

### The Community Newsletter for Owners and Residents of Monmouth Way

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### THE MONMOUTH WAY

November 2017 Edition

We're offering some helpful hints to make this a Fabulous Fall for you

### Safety First

Clocks have gone back (an extra hour of sleep, horray). With less daylight, please be mindful of our neighbors who are out and about on our roads. Also, wet leaves can be slippery. Slow down, stay safe.

### **Fireplaces**

Those homeowners with fireplaces must have them inspected once a year and cleaned if the inspection warrants cleaning. Please forward a copy of your proof of inspection to Kelly at Edgewater. If you no longer use your fireplace or have converted it to gas, please contact Kelly for an affidavit declaring such. The deadline for inspection documents and affidavits is December 31. Fireplace inspection is mandated yearly for the safety of all residents.

# **Outside water faucets**

In preparation for freezing temperatures, first floor residents need to turn off their outside water faucet. The shut off is located in your washer/dryer closet. Turn off the faucet inside then open the outside spigot. This will "bleed" the line and empty the water. You can leave the outside spigot open.

# **Garbage Corrals**

Please be considerate of your neighbors and place all garbage and discarded furniture inside the dumpsters. It is costly to have dressers and large furniture left within the corral but

outside the dumpster. If you have furniture that is in good condition, Salvation Army will pick it up for you for free. If not, the County Waste phone number is 518-877-7007. There will be a fee for a pick-up.

#### Save the Date

The Annual Board Meeting will be held on December 11, 2017. We'll need your support to approve an important revision to our by-laws and elect our Board members. You will receive a ballot and meeting information in the mail. We hope to see you there for this important meeting.

A special "thank you" to all who stopped by in October to share a sweet treat and meet with our Board members, Community Outreach Committee, management team, and neighbors. It was a productive conversation and a refreshing feeling of community involvement.

### On the Lighter Side

### **Simple Recipe Swap Ideas**

3 Ingredient Chocolate Balls (makes 8-10 candies)

¼ cup dark or semi-sweet chocolate, chopped; 1 cup chopped almonds; 1 cup of pitted chopped dates; pinch of salt, and ¼ teaspoon of vanilla

Combine all ingredients in a blender or food processor until ingredients form a large smooth ball. Form into 8-10 balls, refrigerate. Eat!

# Did you know?

Halfmoon was formed into a district in 1772 and became a town in 1788. The town was originally named "Orange" but changed to Halfmoon in 1820. (Glad for that.) If anyone wants to know where you live you can tell them "vivo a Mezza Luna". (And that's Italian for "I live in Halfmoon.)

# In recognition of Veterans and in Celebration of Veterans Day

We are honored to have a WWII war veteran living in our Monmouth Way Community.

Many of us know **Corporal Bill "Spike" Mailloux** and his wife **Jean**, but there's probably a lot you didn't know about him. Bill is the last living World War II veterans from Cohoes, having served with the 105th U.S. Infantry Regiment, company B. "Spike" Mailloux was a

20-year-old corporal in the 105th's Company B when his unit was attacked by Japanese troops during a banzai charge in the Battle of Saipan in 1944.

"I was scared as hell, When you hear that screaming — banzai — who wouldn't be?"

Bill was wounded when he was stabbed in the thigh by a Japanese officer. Unable to move, Bill lay in a ditch for hours before John Sidur, a 26-year-old sergeant also from Cohoes, found him bleeding in a muddy ditch and saved his life. Bill and John remained life long friends until John passed away in 2015. Bill's unit lost 416 men in that battle. He was honorably discharged from the Army on August 25, 1945.

After the war Bill met his beloved wife, Jean, at a Drum and Bugle Corp event. They had eyes for each other and were married July 28, 1946, a beautiful 71 years ago.

It is with profound gratitude we salute and honor Bill and all the military personnel, past and present, and their families for their sacrifice and commitment to our nation.



From the Board of Directors - Allison, Mary, Tom and Neil and the Community Engagement Committee - Maureen and Beth

### **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

Gobble, Gobble

