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Massena library works to meet need despite pandemic

BY ANDY GARDNER
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MASSENA – Even though they are operating on a smaller budget, the Massena Public Library is trying to do what they can to meet the community's biggest needs.

They're also continuing services to the public with major adaptations for the COVID-19 pandemic.

Library Director Elaine Dunne said she hopes everyone, including people who don't use the library, will take the survey.

They want to learn what people "can't do without, what they are interested in, and we'll make our decisions according to that." For those who don't use the library, Dunne said they want to know what could make them start.

"We'd like to know why, if there are things we can do to make them become library users," she said. "Library users and people who don't use the library, please fill it in."

All of the information gleaned from the survey will help them write up a three-year plan. People can take the survey through the library's website, their Facebook page or in a paper format. They put the written survey in bags of books that are picked up curbside.

Earlier in 2020, the library had requested voter approval to collect

their own taxes through the school district, rather than receiving an allotment of property taxes determined by the Town Council. That failed.

"We're operating on a smaller budget. Some services and collections (of materials) will be affected," Dunne said. "Three part-time employees are no longer working with us since their hours were cut so dramatically."

As a result, they're changing their hours to being open evenings on one night per week, and Saturdays will be half days.

Because of the pandemic, "our circulation "is not what it was at this time last year," which she attributes to no in-house programming.

"Particularly in the children's area, materials aren't going out the way they used to," she said. "Parents are trying the best they can."

Children's Services Even though their funding is less than ideal, Dunne said they're offering services to all ages, from kids through adults.

"We're really trying to accommodate our patrons recognizing all the services they used to count on," she said.

Dunne said their children's librarian, Veronica Tatro, is "doing

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Cheryl Shumway | NCTV

Several dozen student athletes from Massena, Canton, Norwood-Norfolk, St. Lawrence, Gouverneur, Heuvelton and Malone hold a rally at the Section X office at 40 West Main St., Canton BOCES, recently. They are protesting the Section X decision not to approve high-risk winter sports.

Athletes make plea to reinstate high-risk sports

BY ANDY GARDNER
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A handful of high school athletes, a parent and a coach spoke out during Monday night's St. Lawrence County legislature meeting to call for high-risk winter sports to return.

Despite approval from Gov. Andrew Cuomo, the 24 school districts that make up Section X have opted not to move forward immediately with high-risk winter sports.

The Board of Legislators and St. Lawrence County Public Health didn't make the decision to shutdown high-risk sports, but some of the speakers implored school superintendents to reconsider their respective decisions to not allow them.

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"The school districts that comprise Section X are asking our athletes, parents, and community for patience as we work on the required plans and assess Public Health guidance to make a potential season as safe as possible. The safety of our athletes is our number one concern as we continue to navigate this public health crisis. We will continue to work with our partners in public health to determine the best course of action moving forward," a recent news release from St. Lawrence-Lewis County BOCES said.

The students who spoke in front of the county legislature argued that there is a pandemic-induced mental health crisis among local youth, and for those who play them, sports could be the remedy.

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St. Lawrence County leading the region in vaccinations

BY ANDY GARDNER
North Country This Week

St. Lawrence County had administered over 13,000 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine through the end of January and into the first day of February, according to St. Lawrence County Public Health Director Dr. Dana McGuire.

She talked about the ongoing effort during the Monday, Feb. 1 county Board of Legislators

meeting.

Her presentation included a slide that shows St. Lawrence County is leading the seven-county North Country region in vaccine numbers. The second most, so far, is Clinton County with 10,560.

She said the state-run clinic at SUNY Potsdam is now doing 500 vaccines per day. The Public Health Department also received a 400-dose allotment from the federal government for this week.

Of that, 200 will be given to priority group 1B, which includes law enforcement, first responders and teachers. One hundred will be to pharmacies for those age 65 and up. The other 100 will be for people living or working in a group home.

Of the 13,494 doses administered through Feb. 1, Dr. McGuire said about 1,000 have been given to nursing home residents and

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Two charged following in O'burg shooting

OGDENSBURG — Ogdensburg city police have arrested two people in connection with a Jan. 31 shooting incident.

Deserrea M. Deloney, 29, of 325 Mansion Ave., Ogdensburg, was charged with endangering the welfare of a child.

Christian R. Gonzales, 28, also of 325 Mansion Ave., Ogdensburg, was arrested for first-degree reckless endangerment and second degree crim-

inal possession of a weapon.

Deloney was released on an appearance ticket to the Ogdensburg City Court.

Gonzales is being held pending arraignment, said a press release from Ogdensburg police.

Police said they were investigating an altercation on Jan. 31 at about 9 p.m. on the 800 block of New York Avenue.

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32-year veteran retires from OFD

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG — Ogdensburg Assistant Fire Chief Ronald Bouchard has retired.

He is the fourth firefighter to accept a retirement incentive from the city since seven positions were eliminated in the 2021 budget.

“In a career spanning over 32 years, Mr. Bouchard was the epitome of a dedicated firefighter, fire officer and union officer. Our Union will fondly remember Ron’s passion and devotion to our profession, our department, and of course our annual Firefighter Kids’ Games. Local 1799 wishes A/C Bouchard a long and happy retirement and thank him for his service to his community and to the Ogdensburg Fire Department,” union president Jason Bouchard said of the retirement. Meanwhile the city and fire union are heading to arbitration over what the fire department says are clear violations of the existing contract which mandates five-person minimum staffing.

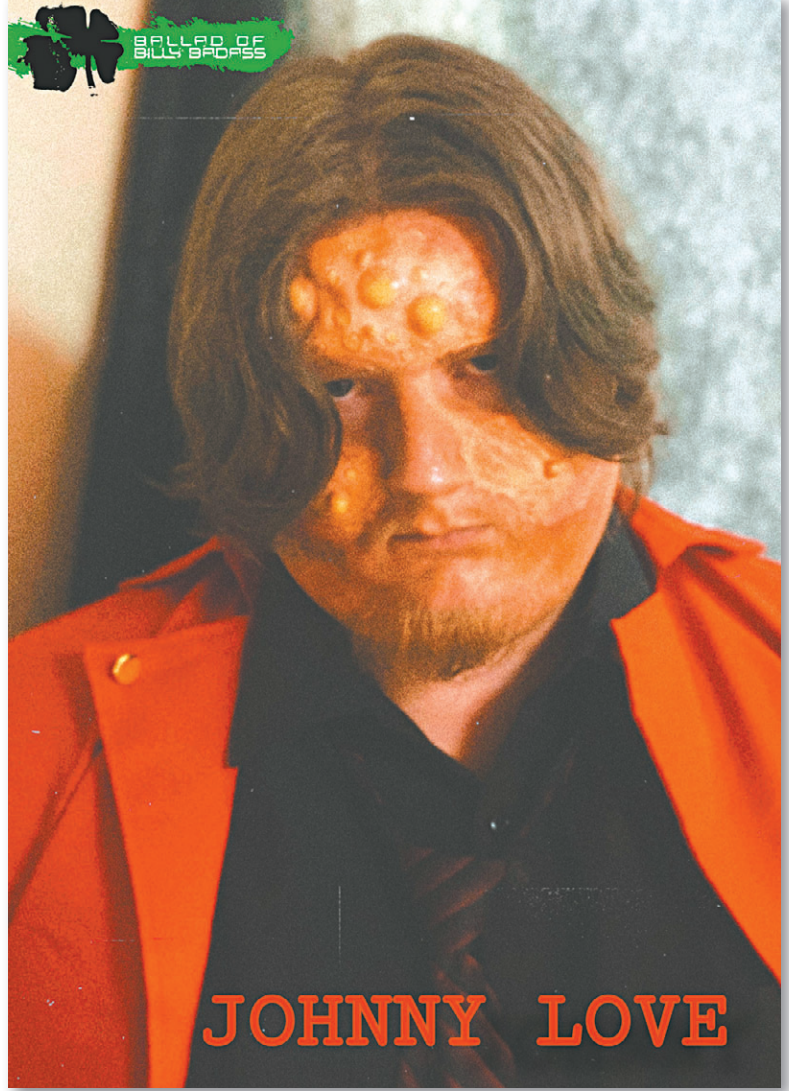
This city is currently operating with a four-person minimum.

The battle between the city and union has been contentious over the past several months with debates raging on social media and police involvement at times.

The city argues the contract is unsustainable and should not have been approved, while the union argues that the staffing levels are necessary from a safety perspective.

The union has urged the city to seek a SAFER grant, which they say would have funded the positions at no additional cost to the city, but the city manager, who also serves as the fire chief says doing so would be kicking the can down the road.

The city has filed for a stay in the arbitration and is awaiting a court ruling. Bouchard had been recently suspended by the city manager who had scheduled a disciplinary hearing. The union argued that the suspension was retaliatory in nature and pointed to Bouchard’s otherwise clean record of more than three decades.



Elijah Winfrey | Massena

Movie shot in Massena

Above is Elijah Winfrey as the character Johnny Love in his movie ‘The Ballad of Billy Bad Ass,’ which he also wrote and directed. The logo in the top left corner is by Massena’s Jason Hendricks from H3 Designs. The action movie was shot locally and recently wrapped up production.

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Massena village nets 10 cents in tax overpayment

MASSENA — The village kept a dime from tax overpayments.

The Board of Trustees last month passed a motion allowing the village to keep overpayments of up to \$10.

Treasurer Kevin Felt reported to the trustees on Jan. 16 that the 10 cents was the only overpayment from the June 30 to September 30

tax collection period.

In December, Felt recommended the motion to keep the overpayments because it would cost more in resources to get the refund back than its total amount.

At the time the board passed that bill, Felt told them he would be making annual overpayment reports.

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SLC sheriff deputies will get body cams

BY ANDY GARDNER
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CANTON — St. Lawrence County sheriff deputies will all soon be wearing body cameras on the job. The county Board of Legislators voted unanimously to spend \$50,000 on the cameras and cloud storage for the footage they capture.

The board took the action during their Monday, Feb. 1 full board meeting. There was no discussion prior to the vote.

In January, Sheriff Brooks Bigwarfe told the board's Operations Committee that the money will buy a five-year contract from the Axon Company for 34 cameras, one for each of the 32 deputies and two spares, plus licensing fees and cloud storage.

He said they have to buy the cloud storage because the recorded videos are subject to discovery at trial and can't legally be kept on the county's server.

He said deputies should have them recording whenever they're on the job, and there will be sanctions for deputies who turn them off.

"They do know there's policy they will follow regulations, and if they don't there will be consequences,"

he said. "They want to show people they're doing the right things out there. This is a good thing for deputies."

The sheriff said there will be a learning curve, but part of the deal will pay for Axon sending people to assist with getting them set up and showing deputies how to properly use them. At the end of each shift, an officer would remove their body camera and place it on a charging station. While it charges, the footage will upload to the cloud server, and any updates for the camera software will download and install.

"It's powered up for the whole shift, then you record with the button in front of you," the sheriff said. "We've been testing these with four of our officers on a pilot program, and they will last for 12 hours."

The cameras are turned on with a large button that faces outward. It has to be held for three seconds to stop recording, which is designed so a bump or jostle won't power down the device, the sheriff said. It also has indicators on the top that the person wearing it can see that it's on and recording.

Bigwarfe, who has "been a proponent of body cams for many years now," said the deputies are in favor

of using them.

"There's been a lot of positive feedback from our officers who are wearing these, that they really like them and they're glad to have them," he said.

He says the advantages for deputies include helping "confirm the nature of events and support accounts that are articulated" and also evidence gathering, and also as a resource for investigating use of force or civilian complaints.

"We come up with quicker resolutions," he said. "They've done studies that show we have fewer lawsuits and litigation in those departments that have body cams than those that don't."

Legislator Jim Reagen, R-Ogdensburg, applauded Bigwarfe and Undersheriff Sean O'Brien for the months of research and work they put into finding a vendor and crafting a policy for the use of the body cams.

"I really believe your leadership on this issue is going to go a long way to helping people to realize your department and our law enforcement community is committed to fair treatment for everyone," he said.

SLC transit announces schedule changes

CANTON — St. Lawrence County Public Transit (slcnpublictransit.com), operated by The Arc Jefferson - St. Lawrence, is offering route deviation to bring riders to COVID-19 vaccination sites.

This service is available upon request as long as the locations are three quarters of a mile near the route. Passengers should ask the driver about route deviation when they board the bus.

As a reminder, vaccinations are by appointment only and people should visit this webpage to confirm the status of the vaccination site in advance: www.stlawco.org/covid-19-daily-update-center.

Updated maps are listed on the Public Transit website to assist passengers in determining which routes they may use to travel to a vaccination site. The following is a list of routes that offer transportation to a vaccination site:

- Routes 67, 68, 73, and 74 deviate to SUNY Potsdam's Maxcy Hall
- Routes 70A and 70B stop at

Massena Community Center

- Routes 61, 62, 65, 66, and 72 deviate to Ogdensburg's Golden Dome

- Routes 12, 61, 63, and 66 deviate to Gouverneur Community Center

In addition to serving St. Lawrence County Public Transit locations at area hospitals, drivers will also stop at any pharmacy along the routes, upon request. Volunteer Transit Center's First Mile Last Mile program is available to passengers who are traveling to a vaccination site when a route is not in service, such as route 22. Passengers may access this service to get a ride to their nearest active bus stop. Customers may call public transit at 315-386-2600 on week days from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In accordance with federal regulations, riders using public transit must wear a face coverings at all times and have it placed over their nose and mouth prior to entering the bus. Masks are available on

the buses for passengers who need them. The transit team is following strict guidelines to ensure vehicles are deeply cleaned daily and between shifts. Social distancing will be maintained, and hand sanitizer is also available for passenger use.

St. Lawrence County's Public Transit System provides transportation throughout most towns in the County on Monday to Friday. Buses are wheelchair accessible, bicycle racks are available, and there is free Wi-Fi service. Find them on Facebook @SLCPublicTransit for additional information.

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City police respond to shooting

Two were charged following a shooting incident on Mansion Ave. Sunday night. No injuries were reported. See story on page 1.

Massena approves several airport projects

MASSENA — The Massena Town Council signed off on several projects at the Massena International Airport.

Councilors gave the ok for Town Supervisor Steve O'Shaughnessy to sign contracts for general aviation apron rehabilitation and taxiway C rehabilitation.

The board also gave O'Shaughnessy authority to sign an aviation capital project agreement to rehabilitate general aviation apron pavement. The town and New York State Department of Transportation will pitch in \$21,025 each, with \$98,950

in federal funding.

O'Shaughnessy was also granted permission to sign an Airport Improvement Program application for design of a sand storage facility, and also a pre-application for a new airport loader.

Airport Manager Frank Diagostino told the councilors at their Jan. 20 monthly meeting that some of the grants are older, and the funds are just now being released.

They're also looking at repaving the pavement around the terminal building, possibly in 2022.

Sheriff warns of scam

CANTON — The St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office recently received reports of an ongoing

phone scam.

The complainants reported that they received a phone call from an unknown number and the caller claimed to be from the Publishers Clearing House.

The caller stated that the person had won the grand prize and then attempted to collect personal information from the complainant. The caller requested they send money to the PCH in order to cover fees, taxes, insurance, etc.

They may request the payment be in the form of check, money order, gift cards or another form. The amount of money won and the amount requested to be sent to the PCH may vary.

It is important to be cautious of unsolicited calls from unknown callers, even if the caller ID information appears local.

Deputies warn people to never provide personal or financial information to unknown callers.

Those who believe they have been a victim of a scam or have any questions can contact the sheriff's office at 315-379-2222

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OBITUARIES

Chris J. Kellogg, 61 Massena

MASSENA -- Chris J. Kellogg, 61, of Amherst Road, unexpectedly passed away late Friday evening, January 29, 2021 at Massena Hospital.

Chris was born on December 23, 1959 in Massena, the son of the late John and Leona (Gillispie) Kellogg. He was a 1978 graduate of Massena High School and continued his education within the trades receiving his certification in electrical work. Chris was also skilled in plumbing and heating.

On July 30, 1990, he married Patricia McCarthy in Massena.

As a skilled tradesman, Chris worked for a time with Security Supply before going to work at Triple A Building Centers, where he operated the Rental Department as well as assisted many with the knowledge of his skills.

He was a very generous man with his talents and would often be found helping someone out with leaky pipes, electrical problems, or broken furnaces. Chris also worked for a time with his father in the fam-

ily business, Kellogg's Upholstery in Baxterville. Chris was proud that he grew up in the Baxterville commu-



Chris Kellogg

nity and cherished the memories he made with his friends. Chris was always willing to share the memories of his childhood and his lifelong friends, especially his stories with "Little Willie." He enjoyed following NASCAR, the Buffalo Bills football team, and riding his motorcycles. Chris will be fondly remembered for his witty sayings and taking the time to teach others the skills he so greatly possessed.

Chris is survived by his loving wife, Patti; his sons, Jon Kellogg of Massena; Jacob Kellogg of South Burlington; Joe Kellogg and his companion Rebecca Gray of South

Burlington; his sisters and their husbands, Trudy and Donnie Shirley and Cindy and Myron Shirley, all of Louisville; his brother and his companion, Todd Kellogg and Lynn Chambers of Massena; his brother-in-law Chuck Tyler of Daytona; his mother-in-law — who he always called "Ma" Bonnie McCarthy of Massena; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his sister, Bev Tyler in 2020.

There will be no calling hours or funeral services at this time. A celebration of his life will be held at a time to be announced.

Memorial contributions in his memory may be made to the Massena Humane Society or St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Arrangements are with the Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena, where friends are encouraged to share memories and offer condolences online at www.donaldsonfh.com.

Gerald "Jerry" Clark Durant, 88 formerly of Morristown

KNOXVILLE, TN -- Gerald "Jerry" Clark Durant, 88, of Knoxville, TN, went to be with our Lord on January 22, 2021 at the University of Tennessee Medical Center, Knoxville.

A live/online service will be held at The Cathedral of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Knoxville, TN, Saturday, February 13, at 1:00 p.m. with Fr. Gilbert M. Diaz presiding. Burial will be held at a future date and time at Sunnyside Cemetery, Morristown, NY.

Jerry was born February 19, 1932 in Ogdensburg, NY to Ross C. and Verna A. (McLean) Durant. He graduated from Morristown Central School in 1951 where he excelled in football, basketball, and baseball, to include achievement as a top ten career scorer in basketball.

Jerry married his high school sweetheart and love Patricia "Patty" Ellen Moore on July 21, 1953 at St. Mary's Cathedral, Ogdensburg, NY. Jerry and Patty together lovingly raised six children in Morristown, NY.

Jerry was a man of many talents. After growing up on the family dairy farm on the English Settlement Road, he began his multi-faceted career proudly serving as a Deputy Sheriff, Criminal Division, with the St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Department, Canton, NY, in the 1950's under Sheriff Henry G. Denner. He then supervised and managed the Esso (later Exxon) Petroleum Storage and Transfer Facility in Ogdensburg from 1959 until his retirement from Exxon in 1979. As a dedicated public servant, Jerry was also an active member of the Morristown Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad for thirty-eight years, serving in various officer positions including department chief. He also served his community as the Town

of Morristown Town Justice and Magistrate from 1967-1981, and as a Morristown Town Councilman until 1986.

As an entrepreneur, Jerry, with his wife Patty, owned and operated the Windmill Motor Inn & Restaurant on Route 37, Morristown, from 1976 - 1986.

As a talented craftsman and builder, Jerry built a replica windmill in front of the business in honor of the historic Stone Windmill in Morristown. Jerry also built the restaurant portion of the business, then transformed the restaurant into a successful convenience store and gas/fuel station prior to selling the business in 1986.

After moving to Lakeland, FL in 1986 and later to The Villages, FL, Jerry continued his public service, working as a supervisor in the security and fire & rescue departments at The Villages, where he received multiple honors for coordination and collaboration with municipal and county law enforcement and rescue services in Sumter and Marion counties in Florida.

For the past seven years, Jerry and Patty resided in East Tennessee.

Jerry utilized his many craftsman talents over the years by constructing backyard buildings for the public. He also enjoyed working on various home building projects for and with his children. Arguably, Jerry's greatest construction accomplishment occurred in the 1990s wherein he oversaw the design and construction with his

son Dave of the Ramada Limited Hotel and Conference Center in Alpine, TX. Jerry also oversaw construction of Twin Peaks Self Storage in Alpine and renovation and new construction of The Stable Performance Cars, a classic and muscle car showcase business owned by his son Dave, also in Alpine, TX.

Jerry was an avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping and boating on the St. Lawrence River with family and friends. Jerry also had a keen sense of humor. He regaled family and friends with stories of his many experiences.

Surviving are his loving wife of sixty-seven years, Patty; son David (Julia) of Alpine, TX; son Dennis (Tamara) of Heuvelton, NY; daughter Barbara (Kevin) Coats of Fernandina Beach, FL; daughter Kathryn Castellow and companion Daniel, of Sapulpa, OK; son Steven (Ellen) of Charles Town, WV; daughter Elaine (Kevin) Impellizzieri of Sevierville, TN; ten grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews. He is also survived by a sister, Faye Pospeich, of Fairport, NY. He was predeceased by an infant son, John Joseph, in 1960, and sisters Joan and Dawn in 1943 and 2010 respectively.

Jerry will be most loved and missed as a loving and devoted husband, father, and grandfather to his family.

Memorial contributions can be made to your local volunteer fire and rescue units.

Condolences may be shared with the family by visiting <https://www.rosemortuary.com/obituaries/Gerald-Jerry-Durant/#/Obituary>. The livestream will appear with the red LIVE NOW at <https://www.youtube.com/user/shcathedral>

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Stefanik calls on Biden to reopen border

North Country Congresswoman Elise Stefanik, R-Willsboro, and Congressman Brian Higgins (D-NY-26), who are co-chairs of the Congressional Northern Border Caucus, are leading a bipartisan letter making several recommendations to the Biden administration to improve the existing situation at the United States - Canada border.

Congresswoman Stefanik released the following statement:

"As co-chair of the Northern Border Caucus, I am pleased that more than twenty of my republican and democratic colleagues have joined me in asking President Biden to immediately prioritize the reopening of the Northern Border. I have worked tirelessly with our counterparts in Canada on this issue, as it continues to impact North Country businesses, families, and communities. Today we've outlined tangible steps the Biden Administration can take to immediately

relieve the hardships placed on border communities while charting a clear pathway forward. I will not stop working on behalf of my constituents until there is a tangible, long-lasting solution."

The letter, signed by a bipartisan coalition of 24 members of Congress, says in part, "...as we approach one year of restricted travel, we also must recognize the significant impact these restrictions have had on individuals, families, businesses, and communities on both sides of the border.

The continued ritual of monthly extensions without substantive signs of collaboration or progress only increases uncertainty and amplifies hardship for the border communities we represent. Since the onset of the restrictions, we have been adamant that preserving the deep social and economic bond shared between the U.S. and Canada necessitates a clear pathway

forward."

The border between the US and Canada first closed to non-essential travel due to the pandemic in March of 2020 and restrictions continue to be in place today. On January 21, 2021 President Biden issued an executive order addressing northern border restrictions, calling for US departments to work with Canadian agencies and develop a plan to be delivered within 14-days.

In their letter, Stefanik, Higgins, and other members lay out several items for the Administration to consider as they develop a plan for the Northern Border.

The United States and Canada share 5,525 miles of border, the longest land boundary between two countries in the world. When fully operational, more than 400,000 people and over \$1.6 billion in goods cross the Northern Border daily through over 120 Ports of Entry.

Ogdensburg forms police reform committee

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG — Ogdensburg has established its Police Reform Steering group.

The team includes Police Chief Robert Wescott, District Attorney Gary Pasqua, Public Defender James McGahan, The Rev. Christopher Carrara, Ogdensburg City School District Superintendent Kevin Kendall, Ogdensburg Boys and Girls Club Director Tom Luckie, St. Lawrence County People Project Coordinator Mary Wills, City Manager Stephen Jellie and community members Mary Wills, Anthoni Pope and Tyler Carrow.

Jellie said the City of Ogdensburg began initial work on Jan. 26 to review, recommend and reform the city police department in accor-

dance with Governor Cuomo's Executive Order on police reform.

Jellie said he organized the initial steering group that will make reform recommendations to City Council for approval prior to submission to the State of New York.

The Police Reform Steering Group will finalize a short questionnaire designed to elicit input and concerns from the Ogdensburg community residents. The questionnaire will be available on the city's website early next week with options for electronic and hard copy submittals. Once the questionnaires are received, the committee will determine the next phase of community input. Ogdensburg is lagging behind other communities in St. Lawrence County, most of which have been working on the reforms for months.

OBITUARIES

Albert "Robby" L. Robinson, 88

Massena

MASSENA -- Albert "Robby" L. Robinson, 88, of Clarkson Ave., died Thursday, January 28, 2021 at the Canton-Potsdam Hospital after a brief stay. Albert was born on April 19, 1932 in Malone, NY, the son of Joseph and Sadie (Peach) Robinson. He attended school at Franklin Academy in Malone, graduating in 1951 and served in the National Guard.

Albert married the love of his life, his "Buttercup", Elizabeth Barber on July 7, 1959 at St. Mary's Church in Massena. He was employed as a security guard at General Motors until his retirement in 1985 and then for Alcoa until 1994. He and his wife Betty owned and operated Robinson's Green House on Woodlawn Avenue for 10 years.

He was a talented carpenter, and built his family camp at Fraser's Point, Canada in 1960, where so many wonderful memories were made. He loved spending time with his family and friends on the St. Lawrence River from late spring to mid fall every year. He had a tremendous love for the outdoors and particularly boating and fishing. He had the patience of a saint when fishing with his children and grandchildren, by untangling fishing lines from the moment everyone put a pole in the water. In spite of this, he always had a smile on his face and managed to catch the most fish out of everyone in the boat.

Albert and Betty enjoyed attending weekly Friday evening gatherings with special friends the last



Albert Robinson

several years. He especially appreciated the many rides and assistance provided by Ray Brais and Bruce Bombard after he lost his sight.

Albert was always willing to help anyone who needed it. He was a communicant of St. Mary's Church in Massena, volunteering to serve on many different committees and working various parish events.

He was a member of St. Lawrence Council #1141 Knights of Columbus in Massena, where he was a Fourth Degree Knight and was awarded "Knight of the Year" in 2001 for his dedication and service to the organization. Albert was an EMT and volunteered with the Massena Rescue Squad. He was also a member of the AMVETS Post #4 and of the Senior Citizens Council.

Albert is survived by his wife, Elizabeth (Betty) of 61 years; three daughters, Mariann Witkop and husband, H. John, Carolyn Jermano and husband, Giovanni, Diane Acton and husband, John, all of Massena; a son, Patrick Robinson

and wife, Lori of Morrisonville, NY; 10 grandchildren, Nathan (Erika) Witkop, Robbie (AnaMaria) Witkop, Zachary and Jacob Witkop, Bettina and Mia Jermano, Nathaniel (Mihaela) Spadafore, Leah (Wiseh) LaFrance, Sadie and Samuel Robinson, and six great granddaughters, Aurora, Tala, Liliana, Georgiana, Maria and Sandy.

He is also survived by his brother and sister-in-law, Robert and Joyce Robinson of Malone and many nieces and nephews.

Albert was predeceased by his parents, his brothers, Earl, Floyd, Vern and Leon Robinson; his sisters, IdaMae Fleury, Evelyn Raymond and Orphia Zawadski and his son in law, Sandy Spadafore.

A pillar of strength for his wife, children and grandchildren, he was deeply loved and respected and will be greatly missed by us all.

Due to Covid, services will be announced and held at a later date. Burial will take place at Calvary Cemetery, Massena in the spring.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to St. Peter's Parish (St. Mary's Church) P.O. Box 329, Massena, NY 13662.

Arrangements are with the Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena, where memories and condolences may be shared online at www.donaldsonfh.com.

Diane M. St. Thomas, 66

Louisville

LOUISVILLE -- Diane M. St. Thomas, 66, of State Highway 131, unexpectedly passed away Sunday evening, January 31, 2021 at her home.

Diane was born in Massena on July 10, 1954, the daughter of the late Joseph P. and Jean (Lizette) Dywan. She attended Holy Family School and graduated from Massena High School in 1972.

She married Michael St. Thomas in 1979, they were blessed with 4 children. Their marriage later ended in divorce.

Diane was a receptionist for many local offices including Seaway Orthopedics, New Testament Church, St. Lawrence Center Arena, and most recently Orlando Chiropractic in Massena.

She enjoyed watching the birds, the view of the ships passing along her home on the St. Lawrence, taking care of her children, spending time with her grandchildren, and

was always watching out for and helping her neighbors.

Diane is survived by her longtime



Diane St. Thomas

companion, Gary "Gunner" Gagne; her children; Abbey St. Thomas, Amos St. Thomas (Susan Pecore), Noah St. Thomas, and Micah (Megan) St. Thomas, all of Louisville; her companion's children, Christine (Jared) Archambeault of Troy, New York; Evette and Amanda Gagne of Massena; and Autumn (Izak) Wilton, Connecticut; her beloved grandchildren, Mason, Marlee, Alexis, Logan, Michael, Landyn, Lillie, and Liam; her sisters, Sister Jean Dywan of Pittsburgh, PA; Judy Dywan of Canton;

and Susan and Bernie Klotz of Centerville, MA; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her brother, Thomas J. Dywan on January 21, 2014.

Friends may call at the Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena on Friday, Feb. 5 from 3-6:00 p.m. Please note that visitation will be occupancy controlled with those attending required to observe social distancing and wear face coverings. Please note that if occupancy limitations are reached, those attending may have to wait outside until occupancy has been reduced.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to the Little Sisters of the Poor, 1028 Benton Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15212

Friends are encouraged to share memories and offer condolence to her family online at www.donaldsonfh.com.

Brenda L. Perkins, 67

Norfolk

NORFOLK -- Brenda L. Perkins of High Street, formerly of Willard Road Louisville, age 67, passed away on Monday January 25, 2021 at Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse. The family has entrusted arrangements to the care and direction of the Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

Brenda was born on January 25, 1954 to former and late Robert Blair and Jean Kelly of Massena. Brenda was educated in Massena Central School District. She earned her cosmetology certification from BOCES and graduated from Massena Central High School in 1972.

Brenda was previously married to Earl Aldridge, the marriage ended in divorce.

Brenda also was previously employed by the P&C Food Grocer in Massena as well as for The St. Lawrence ARC as a bus monitor.

Brenda is survived by her daughter Bobbi-Jo and her husband Steven D. Ramirez of Mountain Home, ID, a sister Nancy Yaddow and husband Larry of Louisville,

and two brothers; Robert Blair Jr. of Evan Mills, and Neal and his wife Wanda Blair of Massena. Brenda



Brenda Perkins

is also survived four grandchildren Michael Gauthier, Hayley Gauthier, Makenna More, and Damon Ramirez. Two step grandchildren Adam Ramirez, and Megan Ramirez.

In addition to her parents, Brenda was predeceased by a twin sister in infancy. Due to COVID-19 pandemic and restrictions there will be no funeral services at this time. The family may have a small gathering at a later time to honor the memory of Brenda in the near future.

Family and friends are encouraged to share online condolence and memories of Brenda by visiting www.PhillipsMemorial.com.

RECENT DEATHS

RITA LAMAY, 70, Massena, Feb.

1. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

LAWRENCE MACE, 82, Morristown, Feb. 1. Arrangements with IslandView Funeral Service, Morristown.

GARRY GASCON, 63, Ogdensburg, Jan. 30. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Norwood.

CHRIS KELLOGG, 61, Massena, Jan. 29. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

ALBERT ROBINSON, 88, Massena, Jan. 28. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

EMILY GREEN, 86, Lisbon, Jan. 28. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

JOHN KENNEDY, 77, Ogdensburg, Jan. 27. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

ROBERT JOHNSON, 81, Heuvelton, Jan. 26. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home,

Ogdensburg.

BEVERLY NEAL, 84, formerly of Massena, Jan. 25. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

JUDITH SPORBERT, 79, Heuvelton, Jan. 24. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

GERALD DURANT, 88, formerly of Morristown, Jan. 22.

BAKER ELLIOTT, 98, formerly of Winthrop, Jan. 21.

JAMESON MONTROY, 27, Heuvelton. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

SUBMITTING OBITUARIES: Families now have the option of publishing obituaries in North Country This Week -- ask the funeral home to submit the obituary for publication in the paper as well as on NorthCountryNow.com. For more information or to submit an obituary, email obituaries@northcountrynow.com or call 315-265-1000 ext. 33.

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How to keep coyotes away

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) issued guidance to help St. Lawrence County residents prevent conflicts and runs with coyotes.

- To reduce or prevent conflicts with coyotes, residents are encouraged to take the following steps:
 - Do not feed coyotes.
 - Do not leave food outside. Pet food and garbage attract coyotes and other wildlife and increase risks to people and pets:
 - Do not feed pets outside.
 - Prevent access to garbage.
 - Fence or enclose compost piles.
 - Eliminate availability of bird seed. Concentrations of birds and rodents that come to feeders can attract coyotes.
 - Do not allow coyotes to approach people or pets. If you see a coyote, be aggressive in your behavior: stand tall and hold your arms up or out to look as large as possible. If a coyote lingers for too long, make loud noises, wave your arms and throw sticks and stones.

- Teach children to appreciate coyotes from a distance.
- Do not allow pets to run free. Supervise outdoor pets to keep them safe from coyotes and other wildlife, especially at sunset and at night. Small dogs and cats are especially vulnerable.
- Fence yards to deter coyotes. The fence should be tight to the ground, preferably extending six inches below ground level and taller than four feet.
- Remove brush and tall grass from around homes to reduce protective cover for coyotes. Coyotes are typically secretive and like areas where they can hide.
- Contact the local police department and DEC regional office for assistance if coyotes exhibit bold behaviors and have little or no fear of people, or if seen repeatedly during the daytime in a human-populated area or near residences. Seeing a coyote occasionally throughout the year is not evidence of bold behavior.



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Employees honored

Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center paused during what they call 'National Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists Week,' Jan. 24 to 30, to recognize its nurse anesthetist Glenn DiMatteo and Kristi-Ann Lyga, above, for 'the safe and cost-effective anesthetics they provide each year,' CHMC said.

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State reps call out nursing home cover-up

St. Lawrence County's state and federal representatives are sounding off on a recent report from the state attorney general's office which states that the state Department of Health underreported nursing home deaths from COVID-19 by as much as 50 percent.

The regional representatives were also critical of the governor and his administration's roll in the handling of those reports.

Attorney General Letitia James today (Jan. 28) released a report on her office's ongoing investigations into nursing homes' responses to the COVID-19 pandemic. Read the report online at file:///Users/Netw5/Downloads/2021-nursing-homesreport.pdf.

Since March, Attorney General James has been investigating nursing homes throughout New York state based on allegations of patient neglect and other concerning conduct that may have jeopardized the health and safety of residents and employees.

Among those findings were that a larger number of nursing home residents died from COVID-19 than the New York State Department of Health's (DOH) published nursing home data reflected and may have been undercounted by as much as

50 percent. The investigations also revealed that nursing homes' lack of compliance with infection control protocols put residents at increased risk of harm, and facilities that had lower pre-pandemic staffing ratings had higher COVID-19 fatality rates. Based on these findings and subsequent investigation, Attorney General James is conducting ongoing investigations into more than 20 nursing homes whose reported conduct during the first wave of the pandemic presented particular concern. "As the pandemic and our investigations continue, it is imperative that we understand why the residents of nursing homes in New York unnecessarily suffered at such an alarming rate," said Attorney General James. Gov. Andrew Cuomo has been widely criticized and accused in national media sources of having a roll in the underreporting of those nursing home deaths.

State Assemblyman Mark Walczyk, who represents the River District, was also critical of the governor.

"My office has spent the last 11 months focused on helping the people of our state deal with the devastating loss caused by the COVID-19 pandemic," Walczyk said. "Nothing has caused more

devastation than the black hole of unanswered questions, doors slammed shut and neglectful isolation than the disastrous nursing home policies of the Cuomo administration. Today, thanks to the efforts at long last of the Attorney General, we now know that thousands upon thousands of our most vulnerable citizens died at the hands of his policy, and for months he and his lackeys covered it up." "I am horrified by the heartlessness of this administration," continued Walczyk. "At a time when our state needed to come together, they thought only of themselves. When they have unilateral control over the situation and every opportunity to fix it, they covered it up instead. That's not leadership. As I have been saying for many months, the state Legislature now has run out of excuses for this man and must immediately take away his extraordinary powers. We must convene an independent investigation from the top down and those responsible, including Howard Zucker and the governor himself, should face every charge head on. We cannot allow the senseless deaths of thousands of New Yorkers to be brushed aside simply because 'they were old' or sick or vulnerable. In fact, that's even more reason we should defend them. That's what government should have been doing all along." New York State Sen. Joseph Griffo, R-I-C-Rome, who represents parts of St. Lawrence County, released the following statement today following the release of a report by the state Attorney General's Office concerning COVID-19-related deaths in nursing homes throughout the state: "The Attorney General's findings show the deadly and devastating effect that many of the state's misguided policies have had during the coronavirus pandemic. Equally frustrating is the fact that the state released a report last year investigating their handling of nursing homes and found no problems, proving that the administration should not be trusted to objectively investigate itself."

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County releases guidelines for risky sports

The St. Lawrence County Public Health Department has issued guidelines for sports that apply to clubs as well as schools.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo recently announced that effective Feb. 1, participants in high-risk sports may participate in individual or distanced group training and organized no/low-contact group training and other types of play, including competitions and tournaments, if permitted by local health authorities.

However, Section X officials have opted to hold off on high-risk sports for now, but say they will consider sports on an individual basis.

New York State's Interim Guidance For Sports And Recreation During The Covid-19 Public Health Emergency categorizes sports and recreation activities as lower risk, moderate risk, and higher-risk.

Wrestling, football, ice hockey, basketball, contact lacrosse, competitive cheer/dance and volleyball are among the sports categorized as higher-risk. The County Public Health Department is providing guidelines for higher risk sports, should organizations and schools choose to offer them.

The resumption of these activities does not mean that they are safe or without risk.

Higher risk sports are allowed subject to NYS Department of Health's Interim Guidance For Sports And Recreation During The Covid-19 Public Health Emergency. The State's guidance establishes the minimum requirements imposed on entities wishing to engage in the activities however local leagues, facilities, organizations, and schools may issue additional guidance.

The St. Lawrence County Public Health Department is also recommending the following practices be instituted by organizations seeking to recommence high risk sporting activities:

- Each parent/guardian, as a part of any school sponsored or agency sponsored activity, should be required to sign an agency/school developed COVID-19 informed consent clearly explaining the heightened risks associated with participation in the events.

- Sports organizations including schools must prepare a COVID safety plan in accordance with the interim guidance, post it on their website, and submit an email with a link to the plan to SLCCOVID-19SharedMailbox@stlawco.org.

- If the organization does not have a website, an electronic or hard copy of the plan must be submitted to the St. Lawrence County Health Department to be kept on file.

- Each safety plan must be approved by the respective agency/school board and school medical

director.

- Plans must address how compliance with requirements will be assured.

- Pursuant to the Interim Guidance For Sports And Recreation During The Covid-19 Public Health Emergency, High Risk sporting Tournaments are currently not allowed. Please note that the revised guidance does currently permit tournaments for lower and moderate risk sports.

- High Risk sport activities sponsored or hosted by a local school district must comply with the corresponding school's transportation plan. Separate buses are required for each team. Carpooling is strongly discouraged.

- As a part of the developed COVID safety plan, the Interim Guidance For Sports And Recreation During The Covid-19 Public Health Emergency mandates that health screenings be required for all employees, coaches, players and spectators prior to any sporting activity.

- As a part of the developed COVID safety plan, the Interim Guidance For Sports And Recreation During The Covid-19 Public Health Emergency requires a system for logging attendance by all individuals associated with the practice or competition, including referees/officials and spectators. The system must capture names, phone numbers, email addresses and counties of residence, and be kept on file with the host district/agency for 15 days.

- While not mandated, it is recommended that each student/athlete, coach, manager, referee/official, or other individual associated with the higher-risk sport undergo weekly testing (unless the individual has documentation of a positive PCR-based SARS-CoV-2 test within the previous 90 days.) PCR-based SARS-CoV-2 testing is recommended. (Antigen testing, such as Abbott Binax Now is not an acceptable substitute for testing asymptomatic individuals due to documented poor performance in this population, unless high frequency testing is implemented).

- While not mandated, maintenance of practice pods in small sizes without mixing athletes is recommended.

- Pursuant to the Interim Guidance For Sports And Recreation During The Covid-19 Public Health Emergency, responsible parties must ensure that for any indoor sport or recreational activity, capacity is limited to no more than 50% of the maximum occupancy for a particular area as set by the certificate of occupancy. While the same guidance currently permits up to two (2) spectators per participant, it is currently recommended that

each participant be limited to one (1) spectator—other capacity restrictions may apply.

- Outside of competitions, practices, and the like, responsible parties should establish plans that ensure all participants, staff, and spectators maintain a 6' social distance at all times possible. This is of special concern in common areas such as lobbies, locker rooms, bathrooms, etc.

- Pursuant to the authority currently vested in the Governor of the State of New York via Executive Law § 29-A, the mandates of the New York on P.A.U.S.E. protocol require all individuals not actively participating in sports to wear acceptable face coverings when in common areas or when unable to physically distance.

- Masks that conform to recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention must be worn at all times, by all students/athletes, coaches, managers, referees/officials, spectators, individuals dropping off or picking up students/athletes, etc. If students/athletes are unable to wear a mask because of difficulty breathing during high intensity activities or swimming, they must wear a mask at all times when not actively playing, including when on the bench or pool deck.

- Signage, distance markers, and flow control are required.

- Pursuant to the Interim Guidance For Sports And Recreation During The Covid-19 Public Health Emergency, responsible parties must include in any plan developed protocol to clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces on the field, court, or play surface, as well as

drinking fountains on a daily basis.

- Each parent/guardian, student-athlete, coach, manager, referee/official must sign an agreement that a condition of ongoing participation includes full cooperation with case investigations and contact elicitation and adherence to isolation and quarantine orders.

Travel for practice or play for lower, moderate, and higher risk sports is prohibited outside of the North Country Region and contiguous counties/regions.

Interstate travel is strongly discouraged and must strictly comply with the New York State Executive Order 202.5 and its progeny.

Massena sees big dip in mortgage tax take

MASSENA — The village's share of mortgage tax payments for January was half of what they received a year ago.

Treasurer Kevin Felt told the trustees they were getting \$15,763 for January 2021, which is \$15,881 less than January 2020.

"Last year was the bubble of everybody refinancing, I believe, and that drove that increase," Felt told the village board Jan. 16. "This is back down to, I think, a normal number."

Tree orders available

CANTON — The St. Lawrence County Soil and Water Conservation District is accepting orders for its 2021 annual tree seedling and shrub program through Friday, Feb. 26.

Small 1- to 3- year-old bare root seedlings of many types will be available. Prices start at \$1.80 and go up to \$3.50 each depending on the species ordered. Minimum order is a group of 10 of one species unless otherwise specified. Quantities of 50 or 100 are offered for some species and some prices may decrease with quantity.

Offered are white pine, two spruces, and several varieties of hardwoods such as sugar maple, black cherry, red oak, black tupelo, sycamore, and river birch. Also

available are several trees and shrubs suitable for wildlife such as red raspberry, black elderberry, black chokeberry, Red Osier dogwood, American hazelnut, and blueberries. Two different wildflower seed mixtures are available along with supplies such as fertilizer tablets, tree plantation signs, tree protectors and stakes.

The District has served the residents of St. Lawrence County since 1957. Proceeds of the sale will benefit conservation projects in the county. Tree pick-up date is expected to be April 16.

Information and forms may be printed from www.slcswcd.org or picked up at 1942 Old DeKalb Road, Canton, NY. More info: 315-386-3582.

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Scouts clean up Ogdensburg cemetery

The Ogdensburg Cemetery Board of Directors would like to thank Heuvelton Boy Scout Troop 9 for their help in our cemetery clean up project held on December 6.

We want to single out the Troop leaders, parents and the following scouts for their help making the day a huge success cleaning trees and brush. Helping us with the effort included: Joseph and David Bouchey, Josh Gleeson, The Trombley's- Jason, Cole and Noah, Jesse Murray, The Baldwins- Kelly, Chris and Brody. Also, Karen Heiss, Payden Merz, Gaynelle and Kenny Gilbride, And John Warner.

We also want to acknowledge and congratulate outgoing board member Charles "Chick" Carter for 42 years service to the Cemetery Board.

Lee Jones, president
Ogdensburg Cemetery Board

Family appreciates support following tragic losses

The family of Larissa and David Redmond would like to thank the entire community for all of their help - financially and with their prayers, cards, food, flowers or just saying how sorry they were.

Special thanks for the fundraisers which made it possible to lay our angel down. Thank you also to the Rescue Team, SLC Sheriff's, Ogdensburg Police Dept., Frary's Funeral Home, Youmi's Flowers, the Salvation Army, family & close friends - everyone has been so caring and wonderful to our family.

Also special thanks to Larissa's second home - the Ogdensburg Boys and Girls Club, her teachers and classmates.

Please keep our son David & Larissa together in your prayers so that they can be together soon.

The Redmond Family
Ogdensburg

City manager claims Legislators blocking recovery

The City of Ogdensburg regrets the short-sighted decision made by the St. Lawrence County Legislature last week, and again on Mon-

day evening.

After months of working diligently with several members of the county legislature to craft a plan that would allow the city to survive it's fiscal challenges, and ultimately pave the way for the revival of the city, Legislator Kevin Acres (and Joe Lightfoot blocked a last ditch effort to provide a one year extension of the sales tax distribution plan that would allow Ogdensburg time to begin collection of their own sales tax.

This behavior is not how partnership works and is completely contrary to Governor Cuomo's direction that we work together, but Acres and Lightfoot answer to no one, not even the Governor.

And once again, they displayed their public contempt for any other legislator that opposes them, especially the female legislators; please watch the video feed from last night's meeting.

After last weeks Finance Committee vote, the city accepted that a long term deal with St. Lawrence County is not possible and resolved to begin the process to "pre-empt", and collect our own sales tax, but that process is not simple and requires extensive planning and legislation effort to implement.

A one year extension, as proposed at Monday's full board meeting would allow Ogdensburg time to line up their new sales tax process without the potential of losing revenue needed to fund critical life safety (fire, police, ems) and life sustaining programs (water, sewer, roads) in Ogdensburg.

Unfortunately, Mr. Acres and Mr. Lightfoot wouldn't budge on their continued vendetta against the City of Ogdensburg, and the residents of the city that need the support to see their city prosper.

Since being ousted as chairman, Mr. Lightfoot and his trusted ally Mr. Acres now join the Democratic minority in voting consistently to deny a deal with Ogdensburg.

The two most recent developments in the Acres and Lightfoot Ogdensburg destruction plan are the dragging up an old debt owed to the county from the city for uncollected property taxes; no problem Ogdensburg will pay the bill so the county



David Zufall | Submitted

Snowy fields

This photo was taken recently with a drone on a beautiful frosty morning in Lisbon.

can increase their fund balance.

Second is the Acres pathetic outcry for "fairness" for the towns and villages, none of which will be fooled by Mr. Acres or Mr. Lightfoot; the towns and villages all know what Acres and Lightfoot had in store for them until Mayor Skelly foiled their plan last fall. But let's be fair to Mr. Acres and Mr. Lightfoot, maybe they do have a plan to take the City of Ogdensburg's sales tax money and re-distribute it to ALL the towns and villages, that would be a great (FAIR) idea that I sure all legislators will support.

Kevin Acres and Joe Lightfoot's attack on the City of Ogdensburg began in the fall of 2019 when they attempted to bully then Ogdensburg City Manager Sara Purdy into accepting a cut in sales tax revenue sharing that would result in a loss of \$11M in city revenue over 10 years. Thankfully, immediately following the election of a new Ogdensburg City Council in late 2019, Mayor Jeffrey M. Skelly stopped their shameless plot and a joint city / county committee was formed to hammer to a plan in 2020.

But true to form, Acres and Lightfoot obstructed every viable plan negotiated by the joint city/county committee, after many times voicing support behind closed

doors for the committees work and agreeing to support multiple deals only to vote with Democrats each time to defeat them.

The City of Ogdensburg will survive, and ultimately the city will revive, with or without the support of the St. Lawrence County Legislature.

The city acknowledges and thanks all the legislators that supported an extension in the sales tax distribution plan, especially those that support the additional one year extension that would give us the time needed to get our sales tax collection efforts up and running.

We sincerely hope the St. Lawrence County Legislative Chairmen, Mr. Bill Sheridan, will recognize the absolute need for leadership in this matter and find a way to bring Mr. Acres and Mr. Lightfoot back to the Republican caucus.

Stephen Jellie
Ogdensburg City Manager

Stefanik gets results, treats others with respect

Representing the needs and wants of constituents of various political persuasion in a district as large as the 21st Congressional District can be challenging. Congresswoman Stefanik has certainly met those challenges as demon-

strated by the bi-partisan support she received in every one of the 12 counties in the 21st Congressional District who chose to vote for her over her opponent. Why did she receive so much support?

Elise has always worked to create or support legislation beneficial to her constituents. She has sought funding for programs to improve the health and economic well-being of all in her District. Perhaps just as important as "bringing home the bacon" Elise treats her constituents with respect.

Elise respects the fact that many of her constituents are hardworking, intelligent, patriotic rural Americans who are trying to pay their mortgage, run their farm, keep their business afloat, put food on the table and protect their family in this new "defund the police" world.

Elise respects the concerns many of her constituents have about the legitimacy of the 2020 election. She condemned the January 6, 2021 assault on Capitol Hill by a small number of troublemakers but did not paint all who came to peacefully protest with the same brush.

Ten years ago, February 17, 2011 to be exact, Speaker Pelosi tweeted her support for the unionists who stormed the Wisconsin State Capitol in an attempt to block a vote on collective bargaining reform. Even though demonstrators entered the state capitol by breaking down doors and shattering windows, Pelosi tweeted, "I stand with the students & workers of #WI, impressive show of democracy in action." Pelosi never disappoints in her display of political bias and hypocrisy.

Pres. Trump received bi-partisan support from the majority of voters in the 21st Congressional District. Trump supporters have been ridiculed and labeled by some as "illiterate", "Un-American", "homophobic" "misogynic" "racists" who need to be "deprogrammed". Isn't it interesting those who ridicule Trump supporters are mum on the past and present Antifa riots, destruction of businesses, government property and private property in Portland and Seattle. Elise works hard on behalf of her constituents.

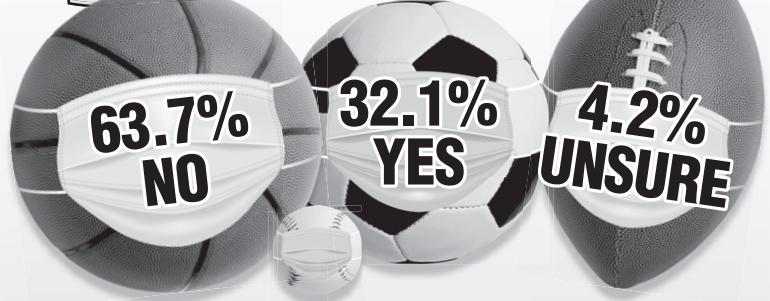
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The Question:

Should St. Lawrence County schools allow high-risk sports now?

School SPORTS



A majority don't want to allow high-risk sports.

Cathy Whalen | NCTW

GOV. CUOMO announced high risk sports, which include wrestling, hockey, basketball and competitive cheerleading, could possibly begin as early as Feb. 1 under certain specific conditions. All 24 districts in Section X met to discuss the announcement and next steps. The districts plan to work collaboratively with the 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 before making a decision. Should St. Lawrence County schools allow high-risk sports now?

HERE ARE COMMENTS from some survey participants:

'If we cannot have all of our stu-

dents in the building for classes and the ones that are in school have to stay 6 feet apart from each other why would allow them to wrestle, play basketball and hockey.'

'Our numbers are going higher and higher. We don't need another avenue to keep up this trend. If everyone could just maintain for a while longer, we can beat this.'

'Being a parent of a senior hockey player, I'm confused as to why high risk sports cannot begin or at least allow them to begin practices? I've noticed over the past few months that indoor soccer has been allowed. Other "high risk" counties around the state are allowing high risk sports to begin. Many senior student athletes have

been waiting for this opportunity for years. Some are relying on sports scholarships to assist with college and higher education.'

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Pictured from left are SeaComm Board Vice Chairman Mitch Marolf, SeaComm Board Director Patricia Dodge, Massena Hospital Foundation Executive Director Julia Rose, and Massena Hospital Foundation Events Coordinator Julianne Fowler.

SeaComm donates \$150,000 to hospitals

MASSENA — SeaComm recently delivered \$150,000 worth of donations to six hospital foundations across northern New York and Vermont.

The \$25,000 contributed to the Massena Hospital Foundation will be used to support the health care needs of Massena and the surrounding communities during the ongoing pandemic.

The \$25,000 contributed to the Canton-Potsdam Hospital Foundation (CPH) will be used to support

local healthcare workers as they care for north country residents during the ongoing pandemic.

“For decades, the St. Lawrence Health System and Canton-Potsdam Hospital have cared for the members of SeaComm and the greater community of St. Lawrence County,” SeaComm Board Director Bob Santamoor said in a prepared statement.

“It is our pleasure to be able to help with this great mission.”

Potsdam Aquatics to open soon on 11B

BY MATT LINDSEY
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — St. Lawrence County residents may be able to add fish, reptiles and arachnids to their lives soon.

Potsdam Aquatics, owned by Paul Lashomb, is planning to open at 1122 State Highway 11B.

Lashomb is the sole owner, receiving help from his girlfriend, Allison Perham.

“We are not open yet but we’ll be posting on our media sources when we know more about when we will be opening,” he said.

Lashomb hopes to carry freshwater tropical fish, saltwater marine fish, reptiles, arachnids such as tarantulas and scorpions, and possibly other small pets in the future.

“We both have been fish keeping for years and

absolutely love it, but it is difficult up in the North Country since the closest stores are in Watertown and Plattsburgh which is a long way to travel,” Lashomb said.

He said their goal is to bring the love of keeping and caring for fish and other small animals back to the surrounding areas.

“We have had tons of people reach out to us about the store already so we are sure we will be successful when we open,” Lashomb said

Their website is www.potsdamaquatics.com email is potsdamaquatics@gmail.com, they can be contacted through their Facebook group (Potsdam Aquatics), and the phone number is 315-221-9922.

Lashomb said the best way to reach them right now since they aren’t open yet, is through Facebook or email.

Going out of business sale at virtual center

POTSDAM — The Virtual Entertainment Center, 8 Market St., is going out of business and selling all of their gaming equipment and furniture.

They will sell TVs, gaming PCs, monitors, consoles, games, accessories, and furniture. All must go.

The sale will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., February 6 and 7.

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Donation to food pantry

NORTH LAWRENCE -- The Tri-Town Food Pantry recently received a \$500 donation from St. Lawrence Federal Credit Union. On hand for the donation were Terri Rios Passion of the pantry, who accepted the check from Dick Durkin, a board member at the credit union.

Stefanik meets with county

BY ANDY GARDNER
North Country This Week

CANTON — The North Country’s congressional representative told the Board of Legislators that she wants to see the federal legislature’s priorities for this year include vaccine funding and distribution, and reopening the border Canadian border.

Rep. Elise Stefanik, R-Schuylerville, briefly addressed the St. Lawrence County legislature during their Monday, Feb. 1 meeting.

A co-chair of the Northern Border Caucus, Stefanik said she wants to “avoid these 30-day arbitrary extensions” of the closure that have been continuously renewed since March of last year.

She said that plan should include “prioritizing vaccination distribution to our CBP (Customs and Border Protection) officers.”

Stefanik also said using federal funding for more COVID-19

vaccines continues to be a top concern that we hear from constituents.”

“We need to work with the state government ... to improve vaccine distribution,” Stefanik said.

She also praised the area’s hospitals, saying they’re doing “a really great job serving the community under the circumstances.”

There is also a new COVID-19 stimulus package in the works, but it’s “just an outline at this point.”

She said it includes “very concerning partisan provisions” of increasing the minimum wage and “stimulus payments for illegal immigrants,” but she didn’t go into any details.

Stefanik also said many businesses who benefitted from the Paycheck Protection Program may be eligible for more funding.

She said there are requirements, and her office is there for constituents “to provide additional support and answer questions” about the program.

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Outdoor talks planned

The Laurentian Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club traditionally presents a wintertime series of "Outdoors/Indoors" presentations remotely via Zoom. All are welcome to attend.

Scheduled are:

- Sunday, Feb. 7 - "Following Legends: The 46 Unsupported Thru Hike". Katlin Rhodes & Bethany Garretson talk about their unassisted through-hike of the 46 High Peaks: trip preparation, equipment, food, etc. Live via Zoom, 7-8:30PM, clarkson.zoom.us/j/8224806323. Contact Daqing Hou, dhou@clarkson.edu.

- Sunday, March 14 - "Ridiculous Adventures of a National Park Ranger". Ranger and Potsdam College alum Kristi Rugg talks about her adventures hiking and working in our National Parks. Live via zoom, 7-8:30PM. clarkson.zoom.us/j/8224806323. Contact Daqing Hou, dhou@clarkson.edu, for more information.



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The Massena U19 Girls hockey team practice their skills at Massena Arena.

Public skating in Massena

MASSENA — Massena is holding public skating Thursday-Sunday at select times.

All skaters and spectators must wear a mask into the building and complete a screening form the day of skating. Electronic form can be found at:

<https://forms.gle/zuCVoL11qD-LuxqPB9>

"Strongly recommended that you reserve your Public Skating times for the weekend over messenger. This schedule is subject to change so please check the schedule often as it will be updated with changes."

For help call 315-759-3161.

Public skating is available at the Massena Arena on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Thursday Feb. 4
11:30 AM 1:00 PM Public Skate- \$3
Friday Feb. 5
11:30 AM 1:00 PM Public Skate- \$3
Saturday Feb. 6
8:00 PM 8:50 PM Public Skating- \$3
Sunday Feb. 7
4:00 PM 4:50 PM Public Skating- \$3
7:30 PM 8:20 PM Public Skating- \$3

Lockwood Arena now open

OGDENSBURG -- Public skating will be offered at the Lockwood Arena on Saturday, February 6, 2021 with COVID-19 guidelines. There will be one session from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM.

A COVID-19 screening form will be required upon entry to the arena at every session. A one-time liability waiver will also be required for the entire season.

The City of Ogdensburg will now require all skaters to pre-register to limit occupancy in the arena. You will not be permitted to enter the facility if you are not registered. Be prepared to be turned away if you are not registered to attend in advance. No walk-ins will be allowed during public skating.

Skating at the arena will be limited to 30 skaters and registration is available up to one week prior to date of public skate. Children ages 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Skate rentals will be

available and skates will be sanitized between sessions. In order to maintain this cleaning schedule, there may be times when available sizes will be limited

During skating, all will be required to wear a mask and one spectator is limited per family. Entrance will be permitted 15 minutes prior to the start of the session at the main front entrance. You must also leave the facility within 15 minutes of the end of your session. Please be prompt so staff can complete sanitation duties and the facility can be readied for the next users. You will be directed to leave via the back parking lot.

If you do not comply with the guidelines you will be asked to leave.

To pre-register please call the Department of Public Works at (315) 393-2300 Monday through Friday 7:45 AM to 3:15 PM.

Nicandri Center remains open

MASSENA — The Nicandri Nature Center remains open Sunday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday by reservation only.

Although capacity is limited reservations are free.

"The safety of our visitors is our primary concern, please check our COVID-19 Procedures page for information on our safety and cleaning procedures to help protect our visitors.

Group reservations, parties, and events are still on hold — we will update you when we are able to return to these activities," the center's website says.

Between groups, the building's high touch areas, exhibits, stations and bathrooms are cleaned.

Recent additions to the center include an interactive iGlobe. It allows visitors to look at phenomena around the world, such as the weather, space, and environment.

Using a spotting scope, visitors can also be citizen scientists. They can help tally the different species

seen outside the center, such as turkeys, squirrels and birds. The information is then sent as a report for ProjectFeederWatch.

A bat scavenger hunt is now available for children. Toy bats are hidden throughout the center for visitors to find.

To make a reservation visit (<https://signup.com/go/vRhHTsm>) or call (315) 705-5022 during business hours. Reservations are free.

BRIEFLY

Fish fry

OGDENSBURG — The Ogdensburg Knights of Columbus, 721 Hasbrouck St., will serve a fish fry on Friday, Feb. 5 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Menu includes fries, mac & cheese, cole slaw and roll. Also available will be pulled pork, includes french fries, mac & cheese and cole slaw. Cost is \$12. 315-393-7990 to preorder as each choice is limited to 50 dinners. Pick up or delivery are available.

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- Getting a flu shot may help to identify some of the similar symptoms of COVID-19.
- Testing for the flu and COVID-19 may be needed to help confirm a diagnosis.

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Ogdensburg parent, coach upset with handling of news about athletics

BY MATT LINDSEY
North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG — A parent of an Ogdensburg City School District student expressed his disapproval to the school board following a decision last week by Section X officials to hold off on high-risk sports.

Scott Sargent, who is a Heuvelton Central school teacher, spoke Monday at the OCSD board meeting and says he believes that allowing athletes to participate in controlled, supervised practices is safer for the community.

Superintendent Kevin Kendall said he would work on a plan to possibly get students to practice, but no competition would be allowed through Section X.

"I assure you we're looking at how we can safely bring athletics back to kids," he said. "I believe we can get there."

Kendall noted that schools were not given much notice of the decision by the governor that high-risk sports would be allowed.

He was hopeful for more lead time from

the state to allow school officials to plan better.

Sargent is a volunteer assistant coach at OFA and has previously coached JV boys basketball. "Tonight, however, the hat I am wearing is that of being the father of my son Trent, a senior OFA student-athlete," he said.

Sargent's son Trent spoke to the St. Lawrence County Legislature at the same time in favor of allowing high-risk sports to resume locally.

Sargent said his top priority is to keep schools open and the infection rate down.

However, he said keeping sports inactive could have the opposite impact.

He said that some students are organizing practices themselves and that poses a higher risk for the spread of COVID because safety protocols are possibly not being adhered to.

Speaking about the students, Sargent said, "they have exercised patience at a level we cannot comprehend as adults."

Sargent's recommended providing a monitored, structured environment for athletes to safely participate in sports practices and

training.

More important to Sargent, was the mental health of students.

He was not happy with how the news about high-risk sports not being allowed was announced publicly.

"For our student athletes to receive information that, in their world, is absolutely devastating ... on Friday evening in the form of a press release, or Facebook post, or by watching the six-o'clock news, with no recourse offered to ask questions or see information was in my opinion beyond haphazard," Sargent said as his voice was cracking with emotion. "It was dangerous."

He said life experiences as adults do not allow us to process information like a teenager.

Sargent asked that school officials handle any future similar news release with more consideration.

He thanked school officials for their time. The board also discussed making plans for non-athletes to participate in programs such as arts, music and other activities.



Massena student named Seaway Tech Student of the Month

NORWOOD -- The Seaway Career & Technical Education Center is announces Emma O'Brien as the Potsdam Rotary Club Student of the Month for January 2021.

She is a student in the Allied Health Program, from the Massena Central School District and is the daughter of William & Monica O'Brien.

The Allied Health Program is a one year varied program giving high school seniors the opportunity to prepare for any career in the health care field including veterinary sciences.

Students in the program are involved in learning: CPR/First Aid/AED, Medical Terminology, Human Biology and Learning the Anatomy and Physiology of the Human Body with laboratory activities to reinforce content.

This program also offers dual enrollment classes where students can earn college credits upon successful completion of the program.

Upon completion of the program, students will be able to perform CPR, enter into college health care related courses with knowledge and experience, identify and describe eleven body systems, correctly define and use appropriate medical terminology.

"Emma is a very hard working and consistent student," said her instructor Kimberley Clark. "Her work is always on time and is always of high quality. She is a joy to have in class and exhibits a high drive to succeed".

Program students of the month for their classes at Seaway Tech include: Devin LaRock, auto tech, Brasher; Christopher Smith, building trades, Colton; Chloe Best, cosmetology, Colton; Gavin Benson, criminal justice, Massena; Maria Rodriguez, culinary arts, Massena; Corey Dow, HVAC/R, Massena; Brennan Losey natural resource management, Norwood; and Haden Ashley, software development and business design, from Massena.



Facebook photo | Courtesy

Graphic design project

Senior graphic communication students at Northwest Career and Tech Center in Ogdensburg, recently presented their senior projects recently to the Northern Zone Association for counselors and development. They created a brand identity package as well as a stationary package and brand new logo for the association. The association will choose one of the designs to use for their association going forward.



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Getting ice time in Massena

The Massena U19 Girls hockey team practice their skills at the Massena Arena Monday, Jan. 25.

Local schools won't restart contact sports

CANTON — School districts in St. Lawrence and Franklin counties will not commence high risk winter sports at this time, said a press release from St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES.

The governor announced last week that high risk athletics may commence based on current local health factors and school districts' abilities to meet specific requirements set by local departments of health.

While the New York State Department of Health set minimum requirements for participation in high-risk athletics, local departments of health, schools, or other organizations may establish further guidelines in order to protect the health and safety of their communities.

Since the announcement, the 24 school districts of Section X have assessed the situation, the press release said.

The superintendents, FEH and SLL BOCES leaders, and the Director of Section X have met multiple times, and have had multiple conversations with public health officials in Franklin and St. Lawrence counties.

The 24 athletic directors have received regular updates from Section X and a task force of athletic directors dedicated to evaluating the winter sports season has met.

At this time, based on the present health crisis in Franklin and St. Lawrence Counties, and due to concerns about logistics necessary to make these programs safe and successful, Section X school districts are not ready to commence high risk winter sports.

The Section X school districts are committed to an ongoing discussion regarding the evolving health and safety conditions and their ability to meet Public Health guidelines.

In the interim, school districts will continue to meet and work on required plans so that when feasible, a return to high-risk athletics will be as safe as possible.

The school districts comprising Section X have worked collaboratively with partners in Public

Health to evaluate current health metrics, including the recent spike in cases and significant increase in hospitalization rates in both counties.

At the present time, the region is experiencing high positivity rates and a decline in hospital capacity, BOCES said.

There has also been a sharp increase in the number of school staff and students placed in mandatory quarantine over the past few weeks, which in many cases has affected districts' ability to hold in-person learning.

St. Lawrence County Public Health Director Dana McGuire, stated "Contact sports increase the risk of COVID-19 transmission. If schools and other organizations, athletes, and their parents/guardians choose to resume higher risk sports, they must do so in a safe manner and give considerable thought to prevent the spread of COVID-19."

New York State DOH as well as Franklin and St. Lawrence County Departments of Public Health have outlined requirements schools must meet in order to safely hold high-risk sports this winter.

Among those requirements are the development of a thorough safety plan, securing separate buses for each team, providing staff to assist in contact tracing procedures, and recommendations for a weekly testing protocol.

According to Section X Director Carl Normandin, "The school districts that comprise Section X remain fully committed and continue to work closely with its school leaders and local Departments of Health experts."

"Moving forward, the focus will be on a sport-by-sport basis to complete the required preparedness plans as outlined in the DOH protocols and the NYSED guidance documents to ensure a safe practice and competition environment," Normandin said.

"The districts and Section X task force will continue to meet to explore various models for potentially conducting an abbreviated winter, fall II and spring sports season once the health and safety factors indicate that it is safe to do so."

Ice fishing derby planned

CANTON -- The St. Lawrence County Deputies Association is hosting an ice fishing derby Feb. 6. The event is a fundraiser for Sgt. Ryan Shelly, who was recently diagnosed with salivary gland cancer.

Proceeds will go to Sgt. Shelly and his family to aid his battle against cancer.

The entry fee will be \$20 and the derby will be open boundaries within St. Lawrence County. The deadline for sign-ups is Feb. 3.

There will be a lottery drawing for prizes which will be determined by the number of entries. Every person entered is eligible to win a prize (prizes TBD).

The derby will run until 5 p.m. and the drawing will held at approximately 6 p.m. that day. Winners will be contacted by phone and will also be posted on the sheriff's Facebook page.

Public Health and CDC guidelines

should be followed during the event.

Any questions can be directed to Sgt. Ben Rockwood at 315-379-2761.

Deputies said to make sure to send them a message with a photo of all your fish.

Sign-ups are located at the following locations:

Grays Gun Shop – Scott Road Lisbon, J & R Bait n Tackle Shop – Brown Road Lisbon, Fisherman's Cove – SH 58/CR8 Macomb, Black Lake Marina – CR 6 Edwardsville, The Country Store – SH 56 Hannawa Falls, Lamphere's market – SH 11B Hopkinton, Country Corner Market – SH 11/CR57 West Stockholm, Smith Al Superette – SH 56 Norfolk, TNT Tackle – SH 58 Edwards, U-Bs Mercantile – SH 3 Oswegatchie (Fine), Hosmer's Marina – East River St Ogdensburg, Seavys Point Store – SH 3/SH 56 South Colton.

Ogdensburg plans fishing event

OGDENSBURG – A fishing tournament is coming to Ogdensburg this summer.

Ogdensburg City Council unanimously agreed to pay \$2,500 to host a B.A.S.S. Nation Fishing Tournament on Aug. 15.

It's unclear how many anglers the event is expected to draw, but the single day tournament would run from 2 to 5 p.m.

Jellie said details on the event are still being worked out but he expects other activities will be planned to coincide with the event.

Ogdensburg had budgeted

\$50,000 for fishing tournaments but walked that back due to the uncertainty from the pandemic.

However, on Monday the full council offered support for the event. Promoting tourism, especially fishing in the city has been a focus for sometime as surrounding areas like Waddington have had great success.

Councilor Dan Skamperle said Ogdensburg needs to make sure it's not being missed and should be the center of fishing tournaments in the area due to its location.



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Mites practicing skills

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

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Scenes of midwinter in the North Country



NCNow photo
Kyler Jock, left, and Bentley Martin, Ogdensburg, get a starting push downhill from Jordan Joannette at St. Lawrence State Park, Rt. 37, Ogdensburg.



Tabitha Brown | Submitted
Connellain plays with a ball in the backyard of owner Tabitha Brown of Heuvelton. Brown said the temperature was five degrees but her dog was game to play. 'We did not stay out long,' she said.



Anastasia Taber | Submitted
Jameson Taber, 2 years old, and his dog Bailey, were out enjoying fun in the snow recently at their home in Heuvelton said Jameson's mother, Anastasia Taber.



R.J. Norman | Submitted
A male and female cardinal visit together recently in Lisbon.



Tessa Herron | Submitted
Easton Herron, 6, from Heuvelton helped feed the chickadees at his Nana & Papa's house.



Bill Shirley | Submitted
Danika, owned by Bill Shirley of Louisville, was loving the snow this weekend. 'This is the face I got when I called her to come inside Sunday morning,' said Shirley.



Heather Lauzon | Submitted
Graysen Lauzon of Ogdensburg builds a snowman after the Christmas snowfall.

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Options for nurse midwife in St. Lawrence County

Women who are interested in receiving healthcare from a certified nurse midwife have options within St. Lawrence Health System.

Barbara Drake Hillis, CNM, is located in the Women's Health Clinic, Casey Medical Office Building, 15 Hospital Drive, Massena; and Megan Gagner, CNM, and Laurie Mousaw, CNM, are located in the Helen Snell Cheel Medical Campus, 49 Lawrence Ave.

Certified Nurse Midwife Hillis explained that in New York midwives are licensed through the State. They specialize in providing holistic care for women during healthy pregnancies, childbirth, and postpartum, as well as primary preventive reproductive health care.

"Any woman can request a midwife, and many midwives believe every woman should have a midwife. We provide care for women from their first menstruation until after menopause," she said.

Midwives provide a multitude of services in an outpatient/office setting, such as:

- Annual exams, including gynecological care, primary care, health screenings, and counseling with a focus on health promotion and disease prevention

- First exams for young women

- Family planning and prescribing of birth control methods, including IUDs and Nexplanon

- Testing and treatment of infections, from yeast infections to sexually transmitted infections

- Assessment and treatment of irregular menstrual bleeding

- Perimenopausal and postmenopausal counseling and care

- Orders for mammograms and imaging
- Comprehensive maternity care - prenatal, postpartum, and newborn care, including ultrasounds, and labs

- Consultation or collaboration with other providers, or referral to other providers as needed; such as obstetricians, gynecologists, neurologists, cardiologists, etc.

Inpatient services, or hospitalized care, offered by midwives include:

- Admission of women for labor or inductions, attendance at vaginal births, postpartum, and discharge home

- Admission and care of women with hyperemesis gravidarum or kidney infections

For more info on: Barbara Drake Hillis, CNM, visit <https://www.stlawrencehealthsystem.org/providers/barbara-drake-hillis>; Megan Gagner, CNM, visit <https://www.stlawrencehealthsystem.org/providers/megan-gagner>; and Laurie Mousaw, CNM, visit <https://www.stlawrencehealthsystem.org/providers/laurie-mousaw>.

Psychiatric NP joins United Helpers team

Stacey Ryan, psychiatric nurse practitioner, recently joined the United Helpers Behavioral Health Team.

Specializing in comprehensive medical evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment, she sees patients of all ages.

Ryan completed undergraduate studies in psychology at SUNY Plattsburgh in 2011. She then attended Yale University in New Haven, Conn. She completed internships at Yale Behavioral Health Services, Yale Internal Medicine Group, and Cassena Care in Connecticut. Ryan joins United Helpers following employment with Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center.

"My passion is making quality mental health care accessible to north country residents," Ryan she said in a prepared statement from United Helpers.

A native of northern New York, she graduated from Massena Central.

uated from Massena Central.

Ryan is board certified in psychiatric mental health nurse practice. She treats anxiety, depression, bipolar disorder, psychotic disorders, insomnia, stress-related conditions and has a special interest in the areas of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD). She is trained in eye movement desensitization and reprocessing therapy (EMDR).

In the spring, Ryan will be completing her yoga instructor certification and is looking forward to integrating more holistic approaches into her daily practice.

Ryan will see patients at the United Helpers Behavioral Health Centers in Canton and Ogdensburg. To schedule an appointment, call 315-541-3042 in Ogdensburg and 315-386-0264 in Canton.

Emergency med specialist joins SL Health System

Emergency medicine specialist Dr. Kimberly Rice has joined St. Lawrence Health System's (SLHS) medical staff.

She will be practicing at Canton-Potsdam, Gouverneur, and Massena hospitals.

Dr. Rice earned her medical degree at Michigan State University Allopathic Medicine, East Lansing, Mich.; and completed her residency in Emergency Medicine at St. John Hospital and Medical Center in Detroit.

"I chose to work for St. Lawrence Health

System for a number of reasons," she said in a prepared statement from SLHS.

"Throughout the coronavirus pandemic the System has been committed to the community. I chose to continue fighting for the health and well-being of North Country residents by becoming a symbol of hope for the community," she added.

Rice further noted she is from Canada, and the proximity of SLHS to the border allows her to be close to her family.

She provides care in all matters requiring immediate attention, including chest pain, stroke, and seizures.

She has a page on SLHS's website at <https://www.stlawrencehealthsystem.org/providers/kimberly-rice>



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Using switches allow IRA residents to be more active

RENSSELAER FALLS – Rolling dice while playing a game with our friends or family, mixing ingredients while baking, watering flowers, and creating an arts and crafts project are all things that many of us could do if we wanted to without having to put much thought or effort into it.

Imagine though if that wasn't the case. For many of the individuals residing in United Helpers' 11 Individualized Residential Alternatives (IRAs) across the county this used to be the case, but now thanks to the help of Adaptive Switches, anyone can do almost anything that an able-bodied person is able to do.

United Helpers Occupational Therapist Assistant Crystal Teneyck recently spent a morning with residents at the Rensselaer Falls IRA, helping both the residents and staff learn how to use several types of Switches recently purchased by the home.

"Some of the Switches they have here in this house will activate scissors, roll dice or spin game spinners, pour measuring cups, or even sprinkle water from a Switch-activated watering can," Ms. Teneyck said. "These switches allow the people we serve to become more engaged and independent. They also allow our staff to interact with them on a whole different level."

To date, Ms. Teneyck said two of the IRAs have purchased Switches, but she's hoping that once people from the other houses see what they can do, more IRAs will follow suit.

Depending on an individual's personal needs, Ms. Teneyck said they may use a Switch that it activated by pushing a button, tapping it with their head or nose, or even

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UH occupational therapist assistant

blowing or sucking through a straw attached to the device. Some more advanced Switches are even activated and operated by tracking a person's eyes or voice, she said. Once a switch is activated, it may complete a task, such as rolling dice, turning something on or off, or even dumping a measuring cup into a mixing bowl.

"Two years ago when we would do activities like this, if we're being honest, staff was really doing almost everything," Ms. Teneyck said as a group of people worked on art projects using Switch-activated paint spinners. "Now they get to play a large part in what's going on. Their reactions are priceless, and it's rewarding, both for us and them."

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LIBRARY...

a really great job of providing online storytime" for kids. They have schedules posted online and on their website.

"Anyone can join us. She does a really nice job of it," Dunne said. "It's been very good, it really has. Many pre-schoolers, this is the one chance to be with other children in a weekly organized program. They really miss the in-person time to play and be together. It's been a big loss for young children and families."

In March, they're going to be starting a "dial-a-story" for kids where families can set up one-on-one sessions with Tatro.

"Basically, they'll do a book together, they'll sing together, just have a personalized program," and it will be free, the library director said.

Over the summer, they're trying to plan face-to-face programs outside, that could include storytimes and outdoor children's programming.

Books, DVDs, Printing
One service still available, even though the building is closed, is printing.

"Go ahead, send it to the library email, we'll print it for them, meet them at the door, and it's a quarter a page," she said. That email address is maslib@ncls.org

For adults (and everyone else),

they offer curbside book loans. People can contact the library online or by phone and they'll offer readers suggestions they may enjoy. They can choose from books in the Massena library, or through the interlibrary loan program.

"Many patrons just go online and they can reserve books and DVDs themselves," Dunne said. The library will call people when their package is ready, and patrons call back when they're in the library parking lot and it's brought outside to them in a bag.

"We're very lenient. Any overdue fees are waved during the pandemic," Dunne said.

Once things get to a point where they can open doors to the public, they'll probably stick with the curbside option due to popular demand.

The library also offers a book club for adults with discussion meetings held online through Zoom, which is free to sign up for and use.

She said anyone who wants to join and check out the library webpage.

"We're always meeting new people," she said. The club's latest selection is "The Overstory" by Richard Powers.

"We hope for new programs next month," Dunne said.

The library's website is <https://www.massenapubliclibrary.org>, or search for Massena Public Library on Facebook. Their phone number is 315-769-9914.

SPORTS...

"We as students don't have anything to look forward to," said Brooke Laraby, a Canton varsity athlete. "They need it to get out of depression on their end."

She added that she's appreciative of county public health officials working with school districts to come up with safety plans.

"Currently mental health is awful, due to no sports," said Caleb D'Arienzo of Massena, a varsity hockey player. "Sports are the only reason some of us go to school. It's like every day is the same day on repeat."

"The people who decide the fate of athletics are aware of this" correlation, said Trent Sargent, an Ogdensburg athlete.

Sargent also argued that "unstructured time kids have on their hands" with no mask or hygiene requirements could lead to COVID-19 outbreaks. He said some local players are "setting up their own games with no masks or sanitary protocols."

Michael Trimboli of Massena, the high school varsity hockey coach there and also vice president of USA Hockey, said the players and coaches are willing to follow stringent safety measures. That includes wearing new masks specifically designed for sports.

He also argued that hockey rinks, like those in several St. Lawrence County communities, have air circulation and ventilation systems designed to deal with the exhaust fumes that come from the Zamboni, a machine that resurfaces the ice before games and between periods.

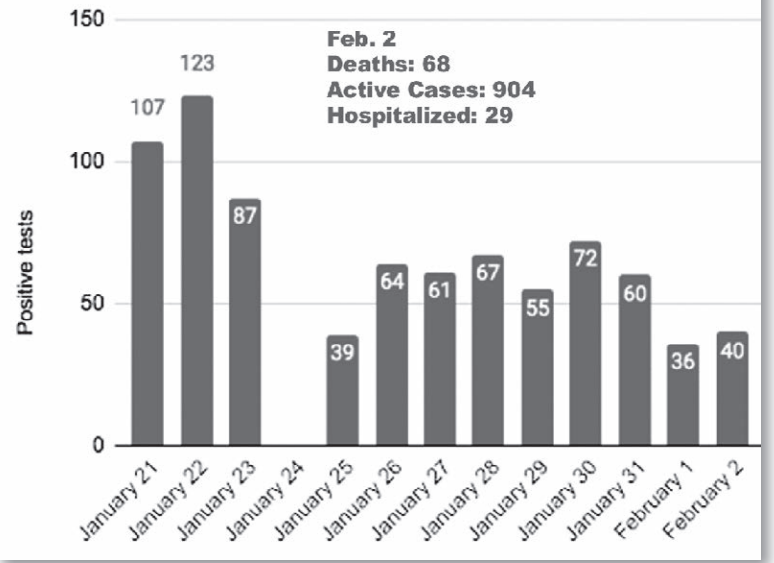
During his regular COVID-19 update, Dr. Andrew Williams, president of the St. Lawrence County Board of Health, pointed out that with some sports, it just isn't possible to be COVID-safe.

"Full disclosure: I was a varsity wrestler. I've been involved with coaching wrestlers, I have wrestlers in my household ... you can't physically distance in that sport," he said, calling wrestling "extremely challenging" from a public health standpoint.

"That's why they're characterized as higher risk," he said. "The farther they can distance, the better, especially if they're in an enclosed space with inadequate circulation or ventilation."

Dr. Dana McGuire, St. Lawrence

Positive COVID-19 Tests in SLC



COVID-19 daily cases are trending down, but the 12 of the 24 districts in that make up Section 10 are currently on remote learning due to exposures.

County Public Health director, said she's aware of "a number of studies that look at sports and what transmission of the virus can do."

One by the CDC looked at a COVID-19 cluster connected to a hockey game. The other looked at a cluster that originated from a wrestling tournament.

"Five days after a (hockey) game ... there were 15 of the 22 players that did experience symptoms," she said, adding that comprised 14 players and a rink staffer. She believes ice hockey arenas are ripe for the spread of COVID-19 "due to exertion and breathing, and often times the players are closer than six feet."

She said the wrestling tournament led to 38 positive COVID-19 tests.

"From those 38 cases, there were over 400 contacts that were identified. 62 of those were household member. Just over 400 of them were school contacts," she said. That led to 41 more positive cases and a death, she said.

Trimboli blasted the public health director's information as "speculation," and said health experts working for USA Hockey believe that the sport can be played safely.

"Investigators speculated the indoor space and close contact increased the rate of infection ... It's not known if infections happened at the rink," the coach said, adding that he had brought documents he was willing to share with the lawmakers.

Even if the paused sports go on, there are logistical challenges.

As of Monday, Feb. 1, 11 of the 24 Section X districts are fully remote due to COVID-19 cases. Also, 747 students and staff members are quarantined.

Dr. McGuire pointed out that any district that goes remote because of COVID-19 cannot participate in sports. And any students who are in isolation or quarantine cannot participate.

According to information on the forward.ny.gov COVID-19 dashboard posted Monday, Feb. 1, the seven-county North Country region, which includes St. Lawrence County and Section X schools, has the third-highest seven-day positivity rate in the state at 5.7%. In St. Lawrence County alone, the seven-day average is the second lowest in the region at 4.1%. Statewide, the same figure is 5.1%.

On Jan. 31, the North Country had the highest one-day percentage of positive COVID-19 tests in the entire state at 7%. In St. Lawrence County, that same figure is 8.7%, the second highest in the North Country region. The statewide rate for the same day is 4.9%.

VACCINATIONS...

staff.
"The aging population has been

served well for the North Country region," she said.

Dr. Andrew Williams, president of the St. Lawrence County Board of Health, said the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are going into arms now. He thinks a Johnson and Johnson vaccine could be the next to get emergency use authorization from the FDA.

"This is a different kind of vaccine. It uses a benign or harmless version of a cold virus," he said. "Your immune system builds antibodies to those spike proteins."

Spike proteins are the part of the virus that binds to cells, causing infection.

He said the Johnson and Johnson vaccine is safe and effective. In addition to preventing transmission in most cases, studies are showing "overall it was 85% effective in preventing severe disease," and "demonstrated complete protection against COVID-19 hospitalization and death."

Unlike the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, it only requires one shot and can be stored in a normal refrigerator. The two currently being used have to be stored in special units at super-cold temperatures.

Because of the COVID-19 variants that are now going around, those getting the Johnson and Johnson vaccine may need a booster shot down the road.

"Right now, nobody thinks these vaccines need to be change," Dr. Williams said.

In the meantime, he said everyone, including those vaccinated, should continue following public health measures designed to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. That includes wearing a mask that covers the nose and mouth, hand washing, physical distancing, staying home when sick and staying local.

"These variants are concerning. Public health measures remain critical, and getting these vaccines out as fast as possible is very important," he said.

SHOOTING

While investigating the altercation, police received several complaints of gun shots from the 300 and 400 blocks of Mansion Avenue.

Police said investigation of the gun shot complaints revealed that the complaints were connected to the New York Avenue altercation.

Police served a search warrant at 325 Mansion Ave. and Deloney and Gonzales were subsequently arrested.

The incident remains under investigation and more arrests are expected.

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Hair donation in Waddington

A Waddington recently girl had her hair cut and donated the hair to Locks of Love. Eleanor Maxner, 6, donated 12 inches of hair to Locks of Love following a haircut at Reflexions Salon in Heuvelton.

Pen pal program started

The St. Lawrence County Youth Bureau has launched a pen pal program, Connecting Seniors and Youth, to benefit our county's elderly and youth population.

After completing a successful holiday card drive, it became apparent there's a need to foster and support human connection during this stressful time.

"We are excited to be partnering with St. Lawrence County's Office for the Aging to offer this pen pal program. Our county students are experiencing screen fatigue from e-learning and Zoom meetings and want to feel a sense of community.

There are a lot of benefits of intergenerational interaction including having a positive impact on emotional health.

Additionally, this is a critical time to combat depression while we continue to self-isolate and socially distance during COVID-19," commented Alexa Backus, Youth Bureau Director.

Office for the Aging Director, Andrea Montgomery said, "This will be a wonderful integration and partnership of older adults and youth.

This program will help ease the isolation and loneliness many older adults are facing due to the pandemic."

Students of all grades can sign

up through the Youth Bureau by emailing RZuhlsdorf@stlawco.org or calling 315.379.9464.

Educators are welcome to register classrooms too.

Seniors can sign up through Office for the Aging by emailing PZimmerman@stlawco.org or calling 315.386.4730.

In order to ensure the safety and confidentiality of all participants, all letters will be facilitated through the Youth Bureau.

Addresses and last names will not be shared. Registration should be completed by mid-February.

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Rock fund awards nearly \$100,000

The Rock Charitable Fund of the Northern New York Community Foundation recently awarded nearly \$100,000 to six nonprofit organizations in St. Lawrence County to preserve and maintain churches and cemeteries in the region.

The Roman Catholic Church of Saint Mary, Canton, received a \$35,000 grant to support the first phase in its campaign to restore and protect its historic structure and property. Funding will support repairs to the bell tower, statue, trim, and foundation.

St. John's Episcopal Church, Massena, received a \$23,775 grant to restore exterior brickwork and repair windows and landscaping. Deteriorating brick in areas on the east side of the church will be replaced along with other repairs.

Gouverneur First United Methodist Church received a \$17,475 grant to restore two stained-glass windows included in a multi-year restoration. The building is veneered with native Gouverneur marble and the trimmings of Potsdam sandstone.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Waddington, received a \$14,000 grant to restore its prominent stained-glass window behind the altar. Established in 1818, it is the oldest Episcopal Church north of the Mohawk River.

The native stone structure is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as part of the Waddington Historic District.

Lisbon Cemetery Association received an \$8,315 grant to support restoration and replacement of more than 100 damaged stones. Monuments will be cleaned, restored, and preserved.

Purmort Cemetery Corp., Depyster, received a \$650 in support to remove a dying maple tree. Its removal will prevent damage that would be caused should the tree be left to fall on its own.

The Rock Charitable Fund was established at the Community Foundation in 2019 through a bequest from St. Lawrence County resident and retired Lieutenant Colonel of the United States Army Marjorie J. Rock, who passed in February 2017 at the age of 96. Because of her foresight and thoughtful generosity, Ms. Rock's desire to support St. Lawrence County will be perpetuated for generations to come.

"The response to the first round of competitive grants was impressive.



NOTABLE

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It is clear that Marjorie's legacy is addressing areas of great need in St. Lawrence County," said Rande Richardson, Community Foundation executive director. "Historic preservation and cemetery grants are not always easy to find, but this fund can help get a project off the ground or see it to completion. In future years we hope to also assist veterans as one of Marjorie's three focus areas. We are grateful for the opportunity to help improve and strengthen the region in these meaningful and enduring ways forever."

The Community Foundation administers this permanent charitable legacy fund in collaboration with a six-member St. Lawrence County-based board of advisors that reviews applications and makes funding recommendations. Advisors include Ruth McWilliams, South Colton; Sarah Maneely, Canton; Fred Hanss, Hannawa Falls; Keith Zimmerman, Canton; and Erik Backus, Potsdam.

Applications for 2021 grant funding from the Rock Charitable Fund will be accepted this fall with up to \$100,000 available. Grant support is available to qualified organizations whose missions and efforts align with the fund's charitable purposes, which are: for the maintenance and preservation of churches and cemeteries in St. Lawrence County; for the preservation and maintenance of places of legitimate historical significance in the county; and to benefit and/or assist veterans of the United States military who reside in St. Lawrence County for their medical and/or recreational needs. Grants for veterans will only be awarded to qualified organizations and cannot be made directly to individuals.

Contact Kraig Everard, Community Foundation director of stewardship and programs, kraig@nnycf.org, or 315-782-7110, to obtain a grant application or learn more about this funding opportunity.

About Marjorie J. Rock
Ms. Rock grew up in St. Lawrence County and graduated from Heuvelton High School in 1937. In 1941, she graduated from the three-year nursing program at Flower Fifth Avenue School in New York City. The following year, she joined the U.S. Army Nurse Corps, serving in North Africa and Italy during World War II. After the war, she attended Teachers College at Columbia University where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in 1948 and a Master of Arts in 1950.

She spent six years teaching in nursing programs, first as an instructor for Hartford Hospital in Connecticut and later at New York City's Lenox Hill Hospital. She returned to active Army service in 1954 to assist with medical courses for enlisted personnel and helped to establish a medical education system, particularly in the United States, Japan and Germany. She served as a supervisor, chief nurse, instructor and director of an advance medical technician school. Her last overseas duty was in Vietnam.

In 1970, she retired from the U.S. Army as a Lieutenant Colonel and returned to St. Lawrence County, joining her mother in Ogdensburg to help with her care. She earned many honors during her Army service, including the Bronze Star and Army Commendation Medal. Her only sibling, a brother, was killed in 1944 while piloting a P-47 Thunderbolt plane over Normandy.

For the rest of her life, Ms. Rock made St. Lawrence County her home while traveling with friends, caring for others, and assisting her church and other organizations, including the Army Nurse Corps Association and other veterans' groups.

She maintained a keen interest in documenting local history and furthering the education of others in the county.

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Nursing scholarship established

CANTON — A graduate of the inaugural class of SUNY Canton nurses has created a scholarship to lessen the financial burdens of north country students who follow in her career field.

Maryalice Grotkowski Blake, a 1968 alumna, donated \$25,000 to the SUNY Canton College Foundation, Inc., to establish an endowment. Beginning next year, it will provide \$1,000 annually to a student enrolled in the Associate of Applied Science in Nursing program, with preference given to graduates of Ogdensburg Free Academy (OFA).

"I wanted to do something to support the young women and men aspiring to join the ranks of today's registered nurses," she said. "It recognizes the expertise, courage and compassion that registered nurses have been displaying during the COVID-19 pandemic."

Both her and her husband, T. James Blake, are OFA graduates. The couple now resides in Milwaukee, Wis. Maryalice wanted to highlight their connection to the area through the scholarship and help future generations avoid the struggles she faced when paying for education.

"I clearly recall my mother and I both working hard gathering sufficient funds and applying for loans to pay the costs for my tuition, books, housing, and living expenses," she said. "Then, post-graduation, I remember it took several years for me to pay off my nursing

program loans."

After graduating, Maryalice worked at several hospitals, including Albany Medical Center, St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital, and Hancock Memorial Hospital in Greenfield, Ind. She also traveled extensively with her husband who was a lieutenant colonel in the Army. James was stationed in West Germany, Korea and various U.S. military installations. He was also an associate dean at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

"Maryalice and Jim's generosity demonstrates the success of the Nursing program," said SUNY Canton Vice President for Advancement Tracey L. Thompson. "They've begun a perpetual legacy that will help generations of future students. We are deeply grateful to the Blakes for their contribution to SUNY Canton's mission and for supporting the success of our north country community."

The Blake's donation is the latest in a string of donations bolstering the college's two- and four-year Nursing programs. Previously, the family of a late SUNY Canton Nursing Professor contributed the funds necessary to name the Dr. Mary Ann Caswell Nursing Simulation-Hospital in Wicks Hall. The high-tech immersive space is modeled after a working emergency room. Maryalice and Jim were able to tour the classrooms last summer during their first visit to SUNY Canton in more than 50 years.

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Making the president's list

North Country Community College has named its President's List and Vice President's List honors students for the Fall 2020 semester.

The President's List recognizes those students who have a semester grade point average of 3.50 or better. Students whose GPA between 3.25 and 3.49 are included on the Vice President for Academic Affairs Honors List.

President's List students include: Rosalie Morris, Akwesasne; Raven Oakes, Wraven M. Sunday, and Patricia L. Thomas, all of Hogsburg; Gabrielle A. Banks and Justin M. Champion, Massena; Carly-Mae L. Fiacco, and Abby E. Refici, both of Ogdensburg.

Students on the Vice President's List include: Adrianna M. Creazzo, Massena; Crystal B. King, Rooseveltown; Carly M. LaFrance, Hogsburg; and Taylor L. TeRiele, Ogdensburg.

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

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The Agency is considering whether (A) to undertake the Project, and (B) to provide certain exemptions from taxation with respect to the Project, including (1) exemption from mortgage recording taxes with respect to any documents, if any, recorded by the Agency with respect to the Project in the office of the County Clerk of St. Lawrence County, New York or elsewhere, (2) exemption from deed transfer taxes on any real estate transfers, if any, with respect to the Project, (3) exemption from sales taxes relating to the acquisition, construction, renovation and installation of the Project Facility, and (4) in the event that the Project Facility would be subject to real property taxation if owned by the Company but shall be deemed exempt from real property taxation due to the involvement of the Agency therewith, exemption from real property taxes (but not including special assessments and special ad valorem levies), if any, with respect to the Project Facility, subject to the obligation of the Company to make payments in lieu of taxes with respect to the Project Facility. If any portion of the Financial Assistance to be granted by the Agency with respect to the Project is not consistent with the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency will follow the procedures for deviation from such policy set forth in Section 874(4) of the Act prior to granting such portion of the Financial Assistance. If the Agency determines to proceed with the Project, the Project Facility will be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed by the Agency and will be leased (with an obligation to purchase) or sold by the Agency to the Company or its designee pursuant to a project agreement requiring that the Company or its designee make certain payments to the Agency. The Agency has not yet made a determination pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law (the "SEQR Act") regarding the potential environmental impact of the Project. Written comments must be received no later than 10:30 am, local time, on Wednesday, February 17th, 2021 to be considered part of the public hearing minutes. Minutes of the Public Hearing will be transcribed and posted on the Agency's website (www.slcd.com). Additional information can be obtained from,

Making the dean's list at SUNY Canton

CANTON -- More than 500 students earned Dean's List honors during the fall 2020 semester at SUNY Canton. Dean's List recognizes full-time students for earning a grade point average between 3.25 and 3.74 on a 4.0 scale.

Students include: from Brasher Falls: Cora Burnett, Jordan Cartier, Parker Hornung, Dillon McCarthy, Madysen Michaud, Paige Monacelli, Alexis Ramsdell, Makenzie Taylor; Hailey Collins, Logan Reed, Calli Thomas, and Lindsey Toms all from Colton;

Camryn Bullock and Joshua Lashua both of Edwards; Eric Thivierge, Fine; Jacob Forsythe, Jordyn Fuller, John Holt, Amy Horton, Christian Kingsbury, Joseph McIntosh, Michaela O'Riley, Michael Sears, Jenna Shippee, Nathaniel Tomford, and Johnathan Vanderbogart all from Gouverneur;

Jacob Mayette and Evan Ruddy both of Madrid; Austin Cadrette, Nathan Cota, and Cheali Kench all of Lisbon; Dylan Aumell, Hannah Brady, Jillian Breitbeck, Gabrielle Torres all of Norfolk;

Elizabeth Arquette, Laura Jones, and Stephani Sherwood all of North Lawrence; Elizabeth Azar, Nichalos Burke, Alexis Jackson, Emily Kolanko, Hailey Lepage, Hailey Scovil, and Damion Taylor all of Norwood;

Alec Knowles, and Eric Leroux, both of Parishville; Curtis Hitchman, Pyrites; Krystal Arceneaux and David Hartman, both of Rensselaer Falls;

Nicholas Jenkins, Richville; Valeree Hale and Virginia Surdez both of Russell; Brandi Boyce, South Colton; Michaelyn Hunter, Chase Sweeney, and Cole Sweeney both of Winthrop.

Part-time students recognized for honors

CANTON -- Part-time students are being recognized for earning honors during the fall 2020 semester at SUNY Canton. The college created this award to recognize students who earned at least a 3.25 GPA in 6-11 credits of course work. It stands along with the college's Dean's List and President's List as one of the top awards given for academic success at the college.

Area students include: from Massena: Austyn C. Allen, Marilyn Fernandes, Chelsea E. Pierce, and Colin Seidl. Students from Ogdensburg: Ethan S. Bonewell,

Gaynelle M. Gilbride, Kristine A. Hooper, Anthony A. Pelusi, Jan Sharpe, Grace Testani, and Marcie E. Turnbull.

Other area students include from Lisbon include: Melissa S. Firsching, Carson Smith, Gabrielle E. Walker, and Carol A. Wheeler; Merry Fitchette, Melissa A. Mussen, Kayleigh Schofell, and Martha J. Stiles, all from Rensselaer Falls; Jackie N. Butterfield, Norfolk; Tracy A. Hefferon, Hammond; and Michael Smithers, Heuvelton.

their project, titled "Autism, Cultural Perception and Barriers to Diagnosis in Northern New York."

Hammond resident honored

The College of Saint Rose announces it's fall 2020 dean's list to include Courtney Cazzio of Hammond. The Dean's List recognizes full-time undergraduate students who complete a minimum of 12 graded credit hours and who achieve a semester average of 3.5 without a D, F, or incomplete grade.

Cazenovia dean's list

Cazenovia College recognizes students for their academic achievement during the Fall 2020 semester. Those named to the Dean's List have achieved a 3.5 or better GPA including: Trisha Martin and Abigail Wilhelm both of Lisbon, and Janelle Brothers of Brasher Falls.

Academic honors

Utica College announced their academic honors for the fall 2020 semester including local students: Mason Knauf, Heuvelton; Abigail Marshall, Ogdensburg.

Honors at Hofstra

Hofstra University announces that Kyran Sunday, Hogsburg, was recently made to the Dean's List fall 2020 semester, achieving a GPA of at least 3.5.

Potsdam president's list

SUNY Potsdam recently named students to its Presidential Scholars Program, which provides funding and recognition for student, while working with faculty mentors. One Massena student includes: Dani Fregoe, who is majoring in Anthropology/Archaeology and will work with faculty mentor Farish Khan on

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Massena women on dean's list

SUNY Albany has named its Dean's List of Distinguished Students for the fall of 2020, including Bridgette Flannery, and Arieana Kirkey both of Massena.

Trivia Test

1. GEOGRAPHY: The United States shares a land border with how many countries?
 2. HISTORY: When did the Great Fire of London take place?
 3. MEASUREMENTS: What does a sphygmomanometer measure?
 4. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of food has varieties called castelvetrano, manzanilla and nyon?
 5. TELEVISION: What was the name of the Coneheads' home planet ("Saturday Night Live")?
 6. MOVIES: How many versions of "A Star Is Born" have been made?
 7. LITERATURE: The title of William Faulkner's novel "The Sound and the Fury" is taken from which of Shakespeare's plays?
 8. SCIENCE: What does the acronym DNA stand for?
 9. MUSIC: What is a diggeridoo?
 10. CURRENCY: Whose likeness is depicted on the U.S. \$50 bill?
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and written comments may be addressed to: Richard Williams, Facilities Manager, St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency, 19 Commerce Lane – Suite 1, Canton, New York 13617; Telephone: (315) 379-9806 and electronically at rwilliams@slcida.com Dated: February 1, 2021

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The St. Lawrence County Workforce Development Board has just released a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a **ONE-STOP NETWORK OPERATOR**. Proposals must be received by March 3, 2021 with services commencing on July 1, 2021.

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Legal Notice Articles of Organization of Seaboard Solar Holdings NY, LLC Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law. **FIRST:** The name of the limited liability company is: **Seaboard Solar Holdings NY, LLC.** **SECOND:** The county, within this state, in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is ST. LAWRENCE. **THIRD:** The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The address with or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: InCorp Services, Inc. One Commerce Plaza 99 Washington Avenue, Suite 805A, Albany, NY 12210-2822. **FOURTH:** The limited liability company designates the following as its registered agent upon whom process against it may be served within the State of New York is: InCorp Services, Inc., One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Avenue, Suite 805A, Albany, NY 12210-2822. **FIFTH:** The limited liability company is to be managed by: ONE OR MORE MANAGERS. I certify that I have read the above statements. I am authorized to sign these Articles of Organization, that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and that my signature typed below constitutes my signature. Wendy Hefley (signature) – Wendy Hefley, ORGANIZER, 3773 Howard Hughes Parkway, Suite 500S, Las Vegas, NV 89169-6014. Filed with the NYS Department of State on 9.14.2020. File number 200914010688: DOS ID 5835162. Filed by Wendy Hefley, 3773 Howard Hughes Parkway, Suite 500S, Las Vegas, NV 89169-6014

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LEGAL NOTICE ANNUAL AUDIT & REGULAR MEETING TOWN OF STOCKHOLM NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Stockholm will be holding their annual audit meeting on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 5:30 PM followed by the regular monthly board meeting at 6:00 PM. Due to the increase of Covid-19 cases, this meeting will be held via zoom audio/video conference. Details on how to attend said meeting will be on the town's website at www.stockholm-ny.com. All meetings are open to the public. Dated: January 27, 2021. Heather L. Kish, Stockholm Town Clerk By Order of the Stockholm Town Board.

NOTICE OF FORMATION

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Archaut Enterprise, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/26/2020. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served upon him/her to: 6604 State Highway 56, Potsdam, NY 13676. Purpose: to engage in any lawful business or activity.

NOTICE OF FORMATION

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLICATION FORMATION OF A NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY PURSUANT TO NEW YORK LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW SECTION 203: 1. The name of the limited liability company is **Five Ponds Forest Management LLC** 2. The date of filing of the Articles of Organization with the Department of State is **December 21, 2020** 3. The county in New York in which the office of the company is located is **ST. LAWRENCE** 4. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the company upon whom process may be served, and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the company served upon him or her to: **Five Ponds Forest Management LLC PO Box 191 Wanakena, NY 13695** 5. The term of the limited liability company shall be perpetual. 6. The purpose of the limited liability company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized.

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Recovery Coach/Peer:

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

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The Madrid-Waddington Central School District has an opening for Clerk of the Works/Project Representative for a Capital Project. The \$5 million Capital Project will cover approximately a 15-month period beginning on or about April, 2021.

Applicants must be knowledgeable and experienced in the inspection of general building construction, roofing work, site work including drainage, turf, concrete, and asphalt, and mechanical and electrical systems. A detailed list of roles and responsibilities of the Clerk can be obtained by contacting the District Office.

Interested applicants should send a letter of interest, resume and letters of reference no later than February 5, 2021 to:

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Qualifications: High School diploma (or equivalent) required. Five (5) years' experience at journeyman trades level required. May consider specific coursework related to this position, up to a maximum of two years, toward the required journeyman trades experience. Required operation of equipment related to the trade. Bending, heavy lifting, climbing ladders and stairs. Ability and willingness to follow verbal and written instructions, create verbal/written reports and utilize a work order system. Must be able to meet University requirements to be authorized to drive University vehicles.

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The Valley Recovery Center, 206 Ford Street Suite 301, Ogdensburg, NY 13669 or via email to kfavarov@svpc.net by FEBRUARY 22, 2021.

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North Country Colocation Services is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant in its Massena, NY location. Required Qualifications • High School Diploma • Strong written communication skills • Excellent organizational skills • Experience using Microsoft Suite • Ability to problem-solve • Desire to work with others. Job Duties: Records management • Facilitating incoming and outgoing communication • Assisting Managers with various clerical tasks • Executing routine payroll items • Organizing inventory • Event coordination. Benefits: Competitive pay • Company-funded medical insurance • Employee education opportunities • Room to grow within the organization. Our facility is open 24/7, and we have multiple shifts available. Please send resumes to jobs@nccs.one

North Country Colocation Services is seeking full-time Operators in its Massena, NY location. Required Qualifications: • High School Diploma/GED or Equivalent • Strong written communication skills • Basic computer literacy skills • Ability to problem-solve • Desire to work with others. Job Duties: • Routine equipment maintenance and monitoring • Equipment troubleshooting • Communicating equipment and/or facility issues as necessary • Cleaning in and around the facility • Standing/walking up to 10 hours per day • Bending, sitting, kneeling for extended periods of time • Lifting up to 50 lbs. • Working in hot or cold conditions. Benefits: • Competitive pay • Company-funded medical insurance • Employee education opportunities • Room to grow within the organization. Our facility is open 24/7 w/multiple shifts available. Submit resume to: jobs@nccs.one

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St. Lawrence County
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HEAD START has the following job openings:

Transportation Coordinator: beginning August 2021 with paid training in the interim. The position is at our Administrative Office in Canton. Full time, 35 hours per week, 43 weeks/year. Individual must have a minimum of CDL – C with Article 19A and “P” & “S” endorsements. Experience with supervision preferred as well as bus driving related knowledge of New York State regulations.

Classroom Aides for Potsdam Center and Massena Center: Person must have a minimum of a high school diploma or its equivalent. BOCES Certificate of Early Childhood, CDA, or substantial experience in early childhood daycare preferred.

Cook for Massena Center: Knowledge of nutritional needs of young children and Department of Health regulations preferred.

Substitutes in all positions are needed.

Deadline is until the position is filled. Head Start is an EOE.

Positions follow the school schedule/holidays.

Please call the Head Start Main Office at 315-386-8574 for more specific detail.

Send letter of interest, resume and three **current, signed and dated** written letters of reference to Head Start, One Commerce Lane, Canton, NY 13617.



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GRANT'S PLUMBING AND HEATING, 66 Miner Street, Canton **hiring asap** - HVAC TECHNICIAN AND LABORER. Pay is based on experience, must have valid driver's license. Monday - Friday 8am to 4:30pm. Call or stop by. 315-379-1308

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New car dealership is looking for a part time OFFICE CLERK to start working as soon as possible. Applicant would be paid minimum wage to start and would be expected to work 25 to 30 hours per week. The position has potential to become full time. Duties would include answering phones, some bookkeeping and data entry. Please send Resumes to office@tjtoyota.com. No phone calls please. CANTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

is accepting applications for the following anticipated openings for the 2020-2021 school year: Food Service Helper (2.5 hour per day at rate of \$19 per hour); Cleaner Part-time at a rate of \$15.20 per hour. Applicants must submit the following for consideration (incomplete files will not be considered): Letter of Interest, please specify which position you are applying for; Application (found online at www.ccsdk12.org); Resume; and Three Letters of Reference. All requested materials are to be submitted to: Canton Central School, Attn: District Clerk, 99 State Street, Canton, NY 13617. Application deadline is February 4, 2021.

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getic, personable individual for a unique position in our Service Department. Daily duties would include meeting/greeting of service customers, performing multi-point inspection of vehicles, parking and retrieving of vehicles, and general maintenance of work area. -Valid, clean New York State Drivers license required - Some working knowledge of vehicle maintenance is preferable but not required. Address resumes or further inquiries To: Mike Hamlin, Service & Parts Manager, TJ Toyota, Inc., 6706 SH 56, Potsdam, N.Y. Or email mikehamlin@tjtoyota.com
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LABORATORY TECHNICIAN: will be responsible for Analyze and record test data to issue reports that use charts, graphs, or narratives. Analyze the results of tests or experiments to ensure conformity to specifications, using special mechanical or electrical devices. Collect blood or tissue samples from patients, observing principles of asepsis to obtain blood sample. Conduct blood tests for transfusion purposes and perform blood counts. Conduct chemical analyses of body fluids, such as blood or urine, using microscope or automatic analyzer to detect abnormalities or diseases and enter findings into computer. Status: Full-time, Non-exempt. Deadline: 02/11/2021.

St. Lawrence Health System

Gouverneur Hospital

Nursing Supervisor

The **Nursing Supervisor** provides supervisory coverage of the Nursing Department, various patient care areas, and Gouverneur Hospital in general.



The chosen candidate will assess patient care requirements on each unit by making rounds in the Emergency Department, MSP, and all other areas of the Hospital.

This individual is required to have knowledge of Hospital and nursing policies and procedures, and allows independent judgement in their interpretation.

Required: A minimum of three years' experience.

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View detailed posting and apply online at StLawrenceHealthSystem.org.

EOE

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CLINICAL MANAGER:

Under the direction of the Medical Director, the Clinical Manager is responsible for leading efforts to improve quality of outcomes and clinic operations to improve the overall patient experience. Status: Full-time, Non-exempt. Deadline: 02/11/2021. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov. PART-TIME Home Health Aide needed to work MONDAY - FRIDAY in my Potsdam home. 315-212-5497.

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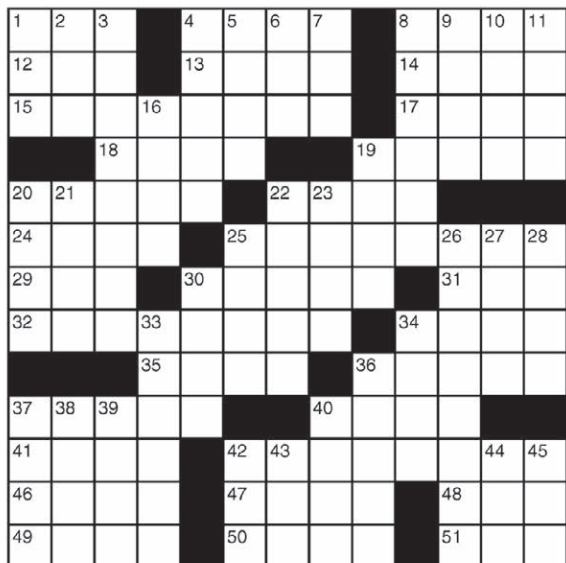
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- 17 Cathedral area
- 18 Vittles
- 19 Half of a '60s group
- 20 Sad song
- 22 Begged
- 24 Early Peruvian
- 25 Taylor Swift's genre, say
- 29 R-V link
- 30 Beetle
- 31 Bailey's boss
- 32 Bargain for leniency
- 34 Felines
- 35 Fail to see
- 36 Island porch
- 37 Neptune's realm
- 40 Ride the waves
- 41 Actress Cameron
- 42 Cowboy Cassidy
- 46 Challenge
- 47 Matty of



- 7 Salary
- 8 Idyllic place
- 9 Dutch cheese
- 10 Bright star
- 11 Mellows
- 16 Long tale
- 19 Viral Web phenomenon
- 20 Platter
- 21 Division word
- 22 Sweat outlets
- 23 Women's links org.
- 25 Buddies
- 26 Silicon Valley school
- 27 Teeny bit
- 28 Mozart's "— fan tutte"
- 30 Whirl
- 33 Stunned
- 34 Sagan or Sandburg
- 36 Waikiki windings
- 37 Probability
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