

Published by Ripley Public Library
(716) 736-3913

Editor: Nancy McIntosh

<https://www.ripleylibrary.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/ripleyny/>

<http://www.ripley-ny.com/>

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

Office: **716-736-2209**

Home: **716-736-4418**

RIPLEY TOWN CLERK OFFICE

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

Ryleigh Enterline, Deputy Town Clk

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

TOWN ASSESSOR

P.O. Box 352

Ripley, NY 14775

716-736-4050

ripleyta@fairpoint.net

Tuesday 9:00am-1:00pm

Christmas In Ripley is December 9th, 2023

Meeder's pancake breakfast 6-11

Noah's Ark open 10-12

Ripley Public Library vendor fair 9-4

Lakeside Golf Course create golf ball ornaments 11-4

Meeder's chicken BBQ 11:30-gone

Santa Parade line up 12:15, parade begins 12:30

Visit with Santa at firehall 1-4 (3-4 with pets also)

Pictures with Santa by Cunningham Photography

Let There Be Light Band Presbyterian Church 2-4

Main St Pizza cookie fun 12-4

Cooney Island Ice cream open 2-8

Ripley Hose Company Auxiliary

Visit with Santa

At Ripley Fire hall, South State Street

Saturday, December 9th, 1 til 4pm

Pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus by

Cunningham Photography

\$3 each or 2 for \$5



About Town, page 2

December 2023

Ripley, New York

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Justice Vera L. Hustead
P. O. Box 573
Ripley, NY 14775
Office: 716-736-7575
Clerk: 716-736-7575
courtclerk@ripley-ny.com
Monday Evenings 4-6pm
Tuesday & Thursday 9a-3pm
Traffic Court held Monday 6:00pm
Calendar Call held:
2nd 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 lo-
cated 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 Of-
fices 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

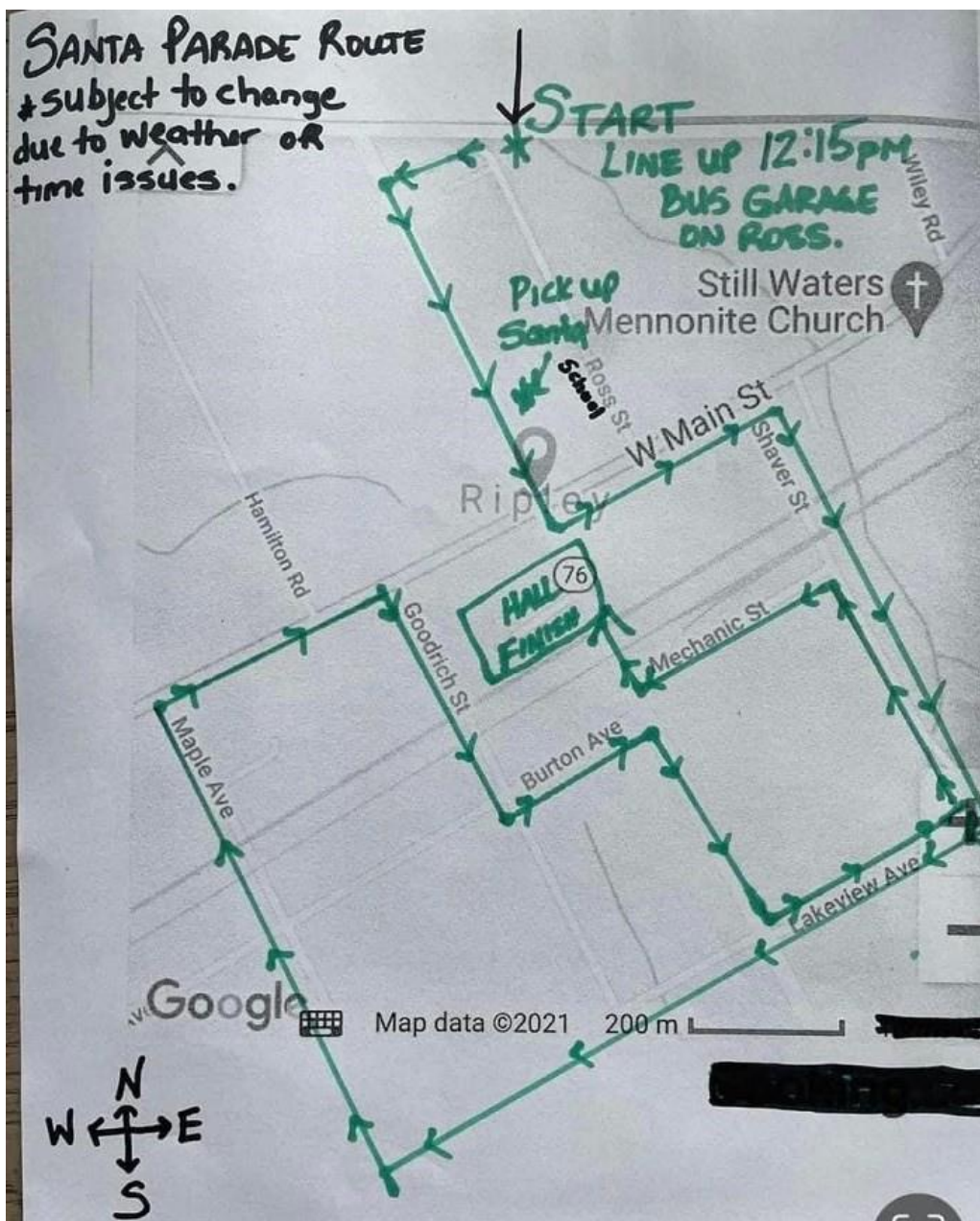
Gloria McCormick
716-269-9882

TOWN HISTORIAN

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

Santa Parade!

Santa will be traveling through Ripley on a firetruck on
Saturday, December 9th. Be sure to dress
warm and greet Santa on his
way through town!



Ripley Hose Company No. 1

15 South State Street

Po. O. Box 342

Ripley, NY 14775

Month: October 23, 2023-November 19, 2023

Total calls answered:

26 calls answered between October 23-November 19, 2023 (5 of 26 calls were mutual aid)

Emergency Medical Service Calls: 19

Fires: 5

MVA's: 2

Total calls to date for 2023 - 329

On October 31, 2023, Ripley Hose Co-Hosted along, with the RCS PTA, Truck or Treat for our Community Youth. Thank you to all who participated! We had a great time!



Ripley Hose Company No. 1

15 South State Street

Po. O. Box 342

Ripley, NY 14775

On November 4, 2023, Ripley Hose held our annual fund raiser, The 8th Harvest Dance and Chili cookoff. We can't thank our community enough for your overwhelming support! Thank you for a record-breaking year for our event!



This year we had a record breaking 16 chili entries! Congratulations to our winners-
First Place (three years in a row) Pam Smith
Second Place-Amber Belson
Third Place-Jim Howser

Ripley Hose Company No. 1

15 South State Street

Po. O. Box 342

Ripley, NY 14775

On November 6, 2023, Ripley Hose Company provided a tour of our Fire Hall and information about our Fire Trucks and Ambulance.

Training completed by our members:

On November 14, 2023 Ripley Hose members attended a refresher training on our Zoll AutoPulse .

The AutoPulse Resuscitation System provides high-quality automated CPR to victims of sudden cardiac arrest. AutoPulse squeezes the patient's entire chest to improve blood flow to the heart and brain. The only device of its kind, AutoPulse automatically sizes to the patient, and has shown improved outcomes in numerous clinical trials.



On November 15, 2023, Ripley Hose EMT's attended an interactive learning Case Study with Dr. Walter's and Dr. Faulk, our Chautauqua County Medical Directors.



FROM the DESK of the RIPLEY TOWN HISTORIAN

by Doc Hamels

Hi, this month I am putting out a request for copies of photos of downtown Ripley/Quincy. I'll make copies and give the original back to the owners if they wish. Placing any information on the back of the photo is extremely helpful: month, year, location, owner at the time, type of business, years of people lived there or how long business existed, etc. At the moment, I'm working on two projects: the earliest photos for Andy Meeder's - Meeder's Dairy Bar, which had its grand opening on October 21, 1961. Also, any photos documenting buildings and homesteads in South Ripley. I often receive requests for photos of a house or business from some period of the 200+ years that we have been in existence and it would be nice to have an inventory that I can go to share with folks.

Thank you!

Doc Hamels





Bottle and Can Collection

The Library has a collection bin in the lobby for returnable cans and bottles. Don't throw out those water bottles and pop cans! Donate them to the library.

Please be sure all bottles and cans are empty before you place them in the bin.

Notary Services

Ryleigh Enterline is now a Notary Public and is available during Town Clerk hours to notarize documents, free of charge.

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 & services) 716-363-3684

Local Worship

- ♦ **First Baptist Church**
716-736-3800
- ♦ **First Presbyterian Church**
716-736-3042
- ♦ **St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church**
716-326-2816
- ♦ **Stateline United Methodist Church**
No information
- ♦ **Still Waters Mennonite Church**
716-252-6515
- ♦ **United Methodist Church**
716-736-3090
- ♦ **Victory Family Church**
716-338-3199



PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

TOWN OF RIPLEY **TOWN BOARD MONTHLY MEET-** **INGS**

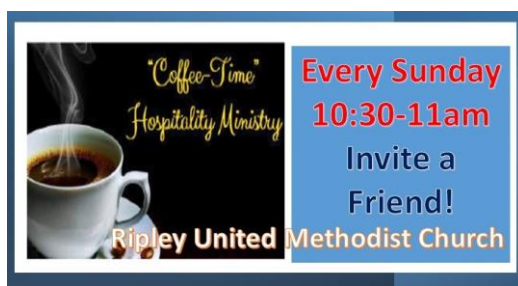
Regular Monthly Town Board Meetings
are held at 7:30 p.m.
the 2nd Thursday of each month.

The Town Board meetings are also held
through a Zoom link.

Zoom link can be found on the Town of
Ripley Website

ripleyny.org

Ripley United Methodist Church has a Prayer Box set up in front of the church at 84 West Main St, Ripley, NY. Inside there are slips to fill out with your prayer request. We will bring up all your requests in deep prayer. There is a place to mark if you want to hear from a Pastor.



NOAH'S ARK **Clothing Store**



Open the 2nd and 4th Saturday
of each month from 10 am to Noon

CLOTHING FOR INFANTS TO ADULTS!
(most items are just 25 cents)

First Presbyterian Church
20 West Main Street
Ripley, NY 14775

Made with PosterMyWall.com

Ripley Mobile Food Pantry

New Administrator and Coordinator, Debbie Dean

Call (814)440-8490 or text
Debbie Dean 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 texting Debbie Dean @ 814-440-8490 or if necessary by phone. Also check Ripley Community Mobile Food Pantry on Facebook for information.

No Food Pantry in December 2023

2024 Dates

Jan 24

May 29

Sep 25

Feb 28

Jun 26

Oct 30

Mar 27

Jul 24

Nov 27

Apr 24

Aug 28

Dec to be decided

Food Assistance Program

Open Tuesdays from 2 until 4p.m., and Saturdays, 10 until noon.

The Food Pantry is available if a person verbally attests that they fall into one of the following guidelines: Income falls within the guidelines and/or someone in the household participates in: SNAP, WIC, TANF, Unemployment, Disability, SSI, or Free/Reduced lunch program.

Contact Phil Chimera via email at shaver58@roadrunner.com for more information.

NEW YORK STATE OF OPPORTUNITY		Office of General Services Food Distribution						
The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) Attestation of Eligibility								
Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Annual Income	\$32,805	\$44,370	\$55,935	\$67,500	\$79,065	\$90,630	\$102,195	\$113,760
For each additional family member add \$11,565.								

Please be advised there 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 above.

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-Administrator Debbie Dean

Ripley NY Perennial Exchange-Administrator Ruth Blackman

Ripley NY Buds- Administers Coralee Shearer and Stephanie Eimers

The Bookworm/About Time-thebookworm14775@gmail.com

Christmas in Ripley-Facebook

From Desk of Post Command 2769, David Bower

Dec 15 Bill of Rights Day

Dec 16 Battle of the Bulge (1944)

Dec 20 U.S. Space Force birthday

Dec 20 Panama Operation Just Cause 1989

Dec 21 First day of Winter—bundle up!

Dec 25 Christmas Day—From Post 2769, we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! As always, remember our men and women who are serving to protect us and our freedom. God Bless them.

Dec 31 New Year's Eve—be safe

Just a reminder that the Home Town Hero's Banners are due by February 2nd. I would like to have at least 50 by then. If you have question give me a call at 716-736-5805. Let's honor our home town veterans!



To have About Town and The Bookworm newsletters sent to you directly, send your name and email address to:
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. Recyclables may be dropped off on those days. Please enter via North State Street and Park Avenue. Ripley bags may be purchased at the Town Building and at Coffee on Main.

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