

Weekly Column for February 3, 2009

We're going to have a catch all column this Tuesday, as there is a little bit of everything on my mind this week.

This week I'd like to invite everyone to the State of the City address, this Thursday at 7 p.m. in the City Council chambers.

This will be my sixth address to the City, and likely my last in this building. I would invite anyone interested in what the future holds for the City of Troy to attend and listen to the speech. I fully understand the current environment surrounding so many people, and hope to address where the City of Troy stands during this current fiscal downturn.

I often lament that time seems to fly these days, but I do not think anyone is going to miss the month of January. Little sun, low temperatures, and plenty of snow- welcome to the Northeast. Regardless of what the Groundhog did yesterday, it's nice to see February here.

The landlord registry program was officially kicked off this week, as the forms were sent out to people that must register their property. In the coming weeks we will update the website with an FAQ, and the official form. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact Code Enforcement at 270-4646.

A reminder this week that Community Development Block Grant requests are due by 12 p.m. on Wednesday February 18th. Applications should be submitted to Tim Mattice on the 3rd floor of City Hall. If you are looking for a copy of the application, it is available by clicking here <http://www.troyny.gov/Advisory.html> If you have any questions, please contact Tim at 270-4619.

We are in the process of planning all of the summer events in the City of Troy this year, as well as the Quadricentennial celebration, which will take place in September. If you would like to volunteer or be a part of any of the events, please shoot my office an e-mail, and someone will contact you very soon.

We had a great run of events last year, and I believe that those who did such a great job organizing are looking forward to an even better year in 2009.

Enjoy your week, and I do hope to see everyone Thursday evening.

Harry J Tutunjian
Mayor of Troy