



October 25, 2021

To the Town of Ulysses Board Members,

I am delighted to be hired to bring back the Winter Fest event! Everyone is so excited to once again gather to celebrate the spirit of community on Saturday, December 4th from 2-5PM! This year, due to unforeseen circumstances, TACC is unable to take on this treasured event. As a result, the Village has taken a primary role with the Events Tourism, consisting of Jessica Giles, Karen Powers and Nana Potenza who have hired me to be the coordinator of the 25th Annual Winter Fest. As the Town has always been a sponsor, I am requesting Celebration funds of \$1,000 to help sponsor this special community event; where with your help, all people can attend, regardless of economic status.

The WinterFest committee members, Jen Demarest, Karen Powers, Sharm Robinette and myself all are aligned with the original purpose of this event: to bring the community together, draw people to local businesses and to keep the event as free as possible. To that extent we are seeking sponsorship from local businesses and private individuals. We have a great schedule of events with Hilby, Carriage Rides, renting a Santa suit, a photo with The Spirit of Tompkins, free savory and sweet food from various merchants and local groups. Your sponsorship will help us reach our goal for these fun activities to pay the costs including the coordinator's stipend of \$1,000, advertising, a big tree, greens and event insurance of \$500.

Since the Village of Trumansburg has agreed to be the fiscal sponsor for Winter Fest this year, please mail the Town contribution to the Village of Trumansburg, and the check written out to the same, with a memo note of "*Tburg Winter Fest*".

We do hope you will support the Winter Fest this year. Thank you for your time and consideration, and thank you for your work to make this community special! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at Paintdog35@gmail.com.

In appreciation,

Cynthia Mannino, Winter Fest Coordinator

