

# The Town of Canaan NY

## Your town - Your news



### *A Note from Our Supervisor*

Greetings All,

Here are a couple of timely things we'd like to share with you:

The extended warm weather has made fall clean-up quicker and easier, but it has also brought on drought conditions. Although the weather forecasters have advised against burning leaves or yard debris, our local fire companies have been busy with brush fires. So, as you will see below,

the county has declared a Burn Ban until November 30<sup>th</sup>. Please respect the ban; hopefully the fall rains will come soon, and the drought will end without further property damage or injury.

With fall also comes election season. We have received numerous complaints in the last few days of missing election signs. In recent years this was something that happened in other communities, not in ours. While our community may not always agree on state or national issues or candidates, we have always respected each other's right to express ourselves and to hold a different opinion. It's possible that some or all of this activity is creeping in from other areas. The important thing for all of us to remember is the election will be over soon and, as a community, we can re-focus on the things we share rather than those that divide us.

The 2025 tentative town budget is moving forward for final review and approval at the November 12<sup>th</sup> board meeting. The budget is flat with no tax increase expected this year. Rising costs were offset by a judicious use of surplus funds, as well as town board and staff efforts to identify efficiencies to keep costs down while providing equivalent or better services. The proposed budget is posted on the website and available at the Clerks' office.

Also on November 12<sup>th</sup>, a draft of a Short Term Rental (STR) regulation will come before the town board. The draft will be posted on the town website on or before November 8<sup>th</sup> and copies will be available at the Clerks' office. There will be a board discussion of the draft at the meeting with public comment accepted **at the end of the meeting**. If the board substantially agrees with the draft, it will go to a Public Hearing on

December 9<sup>th</sup>. It is the intent of these regulations to address health and safety issues associated with the operation of STRs and to balance the rights of property owners to open their homes to short-term rental use with the rights of other homeowners who wish to enjoy the rural and residential character of the town.

As the year ends, we begin to think about staffing and preparations for the coming year. We have identified three key volunteer openings which are listed below with a link for more information. If you are interested or would like to recommend someone for any of these positions, please send information to [supervisor@canaannewyork.org](mailto:supervisor@canaannewyork.org).

- CC Environmental Management Council / Canaan representative <https://sites.google.com/columbiacountyny.com/emc>
- CC Office of the Aging Advisory Council / Canaan representative <https://sites.google.com/a/columbiacountyny.com/columbia-county-office-for-the-aging/staff>
- Town of Canaan Ethics Board <https://canaannewyork.org/board-of-ethics/>

Thanks for your attention and the continued opportunity to serve our blessed community.

*Brenda Adams*

Town Supervisor





Due to severe drought conditions, Columbia County has enacted a State of Emergency Burn Ban, *effective immediately through November 30.*



### *November Election News*

The General Election will take place this coming Tuesday, November 5, with polls open from 6 am until 9 pm. Canaan residents vote at the Town Hall on County Route 5. Eligible voters who wish to vote early can do so at either of the *two early voting locations*, no matter where in Columbia County they live.

***Early voting locations are the following:***

Columbia County Office Building

401 State Street, Hudson, NY 12534

Martin H. Glynn Municipal Building

3211 Church Street, Valatie, NY 12184

***The remaining days and hours for early voting are the following:***

Friday, Nov. 1, 9 am – 5 pm

Saturday, Nov. 2, 9 am – 5 pm

Sunday, Nov. 3, 9 am – 5 pm



*Clean Up Day  
DeWitt Brown Road Cemetery  
in New Concord*

Volunteers are invited to join us on Saturday, November 9, from 1pm to 4pm, to help clean up this historic New Concord cemetery. Rain date is Sunday, November 10.

Please wear gloves and boots and bring strong garden tools. There will be a half-mile walk from the parking area at the end of DeWitt Brown Road. No vehicles are allowed in.





## Town of Canaan Veteran's Day Memorial Ceremony

Canaan Veteran's Monument  
Intersection of County 5 and Route 295  
Monday, November 11 at 2pm.



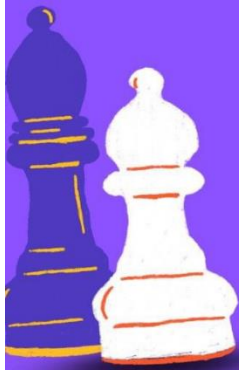
The top section of the poster features several dice and playing cards scattered around the main title. There are two red dice, one yellow and blue die, and several playing cards including a King of Spades and a Queen of Hearts.

# FAMILY GAME NIGHT

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23 @ 5PM**

A white rounded rectangular box containing a list of activities in blue text.

**CARD GAMES  
BOARD GAMES  
DUNGEONS & DRAGONS  
REFRESHMENTS**

The bottom section features two stylized human figures (one yellow, one orange) on the left and a colorful banner on the right. A green dashed line runs horizontally across the bottom of the poster.

**EAST CHATHAM GRANGE  
14 FRISBEE ST, EAST CHATHAM, NY**



## ***Town Hall Updates***

Canaan Town Hall will be closed on the following days:

Election Day: Nov. 5

Veterans Day: Nov. 11

Thanksgiving Day: Nov. 28 and the following day, Nov. 29



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