

Cairo Groups & Organizations

Acra Senior Center	518-622-9898	645 Old Rte 23B Acra, NY	Cairo Hose Auxiliary	518-947-4147	Pamela Brent PO Box 408 Cairo, NY
Alzheimer's Support Group	518-943-5151	Karla Flegel	Cairo Hose Company	518-622-3112	Ray Feml PO Box 566 Cairo, NY
American Legion Post 983	518-965-2548	Mike Adrian	Cairo Rotary Club	201-289-6522	Kenneth Schwinn, President Kenneth.Schwinn@yahoo.com
Animalkind (Cat Rescue Group)	518-822-8643	721 Warren St. Hudson, NY	Cruise Nite	518-622-3430	Bill Veverka Cairo, NY
Cairo Chamber of Commerce	518-248-5493	Mike Esslie 550 Main Street Cairo, NY	Food Pantry	518-622-3286	Lutheran Church
Cairo Conservative Club	622-2783	Nick Passero PO Box 436 Round Top, NY	Kedemah Lodge #693	518-966-4220	George Skraastad 523 Main St. PO Box 353 Cairo, NY
Cairo Democratic Committee	291-6110	Terry McSorley 25 Bowery Creek Rd. Acra, NY	Piecemakers Quilt Club	518-622-2270	Debra Steup
Cairo Republican Committee	622-3707	Bill Lawrence Cairo, NY	Tracing your roots in Greene County		www.rootsweb.com/~nygreen2 Sylvia Hasenkopf
Cairo Development Foundation	518-291-3407	467 Main Street Cairo, NY	Vietnam Veterans Reunion	518-966-5295	Jim Sill www.nevietvets.us
Cairo Golden Agers Club	518-634-2044	Caroline Nelson 2818 Rte 145 East Durham, NY			
Cairo Historical Society	518-821-3852	Sylvia Hasenkopf sylvia@northriverresearch.com			

Cairo Youth Organizations

Cairo Cub Scouts	518-719-1645	Lucille Mozzillo cairopack43@outlook.com
Boy Scouts of America	518-622-9523	Chris Algozzine
Cairo/Durham Little League	518-651-5040	Mike Murphy
Greene Co. Pop Warner Ftball	518-929-8187 518-965-4180 518-965-4143	Pres. Lewis Jobson VP Delville Bink Coord. Stephanie Bink
Girl Scouts Hudson Valley	518-622-8478	Janet Collica PO Box 5 So. Cairo, NY
Cairo Ski Program	518-622-9228	David Infantino PO Box 132 So. Cairo, NY
4H Cooperative Extension	518-622-9820	GC Office Building Cairo, NY
Soccer	518-622-2508	Patricia Gibson
Summer Recreation Program	518-423-9934	Janet McKeon

Cairo-Durham School District

Early Childhood Learning Center/Headstart	518-622-8382	2395 Old Rte 23 So. Cairo, NY
C-D Elementary School	518-622-3231	424 Main Street Cairo, NY
C-D Middle School	518-622-0490	1301 Route 145 Cairo, NY
C-D High School	518-622-8543	1301 Route 145 Cairo, NY
Cairo-Durham Central School District Office	518-622-8534 Fax: 518-622-9566	424 Main St. Cairo, NY
C-D Alumni Assoc.	518-622-3263	Laurie Jennings
C-D Elementary PTA	518-239-8412	Main St. Cairo, NY
Columbia-Greene Community College	518-828-4181	4400 Rt. 23B Hudson, NY
C-D School Tax Collector	518-622-8534 Ext. 25140	PO Box 10 Cairo, NY

Visit Kathy at the Town Clerk's Office for dog licenses, hunting and fishing licenses, marriage licenses, FOIL Requests, Notary Services, voter registration, and general information.

Cairo-Durham School Board

Stephen Brandow	2020-2023	James H. McManus III	2022-2025
Brian Coletti	2021-2024	Cheryl Moore	2022-2025
Elizabeth Daly	2021-2024	Christopher O'Connell	2021-2024
Bernadette Gavin-Palmieri	2020-2023	Claudia Zucker	2020-2023
Todd Hilgendorff	2022-2025		

Recycling Center

Located at Angelo Canna Town Park

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	9 AM - 2 PM
Wednesday	9 AM - 2 PM
Thursday	Closed
Friday	9 AM - 2 PM
Saturday	8 AM - 1 PM
Sunday	Closed

Glass, Plastics, Cans, Cardboard
Wrapped Papers, Magazines,
Salvation Army Clothing Drop off
Volunteer Fire Co. Drop Box

Cairo Public Library

Director: Debra Kamecke
15 Railroad Avenue
PO Box 720, Cairo, NY 12413
Phone No. 518-622-9864
Fax No. 518-622-9874

Monday	10 AM – 5 PM
Tuesday	10 AM – 5 PM
Wednesday	10 AM – 5 PM
Thursday	1 PM - 7 PM
Friday	10 AM – 3 PM
Saturday	10 AM – 3 PM
Sunday	Closed

The Library is available for faxes and copies

Town and School Taxes Online

You can now find your school tax and town tax online and print out your bills from your own computer.

School Tax www.infotaxonline.com

Town Tax www.townofcairo.com On home page of Town's website, scroll down, and there will be a column on lower left side of page. Click on the column to find your town tax.

General Information

Population of Cairo	2000 Census – 6355
	2010 Census – 6670
	2021 Census – 6753

Information of Interest

DEC Illegal Burning	1-800-847-7332
Do not call number (removal from solicitor's list)	1-888-382-1222
Number to call in case of power outage or there is a street light out	1-800-527-2714

Weight Watchers meetings are held every Monday
Afternoon at 5:00 pm at the Resurrection
Lutheran Church on Main St., Cairo.

Visit the Town of Cairo's Website at
www.townofcairo.com

Greene County Offices

Aging, Dept. for the	518-719-3555	411 Main Street Catskill, NY
ARC, Ulster-Greene	518-943-9592	311 West Bridge St. Catskill, NY
Arts, Council of the	518-943-3400	398 Main Street Catskill, NY
Catskill Mountain Housing Development	518-943-6700	PO Box 473 Catskill, NY
Civil Service Commission	518-719-3253	411 Main Street Catskill, NY
Commissioner of Jurors	518-625-3190	320 Main Street Catskill, NY
Community Action	518-943-9205	Route 9W Catskill, NY
Community Development	518-943-6585	Rt 23B Catskill, NY
Cornell Cooperative Extension	518-622-9820	Agro Forestry Rte 23 Acra, NY
Coroners	518-622-9635 518-731-8000 518-263-4719 518-734-6747	Richard Vigilio Michael Lobb Hassan J. Basagic John Gulino
County Clerk's Office Motor Vehicles	518-719-3255 518-719-3280	411 Main Street Catskill, NY
Disabled, Council for	518-719-0067	411 Main Street Catskill, NY
District Attorney	518-719-3590	411 Main Street Catskill, NY

Town of Cairo Offices - 518-622-3120

Supervisor

Town Supervisor	Ext. 113	Jason Watts
Supervisor Clerk	Ext. 114	Kimberly Weiss
Bookkeeper	Ext. 115	Johanna Halverson
<u>Town Clerk</u>	Ext. 250	Kayla Warner
Deputy Town Clerk	Ext. 250	Kathy Rockefeller
Deputy Town Clerk	Ext. 250	Michele Hobart

Justices

Justice	Ext. 251	Tanja Sirago
Justice	Ext. 251	Joan VanDenBurgh
Sr. Court Clerk	Ext. 104	Sam June
Jr. Court Clerk	Ext. 103	Kathleen Costanzo

Cairo Police Department

Police Chief	622-2324	Rick Busch
Animal Control	322-9783	Sherry Vieta

Ambulance

Ambulance Administrator	Ext. 131	Beau Dushane
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Assessor

Assessor	Ext. 252	Janice Hull
Assessor Clerk	Ext. 252	Carol McBride

Building & Code Dept.

Code Enforcement Officer	Ext. 107	Stacy Sprague
Building & Code Clerk	Ext. 108	Kyrie Fielder
Building Inspector	Ext. 109	Rich Hilgendorff

Highway Department

Supervisor	Ext. 129	Art Evans
Clerk	Ext 130	Kacie Munster

Historian

	518-622-2945	Robert Uzzilia
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Parks, Bldgs, Grounds Dept

	518-947-8455	Hunter Sprague
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Tax Collector

	Ext. 110	Sue Hilgendorff
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Deputy Tax Collector

Ext. 110

Linda Kuever

Water/Sewer Department

W/S Administrators

Ext. 111

Joe Myers

W/S Clerk

Ext. 112

Mike Lamenac

Zoning Enforcement Officer

Ext. 121

Marrienne Baldwin

Christine Julig

Cairo Town Board

Town Board Meeting - First Monday of the month at 7:00 pm

Supervisor Jason Watts 622-3120 Ext. 113
Town Clerk Kayla Warner 622-3120 Ext. 250

Town Council

Debra Bogins 518-947-0908 Mike Flaherty 518-
Mary-Jo Cords 518-755-5645 Tim Powers 518-719-0232

Planning Board

Monthly Meeting - First Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm
at Cairo Town Hall - Workshop as needed

Joe Hasenkopf, Chairman - 701-4823
Diane Newkirk, Secretary

Elizabeth Hansen Allen Veverka
Ed Forrester Kevin Hicks

Board of Ethics Review

Donald Gibson Sr., Chairman
Denise Daly Barbara Annis
Kathleen Passaro Joseph Kames

Zoning Board of Appeals

George Kleinmeier, Chairman

Robert Hasenkopf Dominick Cutie
Sean Tokle

Domestic Violence	518-943-0343	2 Franklin Street Catskill, NY
Elections, Board of	518-719-3550	411 Main Street Catskill, NY
Electrical Examiner	518-719-0065	Earl Snell
Emergency Services	518-622-3643	John Farrell 25 Volunteer Dr. Cairo, NY
Emergency Control Center	518-622-3548	25 Volunteer Dr. Cairo, NY
911 Address Manager	518-622-2739	25 Volunteer Dr. Cairo, NY
Family Court	518-625-3180	320 Main Street Catskill, NY
Family Planning	518-719-3580	411 Main Street Catskill, NY
Farm Bureau, Inc.	518-634-7852	Mountain Ave. Cairo, NY
Greene County Highway Department	518-943-4600	PO Box 485 Catskill, NY
Greene County Legislature	518-719-3270	411 Main Street Catskill, NY
GC Mental Health Center	518-622-9163	905 GC Office Bldg. Cairo, NY
Greene County Planning and Economic Development	518-719-3290	411 Main Street Catskill, NY

Hospitals and Medical Centers

Emergency – Call 911

Greene Cty Tourism	518-943-3223	700 Rte. 23B Leeds, NY		
Probation Dept.	518-719-3200	411 Main St. Catskill, NY	Albany Medical Ctr. www.amc.edu	518-262-3125 43 New Scotland Ave. Albany, NY
Public Defender	518-719-3220	411 Main St. Catskill, NY		
Public Health	518-719-3600	411 Main St. Catskill, NY	Albany Memorial Hsp. www.nehealth.com	518-471-3221 600 Northern Blvd. Albany, NY
Purchasing	518-719-3270	411 Main St. Catskill, NY	Albany Stratton VA Medical Center	518-626-5000 113 Holland Avenue Albany, NY
Real Property Tax Service	518-719-3525	PO Box 467 411 Main St. Catskill, NY	Benedictine Hospital www.benedictine.org	845-338-2500 105 Mary's Avenue Kingston, NY
Rental Assistance (HUD)	518-622-2593	GC Office Bldg. 908 GC Office Bldg. Cairo, NY	Columbia Memorial Hsp. www.columbiamemorial.com	518-828-7601 71 Prospect Avenue Hudson, NY
Sheriff	518-943-3300	80 Bridge St. Catskill, NY	Ellis Hospital www.ellishospital.org	888-355-4746 1101 Nott St. Schenectady, NY
Social Services	518-719-3700	Suite 238 411 Main Street Catskill, NY	Emurgent Care	518-731-9000 11835 Route 9W West Coxsackie, NY
Soil & Water Conservation	518-622-3620	907 GC Office Bldg. Cairo, NY	St. Peter's Hospital www.sphcs.org	518-525-1550 315 South Manning Ave. Albany, NY
Solid Waste Management	518-943-4600	PO Box 485 Catskill, NY	Samaritan Hospital www.nehealth.com	518-271-3382 2212 Burdett Avenue Troy, NY
Solid Waste Facility	518-943-0341	Route 385 Catskill, NY	Urgent Medical Care Open 9am – 9pm 365 days a year www.catskillurgentmedicalcare.com	518-943-9100 10 Grandview Avenue Catskill, NY

as the influx of large franchise retailers, were working to diminish the effectiveness of the traditional “mom and pop” business, even then.

The face of tourism was also changing. Contemporary visitors wanted value-added features. Vacation options were expanding with competitive travel rates and the establishment of large amusement parks, casinos, and other attractions.

The 1990’s marked a new period of infrastructure improvements and new growth. Constant during the town’s 200-plus years, have been its natural beauty and the friendly nature of its inhabitants.

Town of Cairo

512 Main Street
P.O. Box 728
Cairo, NY 12413

518-622-3120
518-622-0553 (fax)

Stop DWI Program	518-943-3300 Ext. 8009	80 Bridge St. Catskill, NY
Surrogates Court	518-625-3150	320 Main Street Catskill, NY
Treasurer	518-719-3530	411 Main Street Catskill, NY
Veterans Service	518-943-3703	159 Jefferson Hgts Catskill, NY
Veterinarians / Animal Shelters	518-943-4340	Catskill Animal Hospital 601 Kings Rd (Rte 9W) Catskill, NY
	518-731-5400	Maple Ridge Veterinary Office 1584 Route 81 Earlton, NY
	518-731-2551	New Baltimore Animal Hospital State Route 9W West Coxsackie, NY
	518-734-3112	Mountain Top Veterinary 428 Route 296 Hensonville, NY
	518-828-6044	Columbia Greene Humane Society
Weights/Measures	518-731-2257	796 Route 51 Coxsackie, NY
Youth Bureau	518-719-3245	411 Main Street Catskill, NY

Contact Your Lawmakers

US Senators

Charles E. Schumer 202-224-6542 Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

Kirsten Gillibrand 202-224-4451 Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

Congressman – 19th District

Marcus Molinaro 518-625-2010 49 Gilfeather Park Rd
Leeds, NY 12451

State Senator – 46th District

Neil D. Breslin 518-455-2225 172 State Street,
Capitol Building, Rm 430 CAP
Albany, NY 12247
FAX 518-426-6807

State Assembly – 102nd District

Chris Tague 518-455-5363 937 Legislative Office Bldg.
Albany, NY 12248
FAX 518-455-5856 45 Five Mile Woods Rd.
518-943-1371
FAX 518-943-0223 Suite 3, Catskill, NY 12414

108th District

John T. McDonald III 518-455-4474 625 Legislative Office Bldg.
Albany, NY 12248
FAX 518-455-4727

Greene County Legislators

District No. 8 – Cairo

Harry Lennon PO Box 95, Round Top, NY 518-369-9539
Sherry True PO Box 72, Round Top, NY 410-935-0072

Eventually the Catskill Mountain Railroad would establish a branch running from Catskill Landing west to Cairo. The railroad directors saw the extension as a way to tap business from local fruit growers, bluestone mines, not to mention a growing tourist trade. The line opened in June of 1885 and led to the establishment of much travel-related businesses along Main Street.

Improved transportation modes were reducing travel time between the New York City area and the Catskills. Tourism increased as a result. The area, already made famous by artists, authors, and poets would begin to see a seasonal boom to supplement its agricultural base. Many hotels and boarding or “rooming houses” were either established or expanded.

This pattern continued until the early 20th century, which marked the gradual decline of horse-drawn transportation and its replacement, by the automobile. The “horseless carriage” would forever change the way Americans lived and tourist destinations like Cairo would benefit from this newfound mobility. But this proved fatal to the local railroad industry, and the Cairo Railroad would close after the 1918 summer season. Iron from the railway was used for the efforts of America’s First World War. Visitors now arrived in individual autos, spawning the growth of filling stations and roadside souvenir stands.

The summer months continued to draw the crowds to the long-established Cairo Fair. Farmers, still active in their agricultural pursuits, were finding the additional income from providing boarding space very beneficial, and eventually some gave up farming altogether and expanded into full-fledged resorts, such as Glenbrook Farm in the hamlet of Round Top.

When the Second World War finally concluded, returning soldiers found a robust and growing home front. Larger families led to creation of expanded services and improved tax base. Even the scattered rural hamlets of Cairo remained active, enjoying the economic benefits of a population that would often double in the summer months.

Many new boarding houses were built during this expansion by now well-established Italian and German families. A strong Chamber of Commerce developed. The town supported two all-night diners, a movie theater, department store, and other specialized outlet. Even proprietors of duplicate services shared and prospered in this market.

The early 1950’s saw the establishment of a small strip mall on the outskirts of the village. A few years later a divided state highway project was completed, paralleling the original State Route 23 (now renamed 23B). Some cheered the removal of sometimes heavy truck traffic through the village. Others declared it the death knell of the community’s business. Hindsight now tells us that outside forces, such

History of Cairo

Robert Uzzilia – Historian

For centuries nomadic native Americans occupied the central wilderness of Greene County. The Iroquois, Esopus and other tribes fished the streams and hunted for game to sustain themselves. By the mid 1700's, however, land titles were obtained by European settlers and Colonial Districts established.

Although most early settlement was scattered, consisting of single log homes, one settler of distinction came here in 1765 and settled a large tract of land along the Catskill Creek. James Barker and his wife, Elizabeth Wooer, brought 23 tenant farm families here from London, England. He would name the 6,000 acre settlement "Woodstock" after the English Manor house in which he was born. Despite the physical hardships and the death of his infant son to illness, the Barkers and the settlement prospered. Families were raised and their influence spread throughout the surrounding area.

After the American Revolution, many New England families moved West to purchase affordable farmland. Now safe from both British forces and occasional attacks by aggressive Indians, the new settlers started critical businesses for a growing settlement and their numbers increased many folds. An Iron Forge was established along the Shingle Kill in Purling in 1788, utilizing charcoal iron shipped from Ancram in Columbia County to form useful implements for local farmers. It is said that the Shingle Kill was named for its abundant supply of adjacent woodland, providing the raw materials for the manufacture of the essential roofing material.

The construction of the Susquehannah Turnpike in 1801 created a conduit of travel for people and goods through the area. This influenced the formation of what is now Cairo Village into a destination point, with early inns, blacksmiths and other needed services.

Early industries, which found success in the growing town, included tanning of hides, utilizing the tannic acid from the then abundant Hemlock. Ira Day and Daniel Sayre each established early tanneries, but both succumbed to the over-harvesting of their main resource. Other small but essential businesses included many sawmills, Montgomery Stevens distillery and Judge Moses Austin's wool factory.

1838 to 1840, Cairo's fate had been sealed by its mechanical limitations as well as competition from Albany interests and the subsequent lack of financial support.

Churches

Sacred Heart Rev. Steve Matthews	622-3319	PO Box 778 Cairo, NY
New Day Fellowship Assemblies of God Church	622-8079	Rte 23B Cairo, NY
Calvary Episcopal Church Father John Miller	622-9172	Jerome Ave Cairo, NY
Resurrection Lutheran Rev. Victor H Nelson Rev. Steven Williamson-Link	622-3286	PO Box 563 Cairo, NY
Cairo United Methodist Pastor Amy Tompkins	622-3124 622-8916	Main Street Cairo, NY
So Cairo Methodist Pastor Amy Tompkins	622-8916	455 Rte 67 Leeds, NY
Grace Baptist Church Pastor Dale Quick	622-3867	Warren Stein Rd Cairo, NY
Mahayana Buddhist Temple	622-3619	So Cairo, NY
St Mary's/Our Lady of Knock Shrine Rev. Steve Matthews	634-7448	PO Box 223 E. Durham, NY
Durham United Methodist Church	239-6505	Susquehana Tpk Durham, NY
Cornerstone Baptist Church Pastor Murray Mayfield	634-7095	127 Stone Bridge Ext E. Durham, NY
Potter Hollow Union Church Pastor Michael Ryan Pastor Nathan Miles	239-8011	4824 Potter Hollow Rd Preston Hollow, NY
Horizon Christian Fellowship Pastor Jason Thompson	817-0258	473 Main St Cairo, NY

Zip Codes

Acra	12405
Ashland	12407
Athens	12015
Cairo	12413
Catskill	12414
Cementon	12415
Climax	12042
Cornwallville	12418
Coxsackie	12051
Durham	12422
Earlton	12058
East Durham	12423
East Jewett	12424
East Windham	12425
Elka Park	12427
Freehold	12431
Greenville	12083
Haines Falls	12436
Halcott Center	12437
Hannacroix	12087
Hensonville	12439
Hudson	12534
Hunter	12442
Jewett	12444
Kingston	12401
Lanesville	12450
Leeds	12451
Lexington	12452
Maplecrest	12454
Medusa	12120
New Baltimore	12124
Norton Hill	12135
Oak Hill	12460
Palenville	12463
Prattsville	12468
Purling	12470
Ravena	12143
Round Top	12473
South Cairo	12482
Surprise	12176
Tannersville	12485
West Coxsackie	12192
Westkill	12492
Windham	12496

Welcome to the ...

Town of Cairo



May 2023

Compliments of
Kimberly Weiss
Town Supervisor's Clerk