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RIPLEY TOWN HALL

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Ripley, NY 14775

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ripleyts@fairpoint.net

Office: **716-736-2209**

Home: **716-736-4418**

RIPLEY TOWN CLERK OFFICE

Rebecca Rowe Carvallo **716-736-6881**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

9:30 a.m. – Noon 1:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Saturday Mornings 9 a.m. – Noon

Closed Wednesdays

The Town Clerk's Office is also closed during various Holidays

The Town Clerk may also be reached during her off hours at: **736-6856(H)** or **736-9341(cell)** Rebecca Rowe Carvallo

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Justice Vera L. Hustead

P. O. Box 573

Ripley, NY 14775

Office: **716-736-7575**

Clerk: Jodie D'Anthony **716-736-7575**

courtclerk@ripley-ny.com

Monday Evenings 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00pm

Traffic Court held Monday 6:00p.m.

Calendar Call Held: 2nd Thursday of each month 2:00 p.m.

TOWN ASSESSOR

P.O. Box 352

Ripley, NY 14775

716-736-4050

ripleyta@fairpoint.net

Tuesday 9:00am-1:00pm

BUILDING/ZONING CODE OFFICER –Melanie Eddy

P.O. Box 2

Ripley, NY 14775

716-736-3737

ripleybz@fairpoint.net

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am-3:00 pm

RIPLEY TOWN BOARD Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Building located in the Ripley Central School 14 North State Street.

RIPLEY PLANNING BOARD

Meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Offices located in the Ripley Central School on N State St. The Public is welcome to attend these meetings.

Christmas In Ripley Saturday, December 4th

***Breakfast at Coffee on Main 7:30am-12**

***Library Vendor/Crafter & Bake Sale
10am-6pm**

***Tours of The Mill (the old feed mill on
South State Street, behind the fire hall)
soon to be a brewery/pub 10am-2pm**

***Christmas story readings and movies at
the library 11:30am-1pm**

*** Meeder's Chicken Barbeque**

***Santa Parade-See Santa
on a fire truck before his arrival at the
fire hall. The route will include most of
the village area. 12:15pm-1pm**

***Wine Country Alpacas at the fire hall
12:30pm-3pm**

***Main Street Pizza, build a gingerbread
house 1pm-3pm**

***Visit with Santa at the fire hall 1pm-
4pm; Photos will be available for a fee.
Photographs by Cunningham Photog-
raphy. Pet pictures starting at 3pm.**

***Cooney's Island Ice Cream with Holiday
Flavors, Opening at 1pm**

***Candlelight service at Ripley Methodist
Church 7pm**

**All plans are subject to change and all
state and county Covid regulations will
be observed.**

Water/Sewer Department

10168 W. Lake Road
Ripley, NY 14775
ripleywp@fairpoint.net
Office: 716-736-6000
Cell: 716-581-3281

Highway Department

Jim Spacht, Highway Supt.
50 Ross Street
P.O. Box 506
Ripley, NY 14775
ripleyhs@fairpoint.net
Office: 716-736-3434
Cell: 716-753-6553

Dog Control Officer

Town Historian

John "Doc" Hamels

Fire Department

Emergency Call 911

Ripley Hose Company #1
P.O. Box 342
12 South State Street
Ripley, NY 14775
716-736-2001

Mark Smith, Fire Chief
716-736-2490

Ripley Hose Company #2
South Ripley Fire Hall
10268 NE-Sherman Road
Ripley, NY 14775
James Spacht, Deputy Fire Chief
716-269-4754

Police Department

Actual Emergency Call 911

Chautauqua County Sheriff's Dept.
Mayville, NY 14757
716-753-4231

Meeder's Restaurant

will have a chicken
barbeque on the
4th of December,
for the Christmas In
Ripley celebration!



Christmas Lighting Contest

Lights should be up by Saturday, December 4th and
judging is Sunday, December 19th. Votes
for People's Choice from December 4th
through 17th, must be turned in at the
Ripley Public Library by the end of busi-
ness on the 17th. Write in the address of
your choice on the ballot. A map will be
posted on Facebook and paper ones will be available
at Coffee on Main and at the Ripley Library.



RIPLEY HOSE COMPANY AUXILIARY

VISIT WITH SANTA

AT RIPLEY FIRE HALL, SOUTH STATE ST.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4TH, 1-4PM



*Stockings for the
first 200 kids!*

PICTURES WITH SANTA AND MRS. CLAUS

BY CUNNINGHAM PHOTOGRAPHY

\$3 EACH OR 2 FOR \$5

PET PICTURES FROM 3-4PM



ALL LOCAL AND STATE COVID RULES APPLY

Meeder's Restaurant is running a clothing
drive until December 15. Gently used and new cloth-
ing items are needed for Cold Forge Rehabilitation
Center in Williamsburg, PA and St. Joe's Rehabilitation
Center in Saranac Lake, NY. These centers treat all
kinds of addictions (alcohol, drug, PTSD) and often-
times those needing help show up with just the
clothes on their backs. So far, Meeder's has collected
21 large bags of clothing and \$425 in donations.
Thank you for your generous giving!

If we could turn back time...



Do you remember this mileage sign from the old Colonial Squire? It was rescued from the demolition of the building.

How about the coal you could pick up or have delivered from the coal company in the building just south of the Ripley Fire Company, along the railroad tracks? It's being refurbished!

Reduce Reuse Recycle



Ripley Fuel and Coal Company/ Feed Mill is coming back to life! Watch for the newest Ripley business, The Mill, coming to quench a thirst near you!



Happy 90th Birthday Minnie Freligh

Ripley's own Minnie Freligh was feted with a surprise party for her 90th birthday on November 7th.

As you can see by the look on her face, it *was* a total surprise! About 25 friends and family gathered at Meeder's Restaurant to wish her well. A lovely buffet was provided by the kitchen staff of Meeder's, but not before her son, Larry, and friend Phil Johnson serenaded her with their rendition of "My Favorite Things," a spoof on



getting older.

Larry got the group laughing with "Things My Mother Taught Me," like "appreciate a job well done—kill each other outside," and "religion—you better pray that comes out of my carpet!"



Minnie was impatient however, exclaiming, "I want cake!" And cake there was, provided by Thelma MacDonald.

Minnie's birthday is actually November 30th and by celebrating early, she wanted to know, "Does this mean I get another party on my birthday?"

As many as you want, Minnie, as many as you want.

Resources for Ripley News

Please check these Facebook pages for up-to-date information concerning Ripley and its residents.

Ripley Hose Company—
www.ripleyfire.org

Ripley NY-Alive and Well-Administrator
Ruth Blackman

Ripley Central Alumni (Ripley NY)-
Administrators Mark Dickey & Connie Wright
Middleton

It's Ripley's (Believe it or not) Community
Page-Administrator Cindy Eddy

You may be from Ripley, NY if...no administrator listed

Ripley Community Mobile Food Pantry-
Administrators Leigh Lyon and Ruth Blackman

Ripley NY Perennial Exchange-
Administrator Ruth Blackman

Ripley NY Buds— Administers Coralee Shearer
and Stephanie Eimers

Ripley Trash & Recycle Days

Located near the Highway Barn on Ross Street, open the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from 8a.m. until noon. Ripley bags may be purchased at the Town Building. Recyclables may be dropped off on those days. Please enter via North State Street.

Town of Ripley Offices

Town Building is open with some restrictions

- *Please wear a face mask and respect the 6ft. distancing signs.
 - *We encourage the use of the drop off box and Postal Service whenever possible.
 - *Town Meetings will still be offered through “Zoom” for those interested but do not want to attend in person.
- Meetings will be held with no more than 50% capacity and face masks required.
Please call the Town Clerk’s office 716-736-6881 with questions.

From Desk of Post Command 2769, David Bower

- Dec 07 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (1941)
- Dec 15 Bill of Rights Day
- Dec 16 Battle of the Bulge (1944)
- Dec 20 Panama Operation Just Cause (1989)
- Dec 21 First day of Winter, bundle up! It might just get cold!
- Dec 25 Merry Christmas! Let’s not forget all our men and women away from their families.
We thank them and their families.
- Dec 31 New Year’s Eve—Happy New Year!



I would like to thank Meeder’s Restaurant for providing refreshments to all the veterans on Veterans Day. Well done!
On behalf of Ripley VFW Post 2769, as we approach the holiday season, we thank everyone in Ripley for your support this past year.
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!



Ripley Mobile Food Pantry

December 29th @ 12:30p.m.

Call (716)223-0345 or text ripleymobilefoodpantry@gmail.com to preregister

Businesses, or individual supporters of the Ripley Library who donate \$5 per month will receive business card space in The Bookworm.

To have About Town and The Bookworm newsletters sent to you directly, send your name and email address to: thebookworm14775@gmail.com

Local Worship

- ♦ First Baptist Church
Sunday Worship
Sunday School
- ♦ First Presbyterian Church
Sunday Worship
- ♦ St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church
Saturday Worship
Sunday Worship
- ♦ South Ripley Methodist Church
Sunday Worship
Sunday School
- ♦ Stateline United Methodist Church
Sunday Worship
Sunday School
- ♦ Still Waters Mennonite Church
Sunday Service
- ♦ United Methodist Church
Adult Sunday School
Sunday Worship
- ♦ Victory Family Church
Sunday Worship

Check with your local church to determine whether services are currently being held and times.