



# Town of Alden

## November Newsletter



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### *From Supervisor Rick Savage*

The Town's 2019 Budget should be adopted on November 5. We were able to stay under the New York State mandated tax cap.



We opened the refuse collection, recycling collection and processing, and white good/bulky pickup bids on October 19. Out of three possible

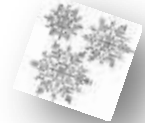
bidders, we had bids from two companies. Both bids are significantly higher than our current costs. Our bid specifications requested prices on doing exactly what we are currently doing, and two other options which would provide large rolling carts for garbage which would have to be utilized and would become Town property, (similar to our current recycling carts but larger) and a reduction of the times bulky wastes are collected to either four times or twice annually, with no limit on the number of bulky items put out. (currently 1 item per week is allowed). These bid options were designed to hopefully provide both the lowest possible cost, improve service, reduce collection complaints, and improve public health by providing containers that act as barriers to the spread of vermin. The bids have a range of approximate per unit costs of \$208 to \$218. The Town Board and the Town Attorney are reviewing the bids and will make a decision in the near future.

As a side note, in work session discussions with the bidders as we reviewed bids, it was pointed out that some Towns, Clarence for example, do not have a Town-wide collection district. Instead, residents must contract individually and prices are currently approximately \$300 plus.

On behalf of all Town employees and Elected Officials, I would like to both wish you and your loved ones a Happy Thanksgiving, and extend our great appreciation to all Veterans.

### *Winter Parking Law in Effect*

It is that time of year; motorists are reminded that from November 1st to May 1st parking on town and village highways is prohibited from 2:00am until 6:00pm. Vehicles parked on the highways during these hours may be ticketed or towed.



### *Election Day, Tues. Nov 6<sup>th</sup>*



Election Day is this coming Tuesday. This is your right to participate in selecting those that should represent you. Polling Places are open from 6:00am to 9:00pm. If you are not sure where your polling place is located, you can call the Town Hall at 937-6969, ext. 1.

### *Winter Recreation Schedule*

Yes we know, winter is coming but, that isn't any reason to stay inside. The Town of Alden Recreation Department has released their schedule for winter programs. Activities are planned for adults, children and families; with women's volleyball, men's basketball or floor hockey, youth basketball, family swim nights or adult lap swimming. For more information contact Recreation Director, Dan Moultrup, 937-7393 or visit the Town website at [www.alden.erie.gov](http://www.alden.erie.gov).

### *Town Closures during November*

As a reminder the Town Hall will be closed for Veterans' Day, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> and for Thanksgiving on Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### *Volunteer Needed*

The Town of Alden is seeking a volunteer who would be interested in leading a weekly low impact, Erie County designed, senior exercise program on Tuesdays in the Senior/Community Center. The program involves less than hour per week; each class is 45 minutes. If interested, please contact Recreation Director Dan Moultrup via the Town Hall Supervisor's Office, 716-937-9286 X3

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	
 <p>Please come and enjoy a wonderful, nutritious meal served at one of 45 dining sites located throughout ERIE COUNTY.</p> <p>Please give <b>48 hour</b> notice if <b>ordering</b> or <b>cancelling</b> meals.</p> <p>Suggested Meal donation: <b>\$3.00</b> All donations are confidential; nobody is denied a meal due to an inability to pay. All meals served with 1% or 2% milk. Coffee Hot tea and water are free.</p> <p>For Dining Site Information or Locations Call or Email 858-7639 <a href="http://www.erie.gov/stayfit">www.erie.gov/stayfit</a></p>	<p>This year marks the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day, now known as <b>Veterans Day</b>, an observance of the end of World War I, Nov. 11, 1918. <b>Veterans Day is Observed Sun. Nov. 11</b></p> 		 <p><b>Alden Comm./Sr. Center</b> 13115 W. Main St.</p> <p>To <b>order</b> or <b>cancel</b> lunch call: ~Beverly Weisbecker 937-4018 Call 207-1640 ~Community Center on Tues., Wed. or Thurs. 10 AM to 1 PM 937-4280</p> <p><b>RINGO</b> Tuesday 12:45 PM <b>GAMES/CARDS</b> Rummy, Trivial Pursuit, Uno 1st &amp; 3rd Thursdays 12:30 PM Pat Holmes 288-3755</p> <p><b>CERAMICS</b> Thursday 9 AM <b>ALDEN SENIOR VAN</b> Tues, Wed., Thurs. To Schedule Call Senior Van Call: 480-6532 Driver: Joyce Eastland</p> <p><b>ALDEN SENIOR TRAVEL</b> 11/26 to 11/28 Two Plays: "Jesus" and "The First Noel", Lancaster, PA Helen at 937-6722 Louise at 937-3466</p> <p><b>ALDEN SENIOR CLUB MEETINGS:</b> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday</p>	
	<p><b>6 Beef Stew</b> Mashed Potatoes Biscuit Tropical Fruit Cup (870)</p>	<p><b>7 Chicken Breast</b> Breaded and Gravy Rice Pilaf Broccoli Apple Juice Peach Bavarian (748)</p>	<p><b>8 Meatloaf</b> with Gravy AuGratin Potatoes Peas, Wheat Roll Gelatin with Fruit (702)</p>	<p><b>1 Sweet &amp; Sour Chicken</b> over White Rice Spinach, Wax Beans Diced Peaches (602)</p>
	<p><b>13 Meatballs</b> with Gravy over Pasta California Blend Vegetables Grape Juice (884) Oatmeal Raisin Cookies</p>	<p><b>14 Chef Side Salad</b> Breaded Chicken Drumsticks Cauliflower Chef Salad w/ Dressing Cornbread Rice Krispie Square (763)</p>	<p><b>15 ENTRÉE SALAD</b> Julienne Salad with Classique Dressing Wheat Bread Fresh Orange Chocolate Milk (828)</p>	<p><b>22 No Meals Served</b></p> 
	<p><b>20 Thanksgiving Meal</b> Sliced Turkey w/ Stuffing &amp; Gravy Mashed Potatoes Green Beans w/ Red Pepper, Dinner Roll Cranberry Gelatin Salad Pumpkin Pie w/ Whipped Topping (1061)</p>	<p><b>21 Ham Steak</b> with Pineapple Sauce Brussels Sprouts Seasoned Mashed Squash, Rye Bread Chocolate Frosted Brownie (733)</p>	<p><b>29 Roast Beef</b> Sliced with Gravy Sour Cream &amp; Chive Mashed Potatoes Harvard Beets Wheat Roll (857) Frosted Yellow Cake</p>	
	<p><b>27 Cabbage Roll</b> with Savory Meatsauce Garlic Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Multigrain Bread Diced Peas (713)</p>	<p><b>28 Chicken Breast</b> Boneless with Gravy Mashed Sweet Potatoes Broccoli Rye Bread Lemon Vanilla Pudding (701)</p>		

### Senior News

**November 12** – Monday, Senior Thanksgiving Dinner at the Whistle Stop – eat at Noon. Menu: Turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls and butter, dessert, coffee or tea. Member cost is \$10 – Non-member is \$15. Reservations required. Contact Donna at 937-6297 by November 2, 2018.

**November 14** – Member meeting, Community Center, 1:00pm. Sign-in begins at 12:30PM. NOTE: This will be our November B-Day celebration with PIE.

**November 28** – Member meeting, Community Center, 1:00pm. Sign-in begins at 12:30PM.

**Note:** To attend these meetings, you must be an active member of the Alden Citizen Seniors Club. Feel free to join us at any time; membership fee is \$7.

**Bowling** – could use a few more members every Thursday – arrive at Noon begin bowling at 12:30pm. Cost is only \$9 for three games. To join – contact Monica at 937-6593. You DO NOT need be a member of the Alden Seniors to join the bowling league.

### The History of Veterans' Day

World War I – known at the time as "The Great War" - officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919, in the Palace of Versailles outside the town of Versailles, France. However, fighting ceased seven months earlier when an armistice or temporary cessation of hostilities, between the Allied nations and Germany went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, November 11, 1918, is generally regarded as the end of "the war to end all wars."

In November 1919, President Wilson proclaimed November 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day with the following words: "To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations..."

The original concept for the celebration was for a day observed with parades and public meetings and a brief suspension of business beginning at 11:00 a.m. The United States Congress officially recognized the end of World War I when it passed a concurrent resolution on June 4, 1926.