



Congers Civic Association

NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2023

Public Meeting

Thursday June 8th 2023 1st Annual Civic Association Summer BBQ!

@ Red Barn Cidery 6PM-8PM

Burgers and Hot Dogs Provided By the Civic Association

Cash Bar

Please RSVP By 6/5/23

To Higginj127@gmail.com

or

(845) 821-0872

PLEASE TELL YOUR NEIGHBORS AND SPREAD THE WORD.

A message from our President, John Battestin

As the spring season comes to a close, and summer is fast approaching, the members of the Congers Civic Association Steering Committee decided to get our members together for an old-fashioned barbecue so that we can socialize, and exchange ideas. A new business in Congers Red Barn Cidery has graciously offered to let us use their site to be the venue for our barbecue. Details are enclosed in this newsletter - RSVP required.

Recently Congers and other neighboring towns along the railroad tracks experienced multiple brush fires along the CSX railroad tracks. The largest of the fires consumed the old celery farm property on the west side of the tracks here in Congers. The cause is still under investigation even though it is believed to have been caused by sparks from a freight train passing through the towns. Many thanks to all the fire departments that assisted in putting out the fires. I would like to thank all the members of the Congers Fire Department for all their many hours dedicated to fighting the fires and protecting residents and all the homes along the fire lines.

On a positive note, we see progress on the new construction sites on Lake Road and 9W. The site on Lake Road will be 3 storefronts for retail on the lower level, as well as rental apartments on the second floor. On 9W, the Kennelly property is just starting the third floor.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Congers Civic Association barbecue on June 8th at Red Barn Cidery, located at 306 Route 304 Congers

Remember to RSVP.

John Battestin

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WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The CCA is looking for more members to join our steering committee. Please reach out to any steering committee member to join our board and help bring us into our exciting new chapter.

We are currently looking for the following:

Schools and Scholarships

This role needs someone to report on the activities of the Clarkstown School District. This includes giving summaries of meetings and decisions that are being made to the civic association board. This position also distributes and oversees the annual scholarship given by the Civic Association.

Parliamentarian

This role would oversee meetings and ensure that all bylaws were followed and adhered to..

If you are interested in any of the positions, please see John at the March meeting.

Congers Cleanup

We had another successful cleanup in town this year. We had a record turnout and covered more streets than we have in years past. It was wonderful seeing all the families and community members come out and show support for a clean town. 78 residents showed up to help and we would like to thank them all. You all truly made a difference in the town. Don't forget it doesn't have to be a cleanup day to pick up the litter you see. We would like to thank Keep Rockland Beautiful for supplying us with all the tools necessary to make this day a success. Their staff and supplies have helped us grow this event larger every year.

Carry the Load

We had another successful carry the load event this year, With a great turn out from all the local community. we had many politicians and community members who joined in the march to the train station park. It was great to see the Scouts, Clarkstown North Sports Programs, and The Hibernians joining in. Cousins Moran finished the evening off with a concert for the town that left everyone dancing in the street!



Congers Memorial Day Parade

This year's Memorial Day Parade through Congers will be happening on Saturday, May 27th 2023. The parade will be starting at the Congers/Valley Cottage Ambulance Corps at 10:30 AM. The Parade will continue to Lake Road finishing at the VMA Building. The parade will be closed with a memorial ceremony, this year's Grand Marshal is Dr. Cindy R. Jebb, she is a retired Brigadier General from the United States Army.

Lets all get out and cheer our parade on!

Car Show

August 10th 5:30-7:30 Gilcrest Park

Town of Clarkstown Summer Concerts

- 7/5/23 **The Mix Concert -Party Rock Band**
Lake Nanuet, Nanuet 7:30 pm
Rain Location: South High School
- 7/7/23 **Mary Taylor Concert**
Kevin Landau Park, New City 12:15 PM
Rain Location: Town Hall Auditorium
- 7/10/23 **Sheridan Ruitin**
West Nyack Hamlet Green, West Nyack
7:30 PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 7/11/23 **Carnaby Street Concert**
Congers Station Park, Congers 7:30PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 7/12/23 **Amish Outlaws**
Lake Nanuet, Nanuet 7:30PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 7/14/23 **The Al's Concert**
Kevin Landau Park, New City 12:15PM
Rain Location: Town Hall Auditorium
- 7/19/23 **Celtic Cross Concert**
Lake Nanuet, Nanuet 7:30 PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 7/21/23 **Abe Ovadia Concert**
Kevin Landau Park, New City 12:15PM
Rain Location: Town Hall Auditorium
- 7/26/23 **Ridgemont High Concert**
Lake Nanuet, Nanuet 7:30PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 7/27/23 **Jackson & Johnson Concert**
West Nyack Hamlet Green, West Nyack
7:30 PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 7/28/23 **Larry Stevens Duo Concert**
Kevin Landau Park, New City 12:15PM
Rain Location: Town Hall Auditorium
- 8/2/23 **Ladies of the 80's Concert**
Lake Nanuet, Nanuet 7:30 PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 8/4/23 **Burr Johnson Concert**
Kevin Landau Park, New City 12:15PM
Rain Location: Town Hall Auditorium
- 8/8/23 **The Nerds**
Lake Nanuet, Nanuet 7:30 PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 8/9/23 **Incidental Contact Band**
Lake Nanuet, Nanuet 7:30 PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 8/11/23 **The Mix Duo**
Kevin Landau Park, New City 12:15PM
Rain Location: Town Hall Auditorium
- 8/15/23 **Larry Stevens Band**
Congers Station Park, Congers 7:30PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 8/16/23 **Billy, Doors, Petty Band**
Lake Nanuet, Nanuet 7:30PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 8/18/23 **Comfort and Luxury**
Kevin Landau Park, New City 12:15 PM
Rain Location: Town Hall Auditorium
- 8/23/23 **The Gentleman of Soul**
Lake Nanuet, Nanuet 7:30PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 8/24/23 **Forever Young**
West Nyack Hamlet Green, West Nyack
7:30 PM
Rain Location: South High School
- 8/25/23 **Tom Gardner Duo**
Kevin Landau Park, New City 12:15PM
Rain Location: Town Hall Auditorium
- 8/30/23 **Joe D'Urso and Stone Caravan**
Lake Nanuet, Nanuet 7:30PM
Rain Location: South High School

Street Fairs

- 6/4/23 NANUET 10AM
6/11/23 NEW CITY 10AM
7/9/23 NYACK 10AM
9/10/23 NYACK 10AM
10/8/23 NYACK 10AM

Fireworks

- 6/29 Felix Festa 6:30-10pm
with performance by Kick Start Charlie 8PM
6/30 Haverstraw approx. 9pm
7/3 Boulders after the game
7/4 Boulders after the game
7/4 Pearl River approx. 9PM
7/4 Nyack Approx. 9PM

Update on Kennelly Square Project

Kennelly Square is a 26-unit, 55-and-over resident complex, each unit is approximately 950 square feet and includes a single bedroom, a den, a living room, and a kitchen with two bathrooms. There are three floors which make up the height of the building with an elevator in the center of the building. There is an apartment on premise for the superintendent/maintenance person. The parking lot is located in the rear of the building, which will be the main entrance and exit to the building. The apartments tentatively will be ready for leasing and occupied sometime in the fall of 2023. The units are specifically offered to Clarkstown residents on a first come first serve basis. The price of these units are not known at this time.



Final Rendering of the project.

Current picture of the building.



Congers History Museum

The history museum will be open the following days and times:

JULY 11TH 2023 6:30-7:30PM

AUGUST 15TH 2023 6:30-7:30 PM

We need members to volunteer to be docents in our museum. The museum is open throughout the year paired with big events planned around by the town in the train station park. We are looking for members to volunteer their time during these events either before or after so that the local community can enjoy our curated collection of Congers history. Volunteering at the museum is a is very rewarding experience and you will learn a lot looking through all the history and meeting the local community that comes to visit.

The Congers History Museum is located on the second floor of the Congers train station. We are constantly seeking donations as well. If you were cleaning out your home and find an item that you believe would help us tell the history of Congers, please contact us so we can add it to our collection.

Congers Fire

On April 14th 2023 Congers faced its largest fire in decades. We would like to thank Congers Fire Department as well as the 26 other fire departments from Rockland, Orange, Westchester and New Jersey that assisted in putting the fire out. The organized effort minimized the damage to all property. They managed to keep the fires at bay preventing them from spreading past fences and sheds.

We would also like to thank the entire Clarkstown Police Department for the rapid response in assisting with the evacuation of over 100 homes. These homes consisted of young couples, families, elderly and beloved family pets. Their rapid response is greatly appreciated and prevented the loss of life from the fires.

Finally, The Civic Association would like to acknowledge The Davies Family. Who provided their property for a staging area and command post for the leaders to organize and identify the best plan of attack to extinguish the fires.

As of now CSX has assumed responsibility for the fire starting, although the official cause of the fire is still pending with inspections. Several home owners that suffered damage have reported that CSX has sent out their own adjusters to evaluate damage and hope to be receiving help soon to repair and replace damaged items.

We hope that this 65-billion-dollar company quickly finds the funds to restore our neighbors' homes and possessions quickly and correctly



Police Report – Submitted by PO Niles Davies

Niles Davies, our Congers Community Police Officer attends our meetings and provides us with updates on local crime

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The Clarkstown Police Dept. continues to address concerns of all our residents.

If you have any concerns or questions, please contact either PO Niles Davies or PO Chris Kelly who are the Clarkstown Community Police Officers at 845-639-5980 or email at n.davies@clarkstownpd.org

On a daily basis, our officers perform Area checks, School checks, and Cultural & Religious checks. Officers are physically checking buildings and Houses of Worship to deter any suspicious activity.

As always if you see something suspicious, please contact the Police Department.

Please advise residents to lock their cars. We have had numerous larcenies from unlocked vehicles during the overnight hours.

Calls for Service in Congers from April 1 st to May 17th 2022

Abandoned Vehicle - 0
Accidents with injury - 8
Accidents without injuries - 17
Accident Hit & Run – 2
Alarm burglar – 36
Alarm fire – 11
Alarm Holdup – 1
Alarm Panic - 2
Animal Complaints – 9
Assault - 0
Burglary - 0
Criminal Mischief – 2
Disorderly Person – 0
Dispute - 10
Dog incident – 12
Dumping – 1
Fires - 10
Fireworks - 0
Frauds - 6
Larceny – 4. Lock your cars, homes and remove valuables from vehicles
Medical Emergencies - 54
Ordinance – 3
Peddlers - 1
Robbery – 0
Stolen Vehicle - 0
Suspicious Incidents – 11
Trespass – 0
Traffic Issues
Speeding S. Conger Av
Speeding Highway Av
Speeding Massachusetts Av



Drug Related Information:

County-wide Overdoses 2023 YTD - 98, resulting in 13 deaths (85 survived)

Clarkstown 2023 YTD - 19, resulting in 4 deaths 15 survived)

Congers Real Estate Sales December 2022-May 2023.

Transactions in our market slowed down considerably in the first quarter of 2023. While higher interest rates have stifled some buying power, prices are generally still up across the region. Why? Because even with interest rates up, there simply isn't enough inventory to sell. So while demand is down slightly, supply is down more. Hence, we're still seeing competitive bidding on listings, which puts upward pressure on prices

For status- A is active, P is pending S is sold

| Status | Address | Post Office | List Price | Sold Price | Beds | Baths | Sq Ft Total |
|--------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------|---------|-------------|
| A | 25 Highway Avenue | Congers | \$419,900 | | 3 | 1 (1 0) | 1,502 |
| A | 9 Kings Highway | Congers | \$429,000 | | 4 | 2 (1 1) | 1,244 |
| A | 146 S Conger Avenue | Congers | \$429,995 | | 2 | 1 (1 0) | 1,012 |
| A | 42 Foltim Way | Congers | \$450,000 | | 2 | 3 (2 1) | 1,292 |
| A | 95 S Conger Avenue | Congers | \$525,000 | | 4 | 2 (2 0) | 1,800 |
| A | 165 Kings Highway | Congers | \$599,000 | | 3 | 2 (2 0) | 1,548 |
| A | 66 N Conger Avenue | Congers | \$620,000 | | 4 | 2 (2 0) | 1,964 |
| A | 29 Reginald Drive | Congers | \$1,125,000 | | 6 | 4 (3 1) | 3,800 |
| P | 148 S Harrison Avenue | Congers | \$439,000 | | 2 | 2 (2 0) | 950 |
| P | 108 Leif Boulevard | Congers | \$480,000 | | 3 | 3 (2 1) | 1,560 |
| P | 8 Cygnet Road | Congers | \$499,000 | | 2 | 3 (2 1) | 1,590 |
| P | 172 N Route 303 Unit#4 | Congers | \$538,000 | | 3 | 3 (2 1) | 1,860 |
| P | 126 Highway Avenue | Congers | \$545,000 | | 4 | 2 (1 1) | 1,860 |
| P | 7 Della Court | Congers | \$549,000 | | 4 | 3 (2 1) | 2,220 |
| P | 27 Lakeland Avenue | Congers | \$559,900 | | 3 | 2 (2 0) | 1,632 |
| P | 15 Kohler Court | Congers | \$565,000 | | 4 | 2 (2 0) | 1,668 |
| P | 222 S Conger Avenue | Congers | \$589,000 | | 4 | 2 (2 0) | 2,080 |
| P | 123 Old Haverstraw Road | Congers | \$600,000 | | 3 | 2 (2 0) | 1,544 |
| P | 49 Highway Avenue | Congers | \$675,000 | | 5 | 3 (3 0) | 2,750 |
| P | 2 Stern Place | Congers | \$749,000 | | 4 | 3 (3 0) | 2,238 |
| P | 7 Stern Place | Congers | \$749,000 | | 4 | 3 (3 0) | 2,444 |
| P | 8 Plainview Court | Congers | \$780,000 | | 5 | 3 (2 1) | 2,258 |
| P | 1 Anoroc Court | Congers | \$799,000 | | 4 | 4 (3 1) | 3,320 |
| S | 44 Friend Street | Congers | \$440,000 | \$422,500 | 3 | 2 (2 0) | 1,180 |
| S | 215 S Grant Avenue | Congers | \$415,000 | \$455,000 | 3 | 1 (1 0) | 1,125 |
| S | 168 Foltim Way | Congers | \$479,900 | \$470,000 | 2 | 3 (2 1) | 1,396 |
| S | 12 Leif Boulevard | Congers | \$460,000 | \$477,000 | 2 | 3 (2 1) | 1,560 |
| S | 47 Southward Avenue | Congers | \$489,000 | \$490,000 | 2 | 2 (1 1) | 1,164 |
| S | 20 Patricks Place | Congers | \$489,000 | \$505,000 | 2 | 3 (2 1) | 1,536 |
| S | 1 Edelweiss Lane | Congers | \$530,000 | \$526,000 | 4 | 3 (2 1) | 2,466 |
| S | 2 Buttonwood Court | Congers | \$549,900 | \$540,000 | 4 | 3 (2 1) | 2,034 |
| S | 11 Von Beaste Lane | Congers | \$579,000 | \$565,000 | 4 | 2 (2 0) | 1,828 |
| S | 102 S Harrison Avenue | Congers | \$569,900 | \$569,900 | 4 | 3 (3 0) | 2,064 |
| S | 35 Waltham Avenue | Congers | \$575,000 | \$570,000 | 4 | 3 (3 0) | 1,948 |
| S | 31 N Harrison Avenue | Congers | \$579,000 | \$574,000 | 5 | 3 (2 1) | 2,172 |
| S | 53 Southward Avenue | Congers | \$575,000 | \$580,000 | 3 | 2 (1 1) | 1,250 |
| S | 124 S Conger Avenue | Congers | \$599,000 | \$637,000 | 4 | 3 (3 0) | 1,648 |
| S | 2 Corners Road | Congers | \$665,000 | \$665,000 | 4 | 3 (2 1) | 2,424 |
| S | 32 Endicott Street | Congers | \$745,000 | \$745,000 | 4 | 3 (3 0) | 2,600 |

Thanks to our dedicated volunteer steering committee members. Jimmy H for coordinating this newsletter. Chris N for keeping wonderful records of the minutes for us. John H. who's managing our membership database, helping with incoming dues, donations, mailing lists, printing and also working to grow our membership numbers. Thanks to Jason G. for his hard work managing our website, Facebook Page and other technologies and more. JoAnn B. for her hard work managing our finances, billing. Karine V. for her speedy help getting our newsletters out to our members and more. Scott Turner helps us keep an eye on zoning items of interest and to anyone we forgot, thank you too.

APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP
CONGERS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

P.O. Box 10 • Congers, New York 10920 - E-Mail: congerscivic@gmail.com

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Tel.: _____ E-mail: _____

Dues: Household \$12.00 _____ Optional Donation: _____