happiness and good health to you, Mary, as you pursue your next adventure!



VILLAGE OF HILTON
59 HENRY STREET
HILTON, NY 14468



Hilton Postal Customer
Hilton NY 14468

APPLICATIONS AND RESUMES FOR THE
HISTORIAN POSITION ARE BEING ACCEPTED
IMMEDIATELY, AT THE VILLAGE OFFICES,
BY THE MAYOR, LARRY GURSSLIN.

PARMA SPECIAL POLICE

Since the formation of the Parma Special Police in 1962, the volunteer organization has served the Hilton-Parma community during special events, emergencies and disasters. The organization has provided traffic control for local events that include the fireman's Carnival, the Hilton Apple Festival, the Parma Summer Festival and homecoming weekend at the high school.

In more recent years, the organization, funded by the Town of Parma, has received special training, which they maintain to proficient level in order to support a safer community. With the addition of new members over the last 3 years, Parma Special Police now have a force of 14 officers. The organization has been able to expand their role in the town and village to cover local soccer,



basketball and wrestling tournaments. With the purchase of bicycles they have been able to include patrols in the expanded town park and in the village proper. Last year their officers put in over 1,000 hours of volunteer time while on duty. The organization's desire is to act as eyes and ears for the Monroe County Sheriffs department and be a proactive group. They will, when necessary, take action to help minimize injury or damage to property. Local merchants and residents have expressed positive comments for the special police work they have performed.

Thanks to all, for the continued support of the Parma Special Police. Interested in joining or want more information, visit the **Town of Parma** website at www.parmany.org.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING



Save the date for the
Village of Hilton's 17th Annual
Christmas tree lighting ceremony.

The celebration will be held on
Saturday, Dec. 6th at 7:00 pm
at the Community Center,
59 Henry Street.

Enjoy Christmas caroling to the
live music of

"Denny and Her Escorts",
followed by cookies, hot chocolate
and a special gift and visit from
Santa. Join in all the fun!

It's a heartwarming community
tradition that's **FREE!**