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# In Touch with Locke

NEWS FROM OUR TOWN

SPRING 2007

## New code enforcer

Locke has a new code enforcer! His name is Douglas Staley of Life Safety Consultants, Inc. Doug has been a code enforcer since 1985 and serves several towns in Cayuga County. Doug can help you get started in compliance with the New York State Codes. He is in Locke on Monday mornings, though he may not be at the Town Hall if he is doing inspections. Call him at 1-800-852-1741.

## Clean up Days set for May 5

This spring's clean-up day is set for:

**Saturday, May 5**  
**8 a.m. to 2 p.m.**  
**LOCKE HIGHWAY**  
**GARAGE**

Clean-up day is for Locke residents only. Proof of residency will be required. Please sort materials before arriving. Roll-offs will be clearly marked for receiving specific materials.

### WE WILL ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

BATTERIES  
SCRAP METALS  
Bikes with tires removed  
Bed springs  
Tire rims  
Aluminum with glass removed  
Lawn mowers (drain oil and gas)  
All non-metal materials must be removed from scrap metal before being deposited in its roll-off.  
WHITE WARE  
Washing machines  
Dryers  
Stoves



Refrigerators/freezers  
(there is a \$15 charge for Freon removal)  
Air conditioners (there is a \$15 charge for Freon removal)  
Hot water tanks  
TRASH  
T.V. sets  
Empty, dry paint cans  
Vinyl siding  
Toys  
Couches/chairs  
NEWSPAPERS

### YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

If you'd like to volunteer to help during clean-up days, please call the highway department at 497-1560 or Julie Parker at 497-3953.

All newspapers must be in paper bags or tied in bundles. A truck will be marked to receive newspapers

### MAGAZINES

Magazines must be in boxes, bags or tied in bundles. Magazines must be separate from newspapers.

### CORRUGATED CARDBOARD

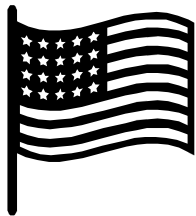
All cardboard must be broken down (flat) and be clean and dry

### BURNABLE ITEMS

Mattresses  
Wood window frames with glass removed  
Wood construction materials  
Wood furniture  
Tree branches/brush  
Christmas trees  
Leaves

### WE WILL NOT ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING:

Tires  
Recyclables  
Liquid paint  
Oil  
Household garbage



## Plans under way for Memorial Day

We will again be reading the names of veterans at the Memorial Day Ceremony. We would like to recognize all who have served, both living and dead, as well as those who are currently serving. If you know of anyone who should be on our list, please call Marty Pilat at 497-0750.

# Show your support for Four Town

There have been several recent articles in the Republican-Register recently about Four-Town Ambulance and its need for community support. Recently, state Sen. Michael Nozzolio helped local officials secure \$20,000 for the ambulance service, but more local support is needed. Four-Town's payroll is \$140,000 annually for paid medics. Other expenses like building and vehicle and maintenance costs, come from donations or grants. But

## Junior Corp. welcomes members

Four-Town is looking for people interested in learning EMS skills to join its Junior Corp. The corp provides training in obtaining vital signs, assisting

medics and critical care skills. For more information, call Heather Potter at 515-9207 or Adam Evans at 406-1637.

this year's letter campaign brought in only \$30,000, when it used to bring in \$95,000-\$100,000 a year. Without Four-Town, patients would have to wait about 30 minutes for an ambulance. Because the service serves five towns and the village of Moravia,

towns and individuals are asked to consider more financial support. Town and village officials are also looking into the formation of an ambulance district, much like a fire district. To support Four-Town, mail donations to: Four Town Ambulance, Moravia, N.Y. 13118.

## Fire Dept. plans fair, elects officers

The Locke Fire Department has a busy spring and summer planned. Here's some of their recent news: 2007 officers are Ray Dyer III, fire chief; Timothy Dickenson, deputy fire chief; David Barnes and Jason Hall, assistant fire chiefs; Casey Dyer, president; Nancy Whaley, secretary and Gary Norton, treasurer. In 2006, the depart-

ment responded to 175 calls, with the majority being for EMA, motor vehicle accidents and mutual aid. This involved 2,833 man hours! The department will be hosting a SouthEast/SouthWest District meeting for Cayuga County in June. The annual fair will be June 13-16. Contact any fire dept. member if you'd like to help.

The 2007 "Lots of Loot" drawing for a chance at \$10,000 will be Sept. 23. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased from any member. A reminder -- make sure your home or business is equipped with a working smoke detector and change the batteries at least twice a year.  
-- Tim Dickenson  
Deputy Locke Fire Chief

# Hewitts are one of Locke's founding families



One egg, whole wheat toast, two strips of bacon and a small glass of milk -- special order. Buzz Hewitt ate this every morning at Barb's Diner, right up until the day that he left us in December. Gordon "Buzz" Hewitt

was a precise, active, healthy businessman for Hewitt Bros. Inc. for 64 years.

The first Hewitt to live in Locke was Jefferson S., who moved herein 1870 and began the family business in about 1887.

Hewitt Bros. was founded in 1893 (114 years ago). Today, it is still supplying a huge radium of customers with feeds, building supplies, coal, petroleum products, fertilizers and farm supplies.

Charles J. was Jefferson's son and Buzz's

grandfather. He was Locke Supervisor from 1989-1990, Assemblyman in 1991 and Senator from 1998-1998. In 1927, C.J. created the NYS Reforestation Commission and was its first chairman.

The Hewitt Amendment was supported by President Franklyn D. Roosevelt, passed to buy up abandoned and unproductive farmland and turn it into forestland. The reclaimed parcels were in the towns of Scott (Cortland County), Hewitt State Forest and

these parcels in Cayuga County -- Bear Swamp, Summerhill and Frozen Ocean State Forests.

The total was 173,681 acres bought at an average of \$3.87 an acre.

The Hewitts have definitely been one of Locke's historic founding families. May they continue.

More Locke Bicentennial Books have been printed. You can read about the Hewitts and other families there. To purchase them, see me.

-- *Your Locke historian, Esther Thornton*

## L.O.C.K.E. Group meets its mission

The mission of the L.O.C.K.E. Group and its membership is to achieve civic pride in our community and instill in its residents a sense of camaraderie. The group will strive to accomplish these objectives by providing holiday activities for all community children, by keeping the community festive, manicured and desirable and by organizing fund-raisers as a

means to support these goals (Enacted 9/17/1998)

The L.O.C.K.E. Group meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome!

Our January meeting consisted of painting about 40 dozen Easter eggs for the annual Easter egg hunt on April 7. Prizes for the L.O.C.K.E. dated eggs and the golden egg

were given out by the Easter Bunny for each age group. and each child received a bag of jelly beans.

Our next fund-raiser will be the cake booth at the Locke Firemen's Field Days, June 13-16. Your help with home baked items will be appreciated.

-- Ardith Coulson, secretary

## Get your hands dirty!

Here's the calendar for the Locke garden clean up and flower planting. If you'd like to help or need more info, call Ken Devine at 497-0492 or Marty Pilat at 497-0750.

**May 19** — Clean up, meet at the Memorial Park, 8:30 a.m., bring rakes, pruning tools, other tools

**May 26**—Planting, meet at Memorial Park, 8:30 a.m. Moravia Central School's Future Farmers of America are again providing plants! Thank you!

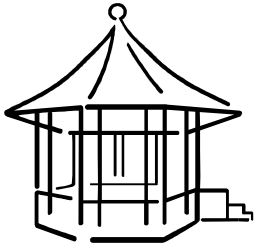
## Town of Locke News

Newsletter editor: Kathy Hovis

For story ideas or suggestions, call 497-9184 or

e-mail khovis@sccinternet.com

## Park Project moves forward



Plans are moving forward on the Main Street park project, thanks to the generous grant from our state Representatives, Sen. Mike Nozzolio and Assemblyman Gary Finch. A gazebo will be

placed on the lot, which can be used by the public, but will also be used at Christmas by the L.O.C.K.E. Group. Other activities are being planned. To share ideas, call Jean James at 497-3135 or any other town board member.

## Keep these town numbers handy!

### TOWN BOARD

Jean James, supervisor	497-3135
Julie Parker, deputy supervisor	497-3953
Charlie Mott	497-0899
Jack Corcoran	497-3734
Pat Dillon	497-3774

### PLANNING BOARD

Ralph Crandall, chairman	497-1343
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Members: Ralph Montgomery, Fred Kocen, Brenda McLean, Sue Crandall

### BOARD OF APPEALS

Wayne Clark, chairman	497-2858
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Members: Jody Ketchell, Sandy Ketola, Fay Hacker, Ken Devine

### BOARD OF ASSESSMENT

Members: Judy Burnett, Michael Hingston, Jim Naylor

### ASSESSOR

Fitts Appraisal Company	1-800-548-8842
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### TOWN OFFICIALS

Andrew Fusco, town attorney	253-5555
Natalie Hingston, clerk & water collector	497-9338

703 Route 38; Hours: Monday 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Wednesday 3-7 p.m. & Friday, 9 a.m. to 2p.m..

Philip Franklin, Justice — 497-0893

Doug Staley code enforcer— 1-800-852-1741.

Hours: Monday mornings, but call for appointment. Other times by appointment.

Carl Collier, dog control	253-4367
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Pete Compton, highway superintendent & water district maintenance	497-1560
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Julie Parker, fair housing officer	497-3953
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Esther Thornton, historian	497-0537
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### COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

(monthly unless otherwise noted)

**Town Board:** Second Thursday, 7 p.m., Town Hall

**Planning Board:** First Tuesday, 7 p.m., Town Hall

**Locke Seniors:** Third Tuesday, noon, Town Hall. Bring a dish to pass and table service.

**L.O.C.K.E. Group:** Second Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall

**Board of Appeals:** Third Thursday, 7 p.m.

**Locke Community Development:** Meets as needed, Contact Ken Devine at 497-0492 for more information.

