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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**

[ripleyts@fairpoint.net](mailto: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 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**

## **FALL LARGE TRASH DAY—OCTOBER 1ST**

**8 A.M. TIL 12 P.M.**

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

**HIGHWAY BUILDING ON ROSS ST. (ENTER FROM  
PARK AVENUE OFF STATE STREET.)**

## **Workshop to Update Comprehensive Plan for Ripley, NY**

**Wednesday, November 2, 5:30-7:30pm**

**Quincy Cellars, 10606 W. Main Rd.**

**Ripley is conducting an update to the Town's  
comprehensive plan and is hosting a public  
workshop. This update will seek to identify top  
priorities to address for the future of the Town,  
possibly including housing, infrastructure,  
economic development, parks and trails, and  
other important topics. Ripley need your help  
to identify existing issues and opportunities  
that the Town should address in this update!**

**The public workshop will be held at Quincy  
Cellars (10606 W. Main Street, Ripley). The  
meeting will be an "open house" with several  
stations. There is no formal presenter, so  
please feel free to drop in anytime between  
5:30 and 7:30. We hope to see you there!**

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# A Neighbor in Need...

Oct  
15

### AMERICAN LEGION:

17 S. Mill Street  
NORTH EAST, PA  
12:00PM - 8:00PM

### ENTRANCE FEE:

\$10 a person or  
\$15 a couple



## BENEFIT FOR JUSTINA EDDY

Justina, a wife, daughter, sister, aunt, niece, friend and mom of 3 amazing boys, has recently been diagnosed with Grade 2/3 Chondrosarcoma, a rare bone cancer on her spine. With what she thought started out as Sciatica back in August of 2021, led to physical therapy and an MRI which showed a tumor on her lower spine. She underwent her first surgery in December and was given her diagnosis a few days after Christmas. In February, Justina started radiation, which meant staying in Cleveland 5 days a week for 7 weeks. A recent MRI showed progression of the tumor, resulting in needing a second back surgery to remove some of the tumor. The next steps are hopefully being eligible for a clinical study as this particular cancer does not typically respond to Chemo or radiation. Although, Justina continues to work throughout all of this, it's not nearly enough to cover all the medical expenses and financial burden this has caused. Let's rally together to help this family in their time of need. Please join us at the American Legion, 17 South Mill Street, North East, PA for food, drinks, basket raffles and much more.



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## SPOOKY TRAIL HAYRIDES

IN RIALEY, NY

OCTOBER 7 8, 9, 14, 15, 21 & 22



RIDES FROM 7-9 PM

AT MEEDER'S FARM

9279 NORTH EAST SHERMAN RD

RIALEY, NY 14775



DONATION IS \$8.00 PER PERSON

JOIN US FOR THIS FAMILY FRIENDLY

SPOOKY OFROAD

ADVENTURE IN THE WOODS!

IF YOU DARE!



Please follow current CDC guidelines and social distance

MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

716-753-0610 OR

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



# HAPPY HALLOWEEN

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**Christmas in Ripley will be held on  
Saturday December 10th. There is still  
room on the schedule for more activities.  
Anyone interested can contact Joanne  
Barnhart at 736-2240 or Sheila Dickey  
at 736-6078**

**VENDORS  
WANTED**

**for the  
Library's Craft and Vendor Sale  
being held on Saturday, December 10th**

**This event is part of the  
"Christmas in Ripley"  
Celebration. Call to  
reserve your spot ASAP!**

**Ripley Public Library  
64 West Main St.  
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## Ripley Hose Company No. 1

August 26-September 17, 2022

### Total calls answered:

26 calls answered between August 26-September 17, 2022

Emergency Medical Service Calls: 23

Fires: 3

Mutual Aid: 5

Motor Vehicle Accidents: 0

Service Calls: 0 (service calls examples: flooded basements, filling pools, ille-  
gal burn checks)

### Total call to date for 2022— 306

**Training completed by our members:** Seven members became  
recertified by the American Heart Association in CPR/First Aid.

Numerous members attended a weekend long training on September 9-  
11th on various topics such as Securing Landing Zones, Farm Medic, Fire  
Fighter refresher, Fire Alarms and Sprinklers, Technical Search and Rescue  
training, and Cardiac/Neuro/Trauma Training.

Members completed the NYS Department of Health 800 inventory report  
for ambulance 272 (required monthly inventory of the ambulance) and  
truck checks on Engines and Miscellaneous Trucks.



Members Merrie Smith, Bruce Utegg, and Brad Hectrick practicing CPR and  
AED use.

## Ripley Hose Co. #1 Community outreach participation:

Ripley Hose Company No 1 members Lisa Babcock and Lauree Pless assisted Brownie and Girl Scout Troops in receiving their First Aid Badges. Members Scott Johnston and Chief Jason Fisher also demonstrated the use of the Fire Engine and Bunker Gear use for the troops as well.



On October 12, 2022, Ripley Hose Company members will be teaching FIRE SAFETY for Fire Prevention Month at Ripley Central School! We can't wait!

Ripley Hose will once again be partnering with the Ripley Central School PTA for Halloween! Join us at the Ripley Fire Hall on Halloween evening for trick or treating at the fire hall!

Ripley Hose Company No. 1, Inc  
Free Smoke Detector Give A Way Program



In collaboration with the American Red Cross, the Ripley Hose Company No. 1 is pleased to announce the availability of smoke detectors, free of charge to individuals living in the Ripley community.

If interested, please contact the Smoke Detector Coordinator at 716-969-2561 for further details and information.

SMOKE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES!

## Ripley Hose Company No 1 FREE Smoke Detector program

Hose Company Members have visited two community residences to install smoke detectors. Smoke detectors SAVE LIVES! Give us a call! 716-969-2561

Come and Join Ripley Hose Company No 1!

We need YOU!







Ripley Hose Company No. 1 is located at 11 South State Street, Ripley, New York 14775

## Help Us, Help You!

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Ripley Hose Company No. 1 has a need to increase its roster to ensure the safety of our community. Been thinking about joining? We need your help so why not meet with us? See what volunteering for EMS and Fire/Rescue is all about!

Join us for an informal one-on-one meeting, at your convenience and get to know, and understand, what it would be like to be a volunteer with Ripley Hose. Volunteers provide direct service to the community through Emergency Medical Service (EMS) and Fire/Rescue.

To learn more and make your appointment email Chief Mark Smith at: [ripleychief@hotmail.com](mailto:ripleychief@hotmail.com) or call or text (716) 736-9297 or email Lieutenant Lisa Babcock at: [babcocklisa61@gmail.com](mailto:babcocklisa61@gmail.com) or call or text (716) 753-0901.

Check out our Facebook Page: [Ripley hose company #1](#) and the webpage at: [www.ripleyfire.org](http://www.ripleyfire.org)

**All members receive FREE training and FREE gear.**

**SAVE THE DATE: November 5, 2022, 6pm – 10 pm for Ripley Hose Company No 1's Annual Harvest Dance and Chili Cookoff! Can you help your local Hose Company? We are looking for donations for our Chinese Auction and other prizes. Contact any member to donate or contact Lisa Babcock or Lauree Pless with questions or to arrange a pick-up of donated items. Please contact Brook Smith-Lawrence with Chili cookoff questions.**

**Featured Ripley Hose Company No 1 Volunteer of the Month**

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Volunteer member Dr. Lauree Pless is our featured volunteer of the month! Lauree first joined Ripley Hose as a social member and has since become a full active member! She is a retired School Superintended of Schools and wanted to serve her community in a new and exciting way, which is why she decided to join Ripley Hose #1! You'll see Lauree participating in almost all of our community events and on many EMS and Fire calls! Lauree is currently enrolled in EMT school and hopes to become a NYS certified EMT by the end of this year! She is currently serving as the Vice President of Ripley Hose Company #1 too! Thank you for all you do, Lauree!





## Ripley Mobile Food Pantry

October 26, 12:30p.m.

Call (716)223-0345 or text

ripleymobilefoodpantry@gmail.com to pre-register each month.



You must pre-register EVERY month, otherwise we don't know how many people to box food for. Food available from the Mobile Food Pantry varies from month to month.

Pre-register by calling Leigh Lyon at (716) 223.0345 or by texting  
ripleymobilefoodpantry@gmail.com

***Please be advised these are two different programs. Mobile Food Pantry (at the fire hall) has no income requirement. Feed More WNY (in the school building) income guidelines are listed below.***

The Food Bank &  
Meals on Wheels are now  
**FeedMore**  
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### TEFAP INCOME GUIDELINES (Updated February 1, 2021)

A person is eligible for food assistance if they verbally attest that they fall into one of the following categories

- If the person's income falls within the following guidelines, they are eligible for food assistance.
- If the person or someone in their household participates in one of the following assistance programs: SNAP, WIC, TANF, Unemployment, Disability, SSI or Free/Reduced lunch program.

Household Size	Annually
1	\$25,760
2	\$34,840
3	\$43,920
4	\$53,000
5	\$62,080
6	\$71,160
7	\$80,240
8	\$89,320
For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$4,540 for each additional person	\$9,080

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## FROM the DESK of the RIPLEY TOWN HISTORIAN, Doc Hamels

I will share some historical pieces of information about our wonderful town's past! I'll try and submit a couple of questions with some possible answers and then maybe toward the bottom of the newsletter you'll find the answers!



1. Besides Farming and small businesses, what other endeavors took place in Ripley over the years?
  - A. Car Manufacturer
  - B. Basket Factory
  - C. Cherry Factory
  - D. Tannery
  - E. All of the above
2. Before the central school was built as it is today, how many individual neighborhood schools were there?
  - A. 5
  - B. 6
  - C. 9
  - D. 12

### ANSWERS:

1 e—all of the above

2 d— 12, Shortman Road, Ripley Village, East Ripley, Archer, Wattsburgh, Irish Street, Colton, Gage's Gulf, Sheldon Corners, West Lake Road, Adams, Lombard





## **Movie Night**

**Wednesday October 12**

**6:30pm**

**Ripley United Methodist Church**

**84 West Main Street**

An aging military chaplain and a young girl from a broken home join forces to plant a miracle garden touched by God. The Healing Garden is a faith-based film, laced with warmth and comedy. It celebrates the healing of families and communities through faith.

**Come, enjoy the movie with us and popcorn..... INVITE A FRIEND!**

Free movie at the **Methodist Church**, Wednesday October 12 @ 6:30p.m.



**Every Sunday**

**10:30-11am**

**Invite a  
Friend!**

**Ripley United Methodist Church**

October 2022

## 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](http://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**

## From Desk of Post Command 2769, David Bower

Oct 7 Start of Operation Enduring Freedom 2001  
Oct 10 Columbus Day (observed)  
Oct 12 Columbus Day  
Oct 13 U.S. Navy Established (1775)  
Oct 17 National Boss's Day  
Oct 23 Beirut Bombing 1983, Grenada Campaign 1983  
Oct 24 United Nations Day  
Oct 25 Grenada Invasion 1983  
Oct 27 VFW Post Meeting @ 10:30am, Town Hall  
Oct 28 National First Responders Day  
Oct 31 Halloween! Have fun and be safe.

As always we are looking for new members. You can contact me at 716-736-5805 or any officer in the post.



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[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.

## 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.

## 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

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