

Hello Ulysses,

Read on for some news from Ulysses...

GENERAL TOWN OF ULYSSES NEWS:

Local Law 3 of 2015: A Local Law to Amend the Code of the Town of Ulysses, Chapter 212 to Add Solar Energy Systems Definitions, Allowances in Zoning Districts and Standards.

This law was recently passed to allow for solar energy in Ulysses. Read it in full on our website here.

<http://www.ulysses.ny.us/documents/documents-local-laws/>

Sidewalk Grant News-

The Village of Trumansburg, in conjunction with the Town of Ulysses, is excited to announce that the Pedestrian Commuting in Trumansburg: Safe Routes to School Project is getting underway!

This federal-aid project will improve pedestrian accommodations and safety within the Village and Town, and is comprised of three new sections of sidewalk: 1) Approximately 715 feet of sidewalk on Lake Street from Main Street to the Trumansburg Creek Bridge; 2) Approximately 2,847 feet of sidewalk on South Street from Whig Street to Tamarack Lane; and 3) Approximately 1,481 feet of sidewalk on Main St./Route 96 from the Fairgrounds to the Shur Save grocery store.

The Consulting Team of Fisher Associates, Trowbridge Wolf Michaels Landscape Architects, and Prudent Engineering has been selected to complete the design for this project. Please be aware that members of the consulting team will be conducting field visits and collecting data over the next couple months.

Once all data is collected, there will be meetings with the property owners along the streets that new sidewalks are proposed, as well as meetings with the general public where there will be ample opportunity to discuss the project, ask questions, and provide input. The Village and Town will send mailings to the property owners advising of the dates and times for the property owner meetings and public notices will be published regarding the dates and times for general public meetings.

Additional project updates will be provided as new information becomes available.

In the interim, if you have any questions, please contact Richard Bennett from Fisher Associates at: [585-334-1310 ext. 312](tel:585-334-1310); [585-506-5403](tel:585-506-5403); rbennett@fisherassoc.com

Town Board meeting

The Town Board will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 8. The agenda will be posted in advance of the meeting on-line here, and at the Town Hall.

Water testing

If you are interested in getting your water tested lead or other contaminants, the Tompkins County Department of Health can provide referrals. Here are a few options (there are costs associated):

Community Science Institute (CSI)

284 Langmuir Bldg, Box 1044

95 Brown Road

Ithaca, NY 14850

[\(607\) 257-6606](tel:607-257-6606)

Microbac New York
PO BOX 5150
3845 Route 11 South
Cortland, NY 13045
[\(607\) 753-3403](tel:6077533403)

Planning Board members sought

For more information, visit our website.

School survey

The Trumansburg Central School District is seeking feedback on a variety of topics via this survey. It takes about 15 minutes to complete. Take the survey here: <http://tinyurl.com/oysldfj>

TOMPKINS COUNTY NEWS:

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)

This Federal program helps low-income households meet the high costs of home energy. The season runs from 11/16/15- 3/15/16. Emergency assistance is also available. View income guidelines and apply on-line at www.mybenefits.gov or call (607)274-5264.

As a reminder, the Tompkins County Dept. of Social Services is at the Town Hall every Wed. from 1-4:30pm and can assist with this program.

NY STATE info:

Cutoff Date for Fertilizing Lawns was December 1

New York State law restricts the use of lawn fertilizers to fertilize lawns between December 1 and April 1. To learn about other requirements of the Dishwasher Detergent and Nutrient Runoff Law, visit [DEC's webpage](#). The law does not apply to agricultural fertilizer or fertilizer for gardens.

Health care info:

A new resource guide is available on-line from Attorney General Schneiderman to help New Yorkers purchase health coverage. To order hardcopies or get more information, call the Attorney General's Intergovernmental Affairs Bureau at [212-416-6044](tel:2124166044).

Health Insurance through the Affordable Care Act

Every Wednesday from 1-4:30pm, the Town of Ulysses hosts Cassandra Aikman, a Healthcare Navigator for the Affordable Care Act. Residents are welcome to drop in to find out more about their healthcare options. To contact Cassandra or make an appointment, call 273-8686, ext. 264 or e-mail caikman@hsctc.org.

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