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# TULLY NEWS



## Saying Goodbye

There is never a good way to say goodbye to someone, especially if that person is taken from us too soon in their life. We say our goodbyes to David Blatchley. David passed on December 14, 2015 with his family by his side.

David was a graduate of Virgil High School, attended SUNY Cortland where he received his bachelor's degree, and Syracuse University where he obtained his master's degree. David was Director of Communications at the Syracuse Developmental Center, as well as a Wedding and Freelance Photographer at Blatchley Enterprises. He was president of the Cortland Chapter of the Jaycee's and a J.C.I. Senator. David was also a board member and photographer for both the Cortland Repertory Theatre and Cultural Council of Cortland Co., and was instrumental in developing the Cortland Arts and Wine Festival.

To the Tully community, Dave was more than that. He was the editor of the Tully News, a fantastic photographer and a wonderful friend to us all. He always made sure that, whatever group had something going on, we all knew so that we could participate and show our support. He was a founding member of Donnie and the Dukes. Dave played rhythm guitar for the band, recording "I'll be blue" at Riposo Studio in Syracuse almost 50 years ago. Dave posted a video of the recording on YouTube.

"Shari and I have developed such a close connection that we never knew before. It's also the time in my life when I discovered that there are a lot of friends out there." said Dave.

## Santa Arrives at the Tully Fire House

By Benjamin Bibik

Arriving with lights and sirens, Santa and Mrs. Claus made their entrance to one of the largest crowds of children that the fire department has seen yet.

Santa and Mrs. Claus arrived on the festively decorated Fire Engine, driven by Frank Speziale and proceeded to walk the crowd to the Christmas tree, greeting the children along the way. After a chorus of Rudolf the Red Nose Reindeer, Santa gave the command and the tree was lit.

The festivities moved inside the firehouse where refreshments were served. Santa and Mrs. Claus sat in their special chairs while all the children in attendance sat on his lap to tell him what they wanted for Christmas.

It is a wonderful thing that Santa could take time out of his busy schedule to visit our families, here in Tully, every year. We look forward to next year's arrival. If the crowds we saw this year are any indication, Santa may need to carve out more time next year as a great time was had by all.



## The Tully News

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[www.ongov.net](http://www.ongov.net)

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## Senior Corner

For the months of January, February and March the Tully Senior Citizens meet at noon at the Tully United Community Church for a "dish to pass" lunch. Dinners will resume in April. Celebrate being "55 and ALIVE" - - - there's a lot of great people to enjoy and a lot of GOOD COOKS that make the "dish to pass" lunches and/or dinners a tasty treat. This is open to all citizens 55 or older in the Tully School District; as well as our neighboring communities of Fabius and Lafayette.

## Annual Chili Cook-off

The Tully Rotary Club will be holding the annual Tully Chili Cook-off February 20th, at the Masonic Lodge in Tully. The competition begins at 3 p.m.

Butternut Creek Revival will be providing the music and Cortland Brewery will be serving adult beverages.

There are a limited number of entries this year, so if you are interested in competing or you would like more information, please contact Randy Drzewicki at [rdzewicki25@gmail.com](mailto:rdzewicki25@gmail.com) or call (503) 701-1367

Additional information can be found on the online edition at <http://townoftully.org>

## Lafayette, Fabius, & Tully Phone Book

It's time to start working on an updated phone book for our area. This publication, coordinated by the Tully Area Historical Society, is made possible by the many yellow page advertisers

The names and phone numbers published in the white pages of this directory are as accurate as the public keeps us updated. Your help in making additions, corrections, and deletions are greatly appreciated. This directory is not just for land line phones; many people list their cell number(s). There is also the option of just listing your address and no phone number. Call 696-4681 or e-mail [phonebook@tullyhistoricalsociety.com](mailto:phonebook@tullyhistoricalsociety.com).

Letters will be going out to all yellow page advertisers in early January, along with a copy of their ad. Input and payment is needed by May 1st (no exceptions) in order to meet our target date for publication in June 2016.



## Nomination Notice 43rd Tully Area Citizen of the Year

If you know someone who has made an outstanding volunteer contribution to the community or has shown community involvement, humanitarian service or leadership in the Tully area and who receives no remuneration for those contributions, please nominate them today. Send your nomination to:

**Citizen of the Year**  
**PO Box 79, Tully, NY 13159**  
**or email**  
**[kcam7150@gmail.com](mailto:kcam7150@gmail.com)**

**Deadline:** mailed entries must be postmarked by  
Monday March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Award Ceremony and Dinner:**  
Thursday, April 14<sup>th</sup>  
At Orchard Vali Country Club

Name of Nominee

Reason for Nomination

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

# Tully Ambulance Looking for Volunteer Drivers

*Submitted by Capt. Bryan Ramsay*

Tully Ambulance District is looking for qualified volunteer ambulance drivers. Help us help you by volunteering your time to assist the residence of Tully who find themselves in need of medical assistance. The Ambulance District will be accepting applications from qualified individuals beginning October 15th. Please stop by the Tully Fire / Ambulance Station at 1 Railroad St to pick up an application, call the Fire House at 315-696-6414 or send an email to [tullyfire-ems@cnyemail.com](mailto:tullyfire-ems@cnyemail.com).



*The newest addition to the Tully EMS as it appeared in the Tully Community Fair on September 12th.*

Daily duties of the ambulance driver will include operating emergency vehicles to the location of individuals who are in need of medical attention. They will transport medical personnel to the emergency scene and transport individuals that are ill or injured to medical facilities. They may be required to lift up to 100lbs to help place and position patients on stretchers and load the stretchers into vehicles. Drivers must make sure the vehicle is adequately fueled, maintained, cleaned, sanitary and always stocked with medical supplies.

Qualified applicants must be at least 21 years of age, have a valid New York State driver's license with a clean driving record and have at least a high school diploma or GED. If the applicant is accepted they will be required to take an Emergency Vehicle Operators course, have a medical examination and pass a CPR and First Aid course. The Tully Ambulance District will cover the cost of all classes required to meet the applicant's requirements.

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## Bills Bullpen

**William Lund**

After a prolonged and courageous fight with cancer, David Blatchley, Editor of our Tully News, passed away in December 2015. His presence will be missed. Filling his position as editor and friend was a difficult task. I will miss David for many reasons but one reason that stands out is because he was always there, being on top of anything and everything happening in the area.

With that said, I ask you to welcome Ben Bibik who will be the new editor of the Tully News.



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## Tax Notice

*Aurelia Pelletiere, Tax Collector, Town of Tully*

**Take notice** that Aurelia Pelletiere, tax collector for the Town of Tully, Onondaga County, State of New York, has received the tax roll and the warrant for the year 2016.

I will be available in the office to accept tax payments at 5833 Meetinghouse Road, Tully, New York Monday 12/28/15 9 to 11am & Tuesday 12/29/15 5pm to 7pm.

**Take further notice** that taxes may be paid before February 1st without penalty. In February the penalty will be 1% and in March 1½%. After March 14 a \$1.00 fee will be charged for a second notice.

Partial payments for 2016 taxes will be accepted from January 5, 2016 thru March 31, 2016 at the tax collectors office. A minimum must be paid during the month of January to initiate the partial payment program. Subsequent partial payments will be accepted by the tax collectors office until March 31, 2016. Starting April 1, 2016 all payments must be made to Onondaga County.

**Take further notice** that pursuant to the provision of the law, the tax roll will be returned to the County of Onondaga on April 1, 2016.

*The printed edition of the newsletter will be sent every odd month. Even numbered month will be online only.  
An expanded version of the newsletter, with additional content, can be found online at <http://townoftully.org>*



7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL  
TULLY ROTARY CLUB



# CHILI COOK OFF

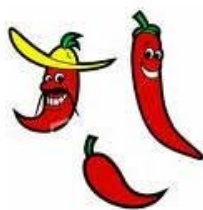
**Saturday, FEB. 20, 2016 at Tully Masonic Lodge**

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**Think Chili: Come one & all to a Great Local Family Event**

**Sure to cure your Winter Cabin Fever!**

**You will get a taste of the best local competition Chili.**



**Get ready for Music!** Butternut Creek Revival at [reverbnation.com/bcrevival](http://reverbnation.com/bcrevival)  
**Fun!** Beverages by Cortland Beer Company **Celebrity Judges! & more..**

**3:00 PM to 6:00 PM, Masonic Lodge, State Street, Tully, NY**

**Enter your own Special Chili Recipe, if you dare!**

**Prizes, bragging rights & Good Times to be had by all**

**Be a champion Chili Maker in your Prize Categories for example**

**Judge's Choice Champion and People's Choice Chilis, and also... , Best Rotary Chili, Best Firehouse Chili, Best Decorated Booth, Best Chili Name, Best Masonic Chili, and More ....**

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## CONTESTANTS SIGN UP NOW!



**Competitors complete & submit an  
Advance Registration Form to:**

(Return form with \$25 Reg. fee)

**TULLY ROTARY CLUB**

**PO Box 91**

**Tully, NY 13152**



(NOTE: Register Early - competitor spaces definitely limited and will be confirmed on a first-come-first-serve basis)

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**CONTACT: For More Information Call, Text or email:**

Randy at 503-701-1367 [Randy@allwestern.com](mailto:Randy@allwestern.com), or

Pete at 585-750-7211 [pfcadamon@aol.com](mailto:pfcadamon@aol.com)

You are invited to compete in: **The 7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TULLY ROTARY CLUB CHILI COOK OFF**



Saturday, February 20, 2016, Tully Rotary Club is sponsoring its 7<sup>th</sup> Annual, Chili Cook Off. This is an excellent opportunity to showcase your business, or organization, or your own chili cooking skill, have a lot of fun, & maybe, win prize money or an award. We expect a good crowd, and there will be celebrity judges & participants. The cook off is at the Tully Masonic Lodge #896, State St. Tully, when you register, we'll send an information packet and map.



**PICK OUT A GOOD NAME FOR YOUR CHILI, RETURN YOUR ENTRY FORM & GET READY FOR FUN!**

## **REGISTRATION FORM TULLY ROTARY CHILI COOK-OFF**

**February 20, 2016 Tully Masonic Lodge #896**

**Head Chef:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chili Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Examples: Rich's NASCAR Chili; Mom's Maniac Chili, etc.)

**Contact phone #(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Kitchen being used** (see Note# 7 below): \_\_\_\_\_ **NOTE: Ingredients must be displayed**

..... (Tear here and return with attached entry fee) .....

### **Basic Rules :**

1. Each team may have up to three (3) persons.
2. Each team will have a Head Chef, who is responsible for cooking **at least one gallon of chili**. It is recommended to cook more than one gallon to dispense to the "voting" public & increase your chances of winning a, "People's Choice" prize. Once you run out of chili – there can be no more votes for peoples' choice.
3. Only one cup of chili will be turned into the judges (Judging will be "blind" in Cups to be supplied by the judges).
4. Cooking time: 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Chili may be dispensed to the public starting at 3:00 PM.
5. Chili must be cooked at an approved site on the day of the event; must be made from scratch, with no commercial pre-mix ("just add meat"), or pre-made (Hormel®) types allowed.
6. Complete list of ingredients must be displayed on a 5 x 8 card at your booth (to inform those with food allergies).
7. **All Chili Must be Cooked On-site, or at a Health Dept. Approved Kitchen**  
Each team will provide all ingredients, utensils, & accessories needed to cook chili. This includes: crock pots, hot plates, extension chords, and booth decorations. Electrical outlets will be available. There is space at local kitchens for those contestants wishing to use an approved site. Contestants must make **advanced** arrangements on the Registration Form in order to use a local approved kitchen on the day of the event. Site will be inspected during cooking time on Saturday.
8. Health Department rules apply, and proper wash-up and toilet facilities are available.
9. **An Entry fee is \$25.00 (with registration) is Required – send by February 15th.** We recommend you arrive early. Judging samples will be taken at 3:00 PM. "Peoples' Choice" voting will then commence, ending at 6:00 PM. Winners will be announced by 6:30 PM.
10. **Prizes and Award Categories will be announced.**
11. **Refreshments will be available –Cortland Beer Company will be serving on site from 3:00 to 6:00.**

Mail Registration to: **Tully Rotary Club, PO Box 91, Tully, NY 13159** (with \$25 check payable to Tully Rotary Club)  
Questions? call, text or email: Randy 503-701-1367 [Randy@allwestern.com](mailto:Randy@allwestern.com) or Pete 585-750-7211 [pfcadamon@aol.com](mailto:pfcadamon@aol.com)

# Tully Ambulance Report

The month of December ended with 46 additional EMS calls bringing the total for 2015 to 581 calls.. As of the 13th of this year, we are all ready up to 18 calls.

The Tully Ambulance Corp took delivery of three new Lifepak 15 cardiac monitors. Orientation and training for the monitors Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> as part of monthly in-service training.

We have also applied for and received a donation of three (3) unused Cardiac Life AED's. These monitors will be placed in the Town Hall, the Town DPW Garage and the final one will be assigned to the Recreation Department for use at their activities and also for the use by the Town lifeguards during summer at the Green Lake Swim area.



*Lifepak 15 Cardiac Monitor*

# Is there a **FIRE** in you?



Take the first step. Volunteer at  
[www.\*\*FireInYou\*\*.org](http://www.FireInYou.org)



# Tully Ambulance 2015 Report

Ambulance STATS for the Year:	2015	Change	2014	2013
Total number of calls	581	8	573	534
<b>TIME IN MINUTES</b>				
"Call Received" from 911 Center to "enroute" in minutes	2.5	0	2.5	2.4
"Enroute" to "On Scene" in minutes <i>The increase in minutes can be attributed to calls be a further distance from station</i>	6.3	0.8	5.5	5.8
Total elapsed time from call received to "Back in Service" in minutes	66.9	0.4	66.5	64
<b>LOCATION OF CALL—PERCENTAGE</b>				
Amber Ambulance District	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.0%
Apulia Fire District	8.0%	1.0%	7.0%	7.0%
Fabius Fire District (Medic Car Only)	8.0%	-3.0%	11.0%	12.0%
Homer Fire District	0.3%	-0.6%	0.9%	1.0%
LaFayette Fire District	6.0%	1.0%	5.0%	5.0%
Otisco Fire District	12.0%	-1.0%	13.0%	9.0%
Pompey Fire District	8.0%	2.0%	6.0%	7.0%
Preble Fire District (Medic Car Only)	4.0%	-1.0%	5.0%	5.0%
Spafford Fire District	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	1.0%
Syracuse Fire District	0.0%	-0.3%	0.3%	1.0%
Tully Town	20.0%	-3.0%	23.0%	21.0%
Tully Village	30.0%	2.0%	28.0%	30.0%
<b>PATIENTS TRANSPORTED TO:</b>				
Community General Hospital	18.0%	2.0%	16.0%	16.0%
Crouse Hospital	26.0%	0.0%	26.0%	24.0%
St. Joseph Health Center	19.0%	1.0%	18.0%	20.0%
Upstate Medical Center	27.0%	-8.0%	35.0%	31.0%
Veterans Administrative Hospital	1.0%	0.0%	1.0%	2.0%
Cortland Memorial Hospital	5.0%	1.0%	4.0%	6.0%
<b>CALL TYPES</b>				
Refusal	24.0%	2.0%	22.0%	15.0%
Cancelled	20.0%	-1.0%	21.0%	20.0%
Stand-By	1.0%	-1.0%	2.0%	1.0%
Unfounded	9.0%	0.0%	9.0%	7.0%
Other, Assit agencies, citizen or No Transport	41.0%	-3.0%	44.0%	55.0%
DOA	2.0%	1.0%	1.0%	2.0%

# What's New at Your Library

By Annabeth Hayes

Turn over a new leaf this January and visit the Tully Free Library for fun events, TechStar & TechHelp, and to check out books, movies, magazines, and much more. If we don't have it at the Tully library, we can order it for you! Visit [tullyfreelibrary.org](http://tullyfreelibrary.org) for more info.

## TechStar & TechHelp

**TechHelp** - Every other Saturday (starting January 9) from 10:30 AM - 12 Noon, come to the library and meet with our tech specialist Marlesha to get assistance with all your software-related tech questions and TechStar.

TechStar is a special opportunity for residents of Tully and surrounding areas to improve their technical job skills and receive FREE professional Microsoft Office certification through the Tully Free Library. Any library card holder in Onondaga County can take online courses on [Lynda.com](http://Lynda.com), which includes courses on mastering Microsoft Office. Participants in TechStar will be able to apply the skills they gain through these courses to a Microsoft Office Specialist [MOS] certification in the program of their choice. Holding a MOS certification can earn an employee more in annual salary than uncertified peers. If you don't have access to the Internet from home, you can visit the library to use our new desktops and laptops to take Lynda.com classes of your choice and practice with Microsoft programs.

Visit the library website [tullyfreelibrary.org/techstar](http://tullyfreelibrary.org/techstar) for more info on TechStar and TechHelp.

The library thanks the Padget family for the generous contributions that made this program possible.

## Upcoming Tully Free Library SPECIAL events in January:

**Keep Calm and Color On...**coloring for adults. Thursday January 14 from 6-7 PM. Adults of all ages will enjoy an hour of stress relieving and creative coloring. Coloring pages and pencils provided. Free. Registration is appreciated. Register online at [tullyfreelibrary.org/events](http://tullyfreelibrary.org/events) or by calling (315-696-8606) or

visiting the library.

**Soup Swap!** When the weather is cold...join your friends and neighbors for a SOUP SWAP at the Tully Free Library. Tuesday, January 19th from 6-7:30 PM. Bring your favorite homemade soup to share with others and the recipe card listing all the ingredients. We will photocopy recipe cards so you can take the recipes home with you! Sign up by visiting or calling the library (315-696-8606).

**Kids' Book Club** with Kelly Chambala. Wednesday, January 20 from 6-7 PM. Recommended for kids ages 8-12. Bring your favorite book of last year to share with others. We will also discuss the schedule for future meetings.

**Teen Movie & Crafternoon** Wednesday January 27 from 3:30-5:30 PM. Make text-able tech gloves with conductive tape while watching a new-release action movie.

**Teen Magic: the Gathering** events in February!

Tutorial Friday, February 3rd from 3:30-4:30 PM. BECOME A PRO! Learn new tips & tricks from experts at TCG Player.

Tournament Friday, February 26 from 6:30-8 PM. Test your skills against other players and win TONS of PRIZES!!! Sponsored by TCG Player.

## Upcoming Tully Free Library regular events in January:

**Tykes Time storytime** - every Monday and Wednesday morning 10:30 - 11:30 - stories and crafts for little ones up to age 5.

**Gaming** 4 days a week - Duel Club (Pokemon, Yu Gi Oh, Magic the Gathering, etc.) Mondays 3:30 - 4:30 PM, Board Game Club Tuesdays 3-4 PM, Chess Club Thursdays 3:30-4:30 PM, Roleplaying Club (Dungeons & Dragons) Fridays 4-5 PM.

**Youth Advisory Council (YAC)**- Teens in grades 6th-12th - Do you love your library? Do you want to volunteer in the community and in the library? Be a part of our library's Youth Advisory Council! We meet monthly (usually the 4th Saturday) from 12-1 PM and enjoy pizza. The next meeting is 1/23/16.

**Book Clubs** - The Tully Free Library has 2 regular book clubs that meet. Forever Young Book Club is for adults who enjoy reading Young Adult books - the first Monday of each month from 6-7 PM. The Tully Book Club meets the first Thursday of the month from 6:30 - 8 PM to discuss adult fiction books and enjoy coffee, tea and wine.

**YourFarmstand Pickup** - Place your order online at [yourfarmstand.com](http://yourfarmstand.com) and receive fresh local food at an easy pick up location, the Tully Free Library! Pickup at the library Thursdays anytime between 3 PM - 7 PM.

## Calendar of Events

### Tully Town Court—Municipal Building

Tuesday Nights 6:00 p.m.

### Tully Town Board—Municipal Building

(second Wednesday of month)

1/13/2016 7:30 p.m.

2/10/2016 7:30 p.m.

### Tully Fire Commissioners—Fire Station

(third Thursday of month)

1/28/2016 7:00 p.m.

2/18/2016 7:00 p.m.

*To get a listing in the Calendar of Events, any civic, nonprofit or government group may send the listing to:*

*The Tully News,  
19 Railroad Street, Tully, NY 13159;  
or e-mail to [ben.bibik@outlook.com](mailto:ben.bibik@outlook.com)*