
FRIENDS OF CLIFTON PARK OPEN SPACE

June, 2001



Preview Our New Flyer

See our enclosure

We have enclosed the latest rendition of our Friends brochure. It talks about who we are and what we have been up to for the last four years.

We are proud of our accomplishments and hope you will join us as we make plans for the future. You can be as active or involved as you wish. If there is a topic that interests you, attend a meeting and let us know where your talents or your enthusiasm exists. You will not be disappointed in the discussion that explores your topics.

Share your talents, or invite a member of Friends to speak at your organization. Lend your experiences either locally or at previous places you might have lived. If you have access to resources—either time or material—that can make Clifton Park a better place to live, don't keep it to yourself. We can build a quality community if we all work together.

STEERING COMMITTEE

Frank Berlin, Friends of Veteran's Park

Margaret Catellier, Citizens Assn. for Reasonable Expansion

Gil Kortz, Clifton Park Zoning Bd, past Chair Clifton Park ECC

Ray Seymour, Land Trust of the Saratoga Region

Clark Wilson, Rexford Civic Association

Greg Sundik, Liaison to Town of Clifton Park, ECC

Friends Develops New Mission Statement

Evolving as progress continues

All organizations grow and change and Friends of Clifton Park Open Space is no different. As the Town moves forward with their Open Space Committee, we plan to be active participants.

However, as we review our progress, it becomes necessary to review the role our group can play and the goals for which we will strive. To that end, we have developed a new mission statement and refined our efforts.

We use this opportunity to re-introduce ourselves to the public:

Friends of Clifton Park Open Space (Friends) is a private citizens organization devoted to the study of quality communities and ways to preserve open space in Clifton Park for recreational, environmental, agricultural and historical purposes.

Friends seek to:

- *Define what resources exist in the community*
- *Maintain an independent force for advocating protection of those resources*
- *Publicize how open space is valuable to our economy as well as our way of life*
- *Investigate what is possible and what has been done in other similar towns*
- *Be a creative force—generating ideas for consideration by the town and other groups*
- *Communicate those ideas to the community and facilitate a broad discussion of ideas*
- *Solicit active participation by the public in our goals*

Please join us or visit our soon to be active web site at:

<http://www.copenspace.org>

Speaker for Public Meeting

Join Us To Hear Ideas From A Professional Architect

We invite the public to hear architect, Ivan Zdrahal of Zdrahal Associates speak about various design planning techniques at a public meeting on Thursday, June 14th at 7:30 PM in the Shenendehowa United Methodist Church on Route 146—just across from the Shen Campus.

Mr. Zdrahal will be speaking about way to apply Open Space designs to new developments. As land use planning and open space zoning are becoming more prevalent and generating more interest from local planning boards and citizens alike, here is a chance to hear ideas from a professional.

Join us for this discussion and have some refreshments. Or you can call 371-6391 for more information.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS.....

FCPOS GENERAL MONTHLY MEETINGS

Place: Shenendehowa United Methodist Church

Date: Thursday, June 14th, 2001

Time: 7:30 PM

JOIN US AT THIS MEETING FOR OUR SPEAKER:

IVAN ZDRAHAL

Hear about Open Space Design Planning and Techniques

Refreshments will be served

QUALITY CITIES VS SUBURBAN SPRAWL—SPONSORED BY THE SIERRA CLUB

Place: Gateway Commons, Henry Johnson Blvd, Albany

Date: Saturday, July 28th

Time: To be announced

Contact: More details to be publicized soon.

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