

THE VILLAGER

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Looking for Volunteer Treasurer

The Erie Village Board is looking for a volunteer to step up as Treasurer for the HOA. Duties include financial reporting, audit and tax support, reserve analysis, budget preparation. Should have a strong financial background and able to attend monthly Board meetings.

If you are interested, please contact Jean DeSantis at <u>erievillagepres@gmail.com</u>.

Have You Considered Running for the Board?

There are four current board members whose terms are up next year. We are always looking for new talent to serve as Directors. If you are interested, please speak with any of the current board members or send an email to Richard Lelong at rilelong@gmail.com.

Seasonal Maintenance

The weather has impacted this season's maintenance activity to complete all scheduled as well as unscheduled maintenance. Not only due to the early season rain, but also the extremely hot weather. With a warmer fall, we are working to complete work before the snow flies. Tree trimming will take place in October.

If you currently have an issue and have contacted our office either via phone or email, please be patient. Work orders have been put into our system, and we are doing our best to get to you.

2026 Budget and HOA Fees

The HOA is currently compiling a list of roofs, driveway sealing, painting, siding, garage doors, and driveway replacements for 2026 based on determined schedules as well as observation from our maintenance team. Insurance costs are expected to once again increase. With 71% of the community now 30 or more years old, maintenance increases as well as the cost of that maintenance. An increase in HOA monthly fees is expected. Notification of monthly fees will be communicated by December 1, 2025.

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Some Reminders

Some residents have indicated that they are not receiving important emails. Please make sure that you add the following emails to your contacts: erievillageoffice110@gmail.com, residents5900@gmail.com, <a href="mailto:erievillageoffice110@gmailto:erievillageof

Erie Village currently has a contract with Doyle Security for fire monitoring. As part of the contract as well as our governing documents, insurance company and NYS Fire Code, yearly inspections are mandatory, and smoke heads are required to be replaced every 10 years. There are, two methods of communication: through a "landline" or by way of a radio device which communicates off cell towers. If you no longer wish to keep a "landline", you can contact Doyle at 866-463-6953, option 5 or dan.wager@godoyle.com. The radio device is \$162.00 and then \$18.18 per month (current 2025 pricing) in lieu of a phone.

Please do not feed the wildlife. We have received complaints regarding residents feeding the geese and other wildlife. It's generally advised not to feed wildlife, as it can lead to dependency and health issues for animals. It can also attract unwanted "critters" who can do damage to property. Bird feeders are not allowed in the common area which consists of in/and under trees. They can be placed in front or white fences, attached to deck railings or in previously ACC (architectural request) approved planting beds within 3 feet of a unit.

Electric Car Charging Stations. A reminder that installation of a charging station in your garage requires a Town of Manlius Permit. A licensed electrician must perform the installation which needs to be inspected by the Town. Even though this is inside your property, the HOA requires that you complete an Architectural Request Form, since Erie Village is a community of attached single family homes. If you have any questions, please contact our office at 315-656-5148.



Pet Reminders

A friendly reminder that the Town of Manlius has a leash law and Erie Village also requires all dogs to be leashed while out walking. This is for you and your dog's safety as well as others that you may come in contact with while exercising your pet.

We thank those responsible residents that are faithfully picking up after their pet. For those that may forget, please do not leave their droppings in the common area lawns. This includes the walking trail around Erie Lake. "Decorating" the trees and ground along the lake path with multi-colored bags is also not appropriate. If you take the time to pick up after your pet, please dispose of the bag properly in your trash.



Do you need any packing boxes?

A new resident to Erie Village has some used packing boxes that they would like to give to someone who can use them. You can contact Linda at 908-581-0222 for more information.



Board of Directors

2024-2025

President: Jean DeSantis erievillagepres@gmail.com

Vice President: Richard Gay

evhoavp@gmail.com or evhoa@cnymail.com

Secretary: MaryJo D'Amore

evsecretary5900@gmail.com

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evtreasurer110@gmail.com

Directors:

Mike Brick **Debra Roberts**

Mary Jo D'Amore Jim Kraus Dan Gover Dave Tinker

Richard Lelong Helene Wallace

Hetty Gingold

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Erie Village Administrative Assistant

erievillageoffice110@gmail.com

Architectural Control

evarchitecture1@gmail.com

Grounds—Grass and Trees

Evtreesandgrass@gmail.com

Environmental (Geese, etc.)

evgeese1@gmail.com

Compliance

evhoaccr@gmail.com

Plowing

evplowing@gmail.com

Office Contact Information

Please call 315-656-5148 for all residential concerns. Leave your name, unit number and a daytime phone number where you can be reached. You can also reach us at evhoa@cnymail.com.

Monthly Board Meetings

Each month the Board of Directors meets to discuss issues, concerns and the normal day to day activities of Erie Village.

The meetings are held on the third Monday of the month beginning at 6:00 pm (unless otherwise communicated) at our office on the right side of the medical center at 5900N. Burdick St., Suite 110.

If you have an issue that you would like to discuss with the Board, we ask that you submit it in writing ahead of time so that it can be added to the agenda. Please send to any of the following emails or mail to our office:

erievillagepres@gmail.com, evhoavp@gmail.com,

evsecretary5900@gmail.com.

EVHOA Committee Chairs

Grounds-Grass/Trees/Gardens—Debra Roberts

Chemicals/Pesticides—Dan Gover

Environmental—Dick Gay

Snow Removal—Dave Tinker/Richard Lelong

Finance—Jim Kraus

Covenants—Richard Lelong

Elections/Nominating/Annual Meeting—Jean DeSantis/

Richard Lelong

Rubbish—Erie Village Office

Website—Jean DeSantis

Fire Monitoring—Erie Village Office

Insurance/Risk Management—Jean DeSantis

Town of Manlius—Dick Sparrow

Compliance—Bob Bellandi

Architectural-Erie Village Office

If interested in joining any of the above committees please contact the committee chair



Scammers are becoming bolder. Here are some things to be aware of:

Scammers are highly skilled at using sponsored ads and marketplace listings for in-demand items like cars, concert tickets, clothing, jewelry, and home repair services.

Scammers exploit social media groups to make fraudulent investments seem legitimate, using credible-looking apps or websites. When you try to withdraw your funds, the money is gone.

Scammers are on dating apps and invest a lot of time to gain one's trust. Then they ask for an "emergency" loan and disappear.

Even if your caller ID, text, or email says it's your bank, be cautious. If you're not % certain it's really your bank, call using the number on your account statement or the back of your card.

Scammers may pose as lawyers, often targeting vulnerable populations, to steal money or sensitive information. These scams can involve fraudulent representation in legal matters or even impersonation of government officials. Legitimate lawyers or government officials won't pressure you over the phone or via email for urgent payments or private info. You can always verify a lawyer's identity and credentials by looking them up via the state bar association website.

Scammers create fake online profiles pretending to be a celebrity looking for companionship. They usually reach out via social media to spark conversation and may use AI-generated audio and video calls to appear legitimate. These scammers then take advantage of the trusting relationship to request money, often in the form of peer-to-peer payments, gift cards, or wire transfers.

Never send money to someone you've never met face to face. No legitimate celebrity will ask you for money – or gift cards-via your direct messages. Even verified accounts can be hacked, so stay cautious.

Scammers will send an email pretending to be from a vendor requesting you to send money to a different account. The email looks genuine, but it could be from a fraudster who got access to your vendor's network. Always confirm payment or account changes with your contact through a verified telephone number or known channel.

Stay vigilant -

Verify all phone calls, texts, and emails before sharing personal or financial information.

Beware of fraudulent investment opportunities – if it sounds too good, to be true, it probably is.

Don't be pressured to pay with gift cards.

Drop off pumpkins after Halloween.

Onondaga County residents can drop off whole or carved pumpkins at OCRRA Amboy or Jamesville Compost Sites from November 1 – November 22, 2025, during normal hours of operation. Remove all decorations in advance, including candles, stickers, or other embellishments. No painted pumpkins please. This is a free service for Onondaga County residents. No pass is needed for drop-off.



Minoa Fire Department Drill – July 21st

The Minoa Fire Department successfully performed their annual water rescue training in Erie Lake. Below are some pictures of the event for those who missed it.







Fall Holder Hande Checklist Re

This time of year, we like to remind homeowners of things they should do around their homes.

- 1. Clean your gutters. Clogged gutters can lead to leaks and ice dams during the winter. Remove leaves and debris and consider installing gutter guards (ACC Form needed) to keep them clear. Gutters are not the responsibility of the HOA.
- 2. Inspect windows and doors for gaps and cracks. Use weather stripping or caulk to seal these leaks, which can help reduce heating costs by preventing cold air from entering your home.
- **3.** Before the cold weather arrives, ensure your heating system is functioning properly. Schedule a professional inspection for your furnace and change HVAC filters regularly to maintain efficiency.
- **4.** Test to ensure thermostats and CO detectors are working. Replace batteries and check expiration dates to keep your home safe.
- **5.** Stock up on ice melt to use on your walkway and in other areas where you walk and check that your shovels are ready for use.
- **6.** Paint doesn't handle well under extreme temperatures, so don't leave paint cans in your garage.
- 7. Make sure that outside water faucets are shut off from the inside. This will prevent any breaks due to frozen pipes.
- **8.** Clean out your dryer vent. Build-up could result in a fire.
- **9.** If you are going to be away for an extended period, it's recommended that you turn your water off at the main shutoff while away.
- **10.** Change any outside light bulbs as needed. Check and reset outside light timers if applicable. If you do not have automatic sensors on your home or a timer, consider installing dusk to dawn bulbs.

Recycling Right

Paper – Boxes for cereal, rice or pasta, cardboard when reduced to 3-foot sections, newspapers, magazines, catalogs, softcover books, office papers, and mail (window envelopes included) are all acceptable.

Do not put shredded paper in recycle bins. This can go directly in the trash.

Trash – Throw Away! – Egg cartons (all types) frozen or refrigerated food boxes, hardcover books, items with glitter or foil, paper plates and cups, takeout boxes, tissue paper, clam shell containers (for veggies, fruit, and takeout) should all be put in the trash.

Place all receipts in the trash. Receipts, even though they are paper and are not recyclable as most contain thermal coatings or fillers that render them non-recyclable. Many contain BPA, a chemical associated with adverse health effects at high rates of exposure. BPA may contaminate other paper products that are recycled.



Soda and beer boxes belong in the trash. They are coated with a moisture-resistant lining to prevent the box from degrading when exposed to condensation. This coating renders the paperboard non-recyclable.

Do not bag paper and other recyclable materials. Place them loose in the recycle bin.

Yard waste cannot go into your trash or recycle bin. You can bring yard waste to the Town of Manlius Highway Department Mondays, from 7:00 am – 2:30 pm only. You can also sign up for the Town of Manlius Brush District – contact the TOM office at 315-637-3414 for more information.

For more information on recycling, you can go to the OCRRA website at www.OCRRA.org.

Are you looking for a smaller trash can?

This is a picture of the approved wheeled cart with attached lid that can be purchased from Home Depot for \$75 (est).



Outside Lights

We still have plenty of lights to purchase for the outside of your unit. The cost is \$80 per fixture and Erie Village will install them. Below are the approved light fixtures. Order forms are available on our website at erievillagehoa.com.



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Stress Free Holidays

Let Holly Jolly Lights take care of your Christmas lights this year. We'll install, remove, AND package lights for the year.

Reserve a Spot NOW at 716-200-7831

Important Phone Numbers

Doyle Security—866-463-6953

Butler Disposal—315-342-0832

Spectrum-315-634-6000

National Grid:

Customer Service—800-642-4272

Power Outages—800-867-5222

Gas Leaks-800-892-2345

Onondaga County Water Authority:

Customer Service 315-455-7061 x3335

Emergency 315-475-7061

Sewer Issues 315-435-3157 (ask for dispatch)

East Syracuse Post Office 315-437-2113

Town of Manlius Brush District 315-637-8815

Town of Manlius Police - Both emergency and nonemergency calls Dial 9-1-1

Community Captures







Courtesy of Pam Kleine







Courtesy of Diane Haller





Send pictures!

Please send photos to Jean at jdesant9@gmail.com

More Community Captures

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Courtesy of Christina Risi

Need a helping hand with house sitting, errands, pet sitting, senior care? Call Laurie Herrick (315) 447-3422 35 years experience (References available)

Thank you for the opportunity



I am a volunteer at

Helping Hounds Dog Rescue.

One source of income is donated bottle returns. They have to be in garbage bags. You can drop them off at 235 Oarlock Circle (leave them in my courtyard).

Contact Hetty Gingold at 315-415-2314

Gratitude from the dogs in advance!

Do you have email?

If you have not already provided an email address or your email has changed, please provide updated information to our office.

At times we have important messages that need to be communicated and email is the quickest way to get those notifications out. You can contact us by email at

evhoa@cnymail.com.

Please also consider updating your emergency contact information if anything has changed including names of renters, phone numbers and their email addresses.

Make sure you include your name and unit number on your communication to us.

Please check out our website at

Www.erievillagehoa.com

There is a lot of valuable information including the Covenants, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations and General Information.
Forms are also available for direct debit, Architectural Requests, Light Requests etc.



Planning on Making Changes in 2025?

A reminder that any changes to the outside of your unit whether it's gutters, sidewalk, plantings outside the white fenced area or in some cases within the white fence, generators, high efficiency furnaces, gas fireplaces, EV charging stations, changes to your deck, etc., must be approved in advance of work commencing by the Architectural Committee(ACC). You can obtain a request form by calling the office at 315-656-5148 or by going to our website

Please supply as much information as possible such as contractor/installer name, drawings and if need be, written consent from surrounding neighbors.

You can email your completed requests to: evarchitecture1@gmail.com

The EVHOA requires that all contractors working in common areas be insured and that a Certificate of Insurance be obtained and submitted prior to work commencing when an ACC form is submitted.

On the bottom left corner of the Certificate, Accord 25 form, there is a block entitled Certificate Holder. In that block it MUST say:

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If that form is not properly completed, the request for Architectural Change will be denied and the Form will be returned delaying action to approve the request.

It's better to be safe than sorry. We have updated the ACC form and provided examples of items that need approval prior to commencement of work. You may think that a small change doesn't require a form but you should always ask first—again—before any work commences.







Dog Sitting/Kitty Care

Erie Village Resident would love to watch your precious four legged family member while you're away.

Sadly, having to put my own little ones down after 25 years, I'd love to pamper yours!

Available overnights, daycare, walks or just feedings. Call Debbie at 637-8856 and leave message



315-637-3131

Office Hours Mon - Thur 9 - 5:30 Friday 9 - 3



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Ads are \$20 per quarter and checks should be made out to EVHOA and mailed to our office. Ads should be emailed to jdesant9@gmail.com