



## SUPERVISOR'S CORNER

By: *Greg J. Goldstein, Town of Neversink Supervisor*

***As the cold weather is now upon us and with skyrocketing fuel prices having a negative effect on the entire economy, I am extremely concerned over the well-being of our elderly and those in need. I would like to ask everyone to be attentive to your neighbors. If you become aware of any issues of concern, please contact the Town Hall so we may be able to assist in whatever way possible.***

**Carolyn (Kelly) Desmond** The Town would like to express their sincere appreciation to Kelly Desmond for her 17 years of dedicated service on the Planning Board.

**Frank Smith** Our condolences to the family of Frank Smith. Frank passed away last month and was an employee with the Town of Neversink Highway Department for over 25 years.

**Assessor's Office** Please take note that the Assessor's Office will be closed December 19, 2008 through January 6, 2009. If you need to bring in your Enhanced Star form during this time you can leave it in the Town Clerk's office. The Aged Exemption forms will be sent out January 6<sup>th</sup> and will need to be returned with the current income information by March 1, 2009.

**Census** The 2010 Census is coming up within the next year and I would like to know if there is anyone interested in doing the local census for our town. Please contact me at the Town Hall if you are interested.

**Christmas** Reminder that the Town Hall will close at noon on December 24<sup>th</sup> and all day on the 25<sup>th</sup> for Christmas.

**New Years** Reminder that the Town Hall will close at noon on December 31<sup>st</sup> and all day on January 1<sup>st</sup> for New Years.

**Dept. of Motor Vehicles** The DMV will be at the Town Hall from 10 AM to 2:30 PM on January 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Emergency Situations** Winter weather is upon us and I would like to remind everyone that if they are faced with an emergency situation (i.e. no heat, electricity, etc.) and need assistance from the Town to please call me at the Town Hall or at my home (985-0027) so that I am able to get you the help needed or at least reach out to the appropriate authorities for assistance.

**Parks & Rec** The Parks and Rec Dept. is thinking about having an adult tennis program in the Spring of '09. We would like to know if there would be an interest. Please contact the Town Hall.

**Please Drive Carefully** I have been contacted regarding the speed at which cars are traveling through town, especially when school lets out. I am asking that we obey the speed limit as a lot of the children are walking along the roads and we want to prevent any kind of incident.

**Septic Systems** The CWC is reaching out to homeowners that repaired or replaced your septic system during 2008 without help from the CWC. You may be able to recoup those costs now. Full-time residents may receive 100% of eligible costs, while part-time residents can get 60% of those costs reimbursed. The CWC Board of Directors recently adopted a measure allowing reimbursement for septic repairs done between January 1 and December 31, 2008 that were not within priority areas for the regular Septic Repair and Rehabilitation Program. To receive a form and to learn more about other CWC programs, call 845-586-1400 or go to [www.cwconline.org](http://www.cwconline.org).

**Sewer Project Update** Expansion of the Grahamsville Sewer District is nearly complete and sometime in the spring homeowners will be required to complete their portion of hooking up to the sewer and decommissioning their existing septic tank. My concern is that some homeowners will need financial assistance to complete the connection. I suggest that you contact your contractor of choice to give you an estimate on the decommissioning of your existing septic and the hook-up to the new sewer system. If you feel that you may need assistance, please call the office at 985-2262 ext. 306 or stop in at the town hall. If enough requests are received for loans, we will then pursue low interest financing to help you with your connections.

**Transfer Station** The Transfer Station will be open from 9 AM to 5 PM on Wed., 12/24<sup>th</sup> and Wed., 12/31<sup>st</sup>.

**Tree Lighting Ceremony** I would like to thank everyone who participated in the Tree Lighting Ceremony at Bicentennial Square held on Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. Despite the cold, wet weather we had a great turn-out and everyone seemed to really enjoy the caroling, holiday readings and refreshments which marked the official opening of the holiday season in the community.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 985-2262 ext. 301.

*Anyone interested in having the Supervisor's Corner e-mailed to them, please contact Brenda Devore @ 985-2262 ext. 306 with your e-mail address. She will put you on a list to receive the column when it comes out each month.*

***I would like to take this time out to thank all the residents of the Town of Neversink, the employees of the Town of Neversink, all the members of the Neversink Renaissance, the museum, the library and everyone who works together to make this the greatest community in Sullivan County. Without the volunteers we would not be able to have all the activities we have and this town would not be the great place to live that it is!***

***MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HEALTHY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!***