



THE VILLAGE OF WALDEN

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NEW WCC BOARD TAKES OFFICE

The Walden Community Council (WCC) elected its most recent board members in September (see photo below). With the 2008 Harvest Fest and Music in the Grove Series behind them, the new board is now focusing on events and activities for an exciting 2009.

In this issue of The Village of Walden Community Connection we highlight recent news and upcoming events focused specifically on our community. Everything you want to know about Walden – all in one place.

And as we do each quarter to help promote our business owners and village, we spotlight a local business. See page 2 for this quarter's spotlight – Straight Line Painting.

Be sure to join our mailing list to receive The Community Connection via email as well as other important and timely information about our neighborhood. Join the mailing list by clicking on "about us" at www.waldencommunitycouncil.org.

If you have an interest in the positive promotion of the Village of Walden, the Walden Community Council is for you. Our members consist of Village residents, employees and business owners, working together to enrich our community.

Monthly meetings are held in various business locations throughout the village on the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. Meetings are open to the public and new members are encouraged to join.

- The Walden Community Council Board



The Walden Community Council Board –
Nat Winum, President John Revella, Vice President
Jean Winum, Treasurer Brenda Adams, Secretary

Upcoming Walden Community Council Schedule:

December 10	Jacob T. Walden House
January 14	Offices of Jacobowitz & Gubitza
February 11	Fox Hill Community
March 11	Masonic Lodge
April 8	East Side Choppers

All meetings start promptly at 7:00pm.

MAIN STREET REVITALIZATION UPDATE

Now that the village has been awarded \$200,000 to be used to revitalize downtown, The Walden Main Street Grant Committee is busy with the initial stages of the review and evaluation process.

There has been a lot of interest from building owners in the grant target area which spans parts of Main Street and Walnut Street. "I'm glad to see so much interest in the revitalization of Main Street," said Rod Freeman, one of the committee members. "I'm confident the allocation we've received from the state will make a tremendous impact to our streetscape."

Grant applications will be submitted by qualifying building owners and evaluated by the Grant Committee over the next several months. Grant awards will range up to a maximum of \$10,000 for façade and streetscape renovations and up to a maximum of \$50,000 for interiors per tax parcel. Evaluations will be based on structural need, promotion of economic development, readiness to move forward, a project's impact on filling storefront and residential vacancies, among other things.

For more information, visit www.nymainstreet.org/grants/awards5.php.

WCC TO ERECT FLAG POLE

Please support the WCC's effort to erect a flag pole in the small park just west of the Veteran's Memorial Bridge. Donations payable to the Walden Community Council can be sent to the WCC at PO Box 524, Walden, NY, 12586. Call Mayor Becky Pearson for more information at 778-7392.



LOCAL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT:

STRAIGHT LINE PAINTING

www.slpaint.com
(845) 224-5667

Straight Line Painting was started in 2003 by Jason Faso, after finding the experience of painting for other local builders, decorators and contractors to be very rewarding. Since that time, Jason's passion for painting has grown into a successful business.

Straight Line Painting's service team is made up of experienced professionals who can paint the interior or exterior of an office building or home. The team prides themselves on understanding exactly what is wanted before they get started and providing a satisfaction guarantee for all services provided.

Services include:

- Commercial and residential work
- Painting and staining
- Wallpaper removal
- Pressure washing decks and wood preservation
- Drywall patching and repairs
- Epoxy garage floor treatments

Straight Line Painting provides on-site estimates and guarantees satisfaction 100%. They care for your home like it was their own.



GETTING INVOLVED

Are you looking for a way to get involved in our community? Here are just some of the groups open to the public that meet regularly in an effort to improve Walden. Make a commitment to your community – stop by a meeting this month.

Village Board Meetings

www.villageofwalden.org

The Village Board Meetings are a great way to find out what is going on in the village as well as have the opportunity voice your opinion. The Board meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month on the 3rd floor of the Municipal Building at 6:30pm.

Walden Business Association

www.waldenbusinessassociation.org

The purpose of the Walden Business Association is to plan, develop, support, protect and advance the business environment in Walden. The WBA meets on the 1st Friday of every month on the 2nd floor of the Municipal Building at 8:00am.

Walden Community Council

www.waldencommunitycouncil.org

The purpose of the Walden Community Council is to encourage residents to restore pride in their village and community and cooperate with Walden business owners. The WCC has many committees including:

- * Appearance & Beautifications
- * Community Image & Public Relations
- * Main Street Grant
- * Scholarship
- * Village Government Relations
- * Walden Harvest Fest

See page 1 for meeting times and places.

Other Upcoming Walden Events:

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| Dec. 4 (7:00pm) | - Annual Christmas Tree Lighting in the Village Square. |
| Dec. 5 (5:00pm & 7:00pm) | - Walden Baptist Church and Operation Dalmatian Spaghetti Dinner – Call Cindy at 778-3669 for info. |
| Dec. 6 (2:00pm – 4:00pm) | - Walden Historical Society Holiday Tea at Jacob Walden House. Call Anita for details at 778-7772. |
| Dec. 28 (2:00pm) | - Christmas Concert at the MPB Church |
| Feb. 21 | - Walden Woman's Club 100th Anniversary Dinner Dance (Snowflake Ball) - contact Mary Ann 778-3950 |



We're on the Web!
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