

Conversation with the Mayor - February 21, 2011  
Vicky Daly

## Safety Has to Come First

As you probably already know, *Curling on the Canal 2011* had to be cancelled. Who would have thought in one of the coldest Januarys ever that we would have to cancel in February because of unseasonably warm temperatures? The last few days of bone chilling cold were too little and too late to save this year's event. Unlike most areas along the canal, Palmyra has water year round and so under the ice there is 8 feet of very cold water. We just could not take the chance of having someone fall through. Oh, well, there is always next year.

In the meantime, there are many things going on right now and scheduled for early spring, so mark your calendars and think sunshine and warm.

Ongoing Palmyra events include the 1st Saturday of the month steak dinners at the Palmyra American Legion; the Kings Daughters Library Luncheon on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, and the Fire Department's pancake breakfast on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday (but not in March this year). Each of these is advertised individually so watch for details. Information about the Palmyra VFW's chicken parm dinner is noted on their sign so watch for them too.

Special one of a kind events are happening all the time. The Village Bookmarket in Palmyra, often in conjunction with Book, Etc. in Macedon, hosts speakers on a variety of topics. Watch for details and, if this is where your interests are, stop in and get on Marcia's email alert list. The same is true at Muddy Waters Café on the canal. Donna hosts both speakers and musicians. Watch for them also. Special events happen, too, at the American Legion. That information, like the VFW's, appears on their sign and details about concerts at Lock 29 can be found on the signboard in front of the tavern. Canal Town Chorale and special musical events at the churches should be watched for, too. There really is something for everyone. We try to have all these listings on the Palmyra website, but that can happen only if the organizations holding the events let us know. Looking forward some specific dates to note are:

- March 10 - 'Grease', Pal-Mac High School, 2:00 PM – Free performance for seniors with regular performances that weekend
- March 14 – Library luncheon - *The Things They Carried*, reviewed by Vicky Daly, Noon
- March 19 – County Historian Peter Evans reviews *The Things They Carried* at the Village Bookmarket, 1:00 – 3:00 PM. (Both reviews are part of a regional celebration of "The Big Read".)
- March 19 – Pirates of the Erie Canal Ball fundraiser, Palmyra VFW; tickets available at Village Hall

Even farther out are

- May 6 – Palmyra Bird Fest, Palmyra Village Park, 8:00 – 3:00
- June 4 – Dedication of Palmyra Comfort Station, Palmyra Marina, 2:00 PM
- June 5 – Supervisor Bob Plant, Town of Walworth, speaks about Stained Glass Windows, Zion Episcopal Church, 2:00 PM
- June 12 – Taking Flight Over Palmyra, Wayne County Fairgrounds, 10:30 – 4:30

So, in this time of inflated gas prices and too little time to travel, keep an eye out for the variety and number of events going on right here in your own backyard, AND, if you have an event to post, let us know at [vpalmyra@yahoo.com](mailto:vpalmyra@yahoo.com) Give us as much lead time as possible and we will get the word out for you.