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**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**

**RIPLEY TOWN HALL**

14 North State Street  
 P.O. Box 352  
 Ripley, NY 14775  
**Town Supervisor: Doug Bowen**  
 ripleys@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 Car-**  
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If you or someone you know is in need  
 of help, contact the following numbers:

**Chautauqua County Crisis Helpline**  
 1-800-724-0461 (24-hours)

**Victims of Domestic Violence & Rape  
 Crisis Hotline**

1-800-252-748 (24-hours)  
 Mobile Crisis Team (supports & ser-  
 vices) 716-363-3684

## Memorial Day Events

Memorial Day Dinner for veterans and their spouses will be served at the Ripley Fire Hall on May 30th, starting at noon. This dinner is sponsored by the Ripley Hose Company Auxiliary and is free of charge.



Memorial Day Services: 10a.m. services at East Ripley Cemetery.

Parade line up at 1p.m. on Ross Street. Step off at 1:30 sharp! Services at Quincy Cemetery about 2p.m. Contact Stan Harris for parade entry.

If you have a worn and/or unserviceable flag, there is a drop off box at the Town Building just to the left as you walk in. A flag retirement ceremony will be held on June 14th at 7p.m. at Park Avenue.

## Chinese Auction

### Sponsored by Ripley Hose Company Auxiliary

Ripley Hose Company Auxiliary is having a Chinese Auction May 9th through the 14th at Coffee On Main. This is to benefit Visit with Santa in December. If you would like to donate please drop items off at Coffee on Main with Joanne during their business hours—6a.m. til 3p.m. Or if you cannot make these times, please contact Sheila Dickey.

## Shout out to Main Street Pizza!

The State of New York has mandated no more Styrofoam containers. This means Take-out boxes have to be made of recyclable material. Main Street Pizza made the switch right away, to the dismay of some of their customers. **HOWEVER**, even though the new containers cost 5 times as much as the Styrofoam, Main Street Pizza is committed to helping save our environment! Way to go Ladies!

## JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Justice Vera L. Husted  
P. O. Box 573  
Ripley, NY 14775  
Office: 716-736-7575  
Clerk: Jodie D'Anthony 716-736-7575  
courtclerk@ripley-ny.com  
Monday Evenings 4-6pm  
Tuesday & Thursday 9a-3pm  
Traffic Court eld Monday 6:00pm  
Calendar Call Held:  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month 2pm

## 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 pm 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 6:30pm at the Town Offices located in the Ripley Central School on N State St  
The Public is welcome to attend these meetings.

## WATER/SEWER DEPT

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

## HIGHWAY DEPT

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

## ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Gloria McCormick  
716-269-9882

## TOWN HISTORIAN

John "Doc" Hamels  
H. 716-736-4255  
C. 716-223-0112

## Hello Friends of NCCR!

We keep hoping that spring will warm things up and dry out the yards, but so far...no such luck. If you think 1, 2 or 3 dogs and mud can be tough, try 15-20 mudpups! You can see why we are always asking for old towels, blankets or sheets!

We wanted to make sure you knew: there are several free rabies immunization clinics for cats, dogs and domestic ferrets that will be happening soon. You must pre-register to bring your pet to these clinics. They will be drive in clinics. More information and links to the registrations can be found online at the Chautauqua County website <https://chqgov.com/environmental-health/environmental-health> or by calling them at 716-753-4567.

May 5 4pm-6pm Town of Pomfret Highway building  
June 4 10am-noon Town of Westfield Highway building (co-sponsored by NCCR)

**Adoptions have been very steady lately; as a result we have been able to take in more dogs every week.** Remember, every adoption creates an opening for another life to be saved! We have taken in more dogs recently from NY and Ohio puppy mills. Often these are puppies that were never sold and have become "too big" or "breeding stock" that have become too old or are not producing. Some of these are able to be adopted right away, but some are in very rough shape. **The older adults often have had little human contact;** your heart breaks to see these dogs and to think of what they have been through. They can be very shut down emotionally-they don't react, other than wanting to hide away. One of our volunteers has been fostering Lollipop, a Golden Retriever Poodle mix for more than 2 months, and she is still not ready for a home. This volunteer has fostered a number of these mill dogs-they take a special person with a fenced yard (mill dogs are often escape artists) and the patience of a saint. Please follow Lollipop's progress here <http://www.caninerescue.org/lollipop-rescued-from-a-puppy-mill/> Sadly she is an example of what the mothers and fathers of the pups you see in pet stores are often like. Shut down, terrified, not knowing how to eat or drink from a bowl, what grass feels like under their feet or the kind touch of a human hand. **With your help we do our best to change that!**

## 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**  
**Ripley NY Perennial Exchange-Administrator Ruth Blackman**  
**Ripley NY Buds- Administers Coralee Shearer and Stephanie Eimers**  
**The Bookworm/About Time-thebookworm14775@gmail.com**

**About Town is excited to welcome the Ripley Hose Company #1 to our pages. These volunteers donate their time to make Ripley a safer place to live. Don't forget to thank them!**

## Ripley Hose Company #1

Months of January 1, 2022 – April 20, 2022

Our all-volunteer fire department answered a total of 131 calls in the first quarter of 2022.

Emergency Medical Service Calls: 99

Fires: 12

Mutual Aid: 8 (7 EMS calls and 1 fire call)

Motor Vehicle Accidents: 6

Service Calls: 6 (service calls examples: flooded basements, filling pools, illegal burn checks)

**Training** completed by our members: Since January 1, 2022, our members have completed NYS mandated PESH (Public Employee Safety & Health training which includes: Right to Know

Sexual Harassment training

Fire Scene Safety

Hazard Recognition

Fire Station Safety

Protective Clothing

SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus)

Emergency Vehicle Response Safety

Members also participated in training of extricating patients from a Motor Vehicle Accident and use of

equipment and supplies in splinting an injured limb. Members also took time to review equipment (and its use) in the M-271 (Miscellaneous-271), Ambulance 272, and Engine 271.

**Meetings:** Chief Mark Smith has been busy attending meetings for the Chautauqua County Chiefs and the County Fire Advisory Board, among others.

**Community outreach** participation: Planning is underway for the Hose Company's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Appreciation Day! More information to come soon! Flags in celebration for Memorial Day will be placed on graves of our past members on May 10, 2022 to honor their service to our Ripley Community. Please contact Lisa Babcock or Mark Smith, after May 10<sup>th</sup> if a flag is needed for your loved one.

**Elections** for Executive Officers were held on April 7, 2022. Congratulations to President: Lisa Babcock; Vice President: Dr. Lauree Pless; Treasurer: Kathy Ducey; Secretary: Mark Dickey; and Quarter Master: Samantha Davis. Lisa is the first female elected to the position of President, and Lauree is the first female elected to Vice President, of the Ripley Hose Company No. 1.

## Marion Pell Day

In remembrance of Marion Pell, long time librarian here in Ripley, help us celebrate by donating a book to the Ripley Library. Join us for a cupcake and punch on May 7 from 9-2.



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

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

May 2022

## From Desk of Post Command 2769, David Bower

- May 01 Law Day; Loyalty Day
- May 05 National Day of Prayer
- May 06 Military Spouses Day; Nurses Day
- May 07 Unconditional Surrender of all German Forces signed (1945)
- May 08 Mother's Day; V-E Day Declared (1945)
- May 15 Peace Officers Memorial Day; Women's Army Corps Founded (1942)
- May 21 Armed Forces Day
- May 22 National Maritime Day
- May 28 National Poppy Day
- May 30 Memorial Day

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Post meeting May 26th at 10:30a.m. at Town Hall. As always we need new members.



## 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

The Town of Ripley  
Town Supervisor's Office  
14 North State Street  
Ripley, New York 14775  
Phone 716-736-2201



RESIDENTS OF RIPLEY

## 2022 SPRING LARGE ITEM TRASH DAYS

**Saturday, May 7, 2022**  
**Saturday, May 14, 2022**

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

at

The Highway Building on Ross St.  
**(Must enter from Park Ave.)**

**Saturday, May 21, 2022**

8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

at

South Ripley Fire Hall

NO ELECTRONICS, NO LIQUIDS, PAINTS, FREON, OR FUELS  
NO TIRES, CAR BATTERIES, OR GRAPE WIRE

*Fluorescent light bulbs are accepted  
only if they are broken and safely bagged.*

PLEASE FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS  
OF PERSON IN CHARGE AT THE TRASH COLLECTION SITE

**PLEASE NOTE:** Regular Trash Bags & Regular Recyclable Items  
will be collected as usual on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month

As ordered by the Town Board  
March 10, 2022  
*Rebecca Rowe*  
Rebecca Rowe, Carvalho, Town Clerk

## 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.

## Ripley Mobile Food Pantry

May 25th @ 12:30p.m.

Call (716)223-0345 or text

[ripleymobilefoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:ripleymobilefoodpantry@gmail.com) to  
pre-register each month.

The Bookworm and About Town newsletters are here to inform, enlighten, and entertain you. However, your help is needed to make these newsletters the best they can be. You are encouraged to send information or news to:

[thebookworm14775@gmail.com](mailto:thebookworm14775@gmail.com)