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# TULLY NEWS

*SERVING THE PEOPLE OF TULLY*

## SPOTLIGHT ON: C-OFOKLA

I recently had the pleasure of learning about an organization in Tully that is doing its part to protect our kettle lakes and educate the public in the process. The Cortland – Onondaga Federation of Kettle Lake Associations, Inc. (C-OFOKLA) is dedicated to the preservation of the kettle lakes, surrounding waters and watershed regions in Cortland and Onondaga counties.

C-OFOKLA does so by advocating awareness of lake resources, educating communities about watersheds and their protection, and promoting stewardship of those waterways.

C-OFOKLA began in September 25, 2008 when the Song Lake Property Owners Association hosted an informal gathering to meet the neighboring association members and learn about water issues in our region. Residential stormwater management education was presented by Onondaga County’s Cornell Cooperative Extension and invasive species information was presented by Cortland County’s Cornell Cooperative Extension.

### What is a Kettle Lake

Kettles are depressions left behind after partially-buried ice blocks melt. Many are filled with water, and are then called "kettle lakes". The kettles in our area are Crooked Lake, Little Your Lake, Song Lake and Tully Lake.

### Highlights: What did I learn?

This organization is working to combat the growing number of aquatic invasive species that are attempting to take over the lakes. In addition, data collected by the organization is shared with the local Universities and government organizations.

To learn more, go to <http://www.cofokla.org> or join them on Facebook.



## From the Village

As the winter season nears, the Tully Village Board would like to remind residents that state and local law prohibits residents and business owners from depositing snow into public roads or allowing accumulation of ice and snow on sidewalks. If ice cannot be removed, the ice should be covered with salt, sand or similar material to ensure safe walking.

If violations pose an immediate and serious health or safety threat, the Village may correct the violation and charge the cost of work or services to the property owner, collectable when Village taxes are due.

As a follow up reminder, garbage cans should be brought in after collection, not left by the curb. Cans left out are not only an eyesore but can be a safety hazard when it comes to snow plowing both the road and sidewalk. Please be courteous to your fellow neighbors and bring the cans in.

## Open Positions for the Year Ending 2018

The following positions are currently open for the this year.

- Fire Commissioner – Village appointed for 2018
- ZBA board member (5-year term)
- Planning Board (7-year term)
- Parks and Recreation (7-year term)
- Grievance Board (5-year term)

Any questions or to apply, please contact William Lund 696-4693, ext. 12 ([tullysupervisor@cnyemail.com](mailto:tullysupervisor@cnyemail.com)) or town clerk 696-4693, ext. 10

### Immediate Opening

The Tully Town Court has an opening for a court clerk. If you are interested , you may contact the court at (315) 696-5884 . Resumes should be received by 12/4/2018

Town of Tully Justice Court  
Attn: Judge Malone  
5833 Meeting House Rd., Tully, NY 13159

## Calendar of Events

### Tully Town Court—Municipal Building

Tuesday Nights ..... 6:00 p.m.

### Tully Town Board—Municipal Building

*(second Wednesday of month)*

12/12/2018 ..... 7:00 p.m.

1/9/2018 ..... 7:00 p.m.

### Tully Fire Commissioners—Fire Station

*(third Thursday of month)*

12/20/2018 ..... 7:30 p.m.

1/17/2018 ..... 7:30 p.m.

### Tully Village Board — Municipal Building

*(first Wednesday of month)*

12/5/2018 ..... 7:00 p.m.

1/2/2018 ..... 7:00 p.m.

# The Tully News

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## Town of Tully Website

[www.townoftully.org](http://www.townoftully.org).

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[villageoftully.org](http://villageoftully.org).

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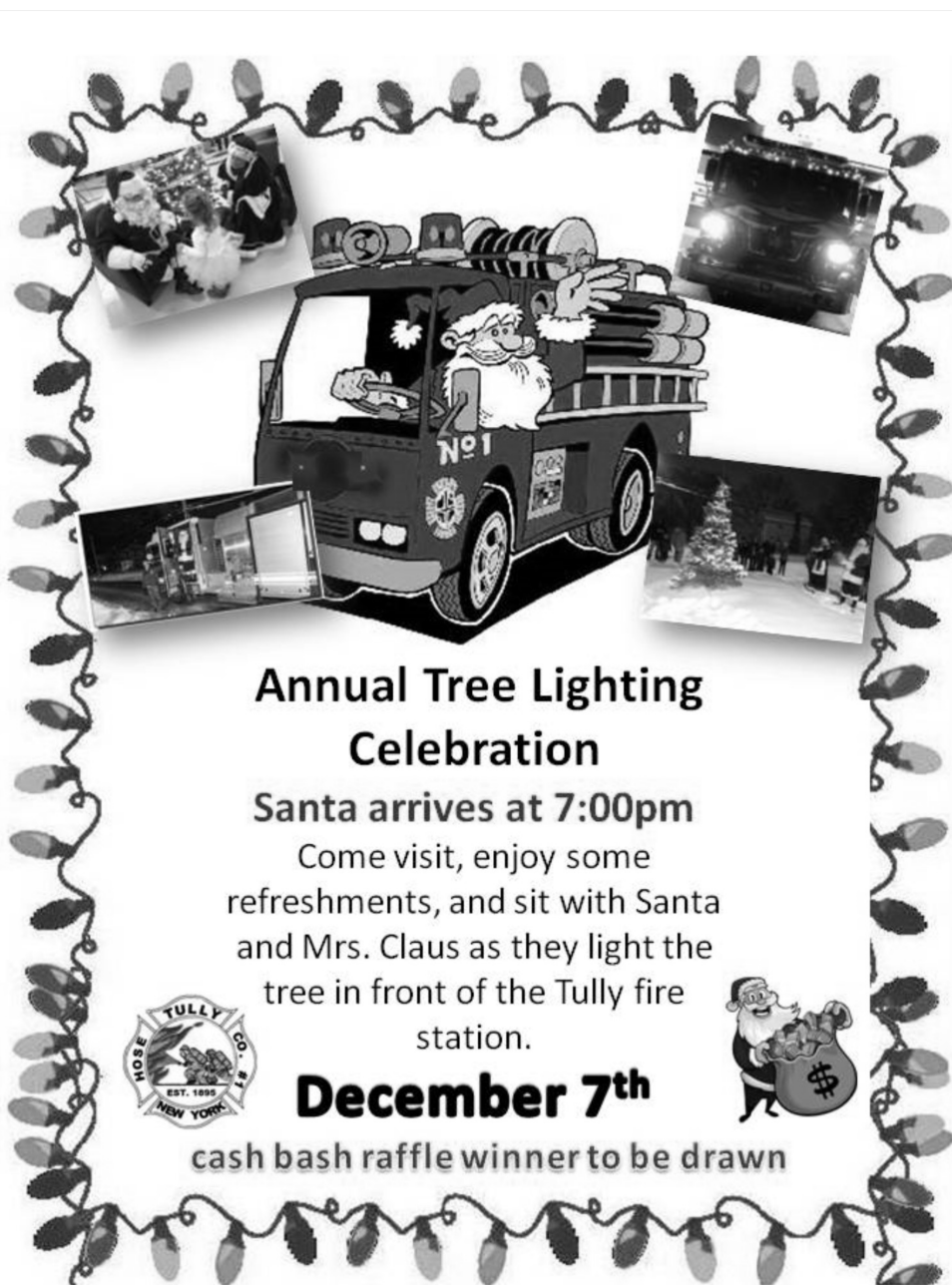
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## Tribute to Phyllis Opalat



Dedication and community service exemplify two of the characteristics Phyllis possessed. She was Director of our Country Peddler Consignment Shop for over 20 years, responsible for scheduling and overseeing 32 volunteers. Over the years she volunteered at Community Hospital, PBS fundraising auctions, and at the Tully Free Library. Phyllis served as Tax Collector for the Town of Tully for several years. Having assisted her husband, Dr. Stephen Opalat, many years at his office, she had a gentle way with patients. Phyllis enjoyed not only playing Bridge with many of the Tully ladies, but was very good at it. In 2008 she was honored as Tully's Senior Citizen of the Year. She will be remembered for setting a good example of giving to our community.



The graphic is framed by a decorative border of string lights. In the center is a cartoon illustration of a fire truck with 'No 1' on its side, driven by Santa Claus. The truck is carrying a large Christmas tree. Surrounding the truck are several small photographs: one showing a group of people, another showing a fire truck at night, and a third showing a Christmas tree being lit. Below the truck, the text reads: 'Annual Tree Lighting Celebration', 'Santa arrives at 7:00pm', 'Come visit, enjoy some refreshments, and sit with Santa and Mrs. Claus as they light the tree in front of the Tully fire station.', 'December 7th', and 'cash bash raffle winner to be drawn'. At the bottom left is the Tully Fire Co. logo (EST. 1895) and at the bottom right is a cartoon Santa Claus carrying a large sack of money.

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**December 7th**

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## **TAG is preparing for the Holidays!**

Christmas at the Station will be Nov 23 - 25. TAG will be taking orders for their Holiday Cookie platters. 2 Doz for \$15 and 3 Doz for \$20. Contact Sally Greene to place a phone order: 315-696-5562.

Christmas lights and winter greens will soon decorate our Cornerstone Park. A pretty sight to see on a winter night stroll.

Engraved Paver Applications for the third and final addition to the Celebration Walkway will be available soon. Contact Janet Hillenbrand for more information: 315-427-9681.

Future plans: Pasta Night, Sunflower Contest, and Music in the Park Stay tuned for these fun community events!

## **TUCC PREPARES DURING ADVENT**

December is busy, no doubt about it. It can be filled with lists and lists and lists. At Tully United Community Church, we also have a list and at the top of the list is preparing our hearts for the birth of the Christ child, the purpose of Advent. Each Sunday, during the four weeks of Advent, we will light a candle emphasizing the Hope, the Peace, the Joy, and the Love that the Christ child will bring to our lives. And we decorate our sanctuary a little bit more each week just as our hearts fill with anticipation for the birth of Christ. Our traditional Candlelight Christmas Eve services will be held on Dec. 24 at 7pm & 11pm. It's a special season of preparation!

Being together is yet another way to prepare. TUCC (5872 Meetinghouse Rd, Tully) is hosting a free Christmas Craft Workshop for the Tully community on Sunday Dec. 9 from 11am-1pm. Crafts, designed for all ages, include make-your-own Christmas cards, decorating cookies, building Christmas tree chain and evergreen swags. After crafts we will enjoy a lunch of chili, mac and cheese, cocoa, and cookies and sing a few Christmas carols for fun! Please join us! Questions- call the church at 315-696-8066.

## **TULLY ARTS COUNCIL NEWS**

### **A CHRISTMAS CAROL, December 1, 7 PM, Tully High School**

On Saturday, December 1, at 7 PM, the Tully Arts Council presents its biennial musical production of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol at Tully High School Auditorium. This bright, warm show recounts the classic tale in song and story, with all the familiar characters of misers and ghosts, families poor of pocket but rich with love, with a beautiful soundtrack comprised entirely of familiar and obscure British Christmas carols. The cost of admission is a donation of a canned good, non-perishable food item, or dry good such as diapers, soap, or tissues, to the Tully Area Food Pantry, which will be collected in the lobby. Start your holiday season off right by being part of this lovely tradition for all ages, performed by your friends and neighbors of Tully!

### **TRIVIA TUESDAYS, 2nd and 3rd Tuesdays this month, 6 - 8 PM!**

Our wonderful Tuesday night trivia will be presented on November 13th and 20th this month, a change from the regular 2/4 weeks, due to the holiday. Come to the ArtWorks gallery with a team or meet up with one there. Admission is free; cost to play is \$2/person, and the top two teams win the pot!

### **OPEN MIC NIGHT, Saturday, November 17th, 7 - 9 PM!**

This wonderful event gives an opportunity for local and visiting musicians, poets, stand-up comics and readers to share their artistic talents with friends and neighbors. Admission is free; sign up to perform at the door or just come and listen.

### **COMING SOON: Beautiful Tully Calendar!**

If you are looking for a special gift for someone who lives here, used to live here, or wishes they did, this very special calendar will perfectly fill the bill! Local photographers Deb Putman and Kelly Chambala and graphic designer Patty Downes have produced an absolutely gorgeous piece of practical art that captures the unique beauty of our town in a way that it can be seen every day. Coming soon to the ArtWorks gallery.

## **Christmas Craft Workshop**

**FREE - All ages invited.**

Come join us to make Christmas Cards, Decorated cookies, Ornaments, Evergreen decoration, Advent Paper Chain Tree!

Followed by a lunch of chili, mac & cheese, cocoa, cookies and Christmas Carols

**DECEMBER 9, 2018 11AM-1PM**

**TULLY UNITED COMMUNITY CHURCH  
5872 Meetinghouse Road, Tully 13159  
315-696-8066**

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### NO AMERICAN FLAGS?

It's very hard for me to believe that there is no flag pole and American flag at the Cornerstone Park in the center of the village of Tully. This project is beautifully done but needs a flag pole and American flag displayed.

I inquired as to why there is not a flag and pole and was told that there was originally plans to have them, but it was later decided to drop the plans. Why? I was told it was not necessary because there is a flag at the post office. This is not even reasonable.

There are several military veterans, including myself, in the Tully area, that spent many months in combat in the wars and conflicts. It would certainly be great to have Tully show a little patriotism in our home town and this would be a great place to display our flag, in the middle of town.

I was also told there was a flag pole at Cummings Park, which has nothing to do with the question at hand. To add insult to injury, there is no flag being displayed, just an empty pole.

Also, just a reminder, according to protocol, the flag should be raised and lowered at dawn and dusk unless it is lighted at night.

In addition, the Memorial Day service was very scant and disappointing. The parade was next to nothing. Rumor has it that there may not be on next year if there is no one or organization to get it organized. If I were able and not almost 87 years old, I would like very much to get things going, to show Tully can be a good, honorable, respectable town.

What has happened to Tully? Most other communities are not this neglectful.

Let's show a little patriotism for the country

which we support and fought for, Please!

Robert (Bob) Cornue

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### Tully 4-H Club Veteran's Day, 2018

Since returning from the Vietnam War in 1968, I have commemorated 50 Veteran's Days, but this one was special. My doorbell rang and when I opened the door, there stood six Tully 4-H Club members with an apple pie for me in a box stating, "Thank You for your Service." This could not have been more meaningful.

Thank you to our local Tully 4-H Club members and their leaders. You made my day.

Martin Brophy



## INTERACT NEWS

### A Busy Month

It's hard to believe that we could be any busier than we were in September! We had 33 involved Interactors this month. They totaled an amazing 133.50 volunteer hours between October 1 – 31! We had a meeting and six events.

The events were:

- \* LaFayette Apple Fest (2 days)
- \* Otisco Fire Department Pancake Breakfast
- \* Pennies for Polio drop-off
- \* Kinney Drugs Pennies for Polio donations
- \* Books for the World book packing
- \* Pennies for Polio pick-up

We once again made sandwiches for the Samaritan Center. This month we had 20 students make 140 sandwiches. We had extra cheese.

Interactor of the Month Program

The criteria: Volunteer hours: This month we had between 1 – 15.5 hours! Congrats to Emily Cox for such a busy month with 15.5 hours!

Attitude/encouragement/ ideas during meetings – It's great to have so many students who are now fully engaged at meetings!

Inviting friends to meetings – Emily invited a friend to join before the monthly recognition. \*We have more to be recognized in November.

Willingness/desire to be engaged at meetings/events – Everyone!!!

Attendance at meetings/ events: Nice job goes out to the following kids for attending at least four events: Chelsea Phillips, Chelsie Trafton, Cori Metz, Emily Cox and Owen Lantiegne!

October's Interactor of the Month is Emily Cox!

Emily attended the 10/25 Rotary Business Backstory at the Rusty Wheel Pottery to be recognized for her accomplishment!

Our Community is AMAZING!

Our Pennies for Polio fundraiser was a gigantic success! We are so grateful for the generous donations from our community! We exceeded our \$1000 goals! THANK YOU!

Adult Volunteers

A HUGE shout out to all of our parent and other volunteers this month! As always, it's impossible to do what we do without you!

Thanks to:

Books for the World volunteers: Mrs Lantiegne, Mr. Mohat, Mrs. Leavitt & Miss Murphy

Pennies for Polio volunteers: Mrs. Byrne, Mrs. Trafton & Mrs. McGraw