

## COVID-19 UPDATE FROM NORTH ELBA SUPERVISOR JAY RAND

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Dear Citizens of North Elba,

OK, even for all you die-hard skiers enough is enough! Not a great opening day for **Craig Wood Golf Course!** Good news is no Black flies and no issue keeping separation. Anyway, it is great to have Craig Wood open for another season even if the protocol is strict. Remember golfers – we need to maintain 6’ between all players anywhere on the course. I realize this is not easy as golf is a very social sport. Note that stiff fines and possible closure can occur as a result of infractions.

Full season passes are only **\$199.00!** Call 518-523-9516 for additional information or to purchase a pass. Wishing you a great time out there this summer, and thanks much to the Craig Wood Staff for getting things up and running.

On another positive note the **recycling center** will be reopening next week on Tuesday and Saturday under some new guidelines including:

- Masks/face coverings are **required** to enter building
- **Pre-sort** your recyclables to decrease time spent in building and increase efficiency of the process
- One way traffic inside, delineated by arrows and barriers. Maintain social distancing from other customers and employees
- A recycling center attendant will be at the door monitoring that **only 5 customers** are in the building at one time. Please wait at your vehicle until the attendant tells you it is okay to enter
- No vehicles are allowed in the building
- No costumers will be allowed in the building while a machine is being changed
- Touch as little as possible, sanitize your hands on the way in and the way out
- A recycling center employee will be in the back office if you have any questions or concerns
- Reminder – we are not accepting glass at this time

Thank you for your anticipated patience and understanding and kudos to staff members for their efforts and planning in getting things back up and running.

In more good news, the **Newman Park** is getting a face lift. Park District employees have been working on many improvements including: a new perimeter fence around the park; a wooden safety perimeter around the park features to keep the sand surface neatly in place; top soiling and seeding; and placing paver stones at designated area for picnic tables. We are all looking forward to reopening the parks when it is safe to do so.

The Town & Village highway crews are busy at work cleaning the sand off the roads. They are also getting ready to begin the much needed resurfacing of the **Mirror Lake Drive Sidewalk**. It is estimated work will begin this spring.

I was again reminded that our census response in North Elba can be considerably improved. As stated in last week's update and as stated below, it is very easy to do and will benefit our community. If you have not already done so, please take a few minutes to complete the 2020 Census questionnaire (<https://my2020census.gov/>.) It's quick, easy, safe, secure, and confidential. Your information and privacy are protected. Your response helps to direct billions of dollars in federal funds to **OUR community** for schools, roads, and other public services. Results also determine the number of seats OUR state has in Congress and OUR political representation at all levels of government.

As I'm sure you are aware Governor Cuomo identified seven requirements this week that must be met by each of the state's 10 regions before restrictions meant to slow the virus's spread could be eased in those areas. Currently, the North Country Region meets 5 of the 7.

**Upon meeting those criteria, businesses and industries will open in a phased approach:**

**Phase 1** -Includes construction, manufacturing and select retail (with curbside pickup)

**Phase 2**- includes professional services, finance and insurance, retail, administrative support, and retail estate/rental leasing.

**Phase 3** – includes restaurants, food services and hotels.

**Phase 4**- includes arts, entertainment, recreation and education.

Additional information and daily postings may be found on the Town of North Elba Website [www.northelba.org](http://www.northelba.org), the Town of North Elba Facebook page, the Lake Placid Village Facebook page and Friends of Jay Rand Facebook page.

Relevant local information, including restaurants offering take-out, retail stores offering curbside pick-up, as well as this newsletter can be received by subscribing to the Lake Placid Insider at <https://insider.lakeplacid.com/>.

This is a time like no other that we have experienced, but we will overcome this difficult period and return to normalcy quicker if we ALL practice what the NYS Department of Health has asked us to follow including:

**STAY HOME, DON'T TRAVEL, NO GROUP GATHERINGS, WASH HANDS OFTEN WITH WARM WATER AND SOAP OR HAND SANITIZERS WITH AT LEAST 60% ALCOHOL, WEAR MASKS AND GLOVES IN PUBLIC, ETC.**

**STAY SAFE.**