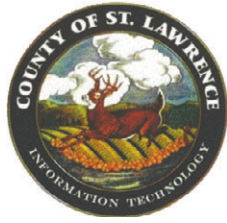


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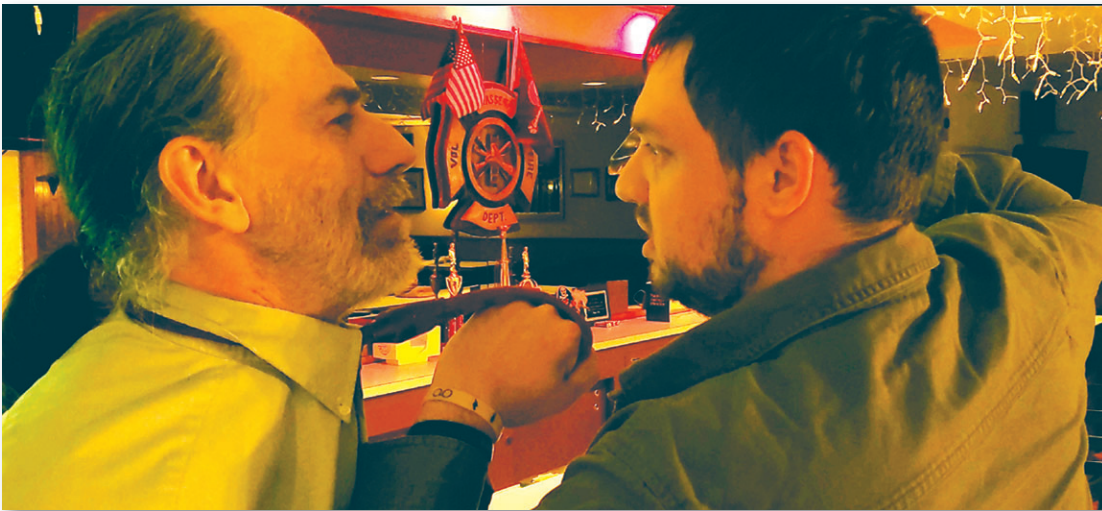
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Above is a still image from 'The Ballad of Billy Bad Ass' filmed at the Massena Fire Department bar with Cody Dennis of Massena; right; and R.W. Martin of Vermont. Photo submitted by Elijah Winfrey.

## Massena filmmaker ready to release locally made action flick

**BY ANDY GARDNER**

North Country This Week

MASSENA — A local filmmaker is getting ready to release an action movie filmed around the Massena area that has a cast of mostly local talent in front of and behind the camera.

Elijah Winfrey wrote, directed and stars in "The Ballad of Billy Bad Ass," set in a dystopian future.

It takes place in 2025, after the American government has collapsed and organized crime has filled the void it left behind. Billy Badass is one of four crime bosses

who oversee a city called Quad City, so named because each of its four quadrants are controlled by different organized crime dons.

"Our story picks up in 2025 where we follow Billy Badass as he tries to make a better life for himself. Unfortunately the only way he can do so is if he kills the other 3 mob bosses and takes their districts. Will Billy succeed in making a better life for himself or will he die trying?" Winfrey's synopsis says.

Winfrey started writing the movie in 2014, and didn't start filming until shortly before COVID-19 reached pandemic levels and led to social shutdowns

and physical distancing.

That meant they couldn't do fundraisers, so Winfrey paid all of the cast and crew out of his own pocket.

"My wife and I funded the movie, and we got a little bit of help from community members as well," Winfrey said. "I am very appreciative of the fact that people helped out."

Winfrey and his wife, Casondra Arquette-Winfrey, raised most of the \$5,000 budget by working "lots of extra shifts. My wife took on extra hours as well. She took on extra shifts at work to make

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## Ogdensburg wants county to take over delinquent taxes

**BY JIMMY LAWTON**

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OGDENSBURG — Following St. Lawrence County's denial of a sales-tax extension with the city, Mayor Jeffrey M. Skelly says he will immediately push for a change in a long-standing rule that requires the city to pay St. Lawrence County and the Ogdensburg City School District for delinquent property taxes.

St. Lawrence County Attorney Stephen Button said the county did not have any comment on the issue at this time.

The property tax foreclosure rule requires the city to pay the county and school compensation for private property owners who fail to pay their local land taxes.

For non-city status municipalities the rules are different. The county, rather than the towns and villages, pays delinquent taxes and takes ownership of the properties.

Skelly wants Ogdensburg to receive the same treatment. Doing so would require a charter change. The city's own charter includes the tax foreclosure authority rules.

The Ogdensburg mayor said he will give the city manager 120 days to make legal changes needed to end the city's practice of making the county and school whole on unpaid property taxes. He said the city manager will also be asked to give city council an update on progress within 60 days.

**Ogdensburg Mayor Jeffrey M. Skelly says shifting the tax foreclosure authority to the county could free up 'millions in fresh operating capital.'**

"The city of Ogdensburg can no longer sustain the financial burden associated with the property tax jurisdiction law within the city's incorporated boundaries," Skelly said in a prepared statement. "I am working on a resolution now that if enacted by city council in the coming weeks will lift this one-sided burden from the shoulders of Ogdensburg taxpayers and free up millions in fresh operating capital in future years."

According to Skelly, last year the city of Ogdensburg paid the Ogdensburg school district and the St. Lawrence County government approximately \$786,000 and \$386,000, respectively, to offset

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## City tables WWTP expansion

**BY JIMMY LAWTON**

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OGDENSBURG — Ogdensburg tabled a wastewater treatment center change order that would have increased costs by \$5 million and would have allowed the city to accept waste from other haulers to generate revenue.

Several project alternates were left out of the original project scope due to costs that exceeded engineering plans. The city borrowed enough money to cover the alternate projects, which also included repairs to city pump stations.

City Manager Stephen Jellie recommended moving forward with the change orders, but City



City of Ogdensburg | Courtesy

**Ogdensburg's Waste Water Treatment Plant.**

Councilor Steve Fisher called for the action to be tabled.

Fisher said he believes there will be money available in the state budget for projects like

Ogdensburg, and suggested the city hold off for 90 days to seek alternative funding.

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## Ogdensburg BOE holds moment of silent for Redmond

OGDENSBURG — The Ogdensburg City School District Board of Education held a moment of silence at their Jan. 19 meeting for a student who passed away.

The moment of silence was for 13-year old Larissa M. Redmond who died in a snowmobile accident around Jan. 15.

The board expressed their thoughts and prayers to her fam-



Redmond

ily and friends. "Larissa enjoyed music, singing, dancing, and spending summer days swimming. She was a loyal friend with a beautiful smile. She was a

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## Ogdensburg owes county \$800,000 in unpaid taxes

BY ANDY GARDNER  
North Country This Week

CANTON — St. Lawrence County legislators questioned if they could clear a debt of over \$800,000 that the City of Ogdensburg owes the county from unpaid property taxes 18 years ago.

The discussion took place during the legislature's Jan. 25 finance committee meeting when County Treasurer Renee Cole was asking the board to approve a budget change to accommodate sales tax revenue in 2020 that was \$1.8 million more than anticipated.

The budget modification passed unanimously.

Legislator Joe Lightfoot, R-Ogdensburg, said Ogdensburg City Manager Stephen Jellie "at one time mentioned that the city owed the county, I think the figure he used was over \$800,000" and asked Cole to clarify how that happened.

"We don't have a ton of information ... other than ours agrees with the liability the city holds on their books, to the dollar," Cole said, adding that the amount is around \$825,000. "It's not going to be a surprise for them."

This was well before Cole took office.

"I can't speak for prior treasurers and what rationale there was for why things weren't paid. I was kind of told it was an honor system and they would make good on it," she said, later adding that she does not believe any other municipalities are carrying similar debts.

Legislator Tony Arquiatt, D-Helena, suggested the county look at taking what's owed to them from

**Legislator Tony Arquiatt suggested the county may be able to take the money owed out of the sales tax revenues it shares with the city. However, options available to the county were not shared publicly.**

Ogdensburg's share of sales tax revenue.

"There's not a mechanism as we were giving Ogdensburg their portion of sales tax distribution we wouldn't have an opportunity to take that money back?" he asked.

"I don't think that would be a decision for me to make. I'm not certain if that's even a viable option," Cole replied.

County Attorney Stephen Button said they do have options, but he didn't want to go into details because some of it may include litigation.

"We do have several options," Button said. "Preferably because some of them may entail litigation, it's most appropriate to discuss those items in executive session."

## MCS will become local food hub

BY ANDY GARDNER  
North Country This Week

MASSENA — The Massena Central School District will get \$50,000 to become a food hub, and they're looking at creating a district food pantry at J.W. Leary Junior High.

Community Schools Director Kristin Collaruso-Martin discussed the two developments with the Board of Education during their Thursday, Jan. 14 meeting.

"We found out that we received the full award of \$50,000 from No Kid Hungry to become a nutrition hub. This is a really interesting grant because what I understand is that corporate donors select projects that they want to support," she said.

"So some corporate donor decided that Massena Central becoming a nutrition hub looked like a great project that they wanted to fund."

The grant will go from January to December, which Collaruso-Martin noted will include two school years.

She added that they're "working on taking a deep dive into our food access programs," and planning to coordinate with "Salvation Army, St. Peter's Outreach and the Massena Neighborhood center "to figure out where the gaps are in food security."

One of their goals, Collaruso-Martin said, will be to increase participation in the USDA lunch program and in the free/reduced meal program for next year.

For the food pantry, Junior High Principal Amanda Zullo said she thinks that school is the prime location because of its proximity to the high school, Nightengale Elementary and Trinity Catholic School.

"This seemed like a natural fit for the building, and for a lot of the

work we've been focused on doing this year," she told the Board of Education.

Collaruso-Martin said some high school students are coming to school hungry, but they don't have the afterschool snack program running because of the pandemic.

"We can't have the after-school snack program this year because we can't have after-school programming thanks to COVID," she said.

"Pending board approval, our application is ready to go," Collaruso-Martin said. They will apply to be registered through the Food Bank of Central New York. The nearest registered school food pantry is in Harrisville, she added.

The community schools director said the designation through the CNY food bank would "make us eligible ... for additional federal funds, as well as foundation funding."

## Lisbon man suing town and county

BY JIMMY LAWTON  
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LISBON — A Lisbon man is suing the Lisbon Town Council, town supervisor, town clerk, St. Lawrence County Legislature and the legislature chairman over a tax dispute.

Russell Finley filed an Article 78 lawsuit with the State Supreme Court over tax fees he says were wrongly applied to his tax bill.

Finley, who makes his tax payments installments, said he was unable to pay his second installment in-person at the Lisbon Town Hall due to the offices being shut-down due to COVID-19.

"Petitioner Russell Finley when it came time to make the second installment of his 2020 Property Taxes had been made aware that due to the COVID-19 Pandemic many Government Agencies had either gone to limited hours, or in fact had closed," the document filed by Finley says.

"Russell Finley went to the Respondent Town of Lisbon website to get both information and/or the phone number for more information as to how to make said payments.

Finley says the website included a message stating "Town of Lisbon Officers are Closed until further notice."

He said that he was led to believe that "due to these extreme worldwide circumstances all would be put on hold until," the town safely reopened.

Finley said over the next several months he checked the website to see if and when the clerk would be open to receive tax payments.

Finley said he was ready, willing and able to make his payment, but wanted to do so in person to ensure a receipt as he has had issues with the town in the past.

Finley said that in June he received a notice from the county demanding payment for unpaid property taxes that included \$1,000 in fees, penalties and interest.

Finley says two county legislators via text message told him that the county was working on the issue as many county residents were in the same situation.

He said despite reassurances from the county officials he was told that was refusing to remove the interest and penalties from the bill.

Finley approached the Lisbon Town Board and St. Lawrence

County Legislator regarding the issue in October. Finley said that the county had wrongly paid the town of Lisbon for the late fees and interest and was told by the chair to take the issue up with the town.

On Oct. 13 Finley said he raised the issue at a town board meeting. He said that Supervisor William Nelson told him that he was the only one who had a problem. He also said that Town Clerk Alberta Hyde told him the office was open but that he had to slip the taxes through the drop box.

Finley questioned why the website stated that the offices were closed if they were not, but claims he was met with rude comments from Councilman Nathaniel Putney.

Finley claims that both the county and town denied his right to a hearing. He also says that he was not the only one impacted by the town's message that the offices were closed.

He says 196 separate entities failed to pay the 2020 tax bill on 284 parcels and that as of Dec. 2 99 separate entities still owed 2020 taxes on 128 parcels.

"Thus meaning 97 taxpayers with 156 parcels were forced to pay penalties and interest due to the incompetent manner in which Respondent Town of Lisbon had handled themselves during a time when the public was both confused and enduring great economic distress," the document filed by Finley says.

St. Lawrence County Attorney Stephen Button said the county has not yet been served anything new by Finley, and any comment would be premature.

Lisbon Supervisor William Nelson could not be immediately reached for comment.



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### BRIEFLY

#### City man charged

CANTON — An Ogdensburg man was arrested Jan. 23 on drug charges following a traffic stop on CR 15, according to state police. Police said they conducted a traffic stop on a Chevrolet Impala that was traveling south around 10:20 a.m. Jan. 23. Following investigation, officers charged Ryan E. Thomason, 29, with fourth-degree criminal possession of methamphetamine, police said. Officers said he was in possession of a quantity of crystal meth. Thomason was remanded to St. Lawrence County jail on \$500 bail.

#### Appointments available

Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center offers same-day appointments at its Canton Health Center Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center's (CHMC) Canton Health Center, located at 39 West Main Street, is now offering same-day appointments by calling 315-379-4700. The Canton Health Center is open Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. "Due to Covid-19, we are not taking walk-in patients at any of our locations at this time; please call ahead to make an appointment," a press release said.

# County says no to sales tax extension

BY ANDY GARDNER  
North Country This Week

CANTON – St. Lawrence County legislators voted down a bill that would have extended the current sales tax distribution formula with the towns, villages and city for another two years.

The board's finance committee, which includes all 15 legislators, voted 8-7 against the extension, saw a couple of Republicans jumping party lines.

The eight votes that denied the motion came from Democrats Margaret Haggard, Suzanne Fiacco, Tony Arquiatt, Nicole Terminelli and Dan Fay. Also voting no were Republicans Joe Lightfoot, Kevin Acres and John Burke.

Legislator Jim Reagen, R-Ogdensburg, asked his colleagues to support the extension and do what they can to settle an issue he says is causing division among the lawmakers.

"I think this issue has divided this board long enough. I think we've spent way too much time on an issue that has only divided community against community, legislator against legislator. It's time for us to end this divisive issue and focus on real priorities facing this county," he said.

"As many people have pointed out many times, there is no one, except for people in this room, who are advocating we take money from the City of Ogdensburg. Most people across the county ... feel we should be working together and not creating divisive issues that all they do is tear us apart."

Legislator Margaret Haggard, D-Potsdam, said "voting for this

(two-year extension) is voting against the interest of the people I represent."

She then offered an amendment that would extend the formula for one year, rather than two. That was also denied in a split vote. Legislators supporting the amendment were Haggard, Fiacco, Burke, Arquiatt, Terminelli, Lightfoot and Acres.

Prior to the amendment vote, Lightfoot said he thinks they need to stop offering extensions because in two years, it could be an entirely different board working on the deal. They're all up for election next year.

"This board is remiss in its duties by kicking this into the hands of another board.

"It's our problem. We should be taking care of it," he said. "This is ridiculous what we have allowed the city to drive us into and put a wedge between half of this board and the other half."

Ogdensburg has an option to preempt, meaning they can take themselves out of the county formula and collect their own sales tax within the city limits.

County Attorney Steve Button said although an option, it isn't that simple.

"They will have to go to their state legislators as we have frequently, and secure enabling legislation... it's a very difficult task," he said. "Any agreement we reach with the City of Ogdensburg will be subject to the comptroller's review and approval as well."

If the city pre-empts, the county Board of Legislators recently took action to ensure the towns and villages will still receive their current shares, which is calculated based

50% on population and 50% on assessed value.

"That would actually increase the pot that all the towns and villages would receive," Button said.

"It's theoretically possible that towns and a larger population, with larger assessed values would see their share increase because the pot would become larger."

Finance Committee Chairman Kevin Acres, R-Madrid, said he thinks they should be waiting to make decisions based on 2020 Census results.

"What I don't understand ... is the unwillingness to wait for the census," he said. "I believe with the 2020 census due in March ... will show a further decline in the population of Ogdensburg."

Here's how the current sales tax distribution formula works:

Sales tax in St. Lawrence County is 8% of the cost of purchases. The state takes half of that and the county collects the other 4% which it then divides between itself and the municipalities in a specific, and perhaps convoluted formula.

Half of the first 3 percent of the 4 percent total received back from the state goes to the county.

The other half of the first 3 percent is divided, with 6.4 percent of that going to the City of Ogdensburg and the remaining 43.6 percent divided between the towns and villages.

The remaining 1 percent of the 4 percent total received from the state is divided, with 83.6 percent kept by the county, Ogdensburg getting 6.4 percent and the remaining 10 percent doled out in shares to the towns and villages.

# Massena clears way for housing grants

BY ANDY GARDNER  
North Country This Week

MASSENA — The Massena Town Council passed resolutions that are required to receive the Housing and Urban Development microenterprise grant program and the USDA Rural Development grant.

They took the actions during their Wednesday, Jan. 20 meeting streamed online via Zoom.

In August, Rep. Elise Stefanik's office announced \$4 million from the USDA program would fund water improvements in the town.

At the January meeting, Jim Murphy from the Massena Business Development Corporation said the town can't get the money without passing a fair housing law, a grievance procedure for housing complaints under the Americans with Disabilities Act for the HUD money. For the USDA money, they had to pass a procedure in place to assist people who deal with the town but don't speak English.

He said the Fair Housing resolution just needs to outline a procedure for people to file grievances.

"The town doesn't have to ... adjudicate, levy fines or anything like that," he said.

The town's role in that process is

**\$4 million from the USDA program would fund water improvements in the town**

to "record the complaint and provide forms and assistance to people making the complaint." They can refer grievances to the St. Lawrence County Fair Housing Task Force or HUD, he said.

The resolution also designated Brenda Mousaw from the town supervisor's office as their fair housing officer.

"She is always there and always dependable and is our town's first source of contact, which is what you want," Murphy said.

He said for people who may not speak English, an option to help them, rather than hiring translators, would be to communicate using Google Translate apps.

"The town has to have a plan developed if someone comes to the town and can't speak English, basically," he said.

## Sex offender charged with failing to register

OGDENSBURG — Ogdensburg police charged a registered sex offender with failure to update the registry with his new address.

Kenneth P. Fisher, 52, Ogdensburg, was charged Monday, police said.

He allegedly failed to register a new address and was picked up on a warrant from city court, officers said.

Fisher is a level three sex offender, according to the state registry, which means he is designated as being at a high risk to re-offend.

The registry says he was convicted in 1990 in Texas for having sexual contact with an 8-year old girl.

He is listed on the registry as living on Ford Street.

# Massena BDC seeks partnership

BY ANDY GARDNER  
North Country This Week

MASSENA — The Massena Business Development Corporation director reported to the town council that he's looking to redraw the contract between the BDC and the town and village governments.

"The ultimate goal ... is to develop a specific scope of work and a detailed contract for services" not updated in 15 years," BDC Director Jim Murphy told the board at their

Wednesday, Jan. 20 meeting. "The nature of what we need to do and the nature of how you need us is changing."

He's planning talks with officials from the BDC and both local governments.

Murphy said the BDC is also pausing their drawing up of a long-term strategic plan.

"We kind of held off on the strategic plan for a couple months," he said. "It's difficult to develop an outreach program when outreach is

going to be a challenge."

At the December town board meeting, Councilor Bob Elsner, the board's BDC liaison, said they were having trouble getting a survey for business owners and residents to guide their drawing of the plan.

He said the issues were keeping it short and simple, but it's difficult to do that and get all the info they really need.

He also said the inability to have public forums due to the COVID-19 pandemic is also a big hurdle.

# County legislators walk back plans to investigate elections commissioner

BY ANDY GARDNER  
North Country This Week

CANTON – The chairman of the St. Lawrence County legislature walked back an earlier statement that he will ask for a Board of Ethics ruling on a complaint against the county's Democratic elections commissioner.

Jennie Bacon, the Democratic elections commissioner, was at the center of a controversy after allegedly using her county email during work to send a Democratic party press release.

Jennie Bacon, the SLC Democratic elections commissioner, sent out the release calling on Rep. Elise Stefanik, R-Schuylerville, to resign in the wake of the Jan. 6 Capitol Building riot.

Stefanik has been a vocal supporter of President Donald Trump, who critics say incited the riot with his rhetoric, but has condemned the violence.

Shortly after, Stefanik spokesperson Alex DeGrasse sent out a news release calling on Bacon to resign.

Legislature Chairman Bill Sheridan, R-Hammond, said at the Monday, Jan. 25 Finance Committee meeting that after talking to the county attorney, there doesn't appear to be any evidence of malfeasance.

"I talked to the county attorney. He has reviewed the materials," Sheridan said. "There does not appear to be sufficient evidence to sustain the belief that Ms. Bacon violated the St. Lawrence County ethics clause."

He said he believes the evidence shows that Bacon sending out the email from a county account was "entirely accidental."

And they're required to show that her actions "must be formulated and perpetrated intentionally."

"I look forward to executive session and maybe we can hear some facts of the case. Those were the

issues I was comfortable talking about outside of executive session," Sheridan said.

There was no action taken, nor was there any discussion, after the Jan. 25 Finance Committee executive session.

County Attorney Stephen Button said anyone can request an advisory opinion from the county Board of Ethics, but only "to analyze their (own) behavior."

However, "anyone has the ability to file a complaint, under our local ethics law," he said.

Legislator Margaret Haggard, D-Potsdam, said she was "delighted" that Sheridan changed his stance, but she doesn't believe he should have made earlier comments to local press.


"I'm concerned about the use of our press when talking about personnel matters. It's humiliating," she said. "I hope Ms. Bacon would be afforded an apology for this issue that's been going on."

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## Massena snowman

Tyler Mulvenna, Owen Mulvenna, and Lincoln Mulvenna built a snowman that was over six feet tall.

# SLC seeks options to assist homeowners in substandard housing

BY ANDY GARDNER  
North Country This Week

CANTON – St. Lawrence County legislators discussed if there's a way to get grant money to people in sub-standard housing who don't qualify for Housing and Urban Development (HUD) assistance.

The discussion took place during the board's Monday, Jan. 25 Finance Committee meeting.

"We have a lot of folks in St. Lawrence County living in sub-standard housing. A lot of the sub-standard housing are mobile homes," said Legislator Larry Densha, R-Dekalb, adding that HUD grants can't be used for mobile homes.

"Some of them are heating their homes with space heaters, with the ovens in their kitchens. I find this unacceptable. I know it's not your problem," he said to Department of Social Services Director Cynthia Acker-

man during a discussion about HEAP funding. "We've got people trying to keep their houses warm. They're risking fire. They're risking their lives. They don't have any options."

Ackerman acknowledged that this is a problem, and her department is having "ongoing discussions and outreach" and DSS officials will "see if there's other resources out there, based on peoples' eligibility."

"Some of these people just don't qualify for the program, which is unfortunate," the DSS chief said. "It puts them in a position where they could be in danger because they're using heating resources that are not appropriate by any means."

"I do understand your concern with families that are using stoves for heat, or unsafe devices," she said. "It seems like in the end, there would be some way, shape or form we could come and do an assessment, see if there's alternative ways of doing things."

## Dangerous fentanyl pills circulating

Local law enforcement in Clinton County have been investigating the origins of counterfeit oxycodone pain medications that have found their way to the North Country, said a recent announcement from the state police.

The markings on these blue pills

contain an "M" and a "30." Investigators believe the counterfeit pills contain compressed fentanyl.

Deadly even in minute quantities, fentanyl has recently killed people in the North Country.

The public in the North Country is urged to be careful and not take

any prescription medication that is not prescribed by a doctor or originate from a pharmacy.

Any information or reports of these pills can be made to any local law enforcement agency, troopers said.

# County passes resolution to support landlords amid pandemic

BY ANDY GARDNER  
North Country This Week

CANTON – St. Lawrence County legislators supported a resolution calling on the state to give financial assistance to landlords who the bill's sponsor says are being "victimized" by the state's moratorium on pandemic eviction restrictions.

They took the action during their Monday, Jan. 25 meeting.

Legislator John Burke, R-Norfolk, sponsored the motion, which passed 13-1-1. Legislator Kevin

Acres, R-Madrid, voted no. Legislator Dan Fay, D-Canton, abstained.

Burke said he thinks the state is right to protect renters who are in danger of eviction because pandemic-related financial hardships leave them unable to make rent payments. However, he thinks the state shouldn't just leave landlords not getting their rent payments.

"In no way are we critical of the protection of vulnerable people," he said, adding that his motion would "ask the state to put the funding where the funding needs to be and not victimize another group of our citizens, our landlords, and at the same time protecting those who may be vulnerable to evictions."

Acres said he would be voting against it because it's not aimed at large corporations who own properties in the county. He said he believes it "discriminates against them."

"They have giant complexes and giant expenses to go with them," he said.

The section of the motion Acres took issue with says "Whereas, unlike businesses that are more likely to own giant apartment complexes and multi-family units, individual investors are more likely to own single family homes or duplexes, and whereas most of these individual investors are what are traditionally referred to as 'mom and pop' operations, where

the individual investor has secured ownership of their rental property through traditional loan financing."

Legislator Margaret Haggard, D-Potsdam, said she wants to support the landlords in her district.

"In Potsdam, we have a lot of rental properties, and they're not owned by big corporations, to my knowledge ... they're primarily mom and pop businesses that augment a family business, or are an entire family business," Haggard said. "These people are not the people that own a million giant high rises in New York City and have millions and millions on the bank. Those people may be suffering, too."

Legislator Jim Reagen, R-Ogdensburg, said some landlords aren't renting empty units because "they're very concerned that they have no way of enforcing rent collection."

It's creating even more of a shortage of housing," Reagen said. "The sooner that some relief is given to landlords and assurances they will have their rent paid, the sooner the number of people who are living on other peoples' couches ... scrambling looking for housing will be averted."

Legislator Joe Lightfoot, R-Ogdensburg, said he supported the motion because landlords not getting rent payments could mean they're not doing building maintenance which can lead to safety

issues for the people living there.

"These property owners still have to pay their taxes. They have to maintain their property. In some cases they have to provide that heat," he said. "I think it's very important we advocate for something that will provide some relief to those people ... it could cause other issues down the road with respect to safety for those people that are occupying those rental units."

Legislator Tony Arquiett, D-Helena, asked County Attorney Stephen Button if anyone on the board who is a landlord should abstain from

voting, as Fay is and did.

Button said there isn't a conflict of interest there, and likened it to voting to reduce taxes.

"There's been a whole bunch of ethical decisions that have been put out there ... that addressed issues of a legislator to vote on an issue generically that they may generically benefit from," Button said. "The benefit they're voting on is not specific to them, is broad enough to encompass the entire citizenry."

"While it's geared at those individual investors ... the resolution itself is not limited to that," he said.

## OBITUARIES

### Douglas Elmore, 86 formerly of Canton

Douglas Lavere Elmore, 86, passed away January 17, 2021 in Syracuse, NY. He was born June 24, 1934 in Canajoharie, NY to Clarence and Leona (Slater) Elmore.

He was one of seven children and was preceded in death by Clarence, Jr., Carolyn, Rena, Marjorie, and Dennis. His second wife Lois passed away in 2001.

He is survived by one sister, Patricia Smith of Mesa, AZ. He is also survived by his children: Brock (Wendy), Johnna (Mike) Germain, Tal (Debbie), and Quint Elmore. He is also survived by grandchildren Sarah Germain, Casey (Zachary) Fraser, Thomas (Lauren) Germain, Justin Elmore, Austin (Signy) Elmore, Douglas, and Davis Elmore. Additional survivors include his first wife, Patricia Vesey, nieces, nephews, great-grandchildren, and stepchildren Stephen (Diane), Philip (Claudia) Constantino, and Robin (Donnie) Beaver.

After graduation from Canajoharie High School, Doug attended Canton Agricultural and Technical College. Upon graduation, he stayed in Canton and married Patricia Anne MacLeod. It was in Canton where they raised their children. Doug could always be found cheering on his children and the rest of the Golden Bears in all their games and activities. When not in Canton he was travelling to the NYS School

for the Deaf in Rome, to cheer on Quint in all his games as well.

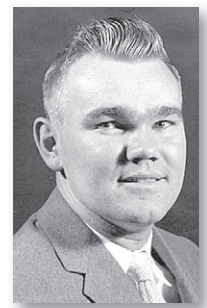
Doug moved to Florida in 1984 and soon began working at Hungry Howie's in Clearwater, where he continued in several capacities until his retirement. It was at Hungry Howie's where Doug developed lifelong friends who became more like family than coworkers.

One of his favorite things to do was playing Santa Claus at the Hungry Howie's Christmas Party!

Doug was an avid sports fan, loving all the Florida teams, but his favorite pastime was attending all the sporting events that his children and grandchildren participated in. After the games, holidays, special events or not so special events, Doug loved to go to Johnna and Mike's...and play cards with his grandchildren!

Donations in lieu of flowers to: The Loretto Foundation, 700 E. Brighton Ave, Syracuse NY 13205

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Douglas Elmore

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**OBITUARIES**

**William W. Wilkins, 85**

Massena

MASSENA -- William "Wally" Wilkins, 85, a resident of Middlebury Ave, passed away Saturday evening, January 16, 2021 at Canton-Potsdam Hospital from complications of COVID-19.

Wally was born July 29, 1935 in Massena, the son of the late George and Eva (Martin) Wilkins and attended Massena schools. At the age of 17, he entered the United States Army, later joining the Navy. After his honorable discharge from active duty, he served for many years with both the Army and Navy Reserves. On December 8, 1956, he married Betty J. Yateman at the Massena First United Methodist Church. She predeceased him on November 10, 2014.

Wally first worked for U-Hall and Rich Trucking Company during the construction of the Seaway. He later opened and operated Wilkins Billiards and The Golden Cue in Massena for many years before starting employment at Alcoa, where he worked for 30 years, retiring in 1997 as a press saw operator in the Extrusion Department.

As a proud veteran, he was a member of the AMVETS and the VFW in Massena and former member of the Moose Lodge. Wally enjoyed collecting coins, visiting the casino, diners and french fries, and his granddogs. He was an avid Syracuse sports fan and enjoyed gardening – especially his fruit trees. Wally will fondly be remembered by his family and many friends for always having a pocketful of candies that he would always be offering.

Wally is survived by his children, Rickey and Melissa Wilkins of Massena; William Jr. and Karen Wilkins of Massena; and Lori Salazar of Ogdensburg; his grandchildren, Erika O'Geene, Katie, Corey, and Jordan Wilkins, and Cole Salazar; his great grandchildren, Rowan and Colton Wilkins and Elliana and Holden O'Geene; his sister, Kathy and Joe Toth of Frankenbooth, Michigan; his brother, Dennis Wilkins of Port Charlotte, Florida; and many nieces and nephews.

**William Wilkins**



In addition to his parents and wife, Wally was predeceased by a son, Timothy "Twink" Wilkins on September 23, 2016; his sisters, Donalda Sedlock, Dorothy Eros, and Shirley Clough; and his brother, Leonard "Alkie" Wilkins.

Services will be held privately at the convenience of the family with burial in Pine Grove Cemetery. Arrangements are with the Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena, where memories and condolences may be made online at [www.donaldsonfh.com](http://www.donaldsonfh.com).

In lieu of flowers, those wishing may consider memorial contributions to be made in his memory to the Ronald McDonald Houses of either Syracuse or Burlington or the Shriners Children's Hospital.

**Oakley R. Holland, 86**

Brasher Falls

BRASHER FALLS -- Oakley R. Holland passed away Monday, January 18, 2021 at the Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center in Ogdensburg, NY. Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

Oakley was born June 22, 1934 in Lisbon, NY and attended school there.

He worked as a "Euc" dump truck driver helping construct the St. Lawrence Seaway and then as a groundskeeper for the Canton Central School District.

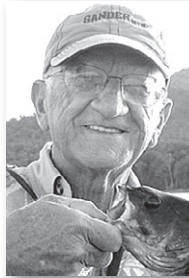
Oakley married Irene Larock on April 27, 1957 and they shared sixty three wonderful years together.

In retirement Oakley enjoyed tinkering in his workshop, camping, and fishing in the northern Adirondacks. He could usually be found out on the water in the early foggy mornings or sharing stories and jokes by a campfire in the evenings surrounded by friends and

family at Deer River Campsite. Oakley is survived by his wife Irene Holland; daughter Michele Fleming and her husband Randall; daughter Marcia Johnson and her husband Wray; son Michael Holland; grandchildren Dustin, Emily, Erica, Christine; great-grandchildren Emmett & Lleyton; extended family; and many friends.

Oakley was predeceased by his brothers Robert, Jack, and Gary Holland.

There will be no services at this time. Family and friends can share their memories, stories, and condolences online at [www.PhillipsMemorial.com](http://www.PhillipsMemorial.com)



**Oakley Holland**

**RECENT DEATHS**

**TERRY COUGLER**, 71, Heuvelton, Jan. 24. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

**DAVID BURWELL**, 92, Lisbon, Jan. 22. Arrangements with O'Leary Funeral Service, Canton.

**ANNA STEELE**, 97, formerly of Ogdensburg, Jan. 22. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Madrid.

**ROBERT DOMINIE**, 87, Ogdensburg, Jan. 22. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

**CAROL BELILE**, 76, formerly of Massena, Jan. 21. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

**HELEN SEAMAN**, 77, formerly of Ogdensburg, Jan. 21. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

**CLARA LINCOLN**, 83, Massena, Jan. 19. Arrangements with French Funeral Home.

**OAKLEY HOLLAND**, 86, Brasher Falls, Jan. 18. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

**LARISSA REDMOND**, 13, Ogdensburg, Jan. 17. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

**DOROTHY FLYNN**, 96, Massena, Jan. 10. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

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**Richard J. Brown, 80**

Formerly of Winthrop

stepson Daniel Jones.

After graduation from high school Richard held various jobs in the metal and steel industry honing his skills as a welder.

His last employment was at Alcoa Industries in Massena, NY as a general mechanic and master welder. He retired from Alcoa in or around 2005.

Richard spent the better part of his life in service to his community as a volunteer firefighter and lifetime member of the St. Lawrence County Underwater Recovery Team.

His 45 year commitment to Hannawa Falls Fire Department serving as 1st asst. and Chief of the department throughout his years and serving as Divemaster to the St. Lawrence County Underwater Recovery Team for 25 years earned him many accolades and gained him much love and respect from his volunteer brothers and sisters. Richard loved the fire service, his team members who became a second family and the many years he spent as Divemaster to a special team of dedicated volunteers who also became as close as family. So many years, so many spirits. Amazing.

Retirement gave Richard more time and opportunity to become more involved with his volunteer work which he continued till his passing.

Then there was his other favorite

**Carol L. Belile, 76**

Massena

tender and waitress for many years until her retirement.

She enjoyed her time playing at the Casino and the company of her cats, "Precious", "Mario", and "Big Boy".

Carol is survived by her loving and devoted son, Brian K. Belile of Massena, NY, her sisters; Sandra Canfield, Edith and husband Roger Deshaies, and Marianne Layo all of Massena, NY, Sharon Gill of Ontario, NY and Jeanne Goodrich of Springhill, FL along with several nieces and neph-



**Carol L. Belile**

ews.

In addition to her parents, Carol was predeceased by her loving husband Francis in 2012, and her brothers James and Robert Goodrich.

There will be no public calling hours or funeral services at this time.

A graveside service will be held at the convenience of the family in Calvary Cemetery, Massena.

Memorial contributions may be acknowledged with the Massena Humane Society; 177 Massena South Racquette River Rd, Massena, NY 13662

Family and friends are encouraged to share stories and memories of Carol by visiting [www.PhillipsMemorial.com](http://www.PhillipsMemorial.com)

Arrangements are entrusted to the Garner Funeral Service. Thoughts, memories and condolences can be shared @[www.garnerfh.com](http://www.garnerfh.com).

Richard J. Brown was reunited with his savior on January 18, 2021 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Syracuse, NY.

Richard was born to Richard Samuel Brown and Doris Janet Locy on February 7, 1940.

He lived with his Mom and Dad and two sisters on a small farm in Winthrop. He attended St. Lawrence Central School and graduated in 1958.

Richard is survived by his wife of 30 years, Janet Russell Brown, four children, James (and Shannon) Brown of Oklahoma, Shawn (and Lisa) Brown of Malone, Doris (and William) Girard of Windsor, Ontario, Shane Brown of Niskayuna; two step children, Kyle (and Shawna) Jones of Potsdam; Marci (and Vincent) Tanzini of Endicott, two sisters, Janice (and Max) Hess of Waterloo, and Pat Marsh of Winthrop.

He also leaves behind grandchildren Jesse Brown (and Samuel) of Toledo, OH, Jacob (and Shelly) Brown of Dundee, MI, Corey Brown of Kirkland, WA, Desiree Brown of Birmingham, AL, Zachary McGregory Jones of Massena, Kaula (and Joe) Moore of Ohio, Samantha (and Jake) Zaworski of FL, Shea and Cooper Jones of Potsdam, and 12 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents, his daughter Lynanne Brown, his grandson Jared Brown and his

MASSENA -- Carol L. Belile, age 76, formerly of County Route 43 Massena, NY passed away unexpectedly at Massena Rehabilitation & Nursing Center Saturday evening January 23, 2021.

The arrangements have been entrusted to the care and direction of the Phillips Memorial Home Massena.

Carol was born to the late Kermit and Mary (Layton) Goodrich in Massena on May 25, 1944. She attended Massena Schools and graduated from Massena Central in 1962.

Carol later married Francis J. Belile on June 26, 1965 at St. Joseph's Church in Massena.

She was employed at one time with F & L Seaway Bowl as a bar-

MASSENA -- Dorothy B. Flynn, 96, a longtime resident of Brighton Street, passed away January 10, 2021 at Albany Medical Center.

Dorothy was born on April 1, 1924 in Canton, the daughter of the late Herbert J. and Hazel (Dillabough) Durant. She attended schools in Massena, where she graduated in 1942.

On June 22, 1946, she married Harold A. Flynn at the Massena First United Methodist Church with Rev. Leslie Potter, officiating. Harold predeceased her on June 8, 2013.

In 1942, Dorothy started working at Alcoa as a typist in the shipping department. She continued there

**Dorothy B. Flynn, 96**

Massena

until the birth of her sons, when she then became a dedicated mother.

Dorothy was active with the Massena Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and worked as an election inspector for many years.

She enjoyed making mittens for her church, reading, shopping, flower gardening, and playing Kanasta. She and her late husband enjoyed vacationing, wintering in Florida, and spending time at their camp on Wilson Hill.



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## Boys & Girls Club receives \$10k from SLFCU

OGDENSBURG — St. Lawrence Federal Credit Union recently donated \$10,000 to the Ogdensburg Boys and Girls Club for the Preston C. Carlisle Youth Athletic Center Project.

The Ogdensburg Boys and Girls Club provides for the youth of our community with tireless efforts and endless support.

Like many organizations this past year, The Ogdensburg Boys and Girls Club had to shift gears and find alternative ways to help the youth and their families. After providing for an average of 130 youth each day with character development, educational, and recreational

activities, without notice, the club was in the midst of a pandemic and the day-to-day operations were put on pause. They knew that many of those they served needed help and assistance with the necessities of life.

From March of 2020 until the end of the year they were able to provide 12,817 lunches and dinners, 1,401 bags of groceries, 267 hygiene bags, 220 oral care packages, 79 gift cards to local grocery stores worth \$25, 100 cases of water, 40 winter coats, numerous Christmas presents, and any other items that could be of assistance to their community.

The Club was fortunate to have

the support of the Ogdensburg City School District who provided some lunches for delivery and worked with them to help identify many underserved families that needed support. They were also grateful for the hundreds of alumni, businesses, families, and friends who stepped up to provide assistance to the less fortunate and thankful they allowed them to provide the aid.

In July, the Club was able to re-open and conduct much needed summer programming and continued to operate daily following all local, state, and federal safety guidelines.

Through the generosity of the

Carlisle Family, The Ogdensburg Boys and Girls Club is excited to be preparing for the addition of the Preston C. Carlisle Youth Athletic Center. This addition is in honor of Mr. Carlisle who is a past member of the Board of Directors and a long-time supporter of local youth. The new addition will allow the Club to serve more kids more often and will be a fitting tribute to Mr. Carlisle.

"As we search for normalcy in the coming year, The Ogdensburg Boys and Girls Club hopes this will be a place kids will want to go to have fun with friends, learn new skills, and be with others who truly care about them," a press release said.

## SL County unemployment rate up slightly

St. Lawrence County's unemployment rate last month rose slightly from the rate the same month in 2019.

DOL says the rate went to 5.9% last month from 5.7% in December 2019.

They say there were 2,500 people receiving benefits both months, with 40,600 employed last month compared to 41,400 in December 2019.

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## L.E.A.'s Diner enters NC Chili Cook-Off

HEUVELTON — L.E.A.'S Diner, 90 State St., will participate in the Volunteer Transportation Center's 22nd Annual North Country Chili Cook-Off, which is in a new format this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

As first announced in December, the cook-off — typically held as a one-day event at the Dulles State Office Building in Watertown on the first Saturday of February — will instead be held at participating

restaurants in Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence Counties throughout the month of February.

The North Country Chili Cook-Off — just for this year — will focus only on the "Professional" category and be held at participating restaurants. The event will follow a "pub crawl" format, where those wishing to sample and vote on their favorite entries may do so at participating restaurants.

The cook-off is a fundraiser to help the VTC transport veterans and their families.

This year's cook-off will run from Monday, Feb. 1, through Sunday, Feb. 28. Hours of each location will be available on the cook-off page of the VTC website, [www.volunteertransportationcenter.org/chili-cook-off](http://www.volunteertransportationcenter.org/chili-cook-off). Those wanting to cast votes will be able to do so in person by paper ballot or online through the VTC website. The entry with the most votes will get a special plaque denoting them winner of the special edition People's Choice Award.

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## LETTERS

### Appreciation for road maintenance workers

I would like to express my gratitude to the road maintenance workers. The combined efforts of the state, county, town, city and village road maintenance workers keep the snow and ice at bay through the winter.

Once the roads are clear, we get to ride on the smooth roads they repaired and resurfaced last summer.

Many days, both winter and summer, the weather is unpleasant yet they get the jobs done. Thank you!

David Bolesh  
Lisbon

### Stefanik lacks conscience required to resign

In response to "SLC Republican Chairwoman Stands With Stefanik" which appeared in the Jan. 23-29 issue of North Country This Week: "Questions remain unanswered" only until Republican Party operatives admit and take responsibility for perpetrating and doubling down on the Big Lie and its deadly fallout. There exists no second answer.

Continuing support for The Big Lie, advanced since the summer of 2020 – i.e., a 2020 election loss by President Trump must be explainable only by widespread voter fraud – launched by the former president and parroted even now by Republican Party operatives from Arizona to New York's North Country, definitively refutes any attempts to differentiate between Cult 45 and the Republican Party.

Facts – e.g., (1) losses in more than 60 fraudulent court cases, accompanied by brutal rebukes from judges, including many Trump-appointed judges; (2) the results of 50 state-certified elections, including 27 in states with Republican governors – these and many more irrefutable facts all bounce off Cult 45. Facts that plainly reveal the Big Lie and expose its Dear Leader as a serial grifter do not penetrate, precisely because that's how every cult works.

Parroted of the Big Lie by cynical Republican pols helped incite an insurrection intended solely to stop the time-honored ritual of recording these already-certified elections, in which a record 160 million voters heroically participated during a deadly pandemic. Any attempt to disconnect the Big Lie from the insurrection it generated is unworthy of an educated adult.

Only truth and accountability can resurrect a now-zombie political party. It is not possible to paper over an insurrection or undisguised Republican attempts to nullify millions of Black, Latinx, and Indigenous votes in Atlanta, Detroit, Philadelphia, Milwaukee, and in Maricopa County in Arizona. Nelson Mandela's Truth and Reconciliation Commission ought to remind all of us: a nation cannot simply 'move past' abhorrent conduct without first acknowledging the truth and providing accountability for The Big Lie and for all of its tragic fallout.

Absentee millionaire Cult 45 Rep Stefanik's actions demonstrate that she lacks the conscience required to resign. Such shamelessness requires enough NY-21 voters to work harder than ever to unseat and replace her once and for all

Joseph Adams  
Massena

with a candidate who actually lives in the District and is committed to enacting policies that help NY-21's working families rather than Stefanik's multinational corporate donor-masters.

Plus, unless and until we identify, examine, and effectively address the factors motivating Cult 45, it will continue to flourish, its mass delusions will persist unabated, and we'll remain politically as flash frozen as a box of peas, i.e., genuine progress (e.g., equal justice under law, National Improved Medicare for All, Green New Deal) will remain elusive.

Scott Allen Bennett, LICSW  
(MA), LCSW (NY), BCD  
Massena

### Monopoly on local internet

I want to bring up the issue of internet prices in the North Country. Spectrum has a monopoly in the area, which is unfair for citizens who live here. The current pandemic has created a situation where many homes must have internet service so that their children can go to school online. Many people are working from home and need internet service. However, the prices are unaffordable, and there is no alternative to Spectrum.

I currently live in Massena, and the only internet service provider available at my home is Spectrum. I am sure numerous other households in the same situation where the only provider available is Spectrum. The company offers discounts on their internet service for new customers (for the first year of service); however, if you are an existing customer unless you want to add more services (television, phone, etc.), then the current price for internet-only is \$74.99. The previous price was \$69.99 and recently went up to \$5. These prices are entirely unaffordable and unfair.

In my situation, I called the company and explained that it was ridiculous to pay \$74.99 for internet only service. The customer service is unwilling to bend at all, and the price is the price. This is because they have a monopoly in the area and know that there is no competition available. They can charge whatever they want, and no one can do anything about it.

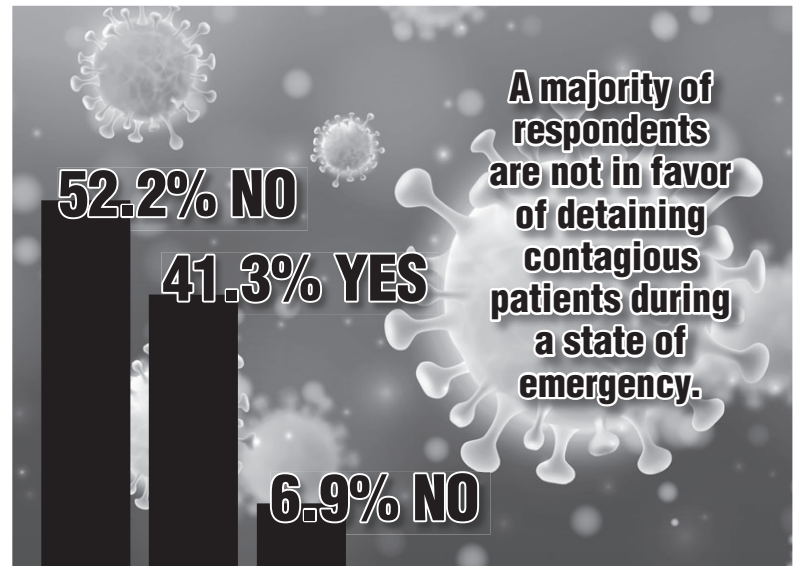
I want to raise awareness about the monopoly that Spectrum currently has over residents of the north country. Many households live at or below the poverty level in the north country. These households need internet for school or work being online as a result of the pandemic. Now they are expected to pay \$74.99 for internet service! This is an astronomical cost for families, and quite frankly, in my opinion, this should be illegal! Does it make sense that there is only one internet service provider in the area, and they charge \$75 for the only internet service they offer?

An alternative would be for the company to offer different packages (different internet speeds) with various prices that would be more affordable for more families. I am calling on state and local officials to investigate this issue and try to find a resolution. Thank you.

## NCNOW SURVEY

The Question:

### Do you support a law allowing contagious patients to be detained during a state of emergency?



Cathy Whalen | NCTW

**NORTH COUNTRY** Assemblyman Mark Walczyk expressed opposition to legislation that would force the detention of New Yorkers alleged of carrying communicable diseases for up to eight business days, or longer pending a court order. The bill was originally introduced in response to an individual who flaunted an Ebola diagnosis, but given the current state of the COVID-19 pandemic, it has raised new concerns about the impact it could have on New Yorkers if enacted. Do you support a law allowing contagious patients to be detained during a state of emergency?

**HERE ARE COMMENTS** from some survey participants:

'No. It would be overwhelming, would expose law enforcement to disease, would expose other inmates to disease, the state would have to pay for their healthcare while incarcerated, etc.'

'Sometimes laws go too far and are abused by those enforcing them. I do not like laws like this one. Too many laws already taking away human rights.'

'I'm tired of people who continue to go out and mingle with the public despite being diagnosed with COVID, flu, etc. They scream about their rights. What about my rights to be safe?'

'Absolutely not. I know it's difficult to see people not doing the right thing, but you can't legislate a risk-free society.'

'Yes, but only during a national health emergency such as the one we are currently in now.'

**TO READ MORE COMMENTS,** visit [NorthCountryNow.com/ncnow-survey](http://NorthCountryNow.com/ncnow-survey).

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**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:** Should St. Lawrence County schools allow high-risk sports now?

The NCNow Survey is an unscientific poll of visitors to [NorthCountryNow.com](http://NorthCountryNow.com) who choose to participate. Please keep comments to 150 words or fewer; all are subject to editing.

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Towns of Massena, Brasher and Norfolk, St. Lawrence County, New York

# NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

North Side Energy Center, LLC ("North Side" or "Applicant") is seeking authority from the New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (the "Siting Board") to construct a 180 megawatt ("MW") solar photovoltaic electric generating facility (the "Project") in the Towns of Massena, Brasher and Norfolk, St. Lawrence County, New York, under Article 10 of the New York State Public Service Law ("PSL"). Pursuant to PSL § 164 and 16 NYCRR § 1000.7, Applicant hereby provides notice that, on or about February 10, 2021, it intends to file its Application with the Siting Board for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need authorizing construction and operation of the Project.

The Project will consist of a 180 MW solar energy center located on land leased or purchased from owners of private property. Project components include commercial-scale solar arrays, access roads, buried (and possibly overhead) electric collection lines, a Project collection substation, and electrical interconnection facilities. North Side Energy Center anticipates the interconnection facilities will include a 230-kV switchyard that will be transferred to NYPA to own and operate. The proposed collection substation and interconnection facilities will be located on land northeast of the solar arrays within the Project Area, adjacent to NYPA's Massena – Moses 230 kV line transmission line.

The Project will safely generate enough clean, renewable electricity to power more than 40,000 households. As a renewable resource, the Project will avoid harmful emissions and other adverse impacts associated with traditional fossil-fueled generating facilities, such as water usage. The Project will also be compatible with New York State's policies promoting renewable energy including the 2015 State Energy Plan (SEP), as amended in 2020, the 2016 Clean Energy Standard (CES), as amended in 2020 and the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act, which collectively require at least 70% of the State's electricity to be derived from renewable resources by 2030, elimination of carbon emissions from the electric sector by 2040, and development of 6,000 MW of solar energy by 2025. Further, the Project will benefit the economic growth of the local community through the creation of jobs during both construction and operation, and increased tax revenues.

Construction and operation of the Project will not result in adverse impacts to health, air, or water resources. All impacts resulting from construction and operation of the Project have been minimized to the maximum extent practicable.

The Applicant intends to request a Water Quality Certification ("WQC") pursuant to Section 401 of the Federal Clean Water Act. The WQC is necessary to obtain a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The Application contains all the information described in the proposed stipulations filed in this Article 10 proceeding and therefore the applicable regulations. Studies and analyses as required by the proposed stipulations and Article 10 address many disciplines such as land use, noise, preliminary engineering, avian use, and decommissioning. The Siting Board will determine whether the Application is compliant with the Article 10 requirements. Once it is deemed compliant, the Administrative Law Judges ("ALJs") assigned to this proceeding will issue a notice that intervenor funds, in the amount of approximately \$180,000, will be available for eligible parties participating in the Application phase. The ALJs will also schedule a pre-hearing conference to identify parties, award intervenor funds, identify issues for the hearing, and establish a case schedule. After the hearings, intervenors may submit briefs to the ALJs who may then issue a recommended decision, upon which the Siting Board will render its decision on whether to certify the Project and under what conditions. State law requires that the Siting Board must render a decision on the Application within 12 months of its determination that the Application is compliant with the Article 10 requirements.

Interested, eligible municipal and local parties may apply for intervenor funding to be used to pay for expenses such as administrative, attorney, and/or consultant fees. A guide to applying for intervenor funding can be found on the New York State Department of Public Service's ("DPS") website by using the following direct link: [goo.gl/avcprS](https://goo.gl/avcprS).

Any interested person wishing to receive all notices concerning the Project may submit a request to Hon. Michelle L. Phillips, Secretary, New York State Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment, Agency Building 3, Albany, NY 12223-1350 or electronically to [secretary@dps.ny.gov](mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov). Documents concerning the Siting Board's review of the Project may be viewed at the DPS website located at [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov) by clicking "Search" on the homepage and then entering Case 17-F-0598 in "Search by Case Number."

Additional information on how to participate in this proceeding may be obtained by contacting North Side's project representative or the Siting Board Public Information Coordinator:

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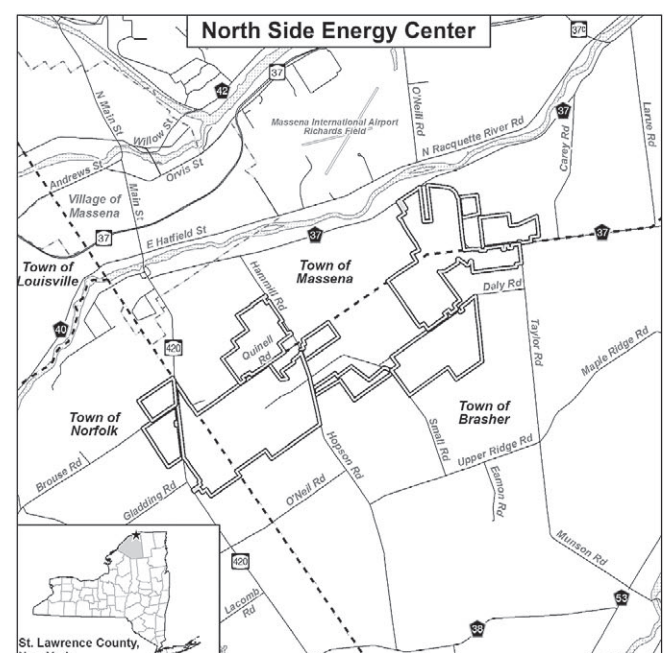
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To find more information, please go to the Siting Board's website ([www.dps.ny.gov/SitingBoard](http://www.dps.ny.gov/SitingBoard)) or the Project website (<https://www.northsideenergycenter.com/>) or call the Project's toll-free number: (800) 237-7104 or email the project e-mail: [info@northsideenergycenter.com](mailto:info@northsideenergycenter.com)

A copy of the Application will be served on the Town Supervisors of the Towns of Massena, Brasher and Norfolk. The Application, when filed, may be examined during normal business hours at the Offices of the Department of Public Service at 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223, and at the following local document repositories:

- Town of Massena Town Hall, 60 Main St #3, Massena, NY 13662
- Town of Brasher Town Hall, 11 Factory St, Brasher Falls, NY 13613
- Town of Norfolk Town Hall, 5 W Main St, Norfolk, NY 13667
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To the right is a map that shows the location of the Project area.





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## NOTABLE

Former NY-21 Democratic Congressional candidate Tedra Cobb of Canton announced the formation of Backroads PAC, a political action committee aimed at helping rural Democrats to electoral success. Cobb, who twice challenged incumbent Rep. Elise Stefanik fundraised \$5.7 million in 2020. Now, Cobb says she will put that knowledge and infrastructure to work to help rural Congressional candidates.

## Badenhausen Legacy Fund supports local groups

BRASHER FALLS — The Dr. D. Susan Badenhausen Legacy Fund, a charitable fund of the Northern New York Community Foundation, has been established through a bequest from a St. Lawrence County resident and retired physician who passed away in September 2018 at 83.

As a tribute to the life and legacy of Dr. Susan Badenhausen and her decades-long devotion to St. Lawrence County, the North Country and its people, this permanent fund will support charitable organizations that strive to improve the quality of life in the county.

Dr. Badenhausen believed in the strength of community and was a passionate supporter of the people and places in the region she loved and called home. This charitable fund forever continues her legacy of caring for others while perpetuating her interests and passions in responsible and thoughtful ways in a geographic specific focus.

"This incredibly generous and enduring gift will not only strengthen St. Lawrence County now, but for generations to come. As a community foundation, it can provide support that is both flexible and lasting with

geographic specificity," said Rande Richardson, Community Foundation executive director.

Grant funding will be awarded annually to qualified nonprofit organizations whose missions and efforts align with the fund's objectives. The Community Foundation's board of directors recently approved the following first-time grants:

- Canton College Foundation — \$50,000 to purchase three "Nursing Anne Simulator" manikins designed to reflect real-life conditions in a controlled environment. SUNY Canton prepares future nursing professionals through its two-year Associate of Applied Science and four-year Bachelor of Science in nursing degrees.

- Helena Volunteer Fire Department — \$50,000 for lifesaving equipment needed to safely respond to fires and hazardous situations. Grant support will also help recruit, train and retain first responders and an ice rescue team in the community. Funding will support replacement of eight Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, bottles, safety equip.

- North Country Public Radio — \$50,000 to replace critical broadcast equipment as part of a broadcast studio modernization project. This project will bolster reliability and service to the NCPR audience through high-quality local programming. Needed equipment also supports collaboration with local performing arts organizations and cultural events in the community.

- WPBS-TV — \$50,000 for the creation of new content for television broadcast and digital distribution plus outreach and promotional efforts. New programming will include an artist profile series with premiere screening and student showcase, component educational materials, and virtual screenings.

About Dr. D. Susan Badenhausen Following years of medical education and service as a research professional and physician, Dr. Badenhausen made the North Country her home in 1975, and quickly grew to cherish its people as friends, serving all to whom she provided medical care with dignity and respect. "Dr. Susan," as she was known to her many patients and friends, grew up on Staten Island, New York, and graduated from Connecticut College, New London, in 1957. In 1971, she earned a Doctor of Medicine from the Boston University School of Medicine, after several years working as a research professional at Columbia University.

St. Lawrence County, Dr. Badenhausen established a health care practice with her partner, Joann M.

Spatafora.

In addition to her practice, she and Joann formed an organic farm in Brasher enlisting the help of many agricultural interns from Cornell University. Joann passed in 2001.

Dr. Badenhausen's was the physician director for the Potsdam Nursing Home; a physician for Sunmount Residential Center in Massena; school physician for Parishville-Hopkinton Central School; a public health officer for the towns of Brasher, Stockholm, Hopkinton, and Lawrence; served on the St. Lawrence County Board of Health; and a longtime member of the Canton-Potsdam Hospital medical staff.

Thanks to her gifts, doors opened in 2014 to the Badenhausen Branch of the Massena Public Library, Main Street, Brasher Falls, giving Tri-Town residents access to needed educational resources.

Dr. Badenhausen remained one of the few physicians anywhere who still made house calls, even in the middle of a North Country winter. Her black leather medical bag was always packed and ready in her Brasher Falls home.



Nancy Jacobs | Submitted

### Fun at Ogdensburg Head Start

Keira Simmons-Noel, 4, enjoys an art project while classmate Adalynn Addison, 4, joins in at Ogdensburg Head Start. Applications are being accepted for 3 and 4 year olds across St. Lawrence County. Call 315-386-8574.

**SUBMITTING MILESTONES:** To obtain a form to submit an engagement, wedding or anniversary announcement, visit [NorthCountryNow.com/submit-milestone](http://NorthCountryNow.com/submit-milestone), call 315-265-1000, or email [ThisWeek@NorthCountryNow.com](mailto:ThisWeek@NorthCountryNow.com).

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Bids will be accepted until February 26, 2021 at 4 p.m. Bids must be in a sealed envelope marked "Surplus Property Bid," and will be accepted at the Lisbon Town Clerk Office between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. All bids must be accompanied by a 10% bid deposit, which will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders, and retained as the down payment on the successful bidders bid. The closing of the sale of the property must be completed within 90 days of bid acceptance by the Town of Lisbon Board. The bidder is responsible for closing costs incurred on their behalf. If the bidder does not close within the 90 days, the deposit will be forfeited.

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## 'High risk' sports could start in February

Governor Cuomo announced on Friday afternoon that high risk sports, which include wrestling, hockey, basketball and competitive cheerleading, could possibly commence as early as February 1st under certain specific conditions.

All 24 districts in Section X met Monday to discuss the announcement and next steps in the decision-making process.

The districts plan to work collaboratively with the St. Lawrence and Franklin County Departments of Public Health to evaluate current health metrics as well as health and safety considerations for student athletes, coaches, school staff, and the public.

"It is paramount that school district leaders carefully

weigh all factors in this decision, which will require some time," a statement issued to many parents of students in St. Lawrence County said. "At this time, the Section X school districts ask for patience and understanding as we thoughtfully assess this situation. We will keep our communities informed of any decision as soon as information becomes available.

Under New York State Department of Health guidance, schools may authorize high risk sports, "only as permitted by the respective local health authorities, (i.e., county health departments)." Local authorities must consider health and safety factors including COVID-19 positivity rates in the community.

## Local Red Cross blood drives scheduled

In St. Lawrence County, the following Red Cross blood drives are planned:

**Massena**  
Feb. 6, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., St Lawrence Centre, 6100 State Route 37  
Feb. 12, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Hori-

**Ogdensburg**  
Feb. 10, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Ogdensburg Volunteer Rescue Squad, 1223 Pickering Street

**Waddington**  
Feb. 10, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., St.

**Mary's Catholic Church, 34 Oak Street**

**Winthrop**  
Feb. 11, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Winthrop American Legion Post 514, 675 State Highway 11C  
Info: 1-800-RED CROSS.



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## Hockey team practice in Massena

The Massena Mites hockey team practice their skills at the Massena Arena Monday, Jan. 25.

## Morristown rink now open

MORRISTOWN -- The ice skating rink located behind the Morristown Fire Station is now open daily from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

This is free and open to the public.

The ice rink is illuminated from 5 to 10 p.m.

There are ice skates available at the Morristown Public Library to sign out at no charge. To check availability, call 315-375-8833.

There are also hockey sticks, goals, pucks and helmets available at the ice rink that are free to use.

## Black & White exhibit to open

POTSDAM -- Black and white isn't just about color and value. It can also be a concept artists can explore in their own way.

On Thursday, Feb. 4, at 7 p.m. SLC Arts will unveil the virtual Black & White exhibit.

Starting this year, SLC Arts'

exhibits will be juried shows, with the following fees: \$10 for non-partners, \$5 for basic creative partners, and free for enhanced creative partners. To learn more about their Creative Partnership Program and to register for the virtual unveiling visit the SL Arts website.

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## St. Lawrence County Cancer Fund marks 45 years of service to region

CANTON -- The St. Lawrence County Cancer Fund has existed in our community for nearly 45 years.

The Cancer Fund's focus is to raise awareness and funds for hospitals, cancer treatment centers and organizations in St. Lawrence County which work to support education, early detection and screening, treatment and financial support for individuals battling cancer in our community.

Through an application process, local groups are encouraged to apply for grants distributed by the St. Lawrence County Cancer Fund.

Long-time recipients of funding include the Cancer Treatment Center at Canton-Potsdam Hospital, Richard E. Winter Cancer Treatment Center at Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center, Ryan's Wish, Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley and Gouverneur Hospital.

As an illness, cancer does not discriminate who it touches especially in the times of a pandemic.

Support for the programming and ser-

vices provided for these organizations during this time are more important now, than ever before.

Each year, community members who have been impacted by cancer gather at the annual Edward I. Moses Walk/Run for Life, the Cancer Fund's primary fundraiser.

A mix of cancer survivors and their supporters, families remembering those who fought a courageous battle and hopeful community members join together to ensure support for important programs stays local to support our friends and neighbors.

All funds raised by the St. Lawrence County Cancer Fund remain in our community.

More information for our 2021 activities will be available in the future, please be sure to visit [www.walkrunforlife.com](http://www.walkrunforlife.com) to learn more about the organization.

Community members interested in joining our committee are always welcome. Please visit the website and fill out a contact form.

## Arconic supports new tech for fish monitoring

With the support of a grant from Arconic Foundation, The Nature Conservancy, an environmental conservation nonprofit that works locally and globally, is expanding its use of innovative eDNA monitoring technology to protect iconic lake whitefish and cisco species in the rivers and waterways near the

Arconic facility in Massena.

The Nature Conservancy will seek to use this cutting-edge technology to investigate the extent of the threat posed by invasive species and how native species can be best protected.



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In 2020, Arconic employees volunteered over 150 hours in over 9 events, donated \$27,000 to local not-for-profit organizations in the area including NorthCountry Animal Shelter, Back the Pack, Meals on Wheels, CPH Foundation, Community Lunch Program for Kids, Community Basket Program and St. Peter's Outreach Ministry. Arconic participated in collections for Christmas of Hope donating stocking stuffers for children in foster care, pet food and supplies for the Massena Community Center, and coats for St. Peter's Outreach Ministry.



## NNY Community Foundation supports local organizations

The Northern New York Community Foundation partners with families, individuals, businesses, and organizations across St. Lawrence County to support a variety of charitable interests.

Since 1929, the Community Foundation has worked to make the region a better place to live, work and play. Its commitment to donors helps them achieve their charitable objectives now and for generations to come by preserving and honoring legacies of community philanthropy. The Foundation is also a resource for local charitable organizations, donors, professional advisors, and nonprofits.

A bequest from a longtime St. Lawrence County resident and former physician recently established the Dr. D. Susan Badenhausem Legacy Fund of the Community Foundation.

Throughout 2020, the Community Foundation, along with dozens of St. Lawrence County donors, responded to needs in St. Lawrence County as they emerged in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. Through the Foundation's COVID-19 Community Support Fund, it continues to address critical and essential needs of our neighbors.

The Foundation is in its second year of administering the Rock Charitable Fund of the Community Foundation, a permanent legacy of former St. Lawrence County resident and retired U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel Marjorie J. Rock. Last year, a legacy fund honoring John and Dorothea VanNess awarded its second round of grants to Potsdam-area organizations.

The Canton Community Fund continues its work as a Community Foundation affiliate to strengthen the Canton area. A \$25,000

matching grant was provided last year to support its campaign to build an endowment within the Community Foundation.

A grant award to the St. Lawrence County Historical Association helped support its campaign building its endowment within the Community Foundation and successfully reached a matching challenge.

Through partnerships with all 17 St. Lawrence County school districts, the Community Foundation awarded scholarships to over 100 graduating high school students.

The Community Foundation administers educational foundations for Gouverneur's St. James School, Potsdam Central, Massena Central, Hermon-DeKalb Central, and the St. Lawrence Central school districts.

50 plus St. Lawrence County-based nonprofits partner with the Foundation to help strengthen their work while providing stewardship options for donors.

The Ogdensburg Public Library and the Society of United Helpers established endowment funds at the Community Foundation in the past year to strengthen long-term support. Anyone may establish a charitable fund at the Community Foundation to support a cause, community, or organization about which they are passionate, both now and in the future, with added stewardship. Charitable funds can be created in honor or memory of a friend or loved one.

The Community Foundation, 131 Washington St., Watertown, has an extension office in Canton at 30 Court St. in partnership with Grasse River Heritage. Contact the Foundation at 315-782-7110 or email [info@nnycf.org](mailto:info@nnycf.org). Visit [www.nnycf.org](http://www.nnycf.org) to learn more.

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Located at 159 Meade Road, it is a one-stop shop for automotive needs. Offering services including vehicle maintenance, engine diagnostics and repair, glass repair/replacement, paint, and body repair.

With all the COVID-19 restrictions, rules, and processes, it has been tough on everyone, however, we remained open the entire time.

While challenging, it also made us stronger as a team and family. We are grateful for our employees, customers, and local communities.

The talented staff at Boyden Brook can help rectify any issue with your vehicle, and if we cannot fix the problem, we will tell you. We will actively work with the customer and insurance company to get the vehicle to where it needs to be.

The shop continues to adapt to meet the needs of the community. Equipment and technology updates are continuously taking place

to ensure quality service.

A 2020 Wrecker has been added to the fleet for towing, with the service offered 24-hours by calling 315-379-9853. If after shop hours you will be prompted to select ext. 9 for a call back. Boyden Brook Body Works has recently made some changes to their staff. Craig Coffey, as our parts manager is learning more of the business and brings some excellent skill sets for successful daily operations. Joe Lemke as our new estimator, along with Ross, Chase and Kelly, has our employees growing and back to full staff.

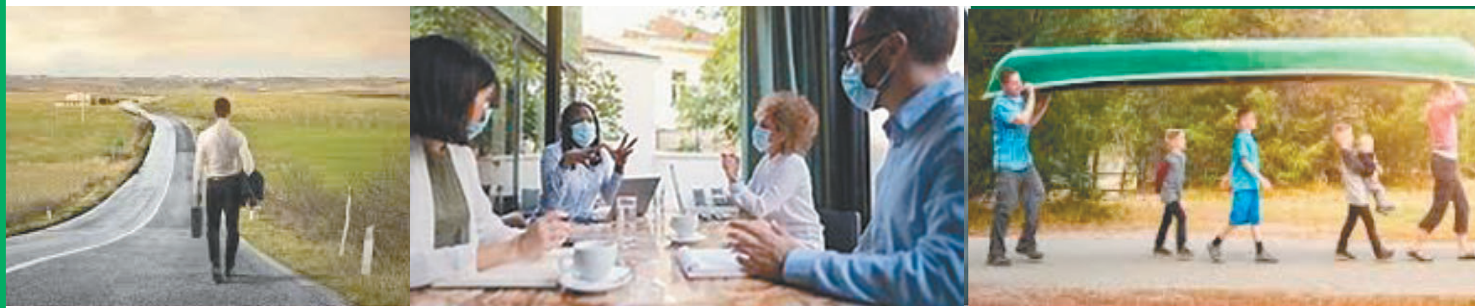
Boyden Brook is also a Hertz rental car pick up and drop off location. This resource has been beneficial for customers needing a vehicle while theirs is being repaired.

Moving forward, the auto-body shop plans to continue to grow and adapt to meet the needs of customers. Boyden Brook Body Works was built by North Country native Jim Rose and has grown into the business it is today due to its strong dedication to the North Country community. Find us on Face Book and we will soon launch a new website.

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## Good year for woodworking shop

Despite COVID-19 problems, all in all, 2020 was a good year for Gerard Monnat Woodworking.

My company restored beautiful pieces of furniture for area clients, and some from as far away as Gouverneur and Saranac Lake.

The variety of work included an oak library cabinet desk, wicker chairs, mahogany reverse serpentine slant top desk, several dining tables, cherry dropleaf hall table, and many chairs needing TLC.

This year of 2021 is looking to be another busy time, with a Winter's full schedule ahead.

Thankfully all of my material suppliers weathered the pandemic and have been there to provide me with quality materials needed to restore and refinish the antique furniture for my clients.

In 2021, I hope to do upgrades to my shop, with a new covered front porch, and finishing the cedar siding on the exterior walls.

Another person's hands would help, so I am actively searching for a youngster to become my trainee/apprentice woodworker, which will help manage the work load, and completing the artistic exterior look of the shop.

I will be taking out ads in woodworking magazines and Blogs, as well as letting my friends and clients know of my "apprentice search".

Gerard Monnat Woodworking is located at 1058 County Rt. 47, a mile off of NYS Rte 11B, in the town of Stockholm. The phone 315-265-0206. Shop hours are M-F 8 a.m. -5 p.m., Saturday by appointment.



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# New spot for Bronson One Hour, Roto-Rooter in 2020

Bronson One Hour and Roto-Rooter has moved!

We recently purchased 7585 US Highway 11, across the road from the old location in June 2020.

Although still renovating, we are open for business.

The Bronson name has been known in the plumbing and heating business since 1946.

Harry Bronson, Dan Bronson's father, started his plumbing and heating business in the summer of 1946.

Dan started working full time in the business after graduating from Canton College in 1971. Harry Bronson retired in 1986.

Dan and his wife Pat wanted to go in a different direction and started their own business in April of 1986 under the name Bronson Service Corp.

The first DBA was for the plumbing side of the business as Roto-Rooter Plumbing Service.

Dan had purchased the Roto-Rooter franchise servicing St Lawrence County in 1976.

At the start of the business, the heating was done under the name of Bronson Service Corp. until the purchase of the One Hour Heating and Air Conditioning Franchise in 2003.

Roto-Rooter Plumbing is not just a drain cleaning service; it does all facets of plumbing service from water pumps and systems, sewage pumps and systems, water heaters, faucets, toilets and water conditioning.

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## Mort Backus and Sons continues tradition of customer service

As for most businesses across Northern New York, 2020 was far from normal.

At Mort Backus and Sons the COVID-19 pandemic brought new challenges to keeping our customers safe and our business open.

In light of those challenges 2020 allowed us to continue our tradition of great customer service and caring for the community.

We are so thankful for our customers and their understanding as we have navigated the pandemic and are humbled by their continued support. A huge thank you goes out to the entire North Country community from us!

2020 and into 2021 has brought a lot of disinfecting, social distancing, and mask wearing to our dealership.

We have taken many steps to keep our customers and employees safe during these times and still provide a quality customer experience.

One review that we received from a customer in 2020 sums up everything we try to do to take care of our customers and why we feel there is great value in doing business at Mort Backus and Sons.

It read: "We had a Buick Enclave-2014- and needed to get a new car. We had closer dealerships to us and tried other models. We went to Mort Backus and Sons and were so impressed with the friendly way they conducted business. Their respect for the customer during Covid-19 was outstanding. Two other dealers we visited did not take those precautions. My husband is 85 and I am very compromised therefore we were concerned about exposure. We purchased from them because of their caring attitude toward the customer from the sales department and very much so from their service department. You should be proud of that dealership that represents your products so well."

Looking forward to 2021 we are opti-

mistic and hopeful about the slowing of the pandemic and a return to what we would consider normal for our business and the North Country.

As far as our business goes we are excited about new products that GM has been debuting, such as the Buick Encore GX and Envision and the Chevrolet TrailBlazer, Tahoe, and Suburban.

We continue to increase our inventory to get back to pre-pandemic levels and look forward to that stabilizing by mid-year.

Our pre-owned inventory remains strong and we continue to offer a great value with our GM Certified Pre-Owned vehicles.

2021 is no different on one end for us and that is the constant training and education of our service and body shop technicians so they can stay on top of what it takes to maintain today's vehicles.

Much of this training has become online focused during the pandemic, and our techs continue to learn and evolve to keep up with not just the basics, but also the commitment to keeping vehicles going that can have over 90 different computer modules in them.

We feel that having the best educated technician staff is just another example of our desire to continue our exceptional customer service.

Although the challenges of Covid-19 have been many we are proud to be celebrating our 67th year in business and look forward to continuing our commitment to the North Country for 2021 and beyond

We are extremely grateful for all of our customers and their support and for all that the community's first responders, volunteers, and essential workers have done and continue to do through these times.

We invite you to stop by and see us on Route 68 in Ogdensburg, check us out online at [mortbackus.com](http://mortbackus.com), or give us a call at 315-393-5899 for all of your automotive needs.

## Grow your farm or food business

### Production Options for Farm Food Products

February 10, 6-8pm

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### E-commerce for Farmers: Lessons Learned

February 17, 6-8pm

with producers from the popular Saranac Lake  
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Ask questions and hear directly  
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Jori Wekin, of the Hub on the Hill in Essex, NY will be a co-presenter with Flip Filippi of the Harvest Kitchen in the online workshop Production Options for Farm Food Products 6-8 pm on February 10.

## Extension's Harvest Kitchen offers hourly rental space

CANTON -- The Harvest Kitchen at the Extension Learning Farm is an incubator facility in Canton offering hourly rental for entrepreneurs producing prepared, refrigerated or shelf stable food products.

The commercial kitchen is managed by Cornell Cooperative Extension of St. Lawrence County which offers new and existing food businesses free consultation in navigating the regulations around producing and distributing their products. The kitchen offers a range of specialty equipment as well as dry good storage and walk-in cooler.

Providing production space for new entrepreneurs is just one aspect of the operations at the Harvest Kitchen. In addition, the Kitchen Manager, Maria 'Flip' Filippi facilitates and teaches workshops for the public about all aspects of food production, including developing an idea, creating a delicious product and marketing the goods.

February is a month of opportunity with six online workshops. A trio of marketing sessions include, E-Commerce for Farmers: Lessons Learned on Feb. 17, Email Marketing: Grow Your Audience on Feb. 24, and Creating Video Content: YouTube, Instagram & Facebook on March 3.

Every session will feature a "Voice from the Field" with a farmer sharing their experience as well as solid, approachable tools and tips from web developer Nicole Ouellette of Breaking Even Communica-

tions. Each workshop is offered at a sliding scale, \$0-20 and attendees pay what they can afford. This is the start of an exciting mix of programming throughout 2021 made possible with funding from the USDA Rural Business Development Program.

Rock Hill Farm owner Dayna Lancaster attended Extension's farm marketing workshops in April 2020.

"I had just launched my farm website when I learned about the classes offered by Cooperative Extension," Lancaster said. "I found them to be extremely informative, easy to understand and beginner friendly. Nicole was very patient and answered every question we asked. I highly recommend attending any future classes offered."

Whether armed with a food business idea or merely curious, come gain perspective, resources and tools to move forward with your entrepreneurial goals. For additional information or to register for one or more of these online opportunities, visit the event page at <http://stlawrence.cce.cornell.edu/>.

Contact the Local Food Program leader and Harvest Kitchen manager with questions at (315) 379-9192, ext. 229 or [mpf65@cornell.edu](mailto:mpf65@cornell.edu).

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## Regional goods at North Country Showcase

MASSENA -- Located in Harte Haven Plaza, North Country Showcase is a retail store offering handcrafted and homemade creations from regional crafters, artisans and food producers.

Since opening in July, 2017, it's become a "go to" for many regular customers because of its diverse selection of quality and one-of-a-kind items.

2020 was a challenging year for everyone, especially with a mandatory closure from March to June.

As a result, an online shopping option was created through ShopSTLC.com in late Spring.

Upon reopening, new safety measures were put in place, as well as offering curbside pick up, when requested.

With craft shows and festivals canceled for

most of the year, many of those favorite vendors joined our team so that customers were able to find their items.

From stained glass to maple syrup, furniture to jewelry, nuts and candy to pottery, body care soaps and lotions to bird houses and mittens, engraved glassware and signs to quilts and scarfs ... there's truly something for everyone and every occasion!

All in all, we had a good year, thanks to our customers, many new, who shopped and supported local.

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# St. Lawrence announces new programs, athletics facilities

CANTON -- St. Lawrence University spent the fall semester turning its dynamic vision into realities that will benefit every future St. Lawrence student.

In the fall, the University announced a reimagined approach to career preparation, a new varsity team, and an upcoming addition to its athletics facilities.

## Career programming: A cornerstone of the St. Lawrence experience

A recent \$3 million gift to St. Lawrence University was used to launch the University's Center for Career Excellence in October 2020.

New opportunities offered at the Center will ensure students graduate with the resiliency, industry knowledge and practical experience.

The college seeks to provide the skills needed to tackle the world's most complex problems.

The newly-organized Center will focus on early career exploration, experiential learning, and internships.

An invigorated Laurentian mentoring program for every student, a substantial increase of internship opportunities available, and a sequence of courses to help students leverage their liberal arts education are among the signature initiatives underway.

Legends, Hearthstone, Fortnite, Overwatch, and several other titles.

## New facilities to benefit Division III student-athletes

In November, the University announced it had received a \$5 million lead gift towards the second phase of the Appleton Arena renovation and expansion project.

The gift will support an expansion of the Michael "Buddy" Cornacchia '74 Strength and Conditioning Center for all of the Saints' NCAA Division III student-athletes, as well as locker room and team facilities for the men's and women's lacrosse, field hockey, softball, and the men's and women's rowing teams.

## Admissions and financial aid information

Interested sophomores, juniors, and their families are invited to attend a Virtual Visit Day on Wednesday, Feb. 24, at 7 p.m.

The event will connect attendees with faculty and current students, and provide an overview of St. Lawrence's admissions and financial aid process.

North Country high school students are also eligible for the Augsburg/North Country Scholars program, a generous merit scholarship awarded to select North Country students for their four years of college attendance.

For more information, visit [www.stlawu.edu/admissions](http://www.stlawu.edu/admissions).

## Esports added as varsity team

Esports, which is a form of sport competition using video games, became the 35th current varsity sport offered at St. Lawrence.

The Saints compete in the Gaming Lab, which is dedicated to both the research and recreation of gaming-related competition.

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The individual chosen for this position will demonstrate an understanding and belief in the recovery process, Recovery Oriented Systems of Care, and be strengths-based. A Recovery Coach will be able to engage peers and visitors at assigned worksite in constructive conversations about personalized recovery goals while sharing their story as a tool to empower the individual to see hope for their future. Recovery Coaches will have an excellent understanding of the principals of recovery coaching, as explored in the Connecticut Center for Addiction Recovery's (CCAR) Recovery Coach Academy. The candidate will understand the power of language and use current and stigma-free language in the workplace and while working with peers on an individualized basis. A solid understanding of community resources in the Northern Economic Zone desired. A Recovery Coach will understand and embrace the concept of multiple pathways to recovery fully, be familiar with a variety of them, and be willing to learn about more as time goes on. Employment Standards: Minimum of a high school diploma or equivalency • Knowledge of basic crisis intervention and motivational interviewing skills preferred • Completion of CCAR's Recovery Coach Academy • Completion of CCAR's Ethical Considerations • Completion of CCAR's full suite of trainings within one year of hire • Certified Recovery Peer Advocate - Provisional or Full preferred. Job Duties: Provide on-call recovery coaching for members of SVPC and/or designated worksite as requested • Provide education to peers on the recovery process and resources available to them, including but not limited to Family Support Navigator • Collaborate with Assessment and Referral Coordinator to ensure that peers connect with services including but not limited to housing, vocational services, benefits, and treatment • Obtain necessary releases of information as needed, abide by the Health Insurance and Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), federal, state, and confidentiality law • Provide members with one-on-one recovery coaching sessions to help them meet their own goals as they pertain in

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- Teaching assignments may include courses in Cultural Psychology, Introductory Psychology, Human Development, and additional courses related to the applicant's areas of expertise. Ability to teach courses in other areas of psychology (e.g., Social Psychology) is an asset, but not required.
- Advising and mentoring students.
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### PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Ph.D. or Psy.D. in Psychology or related discipline.
- Prior online teaching experience, including courses as listed above.
- Demonstrated potential for excellence in teaching and scholarly activity.

### REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

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**Interested candidates should submit:** (1) a letter of interest, (2) C.V., (3) teaching philosophy, and (4) statement of equity and inclusion that reflects upon candidate's experience and vision regarding the teaching and mentorship of students from diverse backgrounds, and (5) contact information for three professional references.

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