

Fleischmanns First Flyer 15th Anniversary

NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE 2023

Greetings, and Happy New Year!

Although 2022 is in the rearview mirror, a short recap is in order: While concerns about Covid-19 did not entirely disappear from the community, Fleischmanns First was able to take some big steps toward normality. The Fleischmanns First Memorial Day Street Fair was back in its customary Memorial Day Weekend slot and proved to be the most successful yet, with new vendors, more street performers, and a huge turnout. Also new was a play for children at the Arts Inn sponsored by Fleischmanns First. All in all, it was a great day and event. Immense thanks to all the volunteers who organized and participated.

Other highlights of the past year included ongoing village beautification efforts like the Earth Day cleanup, flower barrel planting, and maintenance of the gazebo garden, a joint effort of Fleischmanns First volunteers and Zone 4 Landscapes (with funding by Fleischmanns First). With enthusiastic volunteer effort, the village's community garden again bore fruit (and vegetables).

Also noteworthy are the arts programs sponsored by Fleischmanns First in support of the village's growing identity as a center of artistic activity, namely, a series of lectures at the 1053 Main Street Gallery and East Branch Delaware River Plein Air Painters' pop-up gallery on Main Street during the summer. The end of summer featured a series of Fleischmanns First children's book readings and musical events at Skene Memorial Library, and on December 3rd a large and convivial crowd gathered at the Arts Inn for The Fleischmanns First Community Holiday Brunch.

Looking ahead to 2023, Fleischmanns First plans to continue with and expand on the activities it pursued in 2022 and explore new ones. Notably, Fleischmanns First will support the village's "17 Spaces" initiative, which aims to develop and connect a variety of outdoor spaces, ranging from the pollinator garden on Depot Street to the kiosk near the village's east entrance. Also in the works is a "Front Porch Festival" in the fall, with live music, food and festive lights. Fleischmanns First remains committed to working with village leadership in furthering the revitalization of the Main Street business district. Of course, there are many other possibilities, limited only by our imagination and willingness to work together. I look forward to another successful year.

Jon Frank President, Fleischmanns First

Where to Get Good Eats in Fleischmanns Any Day of the Week

Commercial business in Fleischmanns is growing as we can see by the thriving eateries on Main Street. So, to be sure that we are all able to support these ventures, here are all the details you need to take advantage of their efforts any day of the week.

Sam's Country Store 254-4010 1164 Main Street
Open Hours: Monday – Sunday 6:00 am- 9:00 pm
Specialty.... Mexican panini, tamales (only weekends)

Village East Café 917-618-7590 1109 Main Street
Open Hours: Friday, Saturday, Sunday 10 am-4pm
Monday 11:00-4:00 pm
Specialty....house made bread, teas

Aegean Flavor 518-339-1451 932 Main Street
Open Hours: Tuesday – Saturday 12:00 am-7:00
Specialty....Gyro, Souvlaki

Fleischmanns Supermarket 254-4919 1050 Main Street
Open Hours: Monday – Sunday 8:00 am-7:30 pm
Specialty:...local products

Berberts 646-979-7798 1164 Main Street Temporarily closed until May 2023

Two Stones Farm Store 701-1364 1060 Main Street
Open Hours: Saturday-Sunday 1:00 pm-4:30 pm
Specialty...cheese, local products

Goatie Whites 254-3005 46 Depot St
Open Hours: Wednesday-Friday 4:00 pm-9:00 pm
Saturday-Sunday 12:00 am-9:00 pm
Specialty....(they said everything)

La Cabana Mexican Restaurant 254-4966 966 Main Street Open Hours: Thursday-Tuesday 4:00 pm-10:00 pm Specialty....authentic Mexican cuisine

The Print House 1070 Main Street
Anticipated opening in spring 2023
Full bar and small plates



MUSEUM OF MEMORIES COLLECTION



From the Files of the Museum of Memories

For 2023, this column will focus on the geographic areas that make up 'greater' Fleischmanns—the area served by zip code 12430, with deliveries by the Fleischmanns Post Office.

The heart of this community, initially known as Griffin's Corners, was first served by a Post Office under that name in 1851; Matthew Griffin

was its first postmaster. He also ran a store, practiced law, and served for several terms in the New York State Assembly representing the Griffins Corner constituency.

Several early buildings remain, such as the front of Main Street building known for many years as Milt Valk's Valkyrian Motel. When you walk or drive by, note the small upper windows common to early 19th century struc-



tures. Just around the corner on Little Red Kill Road, is another early house.

Commercial development of the Village blossomed after the railroad reached here in 1871. Images from the 1890's and 1900's show Main Street lined with stores. In 1913, what had been the separate hamlets (and post offices) of Griffin Corners (the apostrophe s was lost in 1893, by Postal Department decree) and Fleischmanns (centered around the train station and the adjoining Fleischmann Estate) combined to create the incorporated Village of Fleischmanns.

New on the Shelves of Skene Memorial Library

Fiction

- A Shrines of Gaiety by Kate Atkinson
- Long Shadows by David Baldacci
- Treasure State by C.J. Box No Plan B by Lee Child
- Desert Star by Michael Connelly
- Livid by Patricia Cornwall
- The Maze by Nelson DeMille
- The Boys From Biloxi by John Grisham
- Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver True Biz by Sarah Novic
- Uncultured by Daniella Mestyanek
- Our Missing Hearts by Celeste Ng
- Touch by Olaf Olafsson
- Mad Honey by Jody Picoult
- Carrie Soto Is Back by Taylor Jenkins Reid
- Suspect by Scott Turow
- Solito by Javier Zamora

Non Fiction

- Ted Kennedy: A Life by John A. Farrell
- Surrender: 40 Songs, One Story by Bono
- American Shtetl: The Making of Kiryas Joel by Nomi M. Stolzenberg

Village Elections-March 21, 2023

In order to be on the ballot for either Mayor or Trustee of the Village of Fleischmanns, an application/petition must be filed between February 7th and 14th with Village Clerk at the Village office during regular business hours. This election year, voting for the position of Mayor and for two Trustee positions will take place on March 21st. In order to be eligible to run for either of these positions, one must be a US citizen and a resident of the Village of Fleischmanns.

Updates from Skene Memorial Library

The last issue of the Fleischmanns Flyer included coverage of the fundraising appeal letter sent out by Skene Memorial Library. Many have already responded and the donations are much appreciated.

In this time of high inflation and tightened government spending, Skene relies more than ever on donations for a sizable portion of its budget. We would urge those who have not already responded to the funding appeal to do so. The Library is a central part of life in our community, and needs the support of everyone.

Donations may be mailed to: Skene Memorial Library PO Box 189 Fleischmanns NY 12430

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Fleischmanns First Celebrates the Holiday Season

Over 60 people from throughout the 12430-zip code joined in on December 3rd to celebrate the coming holidays with their neighbors and to enjoy a scrumptious brunch at the Arts Inn. The food, prepared by Heidi Leer of Arts Inn, Breezy Hill Inn, and Aegean Delight, was mostly a farm to table array including breads, cheeses and maple syrup from Village Café East, Two Stone Farm and Cody's Sugar Shack respectively.

Alan Sidrane, Treasurer of Fleischmanns First, presented a brief summary of the work of the organization during the last year and focused on the importance of volunteerism and offered a special thanks to those who have consistently led or organized Fleischmanns First events and activities. He introduced Anne Hersch who gave a riveting presentation of the Village's public garden spaces which she, under the auspices of Village leadership and Fleischmanns First, will develop a plan to connect the public spaces throughout the Village into a cohesive whole. The crowd enthusiastically embraced the project which will begin this spring.

Justin Kolb at the piano was a treat!

Thanks to all who attended.

Save the date for the next Fleischmanns First Community
Spring Gathering, April 15th, 10am to 12pm at the Arts Inn.













News from Congregation Bnai Israel

Congregation B'nai Israel will continue its "Taste of Shabbat" series via Zoom, Friday, February 17 and March 24 ~ 6:30pm - 7:30pm

All are welcome, The service is free and you do not need to be a member.

Meet your neighbors during this uplifting service filled with singing, prayer and music. Contact

bnaiisraelfleischannsny@gmail.com to register and receive activity updates.



Fleischmanns First, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose sole purpose is to support community connectedness and the economic and cultural development of the village of Fleischmanns. Fleischmanns First relies on donations from members of the local community to carry out its mission. To support its work, you can make a tax-deductible donation by mailing a check to Fleischmanns First, P.O. Box 111, Fleischmanns, NY 12430, or by donating fleischmannsthrough PayPal to first@gmail.com (use the "friends and family" option to avoid fees).

FEBRUARY - MARCH 2023 CALENDAR

Fleischmanns' Events ~ Save the Date!

Feb. 7-14 Tuesday, Petitions to run for Mayor or Trustee must be filed during this period only.

Feb. 13th Monday, Village Board Meeting, Skene Memorial Library, 6pm

Feb. 14th Happy Valentine's Day!

March 13th Tuesday, Village Board of Trustees Elections, Skene, 12-9pm

March 21st Monday, Village Board Meeting, Skene Memorial Library, 6pm

Village Board meets 2nd Monday of each month at 6:00pm, Skene Memorial Library
Village Planning Board meets as needed, (1st Monday), of each month at 6:00pm, Skene Memorial Library.
Zoning Board meets as needed, (3rd Thursday) at 5:30 pm at the Skene Memorial Library
Library Board meets 4th Thursday of the month at 3:30pm, Skene Memorial Library
Fire Department meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm
Check with the Village Clerk regarding meeting status & agenda.

For Village Info, please contact the Village Clerk's Office at 845.254.5514

To have your activity posted here, please contact the Fleischmann's Flyer.

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If you have something you'd like to submit to be included in the Fleischmanns Flyer please write to:

fleischmannsfirst@gmail.com or PO Box 111, Fleischmanns, NY 12430

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