



# Village of Brockport



Spring/Summer 2023

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Issue 15

## From the Mayor's Desk

The Main Street bridge is closed, finally, for 18 months—480 days of rehabilitation and replacement of most of its parts. This has us looking forward to a reopening sometime in August of 2024 if all goes as scheduled.

Meantime, the bridge closure has occasioned a host of events to take our minds off the inconvenience and carry us through the summer and into fall. It starts with the June 3 Bridging Brockport promenade along the pedestrian detour route, followed by Brockport's June 10<sup>th</sup> bicentennial celebration at Low Bridge High Water. Main Street will be the scene of Saturday outdoor dining, June-October, with live music. June and July—On the Canals kayak and bike excursions; July is Sidewalk Sale and Summer Serenades. August more Serenades and the ever-popular Arts Festival. September brings Brockstock. The farmer's market will be moving onto Main Street during the Bridge Closure. Details are inside.; also check our Events Calendar at [brockportny.org](http://brockportny.org) for up to date information.

As we focused on the bridge, we carried on with Village government. We updated our website, added a special Bridging Brockport webpage, created the My Brockport Village app (a free download from the app store, see page 10) which keeps subscribers informed on all things happening in the village from celebrations to mundane street repaving, brush pickup, and unfortunate water main breaks.

In April we celebrated Arbor Day in South Avenue Park, planting 10 trees, including a replacement for the giant beech tree that stood there for over 100 years.

With invaluable assistance from Ingalls Planning of Fairport we rewrote our Codes and redid our zoning to bring them into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. We held three public hearings and, awaiting further comment from the public, will make any revisions before we bring the codes/zoning updates to the Village Board for final approval in July or August.

We have had reports of residents thinking they were a part of our Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) program but subscribed to an energy program that did not save them money but escalated their costs. Our program letters are printed with the village logo at the top. No other program's mailers have permission to use our logo and the village CCA provides a savings, however slight, and assurance of renewable energy sources. If you have questions contact Fingerlakes Community Choice at [info@fingerlakescommunitychoice.com](mailto:info@fingerlakescommunitychoice.com) or 585-244-0244.

Enjoy a well-deserved, lush Brockport summer and be sure to come downtown and keep Brockport businesses thriving.

Margay Blackman, Mayor



The CommUNITY Builder Award Nomination Period will be open June 5, 2023. Brockport, Clarkson, Hamlin, and Sweden residents are eligible to be nominated. You can find award nomination rules at [www.brockportny.org](http://www.brockportny.org). Please consider highlighting the good work you or your neighbor contributes to the greater Brockport area; we appreciate you!



# Brockport Police Department

We hope everyone is looking forward to a warmer spring and a peaceful and relaxing summer. There are a few police related issues that the Brockport Police Department would like to remind everyone about. As you know, Park Avenue will absorb much of the traffic from the Main Street bridge closure. Many of the same issues that occur on Main Street will move to Park Avenue and Fayette Street. The message is

simple – Please pay closer attention with how you commute. Slow down and be more observant of vehicles, pedestrians and bicyclist that share the roadways. Also, be mindful that you will be driving through a residential neighborhood. You will see an increased presence of BPD patrol on this corridor. Our goal is to keep everyone safe!

Unfortunately, the Brockport Police Department saw an increase in arrests for Driving While Intoxicated and Driving While Impaired by Drugs during the last year. The number of arrests for these offenses was recognized by the Monroe County Department of Public Safety STOP-DWI Program. We had the highest percentage increases among local law enforcement agencies for 2022. Officer Evan Blodgett and Officer John Vadas received Certificate of Merit Awards by the aforementioned Department. Officer Blodgett works hard to keep the community safe by his enforcement of DWI. Every arrest made is a potential lifesaving occurrence. Officer John Vadas was recognized for his major role of a Drug Recognition Expert. He not only keeps our community safe by enforcing DWI laws but by assisting our officers and surrounding agencies with his special skillset of recognizing impairment of drivers that are under the influence of drugs. This requires an enormous amount of training and qualifications. Officer Elliott Cave was recognized by the Monroe County Department Traffic Safety Board with a Certificate of Merit for his enforcement of the NYS Vehicle and Traffic Laws. Again, working diligently to keep everyone safe. All four quadrants of the Village have their concerns for the way people drive in their neighborhoods. We try our best to be responsive to these complaints and conduct special attentions in various neighborhoods when time permits. We ask that motorists be respectful of the residents and obey the NYS Vehicle and Traffic Laws, special consideration for stopping completely for STOP signs and not speeding. While the above officers may be recognized for their achievements, our many duties and responsibilities to the community are truly a team effort.

Community Policing continues to be a top priority of the Brockport Police Department. We work hard to conduct directed foot and bicycle patrols in all areas of the Village. It is important that the residents and all who visit feel safe and welcome in the Village. We will be present and engaging in the many community events that the Village offers. Never hesitate to ask questions or simply have a conversation with us. We strive to be courteous, empathetic, respectful, engaging and professional. We remain committed to treat other people the way we would want our own families treated.

In closing, I would say that I am extremely proud of all members of the Brockport Police Department. I am truly blessed to be the “Head Coach” of an amazing group of people. Every employee has different strengths that I greatly appreciate. I wish everyone a safe, healthy and relaxing summer. As always, my door is always open to listen to any concerns you may have.

Sincerely,

Mark T. Cuzzupoli, Chief of Police



**First Wednesday of every month!**  
**9:00 A.M. – 10:30A.M.**

**Coffee with the Chief:**  
The mission of Coffee with the Chief is to break down the barriers between police officers and the citizens they serve by removing agendas and allowing opportunities to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the Chief.  
**Java Junction, 56 Main Street, Brockport, NY**



**“The Brockport Police Dept. strongly believes in the community policing model. We believe that a solid foundation is built by forming trusting relationships with our residents, business owners, and those who visit our village” – Chief Cuzzupoli**

**QUESTIONS?**  
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Law Enforcement Appreciation with Elderwood at Lakeside residents.



BPD showing support for Papa and Jimmy Z as they celebrated their 20th business anniversary.



# Department of Public Works

## TO DO IN 2023

The DPW has a long “to dos” list in 2023:

- Topsoil and seed plow damage
- Paint crosswalks throughout the village
- Restore patch work from sewer and water repairs with blacktop
- Replace sidewalks at corner of Brockway and Chappell St (South-east Corner)
- Topsoil and seed new Corbett Park pathway.
- CDBG Project: Liberty Street sidewalk and fence replacement will be underway this year with help from Monroe County bid contractor Campobello



## Roadwork for 2023

- Mill/Pave South Ave. Extension
- Mill/Pave Utica St. from Monroe Ave.- College St. (With new concrete curb installation by DPW)
- Mill/Pave Utica St. and Holley St. intersection
- Mill/Pave Briar Rose Ln.
- Mill/Pave Candlewick Dr.
- Improving drainage on Glendale Rd between East Ave. and Frazier St.
- Glendale Rd. -4 ft. shoulder repair work both sides
- Clark St. from Main St. to Smith St. - 4 ft. shoulder repair work both sides
- Concrete gutter repair on Cailyn Way.
- Assisting Town of Sweden with East Ave. Mill/ Paving concrete gutter installation prep (Mid July-Aug)...and County work
- Replacing school bus turnaround at dead-end of Evergreen Dr.



***We now have monthly brush pickup the last full week of each month (May-Oct) with the new Grapple Loader Truck .***

### Police Department Wall Reconstruction

The repair of the old stone police shop wall on King Street was metal studded and covered with paneling by Working Foreman Keith Marshall and Laborer Josh Snyder. We are fortunate to be able to do these repairs in house with skilled laborers! Great work!



**Police Wall Before**

**Police Wall After**

### Surface Treatment/Water proofer & Fog Seal

College St., Evergreen (Clark St-Tot Lot), Fair St., and Spring St.

**Crack Sealing** — Streets to be determined.

### Chase Bank Parking Lot Reconstruction

The Chase Bank Parking lot reconstruction has been completed! New concrete curbing, blacktop, and paint striping.



***Thank you DPW & Sweeting Enterprises for completing this project quickly!***

## Zoning Code: What is it and Why Does it Matter? (also provided to Westside News)

The Village of Brockport Comprehensive Planning Committee, the Building Department, the Village Board, and our professional planners, Ingalls Planning, carefully considered what building and land use already exists, future use, and State and Federal requirements to propose changes to the zoning code. The purpose of these changes is to align the Village Zoning Code with the Village's Comprehensive Plan, as well as to comply with state and federal mandates.

The comprehensive plan and proposed zoning designations complement future development and current land uses; most people will not have a change to their zoning.

One of the basic tenets of our American society is land ownership and the right to access and use that property. As communities developed, it became apparent that not every possible land use blended well with neighboring uses. Nobody wants a pig farmer next door, but everyone wants bacon.

Zoning is the solution for bacon farmers. Communities don't adopt zoning laws to allow every possible use but to allow the uses in the best, most logical locations possible. Zoning laws create districts with varying names and permitted uses; basically, there are several main categories, including agricultural, residential, business, commercial, and industrial.

One problem with creating zoning districts is you have to draw a line on a map and, figuratively, on the ground to separate the zones and their allowed uses. The lines are not arbitrary.

Done well, drawing the lines is a forward-thinking process that includes future development.

There are *specifically allowed* uses for each category in the zoning code.

If you buy a piece of land in a residential zone, you'll likely have the right to build a house on a conforming lot and use the land in a residential manner. One expects to be allowed to conduct business in the business district, manufacture widgets in the industrial district, and so forth.

The Village of Brockport's current residential district zoning allows for single-family homes and places of worship. Obviously, there are other uses besides single-family homes and churches in the residential district. There are multifamily homes, professional offices, and apartment buildings. Why are these other uses in a zone restricted to single-family and places of worship? There are several reasons, but the two most common reasons are the use existed before the current zoning code or changes happened without the knowledge or consent of the Village. These days, governments and communities pay much closer attention to allowed uses than we did in the 1960s and 1970s.

There are Federal requirements for the Village to provide zoning for multifamily homes/ buildings, so we have to draw a line somewhere to include multifamily homes. The most logical place to draw the line is around the area with the highest density of existing multifamily homes. Zoning that disallows multifamily and other nonconforming uses didn't, and won't, make those uses go away. Including multifamily in a district doesn't mean existing infrastructure will change to multifamily. The zoning merely acknowledges what's there and that what's there occurred in response to demand. Our current code does not acknowledge multi-family homes and is therefore technically out of compliance with federal law.

In the same vein, Brockport has a Main St., with Main St. businesses, and side streets off Main St. also with businesses. We drew a line around those existing uses and called it the Main Street District. The same applies to our Industrial and Light Industrial districts—**they were already there.**

For existing nonconforming uses, the village (thankfully) cannot zone someone out of their home or out of business. Nonconforming uses are allowed to continue even if the property sells.

If your zoning changes from Residential to Mixed Neighborhood, where the former allows single-family, and the latter allows multifamily, it is because you are in the area with the highest multifamily density.

In essence, the village made small changes to the range of each existing district and added a Mixed Neighborhood District within the boundaries of the former Residential District (renamed the Neighborhood District in the new code).

There has been some expressed concern about the historically designated homes/buildings that are located in the proposed Mixed Neighborhood District. Significant exterior alterations cannot happen to a locally designated historic structure or building without approval of the Historic Preservation Board. This includes alterations to porches, garages, windows, doors, façades, major changes in landscaping, and any exterior construction or changes that would require a building permit. It would also apply to any new construction and/or additions onto an existing structure or building.

The proposed Municipal Code including Zoning Code & Map can be found here: <https://brockportny.org/draft-municipal-code/>

## Storable Swimming Pools

It is important for homeowners to understand that department store pools, also known as collapsible or blue pools, are subject to the same standards and regulations as traditional, installed "permanent" pools. According to the New York Residential Code, any structure intended for swimming capable of containing water over 24 inches deep is considered a swimming pool.



This means that department store pools must meet the same requirements as regular swimming pools, including barriers, locking gates, electrical issues, grounding and bonding issues, and proper maintenance. These regulations exist to prevent injuries and deaths, and it is important for homeowners to comply with them to ensure the safety of their family and guests (and, maybe uninvited guests).

Before purchasing a pool, it is important to do research and ask questions to ensure that the pool meets all relevant safety standards and regulations. Feel free to call us at 585-637-5300 ext. 114 for information and guidance on code requirements and proper installation and maintenance of your pool.

A permit is required for storable pools. Please note: inflatable frameless pools must be enclosed in an approved fence/barrier. Pools with metal frames can act as their own barrier if the frame is at least 48 inches high. Extension cords are not allowed for either type of storable pool. You must follow all of the instructions included with the storable pool.

## Code Rewrite Draft Completed



For the past two years, the Village Board and the Building Department worked closely with Ingalls Planning and Design to update the Zoning and Village Code.

The committee eliminated over 20 chapters, added graphics to illustrate hard-to-understand scenarios and deleted obsolete rules and regulations. It's a much better, easier-to-understand document.

The new code provides better access for individuals who don't read code for a living. This code will go before the Village Board for adoption during the summer months.

## Property Maintenance Inspections



The department is focusing on the southeast quadrant for property maintenance issues. That's the area east of Main St and south of State St.

Property values and ownership satisfaction depend on structures and yards that are maintained in good repair. The inspectors will be enforcing the minimum requirements outlined in the NYS Property Maintenance Code and the Village of Brockport Code.

The most common issues in Village are listed below to help you prepare for the upcoming inspections of your neighborhood.

### Exterior of Structures and General Maintenance

- The exterior of every structure and accessory structure, including fences, shall be maintained in good repair. Inspectors will be looking for things like siding materials maintained in good repair without holes, loose or rotting materials, or peeling paint. Roof systems must be in good repair, not worn or missing components.
- Every lot with a house or building must have a street number that is visible from the street. The numbers are required to be at least 4 inches high, mounted on a contrasting background.

### Exterior Property Areas

- Developed yards must be maintained so that lawns, hedges, and bushes aren't overgrown and unsightly. Unkept yards and grounds contribute to blight and impair the good residential character of the neighborhood.
- Junk, debris, garbage/trash, litter, and items customarily stored inside like car parts, tools, and personal possessions, including noxious or offensive materials, shall not be allowed to accumulate on a property.
- Garbage stored for collection shall be in approved, covered containers and have proper screening or enclosures so that the containers are not visible from the public view.
- Driveways are required





## Mayor Interviews New Brockport Businesses: CHPC & Buirch's Custom Cuts

An array of new businesses have opened recently in Brockport. The four featured here are some of them.



**CHPC**, located at 34 North Main Street in Brockport, originated in Medina in 2006 as a “break and fix” shop. The four current owners bought the business in 2019. I interviewed two of them, Joe D’Amore and Steve Davis. They opened their Brockport shop in March 2023, leasing the space next door to Allstate. CHPC was simply the original name of the business. “Doesn’t stand for anything,” Joe added.

Curious about what electronics niche they occupy given the presence of Agent Mobile and eCaboose in Brockport, I asked where their business fit in. “We don’t have a niche,” Joe responded, “We’re primarily commercial rather than residential; we work for factories, governments, police stations, doctors’ offices. We’re a managed service provider, operating behind the scenes.” Those services include cyber security, web hosting and web design, computer repair and live streaming. From their webcam located atop the Custom House, CHPC is graciously live streaming the 18-month Main Street bridge repair and rehab just as they have done for Albion’s Lift bridge repair. The live stream is posted on the village’s webpage at <https://brockportny.org/bridge/>

One half of CHPC’s shop is devoted to retail. It’s a small area, with real niche merchandise—Bluetooth beanies, STEM toys, a Rubix cube that pairs to your mobile phone, a solar powered battery pack. “A passion project, just for fun,” Joe smiled. See <https://chpcit.com> for a complete list of CHPC’s services.

### Buirch’s Custom Cuts

Turns out I was not the only Brockporter delighted to learn that the former Perfecto Cleaners, Christian Bookstore, Body by Summer, then Vapor World, is now Buirch’s Custom Cuts butcher shop, which opened the first of April.

The owner, Mike Buirch, a 2016 graduate of Brockport High School, comes to the butchery business with considerable experience, despite his youth. Mike worked for Flatlander Farms in Kent for several years, processing deer and domestic meats. He’s indebted to Jason Ricker, Flatlander’s owner, who “taught me everything I know.” Mike’s inspiration for the butcher shop was Ryan’s Market, a Brockport institution at the north end of the village for many years, known for its fresh meats and custom butchering. His goal—to sell good quality meat at a lower price. He moves 200-300 lbs of ribeye steaks in less than a week, at \$13.97 a pound, \$2.50 a pound cheaper than one local supermarket price.



The meats come from a USDA slaughterhouse, arriving fresh, and Mike does all the processing. The shop has two cases of fresh meats and a floor to ceiling bank of frozen beef, pork and chicken. He’s just purchased the machinery to do vacuum sealing for freezing meats, which will provide a freezer life of three years.

On Mike’s wish list:

- Participating in the World Butcher Challenge
- Adding to his current inventory duck, lamb, veal, possibly rabbit, and maybe even some exotics like big horn sheep
- Offering SNAP benefits; it’s a long wait after application
- Featuring different local farms as a “farm of the week”, offering deli meats, non GMO grassfed meats, organic meats and eventually being able to wholesale to local restaurants.



You can find Buirch’s Custom Cuts on Facebook.

## Mayor Interviews New Businesses: Soulshine & Bike Zone

### Soulshine

The sign on the door at 40 Clinton Street says it all—Healing Arts Wellness Center. It was pediatric nurse practitioner Shari Hogan’s dream, to offer a place to those who venture in that is all about healing through integrative medicinal practices that take the best from western and eastern medicine.

Shari herself provides personalized consults for those seeking alternative solutions to traditional western medical therapies. She offers mental health therapy for all ages but can only take insurance for children 21 and younger.

Wander in at 40 Clinton Street and you will discover yoga classes, Reiki, meditation, traditional massage therapy, evening art classes, and even consults with spirit mediums individually or in small groups—“to connect with people one has lost.”

The spacious main room at Soulshine is available for teaching and events as is the beautiful patio that opens to the Erie Canal. Shari sees Soulshine as a community hub: “There’s something for everyone here.”

### Bike Zone

When Russ Church shut the doors on Bicycle Outfitters December 31, 2022 after 25 years of operation, Brockport area cyclists and bike lovers were concerned. But soon, workers were sanding the floors, and the “Coming Soon” paper sign in the windows sported spokes on the “O’s”. And when the signs came down, Bike Zone, based in Greece for 26 years, had moved in. They held a grand opening on Saturday May 13. A cumulative exhale of relief as Brockport is back in the bike business.

I interviewed Lisa Silloway, who co-owns the shop with her husband Dave. They had received word in December from another bike shop owner in the area that Russ was closing in two days. They had no plans to take over the shop but Dave went to talk to Russ and 5 ½ hours later, Dave and Lisa had agreed to open a Bike Zone branch in Brockport. “How do you say no to it,” Lisa said. “We know what a bike shop means to this community.”

They saw the need more for hybrid bikes and mountain bikes because of the importance of the canal trail here. People still do want road bikes but the demand throughout the industry is down. The supply chain of bikes, a real problem during the pandemic, has opened up.

While we were talking a woman came in looking for a light, plain “normal” bike without gears, to ride from her home to her job at school. She was followed by a village resident checking on the status of his bike tuneup. Bikes belonging to the Welcome Center were lined up in the shop, just tuned up for the season.

What about eBikes, I asked. The market now is about 60/40 “regular” bikes to eBikes. “There’s lots of learning that goes with an eBike,” Lisa said, “the batteries for example.” It’s not the size, but the amps that matter.” eBikes are a big stigma to overcome for some purists but Lisa pointed out that an eBike widens the circle of bicyclists, taking away the limitations of hills, wind, and distance. Everyone can be a rider.

Bike Zone takes trade-ins and has a children’s trade-in policy guaranteeing ½ of the value of the trade-in applied to the next bike up in size.

Lisa and Dave bring their Bike Zone philosophy of owner/operator on site and available to Brockport. At the top of their list is the relationship to the community, and like the other three businesses I interviewed, Bike Zone is community focused. You can find them on Facebook or at [www.bikezonebikes.com](http://www.bikezonebikes.com).



Visit SouleShine online to see their full list of offerings:

[Soulshineforhealing.com](http://Soulshineforhealing.com)



Lisa Silloway with Porter, a sheltie-poodle mix. “An ankle-biter, the worst shop dog ever,” Lisa exclaimed, adding “it’s sweet that the bike shop dog stays.”



## Tourism, Welcome Center, Historian/ELK Museum

**Tourism** brings economic development and creates a community identity. There are several reasons why tourism is a good industry to build, even in a small community like ours.

- There is low start up cost. No new infrastructure is needed.
- Tourism supports local jobs; purchases made by tourists support local businesses and their employees.
- Tourism dollars create “new” money in a community because these visitors spend their money and depart, don’t burden the community with additional infrastructure needs and are in addition to local resident dollars being spent.

Dr. Rehnuma Karim, faculty at SUNY Brockport was quoted in *Brockport Today* as noting “academic research supports the fact that festivities play a large role in building a positive spirit and establishing meaningful community relationships.”

### **Bringing tourism dollars to our community is good for our residents, and so is fostering a community spirit and building meaningful relationships.**

Celebrations hosted by the village include LBHW, Arts Festival, On the Canals Excursions, and Holiday of Lights Parade, thanks to the Stetson Club, and Serenade Concert Series thanks to the Serenade Committee. The BMA hosts the Sidewalk Sale, Midnight Madness, and Brockstock. All of these festivals, no matter the size, add to our sense of place, and provide positive benefits .

Cultural heritage is one of the fastest growing specialty markets in the tourism industry. This includes experiencing the charm of a local community and its traditions, history, spaces and values. Brockport has a lot to offer and we are working together to share what is wonderful about our village and support our community’s health through these celebrations.



### **Brockport Welcome Center — Tourism Hub**

The Brockport Welcome Center is a hub of activities for the Village, serving as the start and end points for kayak excursions, community bike rides, winter snow shoeing and community clean up events. The Welcome Center is the host of the Summer Serenades concert series each July (Thursdays at 7pm) and August (Thursdays at 6:30pm), the Low Bridge High Water Festival, Brockstock and more! It is also where boaters and cyclists traveling the Erie Canal linger and connect with Brockport Ambassadors, volunteers who share the best that Brockport has to offer with canal tourists. We hope you will consider joining us as an Ambassador or as an event participant. Contact Director Susan Smith at [welcomecenter@brockportny.org](mailto:welcomecenter@brockportny.org) or stop in, 12pm-6pm, at 11 Water Street.



### **Meet Fiona Stockdale, New Historian & ELK Director**

Fiona, a Department of History Masters degree student at SUNY Brockport, is the 6th Village Historian to serve Brockport, and surely the youngest. She also serves as the Emily Knapp Museum & Library of Local History (ELK) Director. Her undergraduate degree is also from Brockport, in secondary Education with a concentration in history and a minor in coaching (she was a soccer player here).

She completed an undergraduate thesis on Southern women, debunking the theory that they were basically passive during the civil war. Fiona is not sure what her MA thesis will be on, but she is enjoying exploring several topics that are of interest to her.

Fiona volunteered at the Emily L Knapp Museum and the Morgan Manning House, coming under the influence and mentorship of Sue Savard (ELK) and Rozenn Bailleul-LeSuer, (MMH). Both positions were her first working introduction to museums and she fell in love with local history.

As village historian, Fiona is particularly interested in reaching a younger audience, especially college students, and in collaborating with SUNY Brockport. She manages the ELK website and believes social media is the best way to reach that college aged audience. She also sees social media as a means making the ELK more accessible to a wider non-local public.

Fiona has her eye on eventually completing a PhD in history, ideally at the U of R which would allow her to continue to develop her skills as village historian. But right now she’s looking forward to the summer and immersing herself in Brockport history.





## Brockport Arts Festival: August 12 & 13

The Brockport Arts Festival is back and celebrating its 27th year on August 12 and 13, 2023! After an incredibly successful festival in 2022, the Village of Brockport is pleased to host the festival and will be accepting artist applications until June 15. Featuring over 150 artists and crafters, delectable festival food, and talented musicians and entertainment, the Brockport Arts Festival has been a staple on the Western New York festival scene for over a quarter of a century.

We are pleased to continue offering traditional favorite features and to shine the light on our amazing community. This year's festival is being sponsored by many community partners. The entertainment line up includes Wren Cove, Dave Knaut, The Road Less Travelled, Rudy Dean, Beat Advisory, and The Joey Stempien Big Band. Exhibitions will be performed by Body By Summer and the Brockport School of Dance and Performing Arts.

Arts Festival After Dark is back for its second year and is featuring TWO bands. The concert will begin at 4:30pm on Saturday August 12. Black Robin Band will get the party started and North 43 will begin around 8pm. This concert will take place at the Canalside Stage at the north end of the festival.



**Canandaigua National Bank & Trust**

Canandaigua National Bank is sponsoring the Morgan Manning House Stage, Canalside Stage, and the Arts Festival After Dark! Thank you to CNB and our other valued sponsors for investing in our community!



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### Main Street Happenings

While the Main Street Bridge is out of use, we intend to make the most of this difficult situation. We invite you, your friends, your family, to come join us ON MAIN!

#### DINNERS ON MAIN, 5-8pm:

- June 10th night of the LBHW Festival
- July 15th night of the Sidewalk Sale
- August 12th night of the Arts Festival
- September 9th night of Brockstock
- October 7th night of SUNY Homecoming

Tables, chairs, **live music**, outdoor string lights, pendants  
An inviting atmosphere—order from your favorite

#### FARMERS MARKET ON MAIN 8am-1pm:

- Sundays, June 18th — October 29th
- Veggies, fruit, baked goods, honey, flowers, meats, eggs, canned goods, pickles, and more!

**Live Music! Community Spirit! Support Local!**

Follow all updates & announcements on our website, My Brockport Village App

**SUMMER SERENADES: JULY 13 — AUGUST 31** Performance Line-up coming in June at [www.brockportny.org](http://www.brockportny.org)  
**JULY AT 6:30PM / AUGUST AT 7PM** Location: Welcome Center or Rain Location: St. Luke's Church



## Save the Date! Solar Eclipse: April 8, 2024

On April 8, 2024, a rare once in a lifetime total solar eclipse will pass through the Village of Brockport. Even more exciting, the centerline of totality, 100% darkness, passes through the Village for 3 minutes and 44 seconds., at 3:20pm.

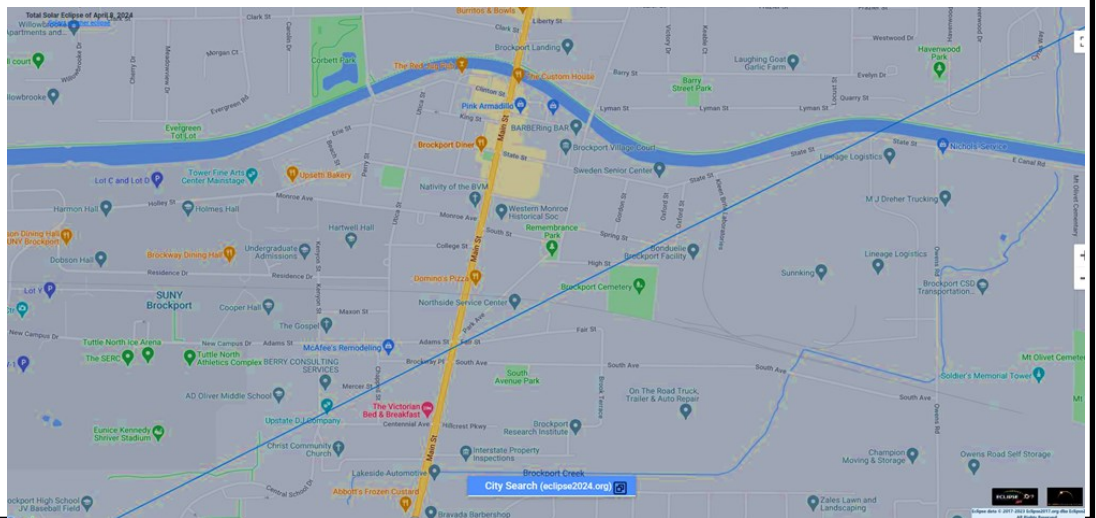
During the eclipse, temperatures will drop, animals will act as if it is nightfall, and stars will be visible. The next total solar eclipse in Brockport will occur in 120 years, October 26, 2144, for your grandchildren's grandchildren to experience.

Thinking ahead: On that Monday, residents should avoid all non-essential appointments, elective surgeries, meetings, etc. Plan for significant increased traffic and visitors from out of the area. When purchasing solar eclipse viewing glasses, it is important the glasses are ISO certified.

More Information: [www.rochestereclipse2024.org](http://www.rochestereclipse2024.org) [www.greatamericaneclipse.com](http://www.greatamericaneclipse.com)

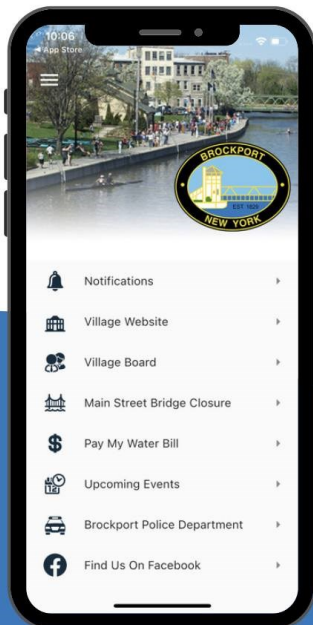
The Centerline of Totality is represented with the blue line, from the bottom left moving diagonally to the top right on the map.

The line will cross Main St. (the orange road) near the 5 corners of Main, Fair, Park, Adams and South.



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### Stay up to date on all things

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## The Water Corner



Did you know you can pay your water bill online? Head to the Village website at [www.brockportny.org](http://www.brockportny.org). Then under Quick Links, click on Pay My Water Bill.

Your account number is 10 digits followed by .01 For example: 0000001234.01

Great News! You can now use [PayPal](#) to pay your water bill.

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### Village Taxes will be mailed May 31, 2023.

Payments are typically due July 1st, which this year is a Saturday. Due to the Fourth of July Holiday and the Village Offices being closed both Monday and Tuesday, July 3-4, the **due date is Wednesday July 5th.**

The Village allows two equal installments to be made, July 5 and August 1. Tax bills can be found online at [www.brockportny.org](http://www.brockportny.org) under Quick Links / Property Taxes or call Village Hall for assistance (585)-637-5300. Payments made after the due date/s will be subject to penalties. If paying in installments, you **MUST MAKE THE FIRST INSTALLMENT** in order to avoid penalties. You may pay in person at 127 Main St., via mail, dropbox, or drive-up window.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The backdoor to Village Hall is now limited for those needing assistance via the ramp or for deliveries and is locked. Please ring the doorbell, someone will open the door as soon as they are able. All others encouraged to use the front door.

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**Inclusive On the Canals Excursions—Sign up on EventBrite:**

**Kayaking**

**Community Bicycling Rides & Repair Workshop**

**Create on the Canals: Tween Maker Space, Terrarium Building,  
Plein Air Painting**

**Adaptive Equipment available, pre-registration required for all  
equipment:**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/kayaking-and-cycling-events-in-brockport-2151249>

**Registration for Create on the Canals workshops will open soon, check  
[www.brockportny.org](http://www.brockportny.org) for a link or EventBrite for Brockport events.**

**Thank you to NYPA and the Canal Corporation for your continued support!**



# Low Bridge High Water

BROCKPORT, NY  
Canal Opening Festival

*A Village of Brockport Signature Event*

Try a kayak—it's free!



Saturday, June 10th  
at the adaptive  
kayak launch.

## *Brockport - 200 Years on the Erie Canal*

### **Friday, June 9, 2023**

6-8 pm ~ Hart Gallery 27 ~ 27 Market Street

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade Poster Contest** ~ all entries on display, Friday & Saturday

**Illustrated Talk at 7pm: Bruce Leslie & Margay Blackman**

### **Saturday, June 10, 2023**

11am-3pm ~ Brockport Welcome Center ~ 11 Water Street

**Welcome & Dedication of Interperative Panel: Park Ave Lift Bridge**

**Naming of Brockport's Mule ~ 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Poster Awards ~**

**Dedication of Seneca Chief Free Little Library**

**Music by Sonni Amoroso ~ Heart Strings ~ GypsyLand**

**Bicycle Skills Rodeo** ~ Brockport Police Dept, Brockport & Hamlin Lions Clubs & Monroe County Office of Traffic Safety will provide helmets for those in need – up to 50 helmets!

**Mini-Makerspace boat building** with BoB LeSuer

**Strawberry Shortcake** by Kiwanis Club ~ **Hots & Chips** by Lions Club



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