Emergencies: Call 911

Non Emergencies: Call the Fulton County Sheriff’s Department at 518-736-2100

Please have your house # visible from the road.

2015 Informational Guide for the Town of Caroga

Municipal Building 1840 State Highway 10
PO Box 328 Caroga Lake NY 12032

Welcome to Caroga Lake…..

WWW.Carogalakeny.com

Visit our website for upcoming events

The Fulton County Regional Chamber of Commerce & Industry in conjunction with the I ♥ NY campaign has just printed a Fulton County Hiking Map. Fulton County has 74,832 Acres of wild forest.

Maps are available at Caroga Town Hall.

New This Year! Boat Washing Stations will be located (to be announced) in the town. Clean, Drain & Dry Boats and Equipment: Check your boat, trailer and other fishing and boating equipment for any plants or animals that may be clinging to it. Be sure to check bunks, rollers, trim tabs and other likely attachment points on boats and trailers. Clean boats, trailers and equipment of any debris, and dispose of it in an upland area or receptacle provided for this purpose. Note: It is now illegal in certain towns and counties in New York to launch or transport a boat that has not been properly cleaned of clinging plants and animals. Drain the boat completely, including bilge areas, live wells and bait wells. Water ski and wake board boat operators should be sure to drain all ballast tanks. Many aquatic invasive species can survive in as little as a drop of water, so it is imperative that all water is removed. Dry all equipment for at least five days before using it in another waterbody. Drying is the simplest and most effective way to ensure equipment does not transport plants or animals. If equipment cannot be completely and thoroughly dried, it must be disinfected prior to use in another waterbody. Various disinfection techniques and special techniques to clean boats previously used in zebra mussel infested waters are provided on DEC’s website. For a listing of the aquatic invasive species that have been reported from publicly accessible state waters, visit the DEC boating access directory. More information on aquatic invasive species is available on the DEC’s website.

The Town of Caroga is waging a campaign to rid the Town of BLIGHT!!!

Code Officer Shelia Yates 835-4211 Ext. 25
Council Member John Glenn PO Box 328
Town Clerk Linda Gilbert 835 4211 Ext 21

Are serving on this newly formed committee.

Contact one of the committee members to report blight!
**EURASIAN MILFOIL** (pictured to the right)

During the months of June, July, & August a Large Pontoon boat is working on East & West Caroga Lakes to remove **Eurasian Milfoil**. To report beds of Milfoil contact Jack DeWeese at 835-4129.

Mark the area with a buoy. All weeds in up to 6 ft. of water (that inhibit recreation) may be hand harvested privately, or you can hire the town’s divers @ $16.00 an hour.

When launching a boat or removing a boat from our lakes **PLEASE** remove any weeds from the trailer, axel, wheels, or frame. **Also** check the boats hull and prop for weeds and remove. **Eurasian milfoil** is a very prolific weed and grows fast in shallow (15 ft. or less) water with lots of sunlight and the nitrates and phosphates from septic tanks and fertilizer.

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**Personal Watercraft (PWC) Usage**

Effective 1/1/06 the minimum age to operate a PWC became 14 if the operator holds a safety certificate. Underage riders who have earned a boating safety certification may operate a PWC if accompanied by someone 18 or older who is the holder of a boating safety cert. and is on either a PWC or motorboat within 500 ft & within sight of the underage operator.

In order to operate a boat in NYS without adult supervision individuals must be at least 18 years of age or have successfully completed a safe boating course and be between the ages of 10—18.

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**ATV’s are prohibited from driving on any roads located within the Town of Caroga.**

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**~PRIMARY CARE CENTER~**

1840 State Highway 10 Caroga Lake NY  
(518) 835-2341

Janis Freeman FNP  
Mindy Morrison, Office Coordinator

Monday thru Friday  9:00 am—4:00 pm

Family Medicine  
Pediatrics  
Women’s Health Services

~ Lab Services On Site  ~

Most Insurances Accepted

Prescriptions dropped off by 9:30 am will be ready the next working day
Overlapping Jurisdiction of the Adirondack Park Agency (APA) with the Town of Caroga

Property owners may need a permit from the APA in addition to the Town of Caroga. This depends on the land use area in which the property is located and its proximity to water bodies, streams, and, wetlands.

The following activities require contact with the Town of Caroga Code Officer and may also require an APA permit.

Selling or gifting a portion of your land; filling or excavating or otherwise impacting a wetland; altering the natural flow, level or condition of a stream, lake or pond; constructing a retaining wall, deck, or other structure within 100 feet of a Shoreline; cutting vegetation within 35 feet of a shoreline, or clear cutting more than 3 acres.
Requests for Fill - New Policy from the Highway Superintendent

Property owners may request dirt that has been excavated from town ditches. There is no guarantee as to the contents of the dirt. You must fill out a liability release to receive any of the loads. You must also properly mark out where the load is to be dumped on your property. **To be placed on the list you must sign a release. Please see the Town Clerk.**

**If you displace existing town blacktop, you will be required to repair it.**
Prior to paving your driveway, or doing culvert work or water lines under the road, contact the Highway Superintendent before starting the work. Paving that extends into Town roads creates problems for the Town’s equipment.

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**Snowmobile Legislation Effective 2/27/2006:** No person under the age of 14 shall operate a snowmobile except upon land owned or leased by his or her parent or guardian. **Leased lands shall not include lands leased by an organization of which said owner or parent is a member.**
A person 10 or older but less than 14 who holds a valid snowmobile safety certificate may operate on any lands snowmobiling is allowed if accompanied by a person over 18. A person 14 or older but less than 18 who either holds a safety certificate or is accompanied by a person over 18 may operate a snowmobile in the same manner as a person over eighteen years of age. Contact the Fulton Co. Sheriff's Dept. for classes (518) 736-2100.

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New York State Law prohibits plow operators from depositing snow on or across any State, County, or Local Highway.

Local Law1-2014 Prohibits parking from October 1st through April 1st on ALL Town and County streets and Highways in order to facilitate snow removal.

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**Roads Open to Snowmobiles in the Town of Caroga**

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**Also Open ~ London Bridge Road /County Highway 111 ~ due to trail closings in the area**

Please be Respectful of the Golf Course Trail and all Trails maintained by the club, or privileges may be revoked.
Permits are valid from April 1st to March 31st and available from the Town Clerk. Proof of residency and vehicle registration are required when purchasing permits.

**Cars** - $10.00  **Pickup Trucks** - $30.00  **Trailers** - $30.00 (single axle, max. size 5 x 8)

**Temporary Truck or Trailer** - $15.00 Good for three trips

*(A Separate Sticker must be purchased for the Tow Vehicle if it will be used separately during the year)*

The County Restricts the amount of home improvement/remodeling & clean out materials brought to the Caroga Transfer Station to the equivalent of Five (5) pickup truck loads. **Open loads must be covered or arranged so that nothing comes loose!**

*** ALL GARBAGE, TRASH, ETC. MUST BE GENERATED WITHIN THE TOWN OF CAROGA ***

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### Summer Schedule

- April 1st - September 30th
  - Monday: 8 am - 4 pm
  - Wednesday: 4 pm - 8 pm
  - Friday: 8 am - 4 pm
  - Saturday: 8 am - Noon

### Winter Schedule

- October 1st - March 31st
  - Monday: 8 am - Noon
  - Wednesday: Noon - 4 pm
  - Saturday: 8 am - Noon

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**Coupons** are required for each: Stove, Washer, Dishwasher, Dryer, Hot Water Tank, and Furnace/Wood Stove, taken to the transfer station. Available from the Town Clerk - cost is $5.00

No permit is needed to bring used oil, or batteries to the Transfer Station.

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**Freon Units & Tires** are only accepted at the County Landfill at the 847 Mud Road, Johnstown location.

Disposal cost is $5.00 for each Refrigerator, Air Conditioner, Dehumidifier, and, Freezer.

- Disposal cost for tires up to 16” - $2.50
- 16” to 24” - $5.00
- Tires larger than 24” - $10.00

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**Curbside Garbage Pickup ~ One Day A Week With Year Round Pickup**

The Town is divided into two parts with the separation point being the Bridge at Sherman’s (Mead Creek)

- **South End** of Town - Garbage pickup is on Monday from May 1st to September 30th
- **North End** of Town - Garbage pickup is on Tuesday from May 1st to September 30th

From October 1st to April 30th all garbage will be picked up on Mondays. Monday Holidays, pickup will be Tues.

Garbage is to be curbside by 6 am on day of collection in clear plastic bags. No Kitty Litter allowed. Do not include any recyclables, or yard debris. Residents are encouraged to place garbage in a trash can with handle locks - up to 20 gallons in size. Paint cans without lids may be placed in a separate plastic bag curbside if they are empty and dry.

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**Town of Caroga Curbside Garbage Holiday Exceptions**

- Monday garbage pickup will change to Tuesday. Tuesday garbage will be pickup up on Wednesday.
- **Martin Luther King Day** January 19  **Presidents Day** February 16
- **Memorial Day** May 25  **Labor Day** September 7

Beginning October 1st ALL Garbage will be collected on Monday Except on the **Columbus Day Holiday October 12** - collection will be on Tuesday.
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It is “your” park and we hope that you will respect and enjoy it!

RECYCLING is the First and Third Friday of Each Month
A Recycling Calendar & Recycling Guide is available at the Clerk’s Office

Now accepting chipboard or Gray cardboard such as cereal, macaroni & Kleenex Boxes
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* It is necessary to have a Professional Inspection made after a chimney fire

**ANY DEMOLITION** in the Town of Caroga **Requires** an Environmental Review.

Contact the Code Officer Prior to any Demolition Project.

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### Working Without a Permit: Double the applicable fee

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**Basic building permit: $30** Includes; fences, walls (retaining), unit structural replacement (pier, stud, joist, rafter, etc.), solid fuel burning devices and chimneys, and other non-square footage issues. Additions and other square footage issues: $.35 per square foot.

**Demolition permit: $30** (permits are good for 6 months)

**New Structures permit: $175** for the first 1000 sq. ft. or fraction thereof, **$100** thereafter for each additional 1000 sq. ft. or fraction thereof.

**Total Renovation permit: $55** Includes; windows, doors, interior walls, plumbing, etc.

**Renewal of any permit:** Cost to be the same as original permit.

**Sanitation permits $30** Effective June 2003, drawings from an architect is needed for new installations, repairs, alterations to septic systems and holding tanks.

**Solar System Installation:** $50 Manufacturers specs **required**

**Mobile Homes - Sitting of a Manufactured Home: $55**

Contact the Code Enforcement Officer for application and information regarding placement of a Mobile Home within the Town of Caroga. Removal of any existing Mobile Home, changes of ownership, or rental of a mobile home must be recorded with the Town Clerk. **A permit and site plan review is required for any and all additions or alteration to an existing mobile home.**

**Holding Tank Regulations Local Law #3-2006** requires owners to empty their holding tanks by **June 1st** of each year and/or when it becomes 75% full, or, except on appeal to the Sanitation Officer. Pumping must be done by a pumper who has registered with the Caroga Town clerk.

**Junk and Junk Vehicles** No individual Junk (unregistered) automobiles may be so located as to be visible from Public Roads, Trails, Boat, or Canoe waterways. **Junk & Debris Local Law #2-2005 & Subchapter 7 part 1242.10 Of the N.Y.S. Fire Prevention & Building Code.**

**EFFECTIVE** January 17, 2009: Amanda’s Law which requires **Carbon Monoxide Detectors** in all homes in New York State. Under the new law, homes built before January 1, 2008, are permitted to have battery-powered CO alarms. Homes built after these dates are required to have the alarms hardwired into the building.

**DOING REPAIRS OR PAINTING A PRE -1978 STRUCTURE?**- Anyone who is paid to perform work that disturbs paint in housing and child occupied facilities built before 1978 must be trained and certified by the US EPA, (Environmental Protection Agency)
Organizations, Associations, Churches.

Nick Stoner Seniors meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 1:00 p.m. at the Caroga Municipal building. They are always looking for new members. The club takes various trips throughout the year Caroga residents & summer visitors are invited to participate. Contact President Linda Walsh 848-3503

Caroga Historical Assoc. & Museum Co. Highway 111 (London Bridge Rd) Open Thurs. - Sunday 1-4 July and August. Call - 835-4400 to find out about workshops and special events or contact Shirley Holliday President 835-2442

East Caroga Lake Protective Association P.O. Box 535 Caroga Lake NY 12032 for information contact President–Charles “Bud” Lawlor 835-8434, or Mary Lou Paterson 835-3444

West Caroga Lake Assoc. P.O. Box 158 Caroga Lake NY 12032 for info contact Anita Potocar 835-4134

Canada Lake Protective Association Box 209 Caroga Lake 12032 contact Lois Miller 835-6703 Incoming President Dave Graves 835-2369

Stoner Lakes Association Dave Devendorf 4012 Bay Park Drive, Liverpool NY 13090 315-652-6706

Nick Stoner Trailers Snowmobile Club PO Box 127 Caroga Lake NY 12032 contact Dave Briot - 835-6962.

Caroga Fish and Game Club PO Box 184 Caroga Lake NY 12032 - President Steve Whitehouse 774-7012

Caroga Volunteer Fire Department - Barbara Deluca - Chief 835 - 8653 Fire House 835 - 4137

Caroga Volunteer Fire Department Aux. Contact Valerie Scribner 835-4091 Caroga Lake NY

Churches- North Bush United Methodist Church -1009 N. Bush Road. Year round services Sundays 10:30 am - coffee hour following. Sunday School Sept through June A food pantry is available to all who are in need. Pastor Kathy Reese 573-3695 Church 835-6884 and leave a message.

Caroga Chapel - corner of Chapel Road and State Highway 10. Services are held Sunday July & August at 10:30 am. Come as you are. Contact Jack DeWeese 835-4129

Lending Library – Year Round. Stop by the lobby of Town hall and pick up or drop off a Book or two……. There are also jig saw puzzles for you to take home!

Summer Recreation Program July 6 – August 14, 2015

The Town of Caroga, in conjunction with the Wheelerville School, sponsors a summer recreation program for children of residents and summer residents of the Town of Caroga. Children who have completed kindergarten and up to age 13 are invited to attend the program.

There is no cost to attend and regular attendance is not mandatory. A bus picks the children up and returns them to the Wheelerville School each sunny day; on rainy days recreation will be held at an indoor location. The program includes arts and crafts, sports, games, and field trips. Contact the Wheelerville School at 835-2171 for more information.
The Assessor is available Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 to 3 and by appointment. The Assessment Department provides property owners with information on their property, tax maps, exemption information and general inquiries.

**Important dates to remember:**

**March 1, 2015** is taxable status day and the last day to apply for exemptions for 2015-2016. The most common exemptions available for owner occupied residences include STAR (School Tax Relief) and Veterans exemptions. Property owners who are 65 years of age or older may qualify for additional exemptions based on their income status.

**On or around May 1st, 2015** is the date for filing the 2015 Tentative Assessment Roll, which is the roll to use on Form RP 524 to challenge your assessment. A legal notice will be published in the newspaper stating the roll has been completed and filed by the Assessor. If your assessment has changed from the previous year a Change of Assessment Notice shall be mailed to your address on file at the Assessor’s office. Assessments can be viewed at Town Hall or online at [http://www.carogalakeny.com](http://www.carogalakeny.com) and [http://fultoncounty.ny.gov](http://fultoncounty.ny.gov). Property owners are encouraged to make an appointment to discuss assessment issues with the assessor prior to Grievance day.

**May 26, 2015,** is Grievance Day and the last day to file a complaint on your 2015 assessment. Property owners who wish to file a complaint on real property assessment must complete form RP 524 and provide documentation in support of their estimate of value prior to Grievance Day with the Assessor. When a complaint is filed within three business days of the hearing the Board of Assessment Review shall grant the assessor’s request for an adjournment to permit the assessor to prepare a response to the complaint. Complaint forms and instructions are available at the Assessment Department or on line at: [http://tax.ny.gov/pdf/currentforms/orpts/rp524fillin.pdf](http://tax.ny.gov/pdf/currentforms/orpts/rp524fillin.pdf) [http://tax.ny.gov/pdf/publications/orpts/grievancebooklet.pdf](http://tax.ny.gov/pdf/publications/orpts/grievancebooklet.pdf)

**On or around July 1, 2015** is the date for filing of the 2015 Final Assessment Roll. A legal notice will be published in the newspaper stating the roll has been completed with changes authorized by the Board of Assessment Review. The Assessor is not responsible for the levying of taxes; the County, Town, School and Fire District determine taxes.

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**NEW Open Burning Regulations!**

Burning household trash is now prohibited statewide.

Leaf Piles cannot be burned. Deposit them at the site just beyond the transfer station on Lane Road. Open 24/7

NO BURNING on-site of limbs and branches between March 15th and May 15th anywhere in NY

To Report environmental Law Violations call DEC’s 24 hour Hotline 1-800-847-7332

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**PLEASE…**

Post your House Number!

If you are unsure of your 911 # Call the Fulton County Sheriff’s Department at (518) 736-2100

The Counties Enhanced System assists emergency personnel to your location when dialed from a land line.
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Mark Your Calendars

February 15: **Outhouse races** on West Caroga Lake  Sponsored by Caroga Lake Chamber of Commerce call

February 14: Nick Stoner Trailers Annual **Poker Run** Register @ Vrooman’s Hotel 9 – Noon return by 4 pm Prizes ~ Raffles

May 23: Caroga Chamber **Flower Sale/Craft Fair/Chicken BBQ**, Sherman’s 9 am  Contact Greta 604-4044.
BBQ by Camper’s Corner 3-7 pm. Tickets $10 - Presale Recommended

May 23 & 24: **Motocross** at Royal Mountain

June 12-14: Caroga Fish & Game Club **Summer Shoot** & Chicken BBQ 4-6 Hilley Road

June 14: **Motocross** at Royal Mountain

June 21: Caroga Chamber Father’s Day **Fishing Tournament** pre-registration required Adult $20/Child (5-12) $5
Prizes awarded at 4 pm for bass, trout, pickerel and odd species. For more info call 835-5016.

June 20 & 27: **Safe Boating Course MUST ATTEND Both Days 9 am – 1 pm** at Town Hall ~ Call 518-835-4211 ext. 21 to register.

June 27-28: New York State **FREE FISHING DAYS**! Last weekend in June. Anyone can fish New York State waters without a license. It’s a perfect time to take a friend or relative fishing!

July 4 & 5: **Motocross** at Royal Mountain

July 13: Call Timberline **Blueberry Farm** for picking  835-3938

July 14: Durey Creek **Bluegrass Band** 7 pm at the Chapel

July 11 & 18: **Safe Boating** Course **MUST ATTEND Both Days** 9 am – 1 pm at Town Hall ~ Call 518-835-4211 ext. 21 to register

July 17: Caroga Chamber **Block Party** 4-9 pm @ Sherman’s. **Music** by Saving Atlantis 5 pm- 7 pm

July 18: Caroga Museum Annual **CRAFT FAIR - 10 AM**

July 18: **Block Party** @ Sherman’s Noon – 9 pm Music by North & South Dakotas **FIREWORKS**!

July 25: Caroga Town Wide **Garage Sale** Contact the Town Clerk’s Office by Wednesday July 22 (518) 835-4211 ext. 21 to place the location of your sale on the map.

Aug.1,7,8, & 14 The 4th Annual **Chamber Music Festival** by Kyle Price 7 pm @ the Chapel

Aug 8: Caroga Chamber **Canoe/Kayak Poker Run** Detail to be announced

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Sept. 11-13: Caroga Fish & Game Club **Fall Shoot** - Hilley Road

Oct. 3: **Roast Beef Dinner** sponsored by the North Bush United Methodist Church. Held at the Wheelerville School from 3-7 pm

Oct 10: Caroga Chamber October fest & **Chili Cook-Off** go to Carogalakeny.com for details.
What is wrong with feeding waterfowl?

- Human food (bread, corn, crackers, etc.) is not nutritionally healthy for ducks.
- Human food can cause problems in the body development or the wing structure of baby ducks.
- Waterfowl dependent on human feeding all summer may starve in the winter.
- Feeding of waterfowl leads directly to overpopulation on small lakes.
- Feeding of waterfowl inhibits or stops the natural pattern of migration; waterfowl families are encouraged to stay in one area, breeding many generations.
- All national parks and most state and local parks prohibit feeding wildlife.
- Altering the natural environment of waterfowl is not beneficial to ducks and geese, leading to increased domestication and dependence on humans.

Local effects of waterfowl overpopulation:

- Geese and ducks are prolific breeders; in a short time a small area can host a large unmanageable number if they remain in one location.
- Observation and direct evidence shows that overpopulation of geese leads to feeding on nearby golf course grasses. Abundant droppings are impossible to manage and become a health hazard.

- Duck and geese droppings in lake water (or on land) carry disease, and the intestinal bacteria of avian cholera causes swimmers itch, rash and stomach disorders.
- Increased population of waterfowl can increase the chance and rate of disease in small lakes and pond water.
- Many nearby small lake areas (Saratoga Springs, Scotia, Queensbury) have adopted ordinances with fines prohibiting feeding waterfowl. Lake Pleasant has an active program discouraging feeding of waterfowl for nuisance and health reasons.

Let them migrate