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Code Enforcement

Fire Marshal - Andrew Vorndran

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This issue's photograph of an "Eastern Screech Owl roosting in a maple tree hollow" was submitted by Webster resident Jill Heimrich.

## Thank You to Each of our Readers Who Have Submitted Photographs!

Be sure to look for the next Webster Wildlife photo in the October issue of *Webster Today*...and, please keep emailing us your photos! Send them to [webstertodayproduction@gmail.com](mailto:webstertodayproduction@gmail.com).

# WEBSTER TOWN SUPERVISOR



**Thomas J. Flaherty**  
Town Supervisor

My Webster Friends,

Happy belated 4th of July!

I think we can all agree that you really appreciate "sunny and 75" when you live in the Northeastern United States. Summer is an active time for the citizens of Webster. Our winter hibernation is officially over and we enjoy all that being outside offers. In many ways, the past few years the Town of Webster has been experiencing a "summer of its own" ripe with activity. It's an exciting time to live, work, play and go to school in Webster!

After 30 years of decline in activity and employees at the Xerox campus in East Webster, Tessy Plastics' purchase of 110 acres and 1.5 million square feet of buildings in June 2022 initiated the life associated with spring. Now, with the announcement this May that Coca Cola/fairlife is building a plant on 100 acres on Tebor Road, I think we are entering a new **Summer for Webster**.

I'm certainly biased, but why wouldn't a company want

to build or relocate to Webster? We have so much to offer with respect to quality of life for the company, its employees and their families.

Momentum builds momentum. Tessy's and Coca Cola's investments in Webster may spur further revitalization of our industrial areas over the next five years, including the 700+ acre Xerox campus.

Absolutely a GREAT time to live, work, play and go to school in Webster!

As always, I would love to hear from you!

Sincerely,

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## WEBSTER TOWN BOARD



**Patricia Cataldi**  
Town Councilwoman  
Deputy Supervisor  
12 Years of Service



**William Abbott**  
Town Councilman  
14 Years of Service



**John Cahill**  
Town Councilman  
3 Years of Service



**Ginny Nguyen**  
Town Councilwoman  
Elected in 2021



## 2023 CONSTRUCTION RESUMED IN MARCH AND SO FAR THE FOLLOWING HAS BEEN COMPLETED

- The shade structure overlooking Lake Ontario was completed.
- Installation of the floodwall on Irondequoit Bay is underway.
- Overhead power lines were removed improving the views of Irondequoit Bay.
- Installation of the rooftop launch has begun on the West side of the park on the Irondequoit Bay side.
- The natural play structures have arrived, and installation has begun on the North side of Lake Road.
- The new public restroom facility should be delivered and installed on the North side of Lake Road by printing time of this publication.



# SANDBAR PARK BEGINNING TO TAKE SHAPE

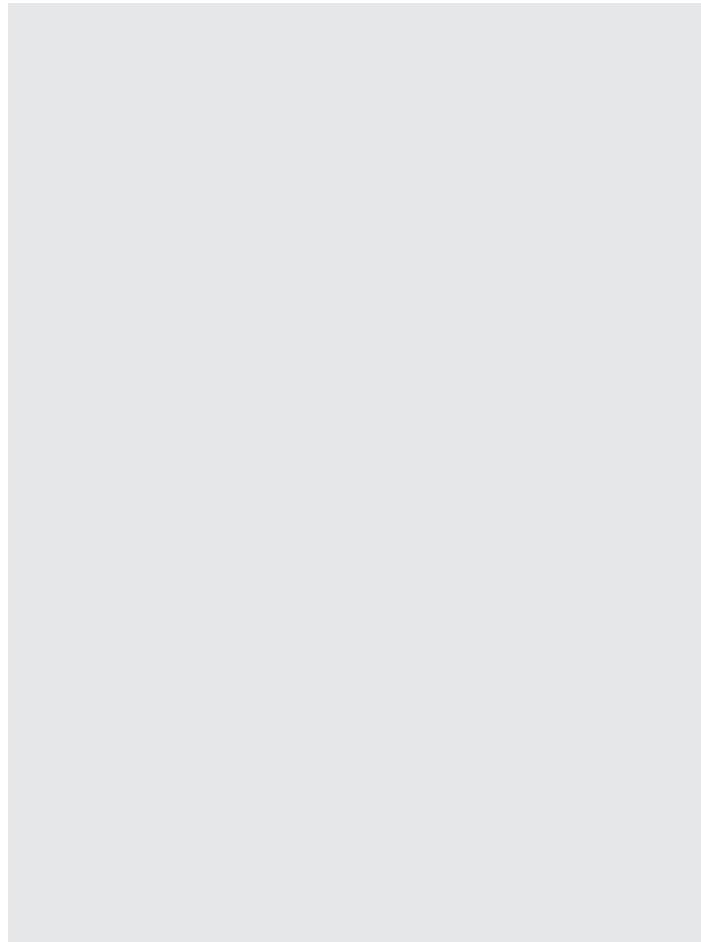
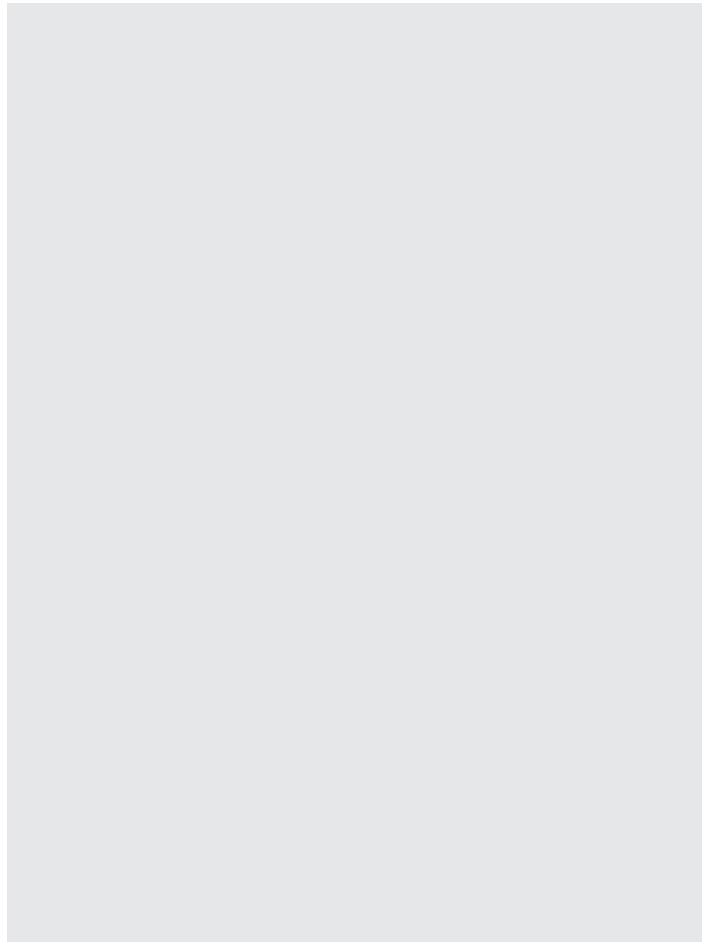
## *An Update from The Town of Webster*

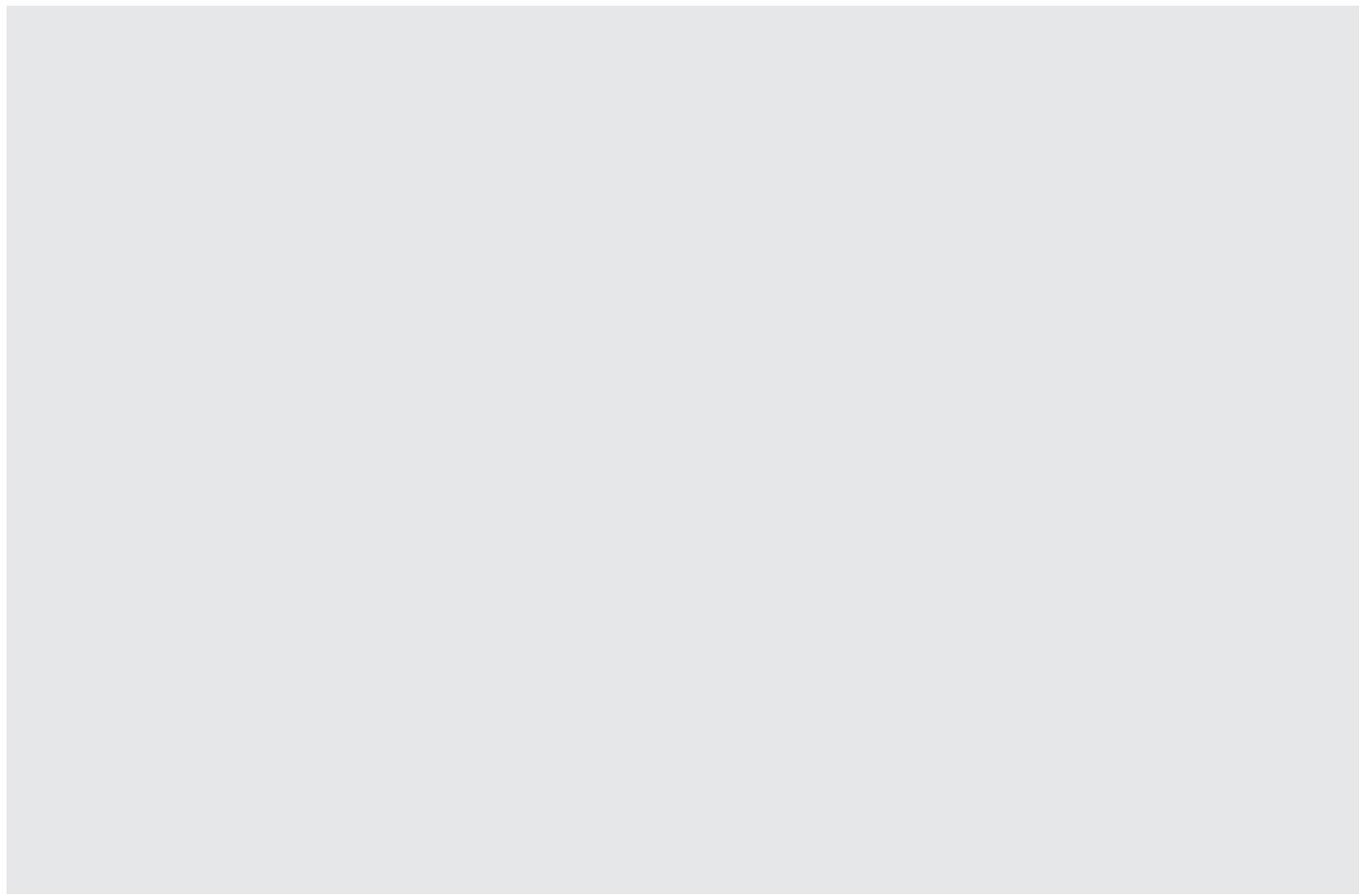
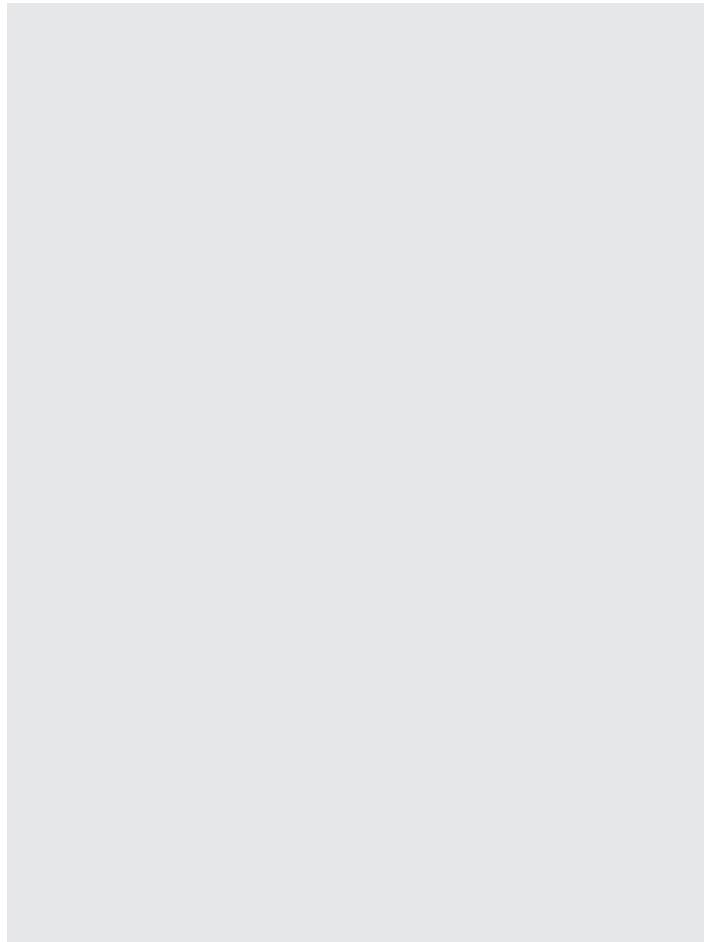
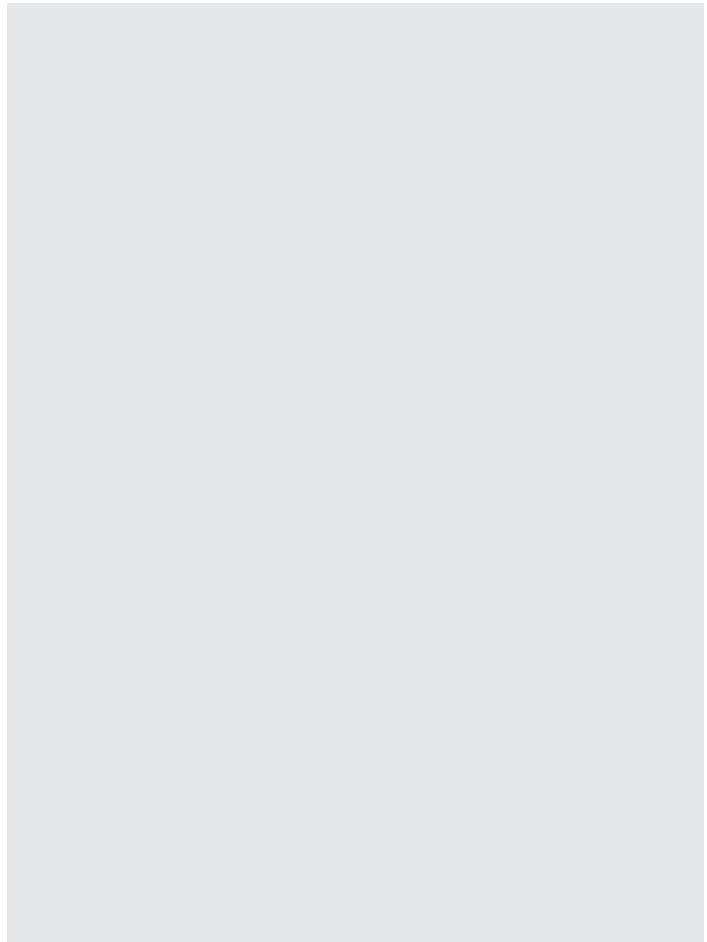
The Sandbar Park location continues to take shape into what will undoubtedly be one of the region's finest and most scenic public park. With spectacular views of BOTH Irondequoit Bay and Lake Ontario the Town Park will be a destination for residents and their families for years to come. Construction will continue through the summer with anticipation of a Fall grand opening to the park. Please continue to obey signs and the request to stay out of the park area until construction wraps up and public access is again reinstated.

Many new updates have taken place so far in 2023! With respect to a restaurant update, the Town is in talks with a potential restauranteur for operation of a restaurant/bar at Sandbar Park and as progress is made on an agreement the Town will notify the community of the details and specifics related to the possible operation.

An official reopening of the park will be announced by the Town once construction is completed. Residents should stay tuned to the Town website for future announcements and grand opening information.

This project was prepared with funding provided by the NYS DOS under Title 11 of the Environmental Protection Fund. Funding also provided through the REDI and other sources.  
For continued updates be sure to visit the  
Town of Webster website at [ci.webster.ny.us/522/Sandbar-Park-Project](http://ci.webster.ny.us/522/Sandbar-Park-Project).







## WEBSTER TOWN COURT

# Seppeler Named Webster's New Town Court Justice

Judge Christine Seppeler was appointed by the Town Board to serve as a Webster Town Court Justice this past January. As a Town Justice, she presides over various matters, including criminal cases, vehicle and traffic matters, landlord-tenant disputes, small claim controversies and Town Code violations. She also works as the Principal Law Clerk to a State Supreme Court Justice as legal counsel to the Court.

After being admitted to the New York Bar, she worked for a small law firm specializing in civil litigation. Thereafter, Judge Seppeler served as an Assistant Public Defender in Monroe County where she represented many hundreds of criminally-accused clients, litigating matters in both the trial and appellate courts. After several years of working as a trial attorney, Judge Seppeler was appointed by a Monroe County Court Judge to act as the Principal

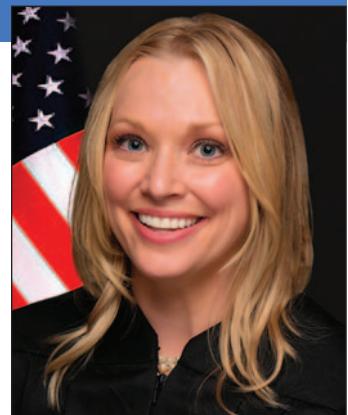
Law Clerk in a combined civil and criminal part. She was also an adjunct at SUNY Brockport where she taught constitutional law, mock trial, moot court and legal studies. She is the former Chair of the Criminal Justice Section of the Monroe County Bar Association and she remains an active member with the Monroe County Bar Association.

Her legal experience is a mix of criminal and civil law, trial and appellate practice, and is based upon her capacities as an advocate for clients and legal counsel to the courts.

Judge Seppeler grew up in neighboring Wayne County, in the Village of Newark. She graduated from St. John Fisher University with a bachelor's degree in political

science and went on to earn her juris doctor from the University of Dayton School of Law. She lives in Webster with her family, and during her free time, she can be found with her family, her friends, or walking her dog in one of the many beautiful Webster parks.

"I am deeply humbled and honored to serve as a Town Justice. It is a privilege to work with a dedicated staff committed to ensuring justice not only to each person who steps into the courthouse but the entire community of Webster."



Judge Christine Seppeler



2023

## WEBSTER FIREMAN'S CARNIVAL

JULY  
12-15  
Wed-Sun

RIDES | GAMES | FOOD  
ENTERTAINMENT NIGHTLY @ 8 PM

CARNIVAL GROUNDS  
172 Sanford Street | Webster, NY

FOR SCHEDULE & INFO VISIT  
[www.NEJFD.org](https://www.NEJFD.org)

WEDNESDAY : CRAFT BEER NIGHT  
THURSDAY : ANNUAL PARADE | BAND NORTH OF 40  
FRIDAY : ZAC BROWN TRIBUTE BAND  
SATURDAY : KIDDIE PARADE | NIGHT PATROL BAND | FIREWORKS





# The Webster

# GarlicFest is Back!



After a three-year break, Webster will again host the largest garlic festival in the area, and we are more than ready for a Stinkin' Good Time.

The Webster Garlic Fest will be September 9-10, at the Webster Rec Center. The event is so large, it will be held inside, and on the back lawn. Vendors range from garlic growers, jewelry, pottery, cloth-

ing, home decor, wineries, spices, infused oils, sauces, music, and everything in between. Oh, and lots of food trucks. In other words, come hungry.

Many booths will have samples to taste, so you'll be able to see if that sauce is Ghost Pepper hot, or just a little heat. Cooking with garlic, braiding garlic, crafts, and other demonstrations, inside and out,

will be held both days. The Webster Garlic Fest is the perfect place to do all your holiday shopping. Vendors from all over the state and beyond, will be there with one-of-a-kind items not seen anywhere else.

**September 9-10  
at the  
Webster Recreation  
Center**

WEBSTER PARKS & RECREATION 2023 MUD RUN  
Run Through the mud...just for fun!  
AT THE WEBSTER RECREATION CENTER  
OBSTACLE COURSE & FITNESS TRAIL

**SATURDAY**

**9.  
23.  
23.**  
10 AM - 12 PM

*Bigger and better than last year!*

**FAMILY FRIENDLY: AGES 5 +**

**15 MINUTE WAVES BEGIN @10:00 AM**

**\$5 INCLUDES SWAG, MUD, FUN & FOOD  
T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE**

**NON-COMPETITIVE, ADAPTIVE 1 MILE RUN**

**REGISTER FOR PROGRAM # 301201**

**1350 CHIYODA DRIVE**

**WEBSTER, NY 14580**

[WEBSTERNY.GOV/104/PARKS-RECREATION](http://WEBSTERNY.GOV/104/PARKS-RECREATION)



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**INTERESTED IN BEING A BUSINESS SPONSOR FOR THIS EVENT? CONTACT JAY AT [JVERNA@WEBSTERNY.GOV](mailto:JVERNA@WEBSTERNY.GOV)**

Want more information? Know a vendor who might be interested? Go to [www.WebsterGarlicFest.com](http://www.WebsterGarlicFest.com). Then join us September 9-10 for a weekend of Garlicious Fun!



# The Coca-Cola Company Plans to Build a fairlife® Milk Production Facility in Webster, New York

fairlife® LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Coca-Cola Company, plans to construct a new production facility in Webster. The project is located at the east end of Tebor Road and is expected to source from local milk co-operatives to produce fairlife's high-quality, dairy-based beverages before distributing them to retailers across the region. The proposed facility represents a \$650 million investment by The Coca-Cola Company and is expected to employ around 250 people. Groundbreaking and construction of the new facility are expected to begin in Q4 2023, following due diligence and appropriate approvals. The facility is anticipated to be operational beginning in Q4 2025.

Founded in 2012, fairlife has designed a line of products that are made through an ultra-filtered milk process that removes the lactose and much of the sugar and leaves behind more of the protein. The company offers a wide range of products including fairlife® ultra-filtered milk, Core Power® protein shakes, and fairlife® Nutrition Plan® meal

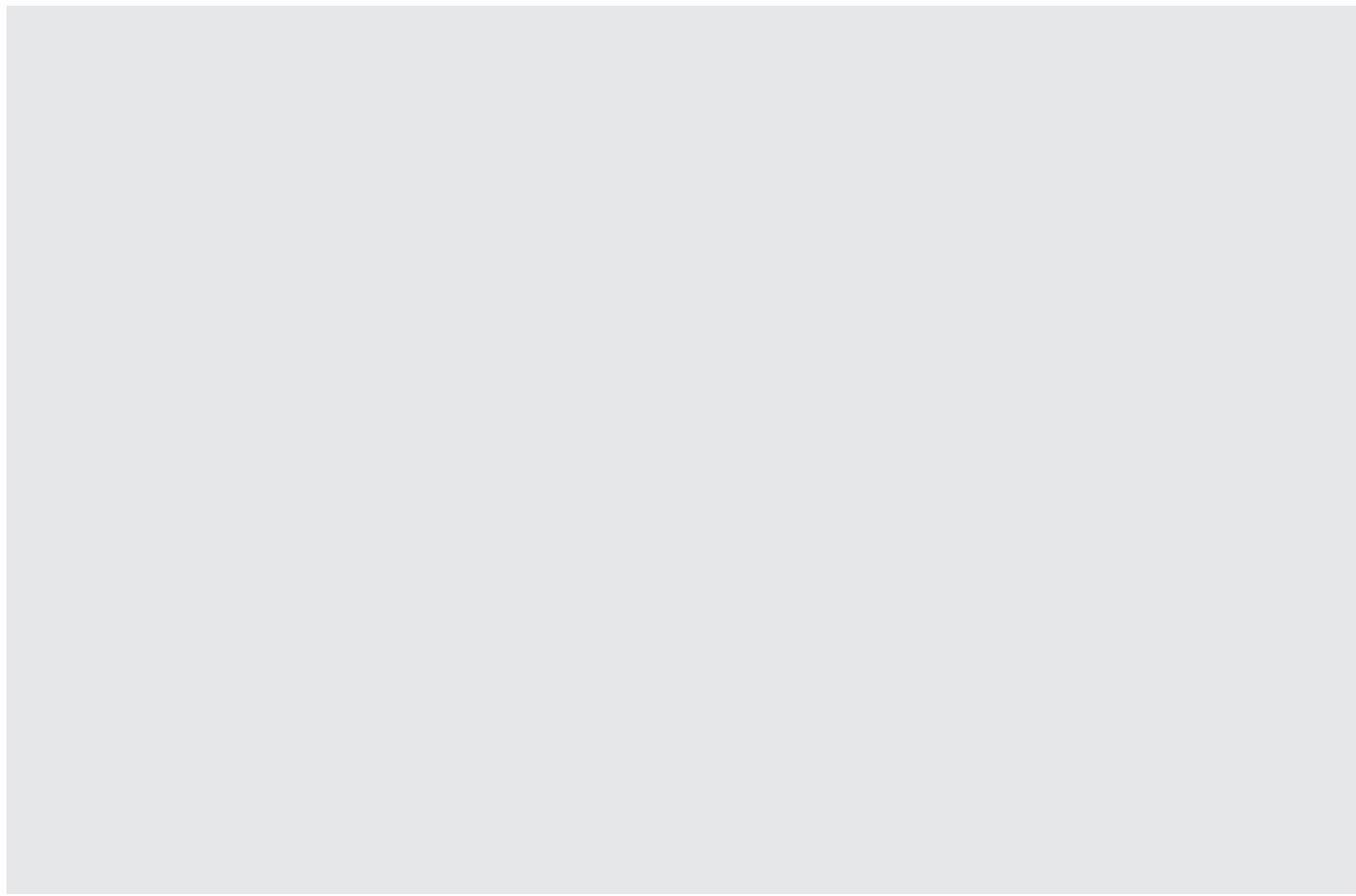
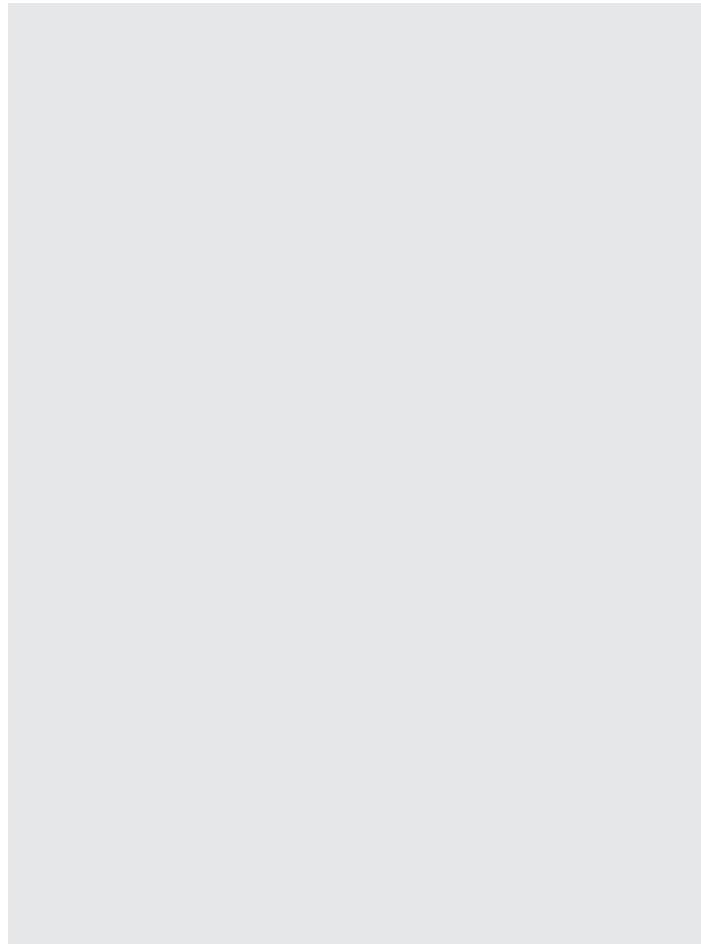
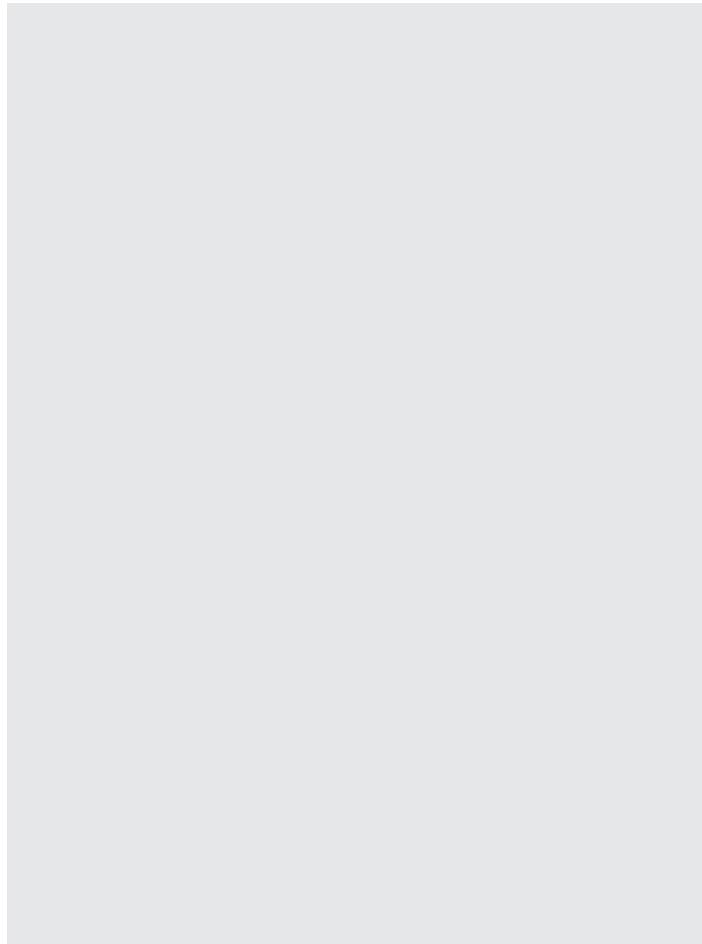
replacement shakes. The Coca-Cola Company has been a strategic partner to fairlife since it was launched in 2012 through the company's ultimate acquisition of it in 2020.

*"Consumer demand for fairlife products is at an all-time high, and a new production facility will allow us to significantly increase capacity and deliver fairlife to even more households across the country. As we continue to grow in the Northeast, Webster's proximity and access to best-in-class dairy farmers make it an excellent location to support our next phase of growth in the region and beyond. We are sincerely grateful for the collaboration from Governor Hochul and her administration throughout this process."*

- Tim Doelman, fairlife CEO







# Route 104 Access Road Paving to Begin



The one area of Western New York that feels winter's wrath more than most is our roads.

Roadway deterioration is often impacted by wet, snowy, cold weather resulting in what is commonly known as "freeze/thaws" by NYSDOT workers. The additional (and heavy) usage of salt also plays a role in the creation of pot holes, cracks and consistent wear and tear.

There is good news for Webster residents as Route 104 access roads will be fully repaved. This project will NOT just spot treat pot holes but instead be a full resurface project. Work is expected to be completed by late fall of 2023.

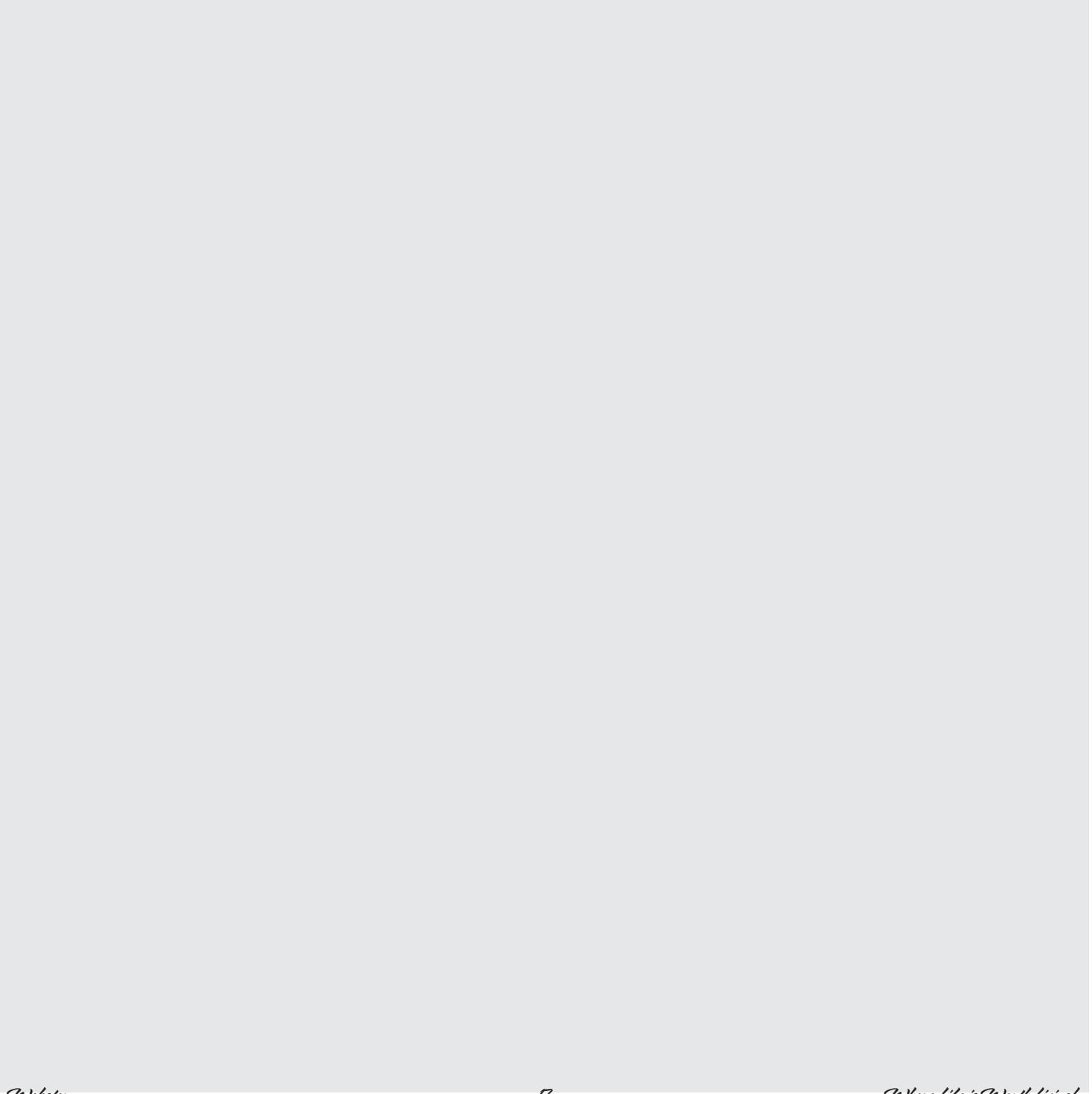
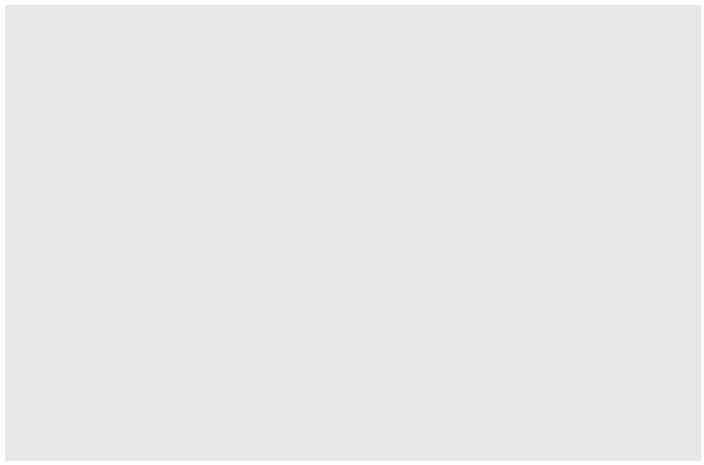
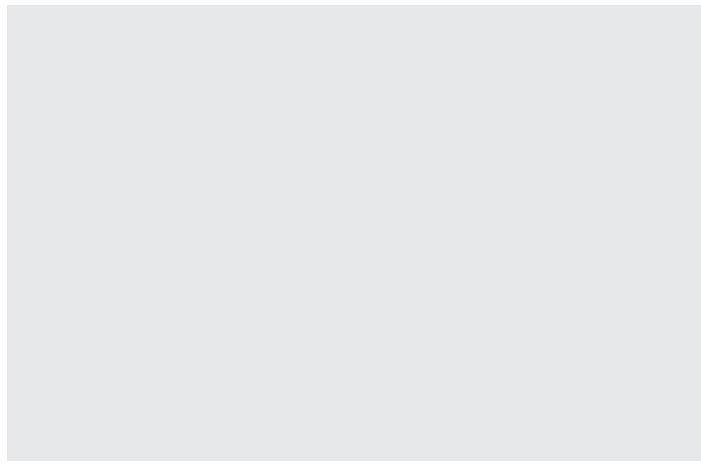
The paving of access ramps and roads provides limited work area for NYSDOT employees - so, as always, we ask you to be aware of workers and employees. Take caution, slow down and move over (as much as you are able) in these restricted work areas - especially during work hours.

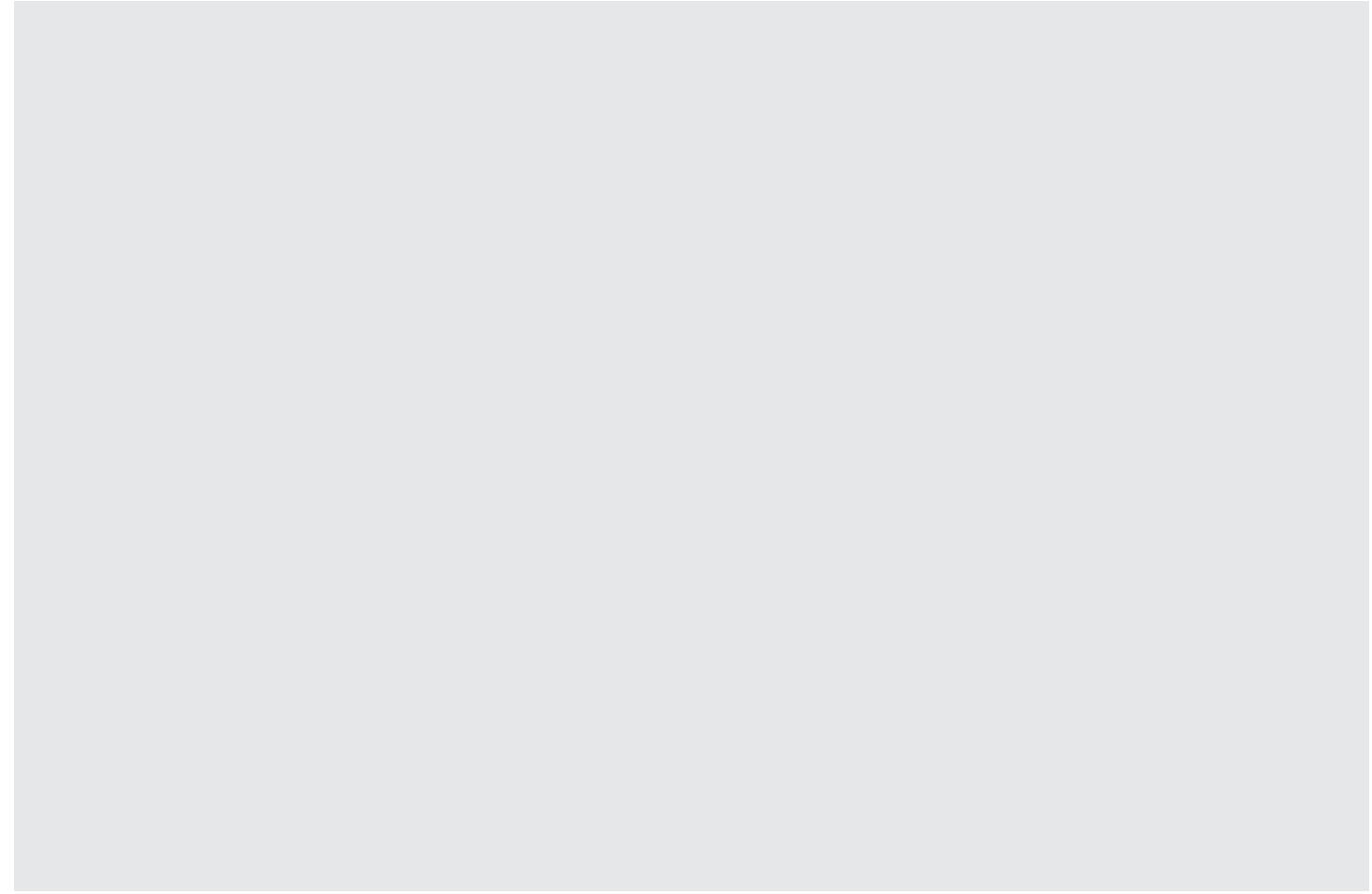
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**Full Paving Resurfacing to be completed at the  
On/Off roads to Route 104 on the following  
ramps : Bay Road, Five Mile Line, Hard Road,  
Holt Road, Route 250, Phillips Road, Salt Road.**



**Department of  
Transportation**





# FITNESS FRIDAYS AT MIRACLE FIELD

1000 Ridge Rd. behind the town hall

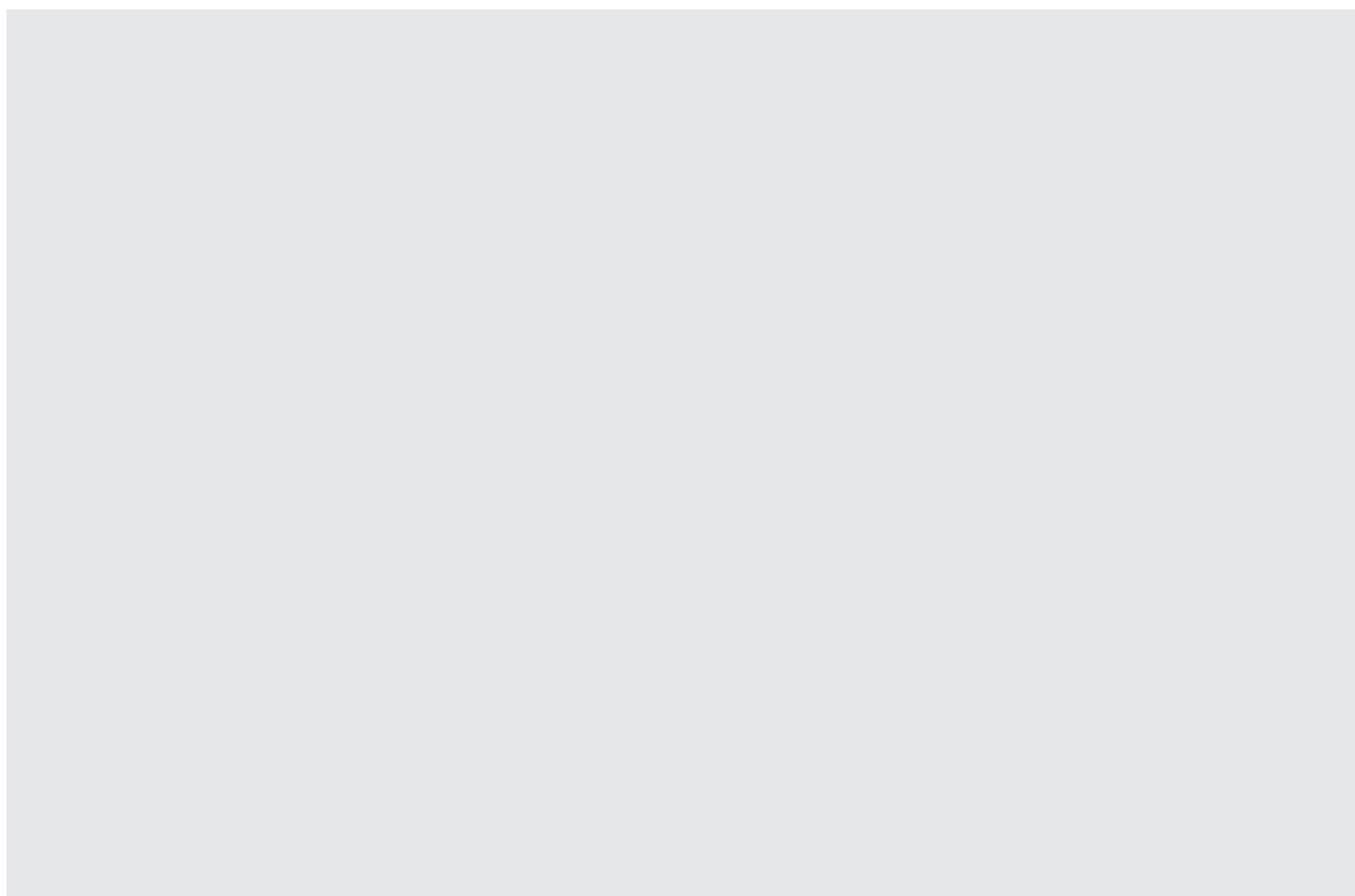
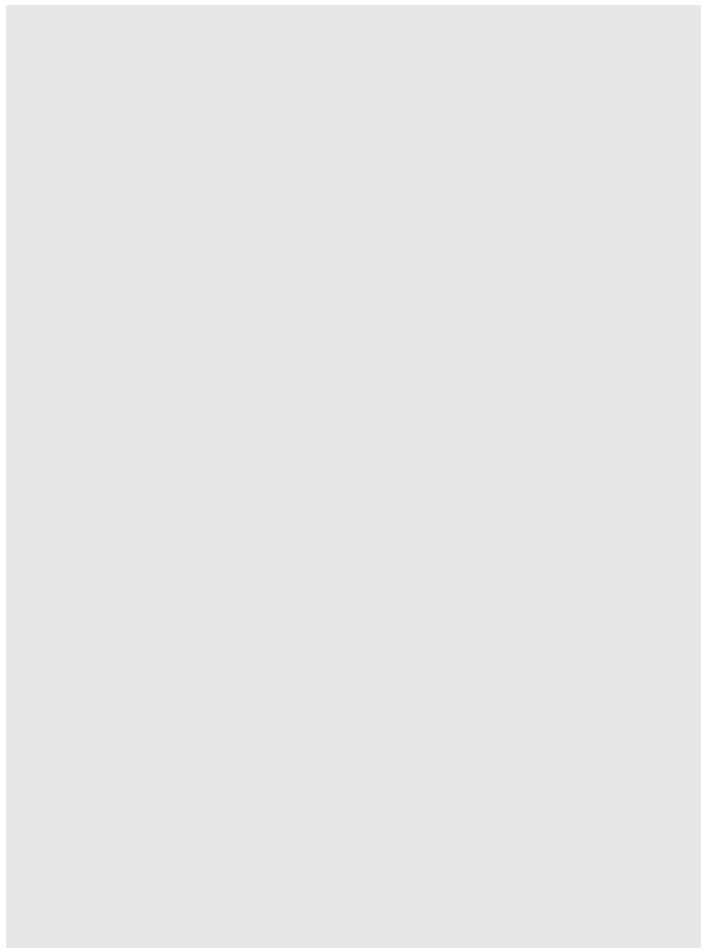
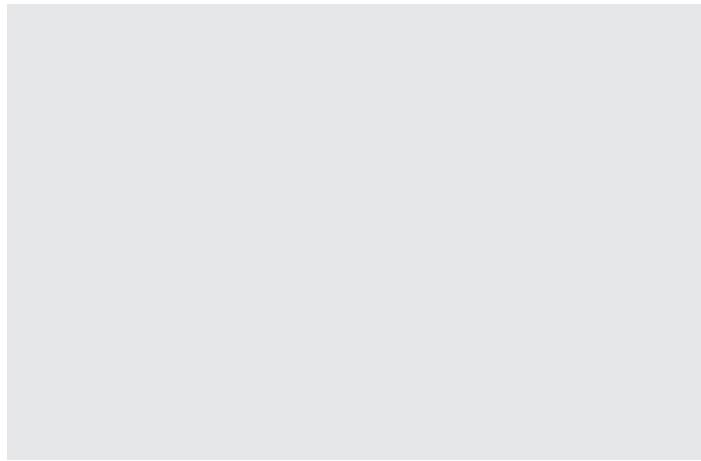
Fun, FREE 45-minute workouts led by certified fitness instructors from Webster Parks and Recreation. Open to the community. All fitness levels welcome!

**YOGA • HIIT • AEROBICS • BOOTCAMP • ZUMBA • INTERVAL TRAINING**

**9:00AM  
EVERY FRIDAY MORNING THROUGH  
JULY AND AUGUST**











# Our Van is Out and About!



## Need a ride to the Rec Center?

We are pleased to provide transportation to and from the Webster Recreation Center! Webster residents who are 55+ can request a ride from your door to ours and back home again on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Thursday's ride home includes a stop for groceries. Limited seats are available on these days and for field trips.

### HERE'S HOW:

- Request transportation by calling 872-7103 ext 7385 no later than 8:00am the day of ride.
- Provide your name, address, phone number, and requested date(s) for the van.
- Cancellations must be called in before 8:00 AM at 872-7103 ext 7385.
- Regular ongoing rides may be arranged.
- Pickup from your home between 9:00-10:00 AM
- Return ride departs at the conclusion of Lunch Club 60 between 12:30-1:00pm

### ELIGIBILITY:

- The program is available to residents of Webster, 55 years of age or older.

### FEES:

- \$4.00 round trip per person/per day. Payable at the front office upon arrival.

### CONTACT:

- Please call The Webster Recreation Center 55+ Transportation Line at 872-7103 ext 7385.

For more information  
on our 55+ activities and to check out  
our upcoming trips to baseball games,  
restaurants, bowling, museums,  
and more ...

Visit our website at:  
[websterny.gov/104/parks-recreation](http://websterny.gov/104/parks-recreation)  
or call 585-872-7103 x7105



Webster  
Public  
Library

# SUMMER



## Adult Programs

### Tuesday Movie Matinee

*Tuesdays, July 11 & 25, August 8 & 22  
1:00 pm. Movies TBD!*

### \*American Red Cross Blood Drive

*Monday, July 17 1:00 - 6:00 pm*

### Lunchtime Book Discussion:

*The Henna Artist*

*Thursday, July 20 1:00 - 2:00 pm*

### \*Libby Tips & Tricks

*Thursdays, July 20 & August 10  
3:00 - 4:00 pm*

### \*curated. By JUSTINTERIORS

*Webster Business Spotlight Series  
Thursday, July 27 6:30 - 7:30 pm*

### \*Books & Bites Book Club

*Thursdays, July 27 & August TBD  
6:00 - 7:00 pm*

### \*AARP Smart Driver Course (two parts)

*Tuesday, August 15 3:00 - 6:00 pm  
and*

*Thursday, August 17 3:00 - 6:00 pm*

### Walk-In Tech Tutors

*Most Tuesdays & Thursdays  
1:00 - 2:00 pm*

**\*Indicates registration is required**

## Youth Programs

### \*Paper Airplane Lab

*Friday, July 7 2:00 - 3:00 PM*

### \*Rainbow I Spy Bottles

*Tuesday, July 11 2:00 - 3:00 pm*

### \*Rainbow Bubble Art

*Tuesday, July 18 2:00 - 3:00 pm*

### \*Tie Dye

*Friday, July 21 1:00 - 2:30 pm*

### Friendship Bugs & Bracelets

*Monday, July 24 2:00 - 3:00 pm*

### \*Rainbow Science

*Tuesday, July 25 2:00 - 3:00 pm*

### \*Rgress & Destress Crafts

*Tuesday, August 1 1:00 - 2:00 pm*

### \*Family BINGO

*Friday, August 4 2:00 - 3:00 pm*

### Chalk & Bubble Fun!

*Tuesday, August 8 10:00 - 11:30 am*

**Don't forget our regular weekly storytimes!**

### Wee Ones

*Mondays @ 10:00 am*

### Outdoor Storytimes @ Harmony Park

*Wednesdays @ 9:30 am June - August*

### Toddler Time

*Thursdays @ 10:00 am*

## All-Ages Summer Reading: June 19 - September 9

Join us for this year's Summer Reading program for ALL AGES! Whether you participate virtually or in-person, the same great prizes and fun await you.

The more minutes you read (or listen), the more you earn!

For more event information and registration, visit: <https://www.websterlibrary.org/events/calendar/>



The front cover photograph was taken at the Webster Arboretum in July 2022.

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Webster Resident*

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Webster, NY 14580



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# Free Rabies Clinic

Webster Highway Department, 1005 Picture Parkway, Webster  
Wednesday, August 23, 2023 from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

The Town of Webster in conjunction with the Monroe County Health Department is offering a **FREE** Rabies Clinic. If your dog or cat has proof of a previous rabies vaccination, bring the certificate with you for your pet to receive a three (3) year vaccination. Without the certificate your dog or cat will be issued a one (1) year vaccine certificate.

If you are unable to attend this event, please visit [www.monroecounty.gov](http://www.monroecounty.gov) or call (585) 753-5171 for additional rabies clinics in our area.

