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500 vaccinations a day

A National Guard soldier assists with operations at SUNY Potsdam's mass COVID-19 vaccination center prior to opening for the second day this morning. Up to 500 shots are scheduled daily.

New grocery store in Norwood

BY ELLEN NESBITT
North Country This Week

NORWOOD – While many people have turned to ordering groceries online and picking them up, Norwood business owners are banking on their community buying locally in-store again.

The Hometown Market and Deli started business this month and plans their grand opening week for Feb. 21-28. The Market is located at 58 Spring St., the former Perry's Market.

John and Sue Fregoe, along with their daughter and her husband Amanda and Carmen Barkley, reopened the grocery store for their local

community to have easy access to fresh produce, meats, and other goods.

The family members are no strangers to business. John and Sue also own the Hometown Café in Norwood, as well as the Madrid Hotel and Madrid Café. The Barkleys operate the Topsy Tomato in Norwood, as well as the Main Street Market and Main Street Liquors in Madrid.

Amanda said that they expect to be relocating the Topsy Tomato's operation to the Hometown Market and Deli, utilizing the pizza oven that was installed when the store underwent an extensive

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Canton code officer resigns position

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

CANTON – The code enforcement officer for the village and town resigned Jan. 12 to take a job as code enforcer with the town of Potsdam.

Canton Code Enforcer Jeffrey Murray submitted his letter of resignation to the Canton

town clerk on Jan. 12.

The town board accepted the resignation "with sincere appreciation" at their meeting Thursday, Jan. 14.

Murray was appointed as the code enforcement officer by the town board in April 2018, serving a 12-month trial period before the appointment being made permanent in March

2019. The position is a town appointment, but the village covers half of the \$42,000 salary, and the codes enforcement officer covers the village as well as the town at large.

"Remember, we know where to find you," quipped Town Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley to

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Vaccination clinic opens with help from National Guard

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM – National Guard, health care professionals, and New York State officials from various departments and agencies were on-hand at SUNY Potsdam for the opening of the regional vaccination site at Maxcy Hall Monday morning.

The hub opened with Department of Transportation Commissioner Marie Therese Dominguez, along with SUNY Potsdam President Kristen Esterberg, on site to commemorate the event.

Dominguez said the clinic will administer 500 vaccinations daily and scheduling can be done online or by phone. The news was welcomed as St. Lawrence County residents reported trouble setting up appointments last week.

"We are at war," Dominguez said, adding that vaccinations were the best weapon against COVID-19, which has claimed more than 2 million lives globally and 55 in St. Lawrence County.

Limited Supply

Dominguez said Gov. Andrew Cuomo's goal is to make New York the first COVID-free state. And while New York is leading the country in distribution, the rollout is limited due to supply.

Although Dominguez was excited to announce the clinic, she said the state faces a lack of supply, which she blamed on the federal government.

She said the state is receiving just 250,000 doses per week, but has a pool of 7 million New Yorkers eligible for the jab. She said efforts are being made to increase New York's distribution to help meet that need, but it has to come from U.S. government.

**The North
Country
region
has a 97
percent
vaccination
distribution
rate.**

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Four smaller clinics coming soon

BY ANDY GARDNER
North Country This Week

POTSDAM – A St. Lawrence Health System associate chief medical officer says the big clinic at Maxcy Hall on the SUNY Potsdam campus is intended to vaccinate "a significant portion of those eligible for vaccination, including residents from other counties in the North Country Region."

The smaller clinics that will open in Massena, Gouverneur, Ogdensburg and Star Lake will be to ensure everyone in St. Lawrence County who is eligible gets the COVID-19 inoculation.

"In recognition of transportation needs and other challenges some of our residents face, SLC will be working with local healthcare organizations and pharmacies to establish community based vaccination clinics in Massena, Gouverneur, Ogdensburg and Star Lake to ensure that all of the residents of SLC have access to vaccination," said Dr. Andrew Williams. "These sites will be significantly smaller than the state vaccination center, and the timing and number of vaccinations will be dependent on supply of vaccine that is made available."

Although local healthcare entities are assisting, the state Department of Health runs the Maxcy site.

"St. Lawrence Health System and St. Lawrence County are providing assistance in the initial set up, however the state will be the primary operator of the site," Dr. Williams said.

The New York National Guard has also been on campus assisting with setting up the clinic.

Vaccines are given by appointment only to those eligible under the state's phased distribution plan. There is no option for walk-in vaccinations.

To make an appointment at SUNY

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County approves police reform plan

BY ANDY GARDNER
North Country This Week

CANTON — A St. Lawrence County legislative committee gave preliminary approval for the Sheriff's Office to spend \$60,000 to equip all of their road patrol deputies with body cameras.

The Operations Committee unanimously voted in favor during their Monday, Jan. 11 meeting. It will have to go in front of the full board in early February before it's official.

Sheriff Brooks Bigwarfe said 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.



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POTSDAM — It's not very often a stranger will surprise you by paying your \$400 grocery bill, but it happened to the director of the Potsdam Snack Pack Program, recently.

Laurell Brault was at BJ's Wholesale Club in Massena purchasing her weekly supply of lunch items to be put in backpacks of recipients when Bayliss Lee paid the bill.

After asking Brault about all the food in her shopping cart, the stranger told the cashier, "I'll pay the bill" and gave him \$400 for the groceries.

"I'm so thankful for the gentleman who helped my week get off to a great start!" said Brault.

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Holiday contest winners

Colleen Ross was one of three winners in Canton's holiday decorating contest. She received an award and \$200 cash prize for Canton's "Best Holiday Decorated Outside Trees." From left, Canton Chamber Director Tammy Mackin, Canton Mayor Michael Dalton, Brad Mintener and Ross.

Potsdam approves salaries for 2021

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM – The Potsdam town board has approved the 2021 salaries for elected officials and appointments and salaries for other municipal positions for the year.

The board held its annual reorganizational meeting Tuesday, Jan. 12, where they passed resolutions for the positions in accordance with the 2021 budget.

Salaries for the town's elected officials were: Supervisor Ann Carvill, \$40,000; Deputy Supervisor Marty Miller, \$5,120 which includes the normal board member salary of \$4,120 plus an additional \$1,000 for the deputy supervisor's additional duties; town board members Sarah Lister, Judy Rich, Toni Kennedy, \$4,120 each; Town Clerk Cindy Goliber, \$52,790; Highway Superintendent John Keleher, \$77,000; town justices Samuel Charleson and James Mason, \$28,500.

Non-elected appointments and salaries for 2021 included: Margaret Brusso, supervisor's bookkeeper, \$45,432.53; Sally Boslet, per-diem supervisor's clerk, \$25 per hour; Cindy Goliber, tax collector,

\$5,400; Karen McAllister, deputy tax collector, \$1,025; Tim Rivers, peace officer and constable, \$21.71 per hour; Heather Searles, cleaner, \$17.63 per hour; Francis Cappello, town attorney, \$30,000; Karen McAllister, historian, \$800.

The board also approved the following 2021 salaries for town positions: Deputy Town Clerk Karen McAllister's salary at \$43,523.18; Mallory James, clerk to the assessor, \$29,400; James McGuire, assessor, \$44,380; Sherri Stone, deputy court clerk, \$42,836.57; Lori Hayes, court clerk, \$45,160; Chastity Baxter, part-time court clerk, \$18.91 per hour.

At the reorganizational meeting the board also agreed to appoint Mark Bradish, John Rose, Steve Keleher and Wayne D. Green as town fire wardens at \$12.50 per hour, plus a mileage allowance and \$1 per permit issued.

The board also set the salaries for the board of assessment review members at \$20 per hour for the chairman and the minutes taker, and \$17.50 for the other board members. In addition, a stipend was approved to be paid to town planning board members at \$500 for the chairperson and \$300 for

each member, including the alternate. The stipend is to be paid by vouchers in February and July.

The board passed a resolution to hire Kim Bisonette for clerical help in the code office.

She will work at a rate of \$25 per hour and the position was made retroactive back to Dec. 22, 2020.

The position is to continue until the help is no longer needed the resolution said. After an executive session, the board also agreed to hire Michael McQuade as a part-time codes officer. The job is not to exceed 30 hours per pay period at a rate of \$24.36 per hour, effective Jan. 11.

Appointments to non-paid positions were Rose Rivezzi as liaison to the Potsdam Chamber of Commerce; Larry Averill to fill an unexpired vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals until Dec. 31, 2022; James Grant to fill an unexpired vacancy on the Planning Board until Dec. 31, 2024; and Donna Seymour to a three-year term on the town's Ethics Committee, until Dec. 31, 2023. Following the board's reorganizational meeting, it convened its regular meeting session and approved two additional appointments.

Public vocal at Canton town solar law hearing

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

CANTON – The town board heard comments from the public at a recent hearing on an amendment to the municipality's local law regulating solar energy facilities. The change would allow taxes or payments in lieu of taxes to be charged on such installations.

The hearing was held Thursday, Jan. 14 on the Zoom platform, and public comments mainly focused on how such an amendment might affect residential solar or alternative energy systems. The town board held off on any action on the amendment until some of those concerns could be researched further.

The amendment to the law will allow the town to not permit exemptions to the state's Real Property Tax Law for any energy system built within the town jurisdiction. Such exemptions are normally allowed by the state, but towns can opt out.

The amendment also will allow the town to request a payment in lieu of taxes agreement, commonly called a PILOT agreement, in connection with any such installation or improvements.

"There's a provision of the Real Property Tax Law in the State of New York that says solar facilities and energy facilities in particular, or in general, are not subject to taxation for the value of the installed facilities for 15 years after the installation," explained town attorney Eric Gustafson.

"And there is a provision of that ... law that allows municipalities to opt out so that the town can collect real property taxes on solar, wind, whatever type of energy facilities are being installed in the municipality."

Gustafson said that to do that towns have to pass a local law allowing them to do so, which is the purpose of the amendment.

Scott Shipley, a solar installer primarily dealing in residential projects, voiced concerns about how the taxation option might be used regarding residential energy projects.

"The tax provision has been increased for a number of years to encourage installation of solar, mostly by residents and small businesses. So if you eliminate this, you are going to eliminate one of the incentives that encourages people to install solar," Shipley said.

"I think at this juncture, environmentally, economically, to do anything that discourages the installation of solar is probably not in the best interests of the future," said Shipley.

"Scott brought up a good point," said local resident Connie Ellen.

"Does the law identify large solar

installers, commercial installers, or are we talking about individual homeowners who might put something on their barn, or their farm or their shed?"

Gustafson said there is a certain interpretation of the law that would discourage homeowners from installing solar. When the town opts out of the state exemption, the opt out does include residential systems under the state law.

"It (the state law) doesn't allow us to make the fine distinction we would like to be able to do with regard to residential solar for on-premises use versus the commercial, the out of the area commercial entities that are going to come in and build large scale solar facilities in the town," Gustafson said.

Gustafson said while the concerns regarding residential systems were valid, the town is looking for a balance which will allow the town to tax the larger commercial sys-

tems.

Town Councilman Bob Washo said he still had some questions how the law amendment might affect residential assessments as well.

"Speaking for myself, I'm not

remotely interested in disincentivizing residential solar, so if that means we just have to tighten things up to get our fair share from the larger projects, then that's what we need to do," said Town Councilman Tim Danehy.

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Board of Health says young, healthy people should still get vaccinations

BY ANDY GARDNER
North Country This Week

CANTON — St. Lawrence County's Board of Health president is urging everyone, especially the young, healthy and fit, to be vaccinated for COVID-19, who he warns may not die of the disease but could be stuck with what's called Long Haul Syndrome.

Dr. Andrew Williams made the comments during the county legislature's Monday, Jan. 11 meeting.

Long Haul Syndrome is seen in some COVID-19 patients where they experience cardiac, neurological or cognitive problems weeks or even months after recovering.

"Although your risk of death from Covid infection is low, risk of hospitalization and long-term complications is both real and unpredictable," he said in explaining why the young and healthy should opt for vaccination.

He said the vaccines are "effective and safe" and "certainly safer" than getting COVID-19.

"With natural infection, we see that immunity may wane after 90 days, and we certainly see reinfection after 90 days," he said. "By

getting vaccinated, you're essentially doing your part to stop this pandemic, and also restart our economy."

Dr. Williams recently surveyed a sample of local healthcare workers, and 217 of them, 97% of the sample, chose to receive the vaccine.

He said the other 3% "declined for various reasons, sometimes a particular health concern."

The doctor explained that the vaccine does not contain live or dead coronavirus. It's called a messenger RNA vaccine, "which acts as instructions for cells to create a sample of the spike protein," which binds to cells and causes the infection. Based on that "sample spike protein," the body makes antibodies that fight off the coronavirus.

He said the messenger RNA, sometimes shortened to mRNA, does not affect one's DNA.

"It gets into the cells, mostly stays in the cells in the arm where you had the injection. It makes those cells produce these spike proteins," he said. After that, the messenger RNA goes away.

"It never enters the nucleus of a cell, and never modifies the DNA," Dr. Williams said. "When

real viruses infected you, sometimes they do infect your DNA," for example the human papillomavirus (HPV).

He said the COVID-19 vaccine can cause mild side effects for a day or two. Those experiencing mild symptoms may have a sore arm, and some feel fatigued or develop a low-grade fever. He said that's "really a sign your immune system is working and developing a healthy immunity."

He warned that those receiving the vaccine should not "premedicate" with things like acetaminophen (Tylenol), ibuprofen (Advil), aspirin or any other similar medication because they can make the vaccine not as effective.

"It can make it harder for the body to make the antibodies it needs," he said.

He said a very small number of people throughout the United States had an anaphylaxis reaction to the vaccine, but "all of the individuals we've seen have these reactions have been successfully treated and go right home from the emergency, unlike people who have severe COVID."

Potsdam schools eye massive capital project

BY MATT LINDSEY
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — A capital project presentation that outlines \$23.5

million in improvements to Potsdam Central will happen online later this month.

"So if there weren't enough going on already, we're trying to get a

capital project off the ground," said PCS Superintendent Joann Chambers.

There would be no tax increase, according to Chambers. The district plans to use \$1.5 million from its capital reserve toward the project to make the project tax neutral. State aid would cover the bulk cost of the project.

A public hearing will be held via Zoom on Tuesday, Jan. 26, at 7 p.m. The link is <http://bit.ly/2021capitol-project>

Architect Matt Schools is handling the bulk of the work for the district and plans to be in attendance of the online presentation.

People can participate electronically and ask questions.

"At this point we're really presenting broad brushstrokes of this project," Chambers said.

The cost by building is about \$8.7 million for the middle school, \$8.5 million for the high school, \$5 million for elementary, \$730,000 for the bus garage, \$377,636 for district-wide costs and \$72,000 for the Annex building.

The scope of the work includes restroom improvements, track & field surface reconstruction, upgrades to boilers and heating units, expansion of HS kitchen area, and district-wide technology and security improvements.

The district is planning a capital project referendum Feb. 10 from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. in the HS auditorium.

Construction is slated to begin in spring 2023.

Renewal house gets help

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Stefanik votes no on impeachment

Congresswoman Elise Stefanik, 21st District, voted against H. Res. 24, the Article of Impeachment today (Wednesday, Jan. 13), which charges the president of the United States with fomenting insurrection, said a press release from Stefanik's office.

Congresswoman Stefanik, whose district includes St. Lawrence County, issued the following statement regarding her decision.

"I am vehemently opposed to the

snap impeachment of President Trump. It is a partisan ploy with no basis in the Constitution. The Democrats' decision to impeach the President with one week remaining in his term further fuels the divisions in the country during this very trying time," Stefanik said.

"As Members of the United States Congress, we should focus on unifying our country by delivering solutions to the American people," said the Congresswoman.

Pandemic simulation as teaching tool

POTSDAM — A simulation of a global pandemic, which was created by a professor of literature and a professor of political science at Clarkson University to team-teach their course "Violence and Reconciliation," is extra relevant today, as levels of COVID-19 reach new highs around the world.

PS: Political Science & Politics, a premier political science journal, has published an article, "Pandemic Fiction Meets Political Science: A Simulation for Teaching Restorative Justice," which was written by the two professors about their interdisciplinary course.

The authors, Assistant Professor of Literature Lisa Propst, and Associate Provost for Faculty Achievement and Professor of Political Theory and Public Law Christopher C. Robinson, team-teach the class, which features case studies on the South African Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) and on debates about whether to develop a TRC in Northern Ireland after The Troubles in the late 20th century.

"The students engage thinkers and texts from literary, religious and secular, philosophical, legal and social scientific fields of study," says Propst, "in order to grasp the histo-

ry of strife in an area and to unleash imaginative ways of interrupting structures of domination and patterns of violence."

The course culminates in a two-week simulation in which students role play the experiences, strategies, and needs of victims, perpetrators, legal teams, government officials, and NGOs in the aftermath of a horrific event that has torn a society apart.

The simulation is set in the United States in 2072, after a three-decade pandemic caused by a fictional antimicrobial-resistant bacterium.

"Although we wrote the simulation several years before COVID-19, it takes on new relevance now in the face of a pandemic that has put existing divisions into relief as people of color, Indigenous communities, and low-income communities are disproportionately affected and as political ideologies shape policy responses," says Propst.

Through the simulation, the students explore restorative justice, which seeks to repair the

SLC to discuss BOE ethics investigation

BY ANDY GARDNER
North Country This Week

CANTON — The St. Lawrence County legislature chair says he expects the board will discuss referring a complaint of the Democratic elections commissioner allegedly using her county email during work to send a Democratic party press release.

Jennie Bacon, the SLC Democratic elections commissioner, sent out the release calling on Rep. Elise Stefanik, R-Schuylerville, to resign in the wake of the Jan. 6 Capitol Building riot. Stefanik has been a vocal supporter of President Donald Trump, who critics say incited the

riot with his rhetoric, but has condemned the violence.

County legislature Chairman Bill Sheridan, R-Hammond, says there hasn't been any action taken yet.

"I do not wish to make any statements on specifics before I make my recommendation to the full board at the upcoming finance meeting on the 25th," Sheridan wrote in an email. "I do plan on recommending to the board that we refer the matter to the Board of Ethics for investigation and review. Some of this will take place in executive session and some will be in open session."

He said the ethics board has the authority to conduct an inves-

tigation into the matter "through document reviews and witness interviews. They also have broad subpoena power." "The (ethics) board has broad authority and the power does include the ability to issue sanctions directly," he added.

Sheridan said he wants to be fair to both sides of the issue - Rep. Stefanik's office and Bacon.

"While any citizen or County employee may file a complaint with the Board of Ethics, a decision of this nature should be discussed by the Board. While I am aware of the complaints given by staff of the Congresswoman, I am aware of the rights of Ms. Bacon and I wish to do right by all involved," he said.

Massena mayor resigns following crack arrest

MASSENA — Mayor Tim Currier, who was arrested in December in a drug investigation, will resign on Feb. 1.

Currier, a former Massena police chief, announced the resignation in a statement released Tuesday morning, Jan. 19. He announced a leave of absence to seek drug treatment shortly after his Dec. 1 arrest on charges of misdemeanor possession of crack cocaine, fleeing police and a felony count of evidence tampering.

"Since the events of Dec. 1, I have worked hard on my recovery and I remain profoundly sorry for my actions. So many people have reached out in a variety of ways to lend their support to me and my family. We are thankful for each and every one of you. Although I know that I could continue to provide strong and capable leadership for this community, I have decided that I will resign as Mayor of Massena, effective Feb. 1. In the coming months, it is vital that I dedicate myself to my personal recovery, repair damage I've caused with my family, and work to regain the trust of my closest friends," Currier wrote.

Currier's arrest came after law enforcement "received information this suspect was dealing in drugs" earlier this year," St. Lawrence County Sheriff Brooks Bigwarfe said shortly after the arrest. A video of the arrest was widely circulated on social media.

Currier was arrested at gunpoint a day earlier after county detectives and federal agents attempted to pull him over near Center Street. He is accused of fleeing the stop and throwing one gram of crack cocaine out of his passenger window, coming to a stop near the intersection of Center and Willow streets.

BRIEFLY

DWI accident

CANTON — A Canton woman was charged with driving while intoxicated following investigation of a property-damage accident on SH 310 on Thursday, Jan. 14, according to St. Lawrence County sheriff's deputies. Corrine M. Blase, 25, was charged with first-offense DWI, refusal to take a breath screening test, moving from a lane unsafely and seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, officers said. She was reportedly in possession of a small amount of cocaine. Blase later provided a breath sample of .12%, deputies said.

CU students help clinic

POTSDAM — Students in Clarkson University's Physician Assistant Program recently joined forces with St. Lawrence Health System's (SLHS) Infectious Disease team to run and staff a mobile COVID-19 vaccination clinic in St. Lawrence County. The clinic went live on Wednesday, Jan. 6, led by SLHS PA Kylie Broughal '18 and three Clarkson 3rd year PA students. The team administered COVID-19 vaccinations at several intermediate care facilities in Madrid, Massena, Norwood, and Potsdam. SLHS will conduct its next mobile clinic in Gouverneur. For updated information on the New York State-determined phases of vaccine distribution, visit <https://stlawrencehealthsystem.org/covid-19>.

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OBITUARIES

POTSDAM -- Richard J. Del Guidice, 81, died Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at Canton-Potsdam Hospital from complications of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD).

Richard wrote his own obituary "so Kathryn won't have another duty at a difficult time." Excerpts follow:

Richard was born September 20, 1939 in Manhattan to Dominic and Ellen Tobin Del Guidice, who were wonderful parents in all ways. He and his beloved brother, Robert, were blessed by their limitless love and guidance.

Richard grew up in an apartment building in Astoria, where his mother's sister also lived with her husband and three girls.

The two sisters created one family that made cousins into sisters and brothers.

Richard attended public schools, and "when not in school, it was stickball, street football and, in warmer weather, sandlot baseball."

From high school, Richard went to Drew University, then UMass Amherst, where he earned his PhD with a concentration in Constitutional Law.

His dissertation was titled, "Justice Brennan and the Freedom of Expression."

After four years teaching at a community college, Richard took a position at SUNY Potsdam in 1968, planning to stay a "short time." Forty-three years later, he retired, earning Professor Emeritus status.

He was a treasured educator and pre-law advisor, valued mentor to junior faculty, superb academic advisor, esteemed department chair, respected Dean of Liberal

Studies, candid colleague and, most important, true friend.

Richard's passion for teaching defined his professional life. According to alumni, his courses in Constitutional Law, Civil Liberties, and Bioethics and the Law were tough, demanding, and among the best the college offered. His Socratic method of teaching, asking questions to stimulate critical thinking and bring forth preconceived assumptions, was legendary. It elicited terror in unprepared students and exhilaration in those offering the correct answers.

In 1983, he was awarded the President's Award for Excellence in Teaching. In 1997, he was honored with the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

As an academic advisor, Richard provided guidance to hundreds of Political Science majors and undeclared students. For 15 years, he was academic advisor to the women's basketball team. "Dr. D." rarely missed one of their games. In 1997 and 1998, he received the President's Award for Excellence in Academic Advising.

Richard served as department chair for many years, continually challenging his colleagues to introduce new and relevant courses. He received the President's Award for Excellence in Scholarship Relating to Cultural Pluralism in 1997 for "promoting and enhancing a multi-cultural approach to



Richard DelGuidice

Richard J. DelGuidice, 81

Potsdam

education." In July 2019, he was the only founding member of the now-named Politics Department to speak at its 50th anniversary celebration.

From 1985 – 1992, Dr. Del Guidice was Dean of Potsdam College's School of Liberal Studies. In November 1997, Gary Hind '77, and his wife Deborah '75, Niskayuna, NY, donated \$25,000 to SUNY Potsdam, the first-ever alumni gift to honor a living professor.

"Potsdam gave me a career more fulfilling than one I might have designed ahead of time had I been given the opportunity. I found great friends – Charlie Smith, George Kahn, Shali Singh, Roger Linden, and a long list of others who were true gifts," Richard wrote. "One of the real joys of my retirement has been the number of students with whom I have still have contact. They have cheered me with their presence in my life and successes in theirs."

"I have been very fortunate to have had a wonderful and long life. I have been most blessed because Kathryn Marie Horvath Del Guidice has been at my side." On January 14, 1977, Kathy Horvath, an aspiring pre-law student, met SUNY Potsdam's pre-law advisor, Dr. Del Guidice, for the first time. It did not take long for both to realize they had just met the person who would become the love of their life. Richard and Kathryn joyously celebrated their 40th anniversary in 2019 by exchanging ruby wedding bands.

"There are simply no words to adequately describe the love and care she has given me over the past 40+ years," Richard wrote. "Her

industry and devotion, her consistent fulfilling of the vow she took, 'in sickness and in health,' especially since I was diagnosed, have been indescribable."

Richard is also survived by his son David from a former marriage, David's wife Diana, and their daughters, Ava and Bella of Canton, CT; beloved cousin Joyce Ferrara, Lindenhurst, NY; sister-in-law Robin Del Guidice, Tampa, FL; niece Lisa Del Guidice, Rahway, NJ; nephew Robb Del Guidice, O'Fallon, MO; and the children of his deceased nephew James: James, Emma and Katie Del Guidice, Chester, NJ.

Richard was predeceased by his brother, Robert, in 2014; his nephew, James, in 2017; his father-in-law, Fred Horvath, in 1988; mother-in-law, Madeline Horvath, and sister-in-law, Helen Horvath, both in 2020.

Close and loving bonds were also established with Kathryn's large family. Richard is also survived by Fred Horvath and his children, Abby Scott and her husband Tony, and Luke Horvath, all of Las Vegas, NV; Frank and Era Villaver Horvath, Henderson, NV; Anthony Horvath, North Royalton, OH and his sons: Rachel and Anthony Horvath II, Buffalo; Dominic Horvath and Matthew Horvath, Mayfield Village, OH; and John and Debbie Horvath, New Hartford, NY, and his son Johnny and Corinne Horvath, Chesterfield, VA.

Kathryn's two youngest sisters are the daughters Richard always wanted.

They are Patricia Tyo, and her husband Jim, Louisville, CO, and their children, Madeline Tyo-Haus-

er and Dan Hauser, Boulder, CO and Joseph Tyo and his partner Jordan Langton, Denver, CO; and Barbara Butensky, her husband Noah and their daughter Ella, Rockville Centre, NY.

Due to COVID restrictions, there will be no calling hours. A memorial service will be held at a later date when family and friends, cherished former students and advisees, and colleagues can gather safely to celebrate his life.

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory can be made to the Richard J. Del Guidice Scholarship Fund at SUNY Potsdam. Gifts may be made online at potsdam.edu/give. (Select "other" in the designation field and enter: Richard J. Del Guidice Scholarship Fund); by mail to Potsdam College Foundation, 44 Pierrepont Ave., Potsdam, NY 13676 (write his scholarship fund in the check memo); or by phone 315-267-3253.

In appreciation of the expert care Richard received from Canton-Potsdam Hospital on numerous occasions, contributions in his memory may also be sent to the St. Lawrence Health Foundation, online at www.stlawrencehealthsystem.org/donate (In the "comment" box, enter "For the Emergency Dept. in memory of Richard J. Del Guidice"); by mail to St. Lawrence Health Foundation, Attn: April Grant, 50 Leroy St., Potsdam, NY 13676, (write in the check memo, "Emergency Dept. in memory of R Del Guidice); or by phone 315-261-5418.

Arrangements are with the Donaldson-Seymour Funeral Home, Potsdam, where memories and condolences may be shared online at www.donaldsonseymour.com.

Gary Wayne Prosper, 85

formerly of Massena

Gary Wayne Prosper, age 85, of Fountain Hills, AZ passed away peacefully on 1/9/2021, after complications due to long standing heart disease which was non-COVID related.

Gary was born in Massena, NY to Joseph and Blanche (Gratton) Prosper on 6/18/1935, and graduated from Massena High School in 1953 excelling in both academics and athletics.

After graduating, he had a brief stint at Union College in Schenectady, NY, then joined the military in 1954, spending time in Korea, being discharged in 1956.

Following discharge, he married the love of his life, MaryEllen Faucher, had son Andy and daughter Tracie, attended Clarkson College in Potsdam, NY, graduated SUNY at Potsdam with a degree in education, then taught high school math for 6 years at Massena High School.

He was an active skier and was on the Lake Placid ski patrol, played semi pro football and coached his son's hockey teams.

He went on to attend the University of Maine and later graduated from the University of Mississippi in Oxford, earning a Masters of Combined Science and EdD in Sec-

ondary Education Administration.

In 1971, the family moved to Flagstaff, AZ where he took the position of Assistant Superintendent of Flagstaff Public School District for 10 years.

While in Flagstaff, he made many lifelong friends, enjoyed hunting, fishing at Lees Ferry, officiating high school football, tennis, cutting firewood, playing poker with his buddies, finding the perfect Christmas tree, and especially being involved in his kids many sporting activities.

In 1980, he retired his skis and snow shovel and moved to Fountain Hills, AZ where he became Principal/Superintendent of Fountain Hills School District.

He then moved on to Arizona State University as Director of Support Services before returning to public education administration as Principal of Anderson Junior High School in Chandler, AZ.

Following retirement, Gary stayed active in education, teaching



Gary Prosper

math at the Community College level and was as a hearing officer for the Scottsdale school district.

Gary was an avid fisherman and would drive cross-country many summers with his beloved Golden Retriever "Sam" to fish the St. Lawrence River in Massena, NY.

He loved all things sports, especially ASU and a day without a cigar meant he must be sick.

The highlight of every year was Christmas Day with the entire family around the table having a part singing "The 12 Days of Christmas"

He is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Maryellen Faucher Prosper, son Andrew (Sharon) Prosper of Flagstaff, AZ, daughter Tracie Prosper Springer of Phoenix, AZ, "Papa" to grandsons, Richard (Tina) Ciombor and their children, Alexis and Melinda of Cave Creek, AZ and Michael Ciombor, of Phoenix, AZ.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Gary's memory to Extended Hands Food Bank, 16548 E. Laser Dr. #6, Fountain Hills, AZ 85268 or to the charity of your choice.

Due to the current COVID restrictions, a private memorial will be held at a later date.

Maria A. Goliber, 87

Hannawa Falls

HANNAWA FALLS -- Maria A. Goliber, 87, a longtime resident of Hannawa Falls, passed away Tuesday morning, January 13, 2021 at United Helpers Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Canton. Maria was born on May 15, 1933 in Albany, New York, the daughter of the late Joseph and Alice (Reichert) DeMercurio.

She attended the Academy of Holy Names, where she graduated in 1951. On May 14, 1955, she married Joseph A. Goliber at St. John's Church in Albany.

He predeceased her on November 20, 2008.

She first worked for a time with the New York State Tax and Finance Department. She and her late husband owned and operated the family businesses, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Mr. Donut in Potsdam for many years. She was a communicant of St. Mary's Catholic Church and enjoyed doing ceramics and playing bingo. Maria also enjoyed sewing, knitting, doing crosswords, putting puzzles together, and cherished the time she was able to spend with her grandchildren.

Maria is survived by her children, Joseph and Cindy Goliber of Potsdam; Lynn and William Lappin of Baldwinsville; Michael and Sandy Goliber of Hannawa Falls; Laurie Russell of West Stockholm; and Jay Goliber and his fiancé, Teresa Pierce-Flynn; her daugh-

ter-in-law, Stephanie Goliber of Florida; her grandchildren, Joey, Kristin, Cara, Amanda, Bill, Katie,



Maria Goliber

Lianne, Brittany, Christopher, Jason, Matthew, Ethan, Abigail, and Josh; 17 great grandchildren and was awaiting the birth of her 18th. She is also survived by her sister, Nancy Comiskey of Troy; her brother Joseph

and Judy DeMercurio of Colonie; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was predeceased by a son, Mark Goliber; a son-in-law, Tink (Morris) Russell; and a sister, Genevieve Lucarelli.

Due to the current health crisis, a Mass of Christian Burial and celebration of her life will be held at a time to be announced. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Potsdam will follow those services.

Memorial contributions in her memory may be made to a charity of one's choice. Arrangements are with the Donaldson-Seymour Funeral Home, Potsdam, where memories and condolences may be shared online at www.donaldsonseymour.com.

RECENT DEATHS

JACOB LADOUCEUR, 29, formerly of Canton and Norfolk, Jan. 14. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Norfolk.

MARLENE CHICHESTER, 84, Hannawa Falls, Jan. 14. Arrangements with Garner Funeral Home, Potsdam.

MARIA GOLIBER, 87, Hannawa Falls, Jan. 13. Arrangements with Donaldson-Seymour Funeral Home, Potsdam.

RICHARD DEL GUIDICE, 81, Potsdam, Jan. 12. Arrangements with Donaldson-Seymour Funeral Home, Potsdam.

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Father and son snow fun

Kellen Harrington and his father, Grady, enjoying their snow people in Canton.

SLHS secures Rochester affiliation

St. Lawrence Health System announced and Rochester Regional Health have obtained all regulatory approvals and finalized their affiliation.

SLHS owns and operates Canton-Potsdam, Massena and Gouverneur hospitals.

This affiliation will allow St. Lawrence to maintain local control,

but it will give St. Lawrence access to Rochester Regional's sophisticated electronic health record system and its innovative population health management programs. In addition, Rochester Regional has agreed to invest in capital improvements and to assist with recruiting and retaining physicians in the North Country, according to a news

release from SLHS.

"This relationship with Rochester Regional will allow St. Lawrence Health System to continue to elevate the standard of care delivered throughout St. Lawrence County," St. Lawrence Health System President David Acker said in a prepared statement. "The lengthy and collaborative due diligence approval pro-

County scolded by state in ethics audit

CANTON -- An audit of St. Lawrence County's ethics policies and procedures done by the state comptroller's office criticizes the county for a number of officials who didn't fill out conflict of interest disclosure forms. The audit also says the county didn't provide adequate ethics training to all officers and employees.

The audit looked at Jan. 1, 2017 to Sept. 30, 2018. The audit says that "county officials generally agreed with our recommendations and have initiated or indicated they planned to initiate corrective action."

The audit says that in 2017 and 2018, all 15 members of the Board of Legislators had to file financial disclosure statements which are used to determine conflicts of interest.

"In 2017 and 2018, 60 percent of the Legislators, 59 percent of officers and employees and 97 percent of other required filers' disclosure statements were not filed, were filed late and/or had questions left blank," the audit says. "The Ethics Board did not administer the County's disclosure system by ensuring all financial disclosure statements were actually filed, filed on time or complete. We found that 84 percent of required disclosure statements were not filed, filed late and/or had questions left blank. Under these circumstances, there is a significant risk that potential conflicts of interest were not identified and/or not reported to the Ethics Board"

It does not name any specific legislators. A table in the audit document says the county treasurer didn't file a disclosure statement in 2018, nor did the director of public health. It says that the chief confidential investigator didn't file a form in either year, the same for three social services attorneys. The community services and human resources director each failed to file in 2017, as did the county sheriff, the audit says.

It cites one unidentified member of the Board of Ethics did not file the disclosure statements in both

years.

"In 2017 and 2018, 15 Legislators were required to file disclosure statements. However, in 2017, two Legislators did not file, two filed disclosure statements with questions blank, two filed late and two filed late and with questions left blank. In 2018, two Legislators filed disclosure statements with questions left blank, five filed late and three filed late and with questions left blank," the audit says. In 2017, 37 officers and employees were required to file. However, 13 did not file, six filed disclosure statements with questions left blank, three filed late and one filed late and with questions left blank. In 2018, 36 officers and employees were required to file. However, 12 did not file, six filed disclosure statements with questions left blank, one filed late and one filed late and with questions left blank. In 2017, 87 other individuals associated with the County were required to file. However, 81 did not file, one filed a disclosure statement with questions left blank, one filed late and one filed late and with questions left blank. In 2018, 95 other individuals associated with the County were required to file. However, 83 did not file, three filed disclosure statements with questions left blank, five filed late and two filed late and with questions left blank."

The audit also says the Board of Ethics "did not offer training and education, including educational materials to all officers and employees on the requirements of the code of ethics during our audit period."

The document says the county attorney told auditors that he did provide the training "to certain county officials and employees," but didn't have documentation to support the claim.

"In an effort to help ensure proper ethics oversight, the Legislature may wish to have Ethics Board members complete training on the provisions of law relating to conflicts of interest and ethics," the audit says.

The audit contains a response

from Legislator Joe Lightfoot, R-Ogdensburg, who was chairman of the Board of Legislators when the response was written on Oct. 9 of last year.

"The county will be creating a corrective action plan as a part of the final report associated with the audit on ethics oversight," Lightfoot's letter says. "The St. Lawrence County Board of Ethics was created in 2009 to provide ethics oversight in a formal manner. It has been a valuable resource since its creation and will continue to evolve and improve the work required. The aforementioned items included in the preliminary draft findings will be discussed further with the Board of Legislators."

The complete audit, which includes the response letter from the county, can be read online at <https://tinyurl.com/yxnabnwy>

Potsdam approves appointments

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — The Potsdam town board approved several annual appointments and resolutions at its organizational meeting held Jan. 12.

Rose Rivezzi was appointed as the town's liaison to the Potsdam Chamber of Commerce.

Larry Averill was appointed to fill an unexpired vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals with the term to expire on Dec. 31, 2022.

James Grant was named to fill an unexpired vacancy on the town planning board with the term to expire Dec. 31, 2024.

Donna Seymour will serve a three-year term on the town's Ethics Committee. The term is to expire Dec. 31, 2023. The committee has three members who serve three-year terms.

The board also passed a resolution which authorized Town Supervisor Ann Carvill to sign an agreement with the county appointing the county public health director as the town's local health officer.

The board adopted an employee travel policy. The policy states that

the town will follow per diem rates for food and lodging as established annually by the US. General Services Administration, with exceptions for conference packages were the standard rates will apply.

The town's mileage rate for town employees was set at the IRS rate for 2021 at 56 cents per mile.

The board authorized that town board members attend the Association of Town's virtual conference with the town covering the registration fee; that the supervisor attend the conference or other training seminars as needed with registration, food per the travel policy, room rental and mileage rate covered by the town; and that the town highway superintendent be allowed to attend training at the conference, Cornell University training, and the highway conference with the expenses covered by the town.

The board passed a resolution allowing the assessor to attend state training.

The board also approved the clerk and or deputy clerk and the code enforcement officer to attend various trainings with expenses covered by the town.

Potsdam approves contracts, monetary allotments

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — The Potsdam town board has approved several contracts and monetary allotments with various organizations.

The contracts were approved at the board's annual organizational meeting held Jan. 12.

The board approved two contract amounts, for \$43,567 and \$15,367 respectively, with the Potsdam Humane Society.

Senior citizen contracts for \$1,750 for Debra Drive and \$1,600 for the Golden Agers groups were approved.

The Potsdam Chamber of Commerce contract of \$5,000 was approved.

Contracts with local veterans organizations included \$400 each for the Clark Robinson, American Legion and Amvets posts.

The board approved the following

fire contracts:

- \$125,200 Potsdam Fire Department
- \$60,269 Norwood Fire Department
- \$6,200 Hannawa Falls Fire Department
- \$105,000 West Potsdam Fire Department

A contract for \$34,452 with the Potsdam Rescue Squad was approved.

The board approved \$7,000 for the Norwood Museum and \$15,000 for the Potsdam Museum

Potsdam Recreation was approved to receive \$160,000. Norwood Recreation was approved to receive \$16,000.

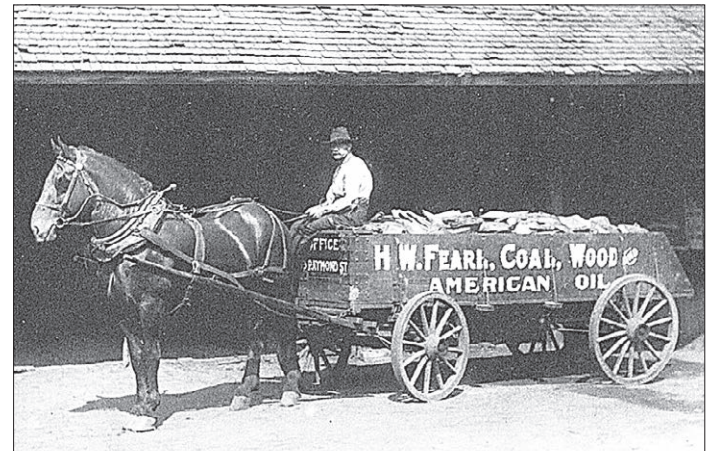
Crary Mills Playground is to receive \$750.

The town board also approved a contract for \$15,120 with the firm Pinto, Mucenski, Hooper, Van-House & Co. for the town's annual audit and report.

REVISITING OUR PAST

Potsdam

Herbert W. Fearl, c. 1915. Among the most progressive merchants in Potsdam, Fearl began his career working in real estate. Subsequently from about 1892 to 1912, he was superintendent of Clarkson Manufacturing Co. And by 1907, he owned farmers' sheds and sold wood, oil, and gasoline. Fearl owned property that began at 12 Depot Street, ran through to Raymond Street, and extended to the railroad. In 1915, when this photograph was taken, Fearl employed seven men and owned barns, a blacksmith shop, tenements, and a fruit store. (Photo courtesy of the Potsdam Public Museum.)



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SUNY campus maintained with excellence, care

We walk the SUNY Potsdam campus almost every morning. Year round, we can walk the campus because the grounds crew maintains the roads and sidewalks with excellence.

Not only are they good at their jobs, they all have a smile or wave for us as we make our way around campus.

We feel safe, knowing that they would respond quickly if we encountered any trouble on our walks.

This is a big thank you. We appreciate all they do, and we would like them to know that!

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Potsdam

SLC Republican chairwoman Stands with Stefanik

I am proud to stand with Congresswoman Elise Stefanik as she once again takes the national stage to defend our constitutional rights.

Congresswoman Stefanik was one of the first to condemn what happened on the Capitol grounds. I, too, am appalled at what happened last week and with the looting and

rioting that happened last summer in cities across the country.

The right to vote is sacred. Our election process is prescribed and protected by the Constitution.

Many Americans have lost confidence with the integrity of our electoral system.

Regarding our recent election, questions remain unanswered and therefore require further investigation and exploration.

There is concern that the 2020 election did indeed include unprecedented voting irregularities in some parts of the country.

For example, it is clear, the Constitution requires state legislatures (or state legislators) to set election law; as we saw in the 2020 election, judges, governors and secretaries of state usurped the state legislature's authority and made serious changes to election law.

This issue needs to be debated and discussed.

If the American people are going to begin to regain trust in our elections, there must be transparency. Congresswoman Stefanik continues to seek transparency.

On another note, shame on Harvard University for removing Congresswoman Stefanik from the Senior Advisory Committee of the Institute of Politics at Harvard Kennedy School.

Thank you, Congresswoman Stefanik, for continuing to be a champion for the Constitution and the North County.

Nancy K. Martin, Chairwoman
SL Republican County Committee

Black lives don't matter to Planned Parenthood

In response to "Planned Parenthood Not Targeting Black Communities" which appeared in the Dec. 25-Jan. 1 edition of North Country This Week: The writer rebuts my letter utilizing an online article by The Guttmacher Institute, a former arm of Planned Parenthood.

The problem is Guttmacher's analysis is flawed and consequently, their conclusions are false and misleading. Guttmacher's approach only examines the population data of the zip code area of the abortion facility.

In contrast, Protecting Black Life's (PBL's) research collects race/ethnicity data for the entire population within 2 miles of the abortion facility using census tract areas, which have characteristics similar to neighborhoods. Guttmacher found very few minority neighborhoods near the abortion facilities in their study.

As it turns out, they weren't really looking; it better serves their abortion agenda to mislead the public with an incomplete analysis. As there's too much to include in this piece, check the link below for a detailed analysis of PBL's research:

www.lifeissues.org/2017/02/investigation-planned-parent-hood-speeds-targeting-minorities

You do agree that according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that the abortion rate is almost 4 times higher for black women than for white women.

However you blame this huge difference on racial and ethnic inequalities, giving a complete pass to PP on their obvious location agenda bias.

PP's founder, Margaret Sanger, tried to limit the growth of minority populations with the 1939 Negro Project, a targeted birth control scheme.

Details on Negro Project, are online at <https://concernedwomen.org/the-negro-project-margaret-sangers-eugenic-plan-for-black-americans>

Sanger embraced Malthusian eugenics; she sold black Americans an illusion.

Planned Parenthood is now guilty of the worst and most deadly type of racism — a pattern of eugenic abortion that kills the offspring of certain races or ethnicities. It seems Black lives don't matter when it comes to black babies.

Wake up Black America, PP and the Democrats are racists and deceiving you into killing your own children making them rich through your blood money!

"...human weeds,' reckless breeders,' spawning... human beings who never should have been born." (Margaret Sanger, "Pivot of Civilization" on blacks, immigrants and indigents)...

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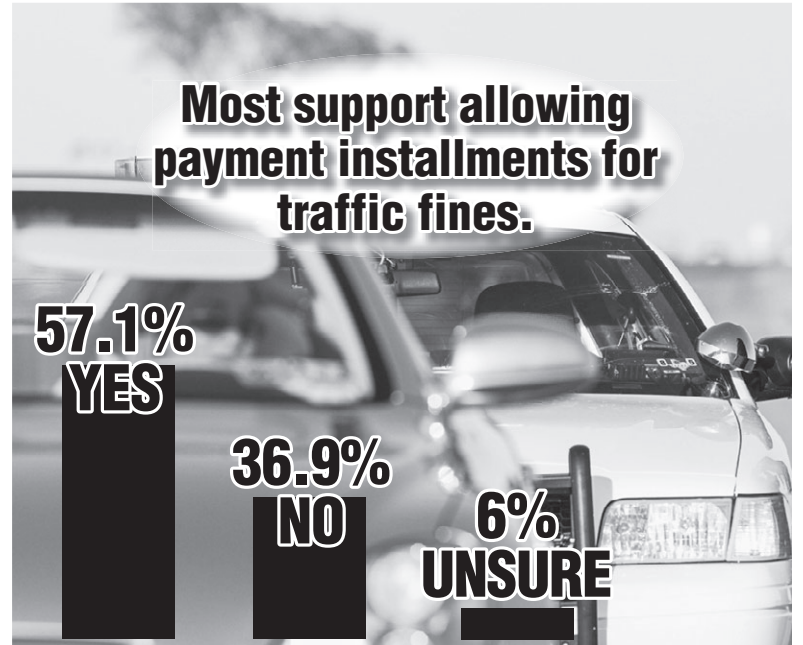
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NCNOW SURVEY

The Question:

Do you support paying in installments for traffic fines?



Cathy Whalen | NCTW

DRIVERS IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY who can't afford to pay a traffic fine in full will now be able pay via installments. The Driver's License Suspension Reform Act ends the practice of suspending licenses of people who haven't been able to pay their fines. Do you support installment payments for traffic fines?

HERE ARE COMMENTS from some survey participants:

'Who wouldn't support this measure? I also support warnings in place of tickets for all vehicle lighting that may be out at one time or another. You're not an ax murderer if you have a brake light out, but they have to get that money. Or better yet do away with NY State inspections or paying over and over and over and over and over and over to register your vehicles. No entity would go for that though they'd be afraid to lose a dollar! Greed will be the downfall of this state or at least the reason most will leave.'

'Should have always been this way.'

'This is a good first step in eliminating the financial inequality that keeps poor people without a license because their income can't support it.'

'People need to be held accountable. Break the law and pay the fines. It's not easy but maybe they

need to give up their smokes for a few days.'

'Traffic fines should be based on income.'

'It just doesn't pay to be a law-abiding citizen anymore. People who violate laws are the ones getting all the breaks.'

'Installment payments are fine, but what if you are just too poor to pay? In rural upstate NY many folks can't make regular installment payments. I say reduce to civil judgment and if unpaid, collect using civil remedies.'

'Obey the traffic laws and there is no problem. This state is becoming a haven for criminals! No bail, can't arrest illegal aliens, don't need to pay traffic tickets. It is going to be very hard to get good people to become police officers in the future. This state has become very soft on crime.'

'Take away someone's means of getting to and from work, to make money, seems to be self defeating for the state at best... all over traffic fine debt? Glad this is being done.'

TO READ MORE COMMENTS, visit NorthCountryNow.com/ncnow-survey.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: Assemblyman Mark Walczyk expressed opposition to legislation that would force the detention of New Yorkers alleged to be carrying communicable diseases for up to eight business days. The bill has raised new concerns about the impact it could have on New Yorkers if enacted. Do you support a law allowing contagious patients to be detained during a state of emergency?

TO TAKE THE CURRENT SURVEY, visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/FR88VFY

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Josh and Alicia Taillon holding their daughter Clementine recently opened The Blue House restaurant in Madrid. The opening weekend was a sell-out with just take-out being offered

Blue House restaurant opens in Madrid

BY ELLEN NESBITT
North Country This Week

MADRID – With a commitment to community, a local chef and his family have opened the doors of The Blue House restaurant, at 3736 County Route 14, overlooking the Grasse River.

Josh Taillon along with his wife Alicia, and toddler Clementine hosted the soft opening of the new farm-to-table restaurant for take-out only the weekend of January 16 with food selling out. With a wood-fire oven and grill, pizza and lasagna are topping the menu the first couple of weeks.

“We plan to have different offerings each week, as we get going,” Taillon said, who is proud to show off the unique features of the rehabbed house, located in the center of the village.

The bar is made from local cedar timbers and lightning strike maple. Local stone mason Mark Seymour from Radiant Hearth, Inc. in Norwood created the oven, grill and high service counter.

Taillon has been a chef for 25 years. He earned his degree from Paul Smith’s College, and then spent time training in France. He moved to Colorado and even set up his own restaurant there, before moving back to the North Country when opportunity presented itself at Iroquois Farm.

He spent the last five years as the chef at Jake’s on the Water in Hannawa Falls before moving out on his own again, which is a family business, with his wife Alicia as president.

Ironically, the property has been bought and sold over it’s more than 100 years history from women. And even a cubby in the house revealed bakery coupons from when it was a

bakery in 1910.

“I got chills, thinking about it being a bakery 100 years ago and now I’m making dough from scratch,” Taillon said.

The business really is a circle of family and friends. Taillon’s sous chef Brad Rookery met his wife while working with Taillon, and Taillon and his wife also met when they were working at Iroquois farm. And both their fathers have done large amounts of work on the property to renovate it.

He is purchasing food locally and even has plans for growing their own herbs and vegetables at Taillon’s father’s property. He is purchasing vegetables from nearby farmers, Daniel Martin and the Kent Family farm.

“We are all about being part of the community and helping local businesses and growers,” Taillon said.

More windows were installed on the first and second floors to take advantage of the view of the Grasse River and overlook one of the few stone bridges left in New York, Taillon said.

The second floor dining area will seat 50 when open to full capacity seating. But for now, the business is open Thursday-Sunday, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. to get started, and the menu is posted on The Blue House facebook page, or give them a call at 315-590-3021.

SL County Chamber names new executive director

CANTON — The St. Lawrence County Chamber has named a new executive director.

Ben Dixon will begin in that role on Feb. 1.

“Ben has been a friend of the Chamber in many capacities for a number of years with over 14 years on the board,” said Board President Nadia Cutler. “Our interview process allowed us to learn even more about Ben’s professional experiences and the opportunities he will bring to build upon the great work the Chamber has done.”

Dixon has served as the coordinator of regional development for St. Lawrence University since 2006. In that role he has represented the university to numerous entities committed to the economic and community development of Canton, St. Lawrence County, and the North Country Region. He has coordinated fourteen North Country Symposiums – an annual forum aimed at exploring and enhancing the economic, educational, and

environmental vitality of the North Country region. Through the Symposium, Ben was able to bring new ideas and emerging approaches to sustainable development to our region. While at St. Lawrence University, he worked in various other areas, including a period of time coordinating green campus programs and work on campus energy efficiency and energy management.

Since 2012, Ben has also managed the Associated Colleges of the St. Lawrence Valley, a not-for-profit consortium of Clarkson University, St. Lawrence University, SUNY Canton and SUNY Potsdam.

Prior to his arrival in St. Lawrence County, Ben worked at Harvard’s Office for Sponsored Programs. Over the course of six years there, he was promoted several times to the position of Sr. Grants & Contracts Specialist where he was responsible for managing multiple grant opportunities and partnerships. While at Harvard, he took graduate courses in Environmental Resource Management and Sustainable Development.

“I am absolutely thrilled at the opportunity to work with the St.

Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce - its staff, its Board of Directors, and its hundreds of members and partners – to build a vibrant business climate in the county and enhance its economic vitality and wonderful quality of life” said Dixon.

He can be reached after Feb. 1 at ben@slcchamber.org.

The new hiring is part of a reorganization brought on by changing priorities due to the pandemic, most notably, moving away from a strong event based operation, a press release from the chamber said. In the reorganization, current executive director, Brooke Rouse requested a transition to the new director of tourism role at the chamber, opening the search for a new Executive Director. Rouse has been executive director since 2014. She will continue to develop tourism destination planning and marketing, working with the county, regional and state partners to leverage opportunities for the growth of St. Lawrence County as a destination.

Rouse can be reached at brooke@slcchamber.org.



Ben Dixon

SeaComm donates \$150,000 to hospitals in business its markets

MASSENA – SeaComm recently committed \$150,000 worth of donation between six regional hospital foundations across northern New York and Vermont.

The funds will assist in delivering quality care to local residents, while helping to purchase essential medical supplies and support frontline healthcare workers amid the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, a press release said.

“The SeaComm Board of Direc-

tors is pleased to support our North Country hospitals and their respective foundations with this significant donation,” states SeaComm Board Chairman Myron Burns. “Each \$25,000 donation deservingly supports the health care needs of the communities in which we do business.”

The donations will be given to hospitals that serve communities in which SeaComm has retail branch locations, including Can-

ton-Potsdam Hospital Foundation, Potsdam; Massena Hospital Foundation, Massena; Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center Foundation, Ogdensburg; Alice Hyde Medical Center Foundation, Malone; CVPH Foundation, Plattsburgh; and UVM Foundation, Burlington, VT.

“This is a concrete way for us to partner with them in their overall efforts of making our communities healthier and safer during these times,” Burns adds.

Yum Yum’s Chilly Delight gets facelift

POTSDAM – During these slow times, Yum Yum’s Chilly Delight had the opportunity to make some changes.

Owners Duane and Luanne Pelky have given the frozen yogurt business a facelift.

The floors have all been refinished, new coats of paint on the walls of the 1,000 square foot plus shop.

“We still have a few more cosmetic things to do, but it’s getting there,” said Duane Pelky. “We are still open year round, and six days a week, Tuesday – Thursday, 2-9 p.m. and Friday-Sunday, noon to 9:30 p.m.”

The business still offers 12 fla-

vors of frozen yogurt or ice cream, with twist options available from the self-serve dispensers.

Toppings range from candy bits, fruit, berries and cereal, as well as

sauces and whipped cream.

There is plenty of space to sit and enjoy the frozen treats and be socially distanced, or take the treats to go.

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VACCINATIONS...

Dominguez asked for patience, as supplies will limit the number of people who can get vaccinated in the near future, but urged everyone who is eligible to schedule appointments as soon as possible.

As of Monday morning, appointments were booked into February. She said appointments can be booked now even if the date of the vaccination is a month or two away. She said there is no need to wait to make an appointment.

Statewide, New York is lagging behind others state for percent of doses received administered, according to a report from the Associated Press.

Locally successful

However, the North Country Region has been among the most successful in the state with 97% of doses received administered. Only the Southern Tier ranked higher at 99 percent.

Although Dominguez said the rates of vaccination wouldn't be consideration for where the state moves allotted doses, in a press conference Gov. Andrew Cuomo said he would make sure vaccines were going to places that are successful in distributing them.

"We are in a footrace to get the vaccine into the arms of eligible New Yorkers as quickly and equita-

bly as possible," Governor Cuomo said. "However, we now have 7 million New Yorkers vying for a fraction of doses made available to use by the federal government. We need Washington to step up and increase New York's supply to make sure everyone who wants the vaccine has the opportunity to get it."

Joint effort

Esterberg said she was excited to see the site open on SUNY Potsdam's campus and that if the facility can't be used for sporting events, this is the best possible alternative.

Esterberg thanked St. Lawrence Health System, New York State officials and the National Guard for helping make the clinic possible.

To make an appointment, visit the link below. Those who are eligible will be prompted accordingly to set up an appointment.

<https://am-i-eligible.covid-19vaccine.health.ny.gov/Public/prescreener>

STORE...

renovation by Rick and Carina Gilchrist, who purchased the store from Sue Perry.

The store first opened in 1917, operated by E.J. Holt. His son Stanley Holt took over in 1937. It was then sold to Roy Kingsley in 1964.

The current store has an extensive deli, offering fresh made

sandwiches and subs, deli meats and cheeses, muffins and breakfast sandwiches, as well as grab and go lunch and dinner meals.

There are produce, dairy and meat sections, along with non perishables, freezer selections, cleaning supplies, and a bulk candy area.

"The biggest challenge has been getting all the vendors lined up and products on the shelves," Amanda Barkley said. "I've been running three businesses out of this space."

"The community response has been great," she added. "Although I think we could have opened just with our families coming to support us. We all live right here in the area."

The market is open seven days a week, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. They accept EBT and SNAP benefits and post their deli and other specials on their facebook page. The store can be reached at 315-353-2020.

CODES...

Murray at the meeting. "Thank you very much for your service."

The board did not appoint a new code officer at the meeting. The town is expected to confer with the county's Civil Service office about appointing a new officer to the position prior to making any decision.

In his new capacity, Murray will be covering codes for just the town of Potsdam and will have a part-time assistant.

CLINICS...

Potsdam, visit <https://am-i-eligible.covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov/>

People now eligible for vaccinations include anyone age 65 or older. It also includes first responders or support staff for first responding agencies, corrections officers, probation departments and those working in juvenile detention or rehab facilities, all pre-k through grade 12 school faculty and staff, contractors working in school districts and group childcare.

Also, now eligible for vaccinations are in-person college faculty and instructors, employees or support staff in childcare settings, licensed, registered, approved or legally exempt childcare providers, anyone working in public transit, public-facing grocery store workers and anyone living or working in a homeless shelter.

There is also a hotline for New York state residents to schedule vaccination appointments. It's available 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days per week: 1-833-697-4829

Dr. Williams, who is also the St. Lawrence County Board of Health president, has previously encouraged everyone who is eligible for COVID-19 vaccination to get it, including the young and healthy.

"With natural infection, we see that immunity may wane after 90 days, and we certainly see reinfection after 90 days," he said.

"By getting vaccinated, you're essentially doing your part to stop this pandemic, and also restart our economy."

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Potsdam Central adds 3rd day of in-person learning

BY MATT LINDSEY
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — Potsdam Central High School plans to add a third day of in-person learning for its students because of an increase in high schoolers moving to remote instruction.

High school Principal Mark Bennett said there were 120 students learning remotely at the beginning of the school year, and now there are about 180.

He said 202 students will attend in person and the largest class size will be 21 students. In that instance, the library will be used to facilitate social distancing.

“Mr. Bennett really feels we are at the point now where we really don’t need to have two separate cohorts coming in two days a week,” PCS Superintendent Joanna Chambers said. “There are few enough students who want to be in person, that we can combine those cohorts into a single in-person group and

have that group attend three days a week instead of two.”

Teachers would teach students remotely on Mondays and Fridays under this plan, she said.

Chambers said she did not see a downside to offering students three days on in-person instruction other than the possibility of an increased number of students needing to quarantine if there is a positive case in the district.

Principal Bennett said he realizes some parents may not be comfortable with the increased number of students in school and could opt to move their child to remote learning.

“I think everybody would agree that students learn the best when they’re in person,” said Board member Josh Fiske.

In an opposite trend, more elementary students are learning in-person now, than were at the start of the school year, school officials said.



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SAT/ACT workshop planned

St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES is offering the SAT/ACT workshop to high school juniors who plan to take the SAT and/or ACT this spring.

Classes will be remote using Google Classroom and Zoom on seven Saturdays or Sundays starting March 6 or 7 through May 1 or 2.

Students from Canton, Colton-Pierrepont, Edwards-Knox, Gouverneur, Hermon-DeKalb, Heuvelton, Lisbon, Madrid-Waddington, Morristown, Norwood-Norfolk, Ogdensburg, and Potsdam must register through guidance counselors by Feb. 10.

Others should mail the registration form available online at <https://satactworkshop.weebly.com/> and fee to David Dufrane by Feb. 10.

For more information email Meg Clemens at, satactworkshop@slllboces.org.

Doughnut sale

MADRID -- Madrid-Waddington Central School class of 2022 is holding an online Krispy Kreme Doughnut sale with orders and payment due by Jan. 26.

Orders can be placed online through the Madrid-Waddington Central School District Facebook page. Doughnuts are \$8/doz. and will be delivered Feb. 3.

Student honored at Northwest Tech

St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Northwest Technical and Career Center announces the January student of the month.

Jayden Carr, Lisbon, is a senior in the Natural Resource Management program and an

excellent student as he shows up and is ready for class and ready to get to work each day.

According to Northwest Tech teachers and staff, “Carr has an exemplary attitude and is well respected by his peers. He works hard and wants to excel at any work that is set before him.”

He plans to attend lineman school following graduation and would like to pursue a career as a line worker.

BOCES offers parent support

St. Lawrence Lewis BOCES hosts a parent support group meeting planned via Zoom 4-5:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 26, which is open to parents from any school district.

Parents will discuss mindfulness and life stressors during this difficult time.

Parents are also encouraged to share resources: books, articles, child’s toys, or equipment they have found helpful. There is also a networking time allowed at the end of the meeting to converse with other parents and professionals.

For more information contact Kirstie O’Grady 716-523-3325 or kogrady@slllboces.org, or Alicia Pirie 315-389-1879, alicia.pirie@slllboces.org

NNCS on remote, M-W returns

Norwood-Norfolk middle and high school were expected to be remote learning for Jan. 20 and 21 this week. Elementary was expected to continue in person during the week.

Madrid-Waddington Elementary School moved back to in-person learning on Tuesday Jan. 19, after going remote on Jan. 13, as two confirmed students cases of COVID-19 were reported.

Twinning Tuesday

A couple of friends at the Lawrence Elementary School in Potsdam joined in for Twinning Tuesday recently. Students and staff members are encouraged to dress as if they were twins.

SLC students awarded \$500 grants to community organizations for their winning essays

The Northern New York Community Foundation recently awarded \$1,500 in Community Spirit Youth Giving Challenge grants to two St. Lawrence County schools.

A committee that included Community Foundation staff and a retired junior high school teacher judged and scored the applications with results as follows:

- \$500, Canton-Potsdam Hospital Foundation, Canton, Olivia White, Canton Central School
- \$500, Help Sami Kick Cancer Foundation, Canton, Vivian Coburn, Canton Central School
- \$500, Renewal House for Victims of Family Violence, Jazmine Carpenter, Morristown Central School

As public health guidelines safely permit, the Community Foundation and schools will work with winning students in the coming weeks to coordinate visits to their respective charitable agencies to present grants and learn more about the organizations they chose.

The initiative was launched in 2017 to introduce middle school students to concepts of philanthropy and community needs.

The challenge seeks to engage youths as they explore the meaning of community and are empowered to recommend grants to support their concepts that strengthen the quality of life in the region.

Students write an essay that articulates their definition of community and explains what makes it a great place to live, work and play. Participants are then asked to name a charitable organization that makes their community a better place through its service to residents.

In the past four years, 83 students have been selected to present 79 grants totaling \$40,000 to 67 different nonprofit organizations that serve tri-county residents. Since the Community Spirit Youth Giving Challenge began, 397 students representing 21 school districts across the region have applied to the program, recommending grants to 160 different charitable organizations.

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Food producer classes offered in February online

CANTON -- St. Lawrence Cornell Cooperative Extension offers two workshops for food producers; one for those thinking of including a new value-added product to their line, and a second panel discussion with the state departments of Health, and Ag & Markets in February.

"Production Options for Farm Food Products" will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 3, 6-8 p.m. online.

When discussing this possibility there are many options to pursue, such as co-packing, private labeling, building a facility or renting offsite commercial space.

While there are similarities across these production options, each possibility has differences that affect business such as: who is making the product, who owns the recipe, what records need to be kept, startup costs and more.

The session will be led by Flip Filippi, local food program leader and Harvest Kitchen

manager with guest Jori Wekin, founder of Hub on the Hill in Essex County.

This online session is well-suited to individuals or businesses who are considering creating a value-added product.

The panel discussion with the state departments will be held Thursday, Feb. 18 from 10 - 11:30 a.m. with Flippi and Joanna Clifford-Allard, senior sanitarian for the St. Lawrence County DOH and Greg Cuthbert, food inspector for Ag & Markets.

Participants will hear directly from the professionals what to expect in an inspection, resources to operate a business, common challenges of new food entrepreneurs and tips for maintaining a productive relationship with inspectors/sanitaricians.

Cost is on a sliding scale of what participants can afford for these sessions, and registration can be found online at stlawrence.cce.cornell.edu/events.



Ellen Nesbitt | NCTV

Chicken piccata offers a citrus flavor and is a quick fix any day.

Recipe of the Month

Easy chicken for a fancy Valentine's Day dinner

Looking for something amazing for a fancy Valentine's Day dinner, but easy enough to whip up quickly? Chicken piccata is the answer. This recipe can be made in about half hour.

Serve with a side of vegetables or pasta.

- 2 large chicken breasts
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1/4 t. garlic powder
- Flour for dredging
- 4 T butter
- 1 T olive oil
- 3/4 c chicken stock or broth
- Zest of 1 lemon
- 1 T lemon juice
- 1 T brined capers
- Cut chicken breasts in half horizontally.

If they aren't very thin, they can be pounded thinner with meat mallet or a can of vegetables. Salt and pepper each side. Dredge breast in flour and set aside.

In a large skillet heat on high melt 2 T of butter and olive oil, when hot, carefully add the chicken and cook 4-5 minutes on each side. Heat may be lowered to avoid burning.

Remove chicken. Remove pan from heat, add stock, lemon zest, juice, remaining butter and capers. Place back on heat and cook sauce bubbling. Reduce heat and return chicken to pan to heat through.

Serve with chopped parsley or Parmesan cheese sprinkled on top.

It can also be made into a creamy dish, just substitute 1/2 c of heavy cream for 1/2 cup of broth.

'Starting with Sourdough' class offered by SL Cornell Coop. Extension

CANTON -- Have you been intrigued with sourdough but too intimidated to try? Or perhaps having difficulty with a starter? St. Lawrence County Cornell Cooperative Extension sponsors "Starting with Sourdough" online class, Saturday, Jan. 23, 1-3 p.m.

With experience as both a professional and home baker, Alexandra Brown will walk through a variety of sourdough recipes, focusing on bread while touching on other applications.

Additionally, she will cover strategies for maintaining a vigorous sourdough starter

and insight into baking techniques.

A supplementary follow up discussion will take place a month after the workshop, allowing participants to share successes, troubleshoot problems and ask questions during and after the session.

All pre-registered participants will receive the link to the class recording along with the recipes.

This class is made available on a sliding scale from \$0-30. If you are able to contribute support is appreciated.

To register visit stlawrence.cce.cornell.edu

Some foods can bolster hormones that promote happiness

BY MAGGIE ELLIOTT
Nature Storehouse

It's that time of year--the days are short and the sun is sparse.

Living at a far north longitude in the winter can be hard on one's mental health.

While there are many factors influencing mood-- like sun exposure, quality of relationships, and what you ate for lunch-- most of it can be traced back to hormones.

Two crucial hormones for mood are serotonin and dopamine.

Serotonin is responsible for stabilizing mood and promoting a sustained feeling of wellbeing.

It is also important for the sleep-wake cycle as it is the precursor to the hormone melatonin.

Over 90% of the body's serotonin resides in the gut! Gut bacteria actually promote serotonin production through their manufacture of short chain fatty acids (SCFAs).

To bolster healthy serotonin levels feed your gut bacteria with a variety of prebiotic rich foods. A mixture of raw and cooked vegetables, leafy greens, cooked cold potatoes, less-ripe bananas, overnight oats, legumes, citrus, berries, mushrooms, and collagen will provide a rich array of substrates (prebiotics) to feed your gut.

You may also consider supplementing with

probiotics from time to time, especially if you have ever taken antibiotics as these can kill off large portions of your gut microbiome.

The precursor to serotonin is the essential amino acid tryptophan. Consuming adequate protein from meats, eggs, and legumes can help with healthy serotonin levels.

If you're actively struggling with depression you may consider the supplement 5-HTP. This is the natural chemical precursor to serotonin, derived from tryptophan.

Another hormone, dopamine, is known as the "reward chemical". It is responsible for short term motivation and is the driving factor behind addictive behaviors. If you need a quick pick-me-up, you can hack the dopamine

response by completing a small task on your list.

While vital for basic functions like motor control, alertness, and learning, dopamine in excess can lead to unwanted impulsive behavior.

It has been shown that high levels of serotonin can inhibit dopamine production, while low levels of serotonin can cause overproduction of dopamine. Therefore, the best way to keep dopamine levels in check is to nurture healthy serotonin levels through a prebiotic rich diet.

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Changing of the guard at Museum

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Potsdam Public Museum's incoming director, Erin Cheney, left, and retiring director, Mimi Van Deusen, showcase Julia Crane's piano as part of their technology exhibit.

POTSDAM — A "Changing of the Guard" is taking place as the retiring director of Potsdam Public Museum assists the new director this month.

Mimi Van Deusen is retiring after serving as museum director for the past 14 years. Erin Cheney, of West Stockholm, will be filling her shoes.

They both noted there are a lot of "moving parts to this job." Van Deusen and Cheney said the job includes building of exhibits, maintaining collections, archiving new additions, public outreach, budgeting, and communicating with the Museum, Village, and Town Boards, and the Friends of the Museum.

"We do a lot of research requests, mostly genealogy. People have traveled from other countries to do family research. We've had people break down in tears, happy to find missing puzzle pieces to their family history," Van Deusen said.

"It's very rewarding to make a difference in people's lives."

Looking back on her 14 years Van Deusen said she especially enjoyed the different exhibits the museum held each year. She said some of her favorites were the Clarkson family genealogy, China exhibit, and history of tattoos.

She has fond memories of elementary school programs and holiday Open Houses each year and of the Sandstone Festivals with walking tours of churches, cemeteries and many sandstone buildings in Potsdam.

Other highlights were the Civic Center added to the National Registry of Historic Places in 2015 and obtaining historic markers in

Potsdam. Van Deusen is hoping the newest historic marker will arrive this spring in honor of Julia Crane, founder of the Crane School of Music.

"The school exhibits we do each year create memories for the kids. They are excited to return, and it is a big highlight of the year. Adults that visit the museum often say they remember when they came here as elementary students," said Van Deusen.

There have been many changes while Van Deusen has been director. The former one-page website with their address and telephone number is now a multi-layered comprehensive website full of links, stories and images of Potsdam, including over a dozen past exhibits.

The digitization of over 5,000 photographs, documents, and maps are now scanned, organized and able to be shared.

The museum is currently working on "PastPerfect Online," a project that will share 5,000 images, plus collections, said Van Deusen.

"I have learned from Mimi's guidance," said Cheney, who has been an aide at the museum for the past five years. She completed her major in history and museum studies at SUNY Potsdam and her Master's degree in Public History at Southern New Hampshire University.

Van Deusen said, "Erin has been a godsend. Sometimes it's hard seeing the forest through the trees. 'You've got to step back and look at the big picture,' Erin would tell me."

Cheney said her goals for the museum include "building on community relationships." She wants to work with the college professors and students she would like to develop student intern projects once the museum is up and going again, after COVID.

"I love history, especially family history. I have been doing genealogy for over 20 years," said Cheney.

Van Deusen's goals in retirement include "going back to the art world" to make Appalachian style baskets from copper. She said she also plans on writing history books.

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Clarkson info sessions

POTSDAM — Clarkson University's Graduate School will be holding multiple live virtual information sessions for prospective students to learn more about Clarkson's exceptional portfolio of graduate degree programs from the safety of their homes. This is an opportunity to learn about advanced education Clarkson offers; they are free and open to all. Register at clarkson.edu/gradvirtual. These sessions include faculty, current students, and admissions counselors. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet faculty and current students; explore curriculum; learn about application requirements. Info: 518-631-9831 or graduate@clarkson.edu.

SLU ladies hockey underway

POTSDAM — The St. Lawrence University women's hockey team expected to open its season with a non-league game at Clarkson on Wednesday, Jan. 20 ending the longest stretch between games in program history.

The next two games for the Saints were slated for Friday, Jan. 22 and Sunday, Jan. 24.

When St. Lawrence announced its three-semester plan to reduce campus density during the COVID-19 pandemic, head coach Chris Wells '92 decided to ask his players to take courses in the spring and summer semesters, rather than in the fall and spring.

As a result, most of the team came to campus for the first time this academic year on January 3.

After a period of quarantining and small group work, the team recently started to practice as a full team.

"We just finished up our first full week of practice as a team and it's been good to be back," said Wells.

"We're looking forward to jumping right into the games. We're coming late to the party, everybody that we'll be playing was here last semester and they had to grind out practice and a lot of canceled games. We're fortunate that we're able to come back and jump right into games as the protocols were already set in place and a lot of people learned what worked and what didn't work, and we're able to slide right in here and get right after it."

The schedule this year will be a sprint to the finish. With just three other schools in ECAC Hockey fielding teams, the Saints will play each team four times, twice at home and twice on the road.

The conference schedule consists of six straight weekends with back-to-back games against the same conference opponent.

The series against Colgate will be home-and-home affairs, held on a Friday/Sunday schedule.

The Saints will play Quinnipiac back-to-back in the same location on a Saturday/Sunday schedule.

And the ECAC Hockey contests with Clarkson will consist of a pair of mid-week games and a home-and-home weekend series to be held on February 12-13.

"One of our goals at the beginning of every year is to finish in the top four, so we've achieved that already without playing a game," joked Wells.

"The biggest thing that we've talked about as a team is that we've all been sitting around for 9-10 months, so let's go have some fun. If we win some games, great, if we don't, we're still going to have some fun. A lot of people aren't able to do what they like to do right now, and we're fortunate enough to do what we love to do."

This season marks the second

straight year that the women's hockey team has had an unusual start.

Last season, the team spent the first semester practicing and playing games across town at SUNY Canton, as renovations to Appleton Arena were underway.

"Certainly the players coming back have experienced a lot of the changes to the schedule in a blink of an eye, and I think all the kids that are here this year have done a good job bringing a lot of enthusiasm and energy," said Wells.

"We'll be able to use a lot of the enthusiasm from the young kids and the experience of the returners to get ourselves to a place where I think we'll be pretty happy when the season's over."

While the Saints lost their top scorer in Kayla Vespa '20 to graduation, sophomore forwards Anna Segedi, Shailynn Snow and Julia Gosling all notched more than 20 points last year as rookies.

Senior captain Skylar Podvey, who leads all the Saints' returners with 43 career points, along with sophomore Rachel Teslak, who ranked fourth on the team with seven goals and fifth with 11 points last year, will look to anchor the blue line.

Lucy Morgan, a Third-Team All-ECAC Hockey and ECAC Hockey All-Rookie Team selection last season, returns as one of three experienced goaltenders for the Saints. Morgan started 25 games last year, posting a 1.83 goals against average and a .928 save percentage.

Jaimie Rainville started six games last season, while Caitlin Whitehead started five.

After opening the season on Wednesday, the Saints were expected to begin the ECAC Hockey season at Colgate on Friday, Jan. 22 at 5 p.m. and will host the Raiders in their home opener on Sunday, Jan. 24 at 2 p.m.

Pine Street Arena to reopen

POTSDAM — Pine Street Arena is expected to reopen Sunday, Jan. 24, after an 11-day closure due to COVID-19 concerns.

"The shutdown of Pine Street Arena was an act of precaution, as cases in Potsdam continue to rise, and as we learned of guests that were either in quarantine or at higher risk to keep numbers trending in the wrong direction," said Trey Smutz, Potsdam Recreation Director.

"The brief closure is designed to give officials and coaches more time to develop stronger safety protocols to protect players, families, coaches, arena staff and most importantly the community. Although shutting down for a little over a week is not ideal, the decision was made so that

a longer shutdown or pause doesn't interrupt our plans to stay open until at least mid-March," he said.

"We are taking the next few days to do some extra cleaning throughout the arena, and plan on opening back up at 7 a.m. Sunday to resume hockey practices. Junior hockey is currently weighing their options to return to the ice as well, with some teams perhaps taking even some more time off to help those growing numbers," said Smutz.

"And although there hasn't been any public skating yet or open hockey, if the department can hold smaller and safe sessions in the near future to the public, we will certainly try to do that," he said.

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Church & Community Program helping more people in new ways

CANTON - Church & Community Program is reaching out to more people in new ways despite the pandemic, thanks to an incredibly kind network of community support.

While CCP is following its mission of helping feed and clothe neighbors in need, it's doing it in new ways – masked, socially distanced and with a lot of hand washing, notes Director Connie Jenkins.

The annual School Supply Program and Giving Tree holiday gift program took place without the usual large gatherings, still serving hundreds of families.

"The community and local businesses are outstanding in donating to CCP so that our programs can take place. We're very grateful for your support," Jenkins says.

The Second Chance Thrift Shop is closed at least until spring, when the area

COVID-19 situation improves.

"The pantry IS open, though, using a prepared box system to facilitate distancing. Our volunteers distribute food from noon to 3 p.m. every Wednesday. We have a lot of good food and we're glad to share it. If you live in our service area, come see us at 30 Court St.," she adds.

One big lesson for 2020 has been the need for mobility, so the pantry is looking to add another location in Canton to its senior delivery program.

Details will be announced soon.

CCP also has a small emergency fund. For more information on getting help, donating or volunteering, call 315/386-3534.

Send email to director@ccpcanton.org and mail to PO Box 55, Canton.

Northern Insuring Agency stays active

What a year to remember...or forget? 2020...

It seems like it started so long ago and in a whole different world. The year began like any other with events being planned and our employees excited for the year ahead. Then, it all changed, and we had to learn to adapt.

Throughout the pandemic, Northern Insuring Agency was able to keep operating efficiently with all employees staying safely at home.

The company deployed laptops to employees in need and set everyone up with remote access to our systems. Our phones transitioned to cell phones with no indication to the customer. It was a smooth transition allowing us to be accessible and assist our customers. Zoom and other technology was utilized to stay in contact with each other.

We had exciting announcements throughout the year the Potsdam office.

In March, Tanya Krise, associate vice president, was honored the St. Lawrence County Chamber "Chamber Day" Award recipient. Beck Tessier, senior sales executive, was deservedly named a Paul Harris recipient for the Potsdam Rotary Club.

The office stayed as active in the community as possible with Amanda Terrance doing a virtual "Run a Mile for Hospice" and organized a food drive for the Potsdam Neighborhood Center, raising nearly \$500 between food and cash donations.

Northern also did a matching donation of \$1,500 to the BOCES Rotary Scholarship fund.

And for a added fun, the office participated in the Potsdam Chamber's Halloween Scavenger hunt and won the Halloween window decorating contest!

We shared in the stress of others, but we stayed strong and kept our office running as efficiently as possible.

We look forward to continuing those strong relationships for years to come. We are open by appointment and working mostly in the office; however, we ask customers to screen and sanitize before entering to ensure we keep a safe environment for all.





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Arconic supporting new technology for fish monitoring

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Arc continues to thrive in 2020

The Arc Jefferson - St. Lawrence, continues to thrive while facing challenges related to the pandemic. Despite funding cuts and having 20% of the Medicaid budget withheld, the agency supported over 2,000 people with developmental disabilities to lead safe, fulfilling lives in 2020.

Between the counties, there are 51 residential sites, two work centers, seven Day Habilitation site-based programs, Federal contracts at the border stations and Fort Drum, two UPS stores, as well as many community-based work and educational programs for children, teens, and adults. Clinical services such as Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, and an Article 16 Clinic are available. The agency also has certified Applied Behavior Analysts to guide service plans, as needed.

The Arc Jefferson St. Lawrence employs 1,300 staff members and has an annual budget of \$70 million. The agency is overseen by Howard Ganter, chief executive officer and Jackie Sauter serves as the board of directors' president.

"The impact of COVID-19 will be with us

for years based on the fiscal challenges it has caused, but we are a resilient organization and will come out of this stronger," stated CEO Howie Ganter. "Words cannot express the appreciation for all our staff members' efforts to keep the people we support safe, keep families informed, and maintain operations despite not only the pressures of the virus, but the challenges we face daily."

In 2021, the agency will continue to innovate and advocate for quality services, as it has done for nearly 70 years. There will be increased use of technology to support people, and community-based services will be a priority when it is safe to resume these activities. Advocacy will continue to keep programs that the people supported and to increase funding to enhance staff salaries.

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Village Green ready for 2021

The Norwood Village Green Concert Series is a non-profit founded to impact our home communities via inspiring and spirit-uplifting public outdoor performances. The key words here are "Public Outdoor Performances".

In May, 2020 it was decided that the 2020 season of the Norwood Village Green Concert Series would be postponed until 2021 due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Those restrictions were on-going throughout the traditional series' season. They are continuing and the outlook seems to be that when the series is expected resume in late spring 2021 the restrictions will be lifted.

The series did not engage in any on-line performances due to the nature of its mission (public outdoor performances) but instead concentrated on facilities improvements.

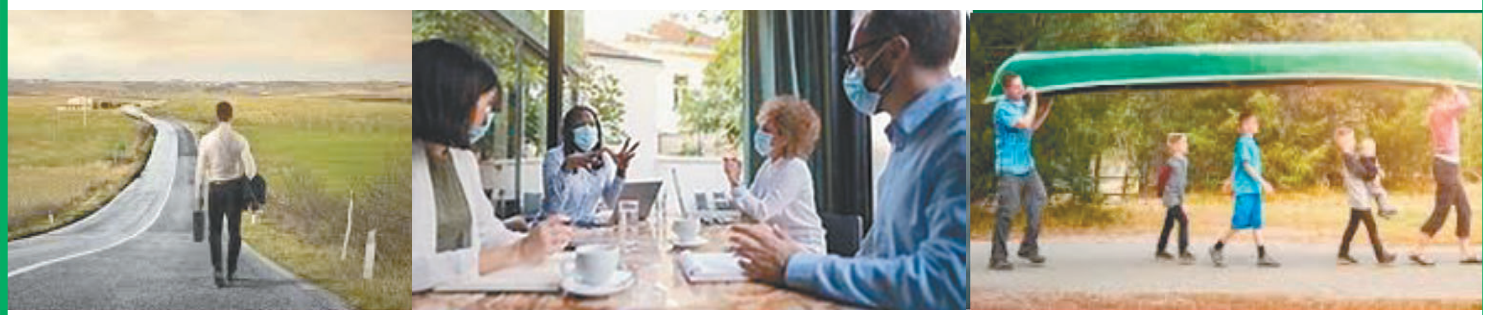
During the 2020 down-time energies were spent to upgrade the facilities.

- The restrooms needed work, especially taking into consideration COVID-19 requirements. The restrooms have received a professional paint job financed by the series and the Village of Norwood will resurface and redo the flooring in the spring of 2021.

- The lighting project was completed with required electrical system upgrading, and the procurement, installation, and programming of the system.

The series 48th annual season in 2021's theme is "Taking a Sad Song and Making it Better".

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Museum open with limited capacity

POTSDAM -- The North Country Children's Museum (NCCM) at 10 Raymond Street is open to the public with limited capacity. Check the "reopening tab" on the museum's website for information on COVID guidelines and to register for a visit. Regular hours are Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The museum is geared for children 12 years and under and their families. The museum's permanent exhibits celebrate local themes including: the Maple Tree Digital interactive, Kids' Co-op Natural Grocery Store modeled after the Potsdam Food Co-op, Adirondack Waterplay featuring a mini hydroelectric dam and a working lock, Construction Zone highlighting Mohawk Skywalkers, Adirondack Animal Digital

Wall, and History of a North Country Childhood storytelling exhibit.

An exterior play area in front of the building includes a renovated, historic tractor for climb-on play.

There are drop-in Family STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) programs every Saturday and Sunday at 11 a.m.

These drop-in programs are included with membership and admission and there is no need to preregister.

The museum also offers special class series that compliment hybrid learning in schools. There are vacation week camps during February, April, and summer vacation.

This February school break, the museum has an Art & Music

Camp for children in grades 1-5. The camp runs Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. The cost is \$195 for the week with a 10% discount for NCCM members.

There are two scholarship spots available for all camps and classes on a first-come, first-serve basis. Registration for camps and classes is available through the website.

Museum family memberships are \$85 annually. For families who qualify for free/reduced lunch through the federal income guidelines, annual memberships are only \$25 annually. Daily fees are \$8 per person.

Info: visit NCCM on Facebook, Instagram, or through www.northcountrychildrensmuseum.org or call 315-274-9380.

27 years for Spay Neuter Now

HAMMOND – 2021 is Spay Neuter Now's (SNN) 27th year of providing spay/neuter services to in-need cats & dogs.

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Snack Pack expands its outreach

The Potsdam Snack Pack Program expanded its community outreach in 2020.

Overall, a total of 13,685 snack packs were distributed to students in 2020, a 37% increase from the previous year.

With the unique challenges faced by schools, businesses, and families due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a significant reduction was expected in contributions and service to the children. Instead, the largest donation increase in the program history was experienced from individuals and local businesses.

During the school shutdown organizers worked closely with the district superintendent and transportation department to deliver snack packs to various sites over a three-month period. Despite the concerns about the virus, several new families volunteered to prepare snack packs during the shutdown.

Some of the highlights from 2020 include:

- During the main phase of the shutdown (March to June) as many as 400 students were served per week. People purchased bulk items from the Amazon Wish List and shopped at local food stores to help meet the need. The increase in donations made it possible to extend the program and provide packs to 300 students each week during the summer break.

- Organized and hosted, in collaboration with Potsdam Central School District, Canton-Potsdam Hospital and several partner agencies, the second annual Back to School

Fair. Although it was a scaled-down version due to restrictions on public gatherings, more than 225 school supply kits were distributed. Children also received brand new books donated by Potsdam Public Library and the St. Lawrence County People's Project.

- Sponsored the first "Pop-up" event at Evergreen Park Apartments in October. Families were able to collect brand new coats, boots, hats, gloves, and scarves for children. This event was co-hosted with New Hope Community Church and Helping Hands of Hannawa Falls. Families also signed up for free Thanksgiving food baskets from Helping Hands. Thanks to Diane Romlein for organizing and overseeing the event, and all who helped serve and purchase items for the children!

- A record was set for donations from private citizens, organizations, and businesses. The total received in 2020 was \$41,020.26. Almost 45% of the contributions came from businesses and grants from local organizations.

Proposed Projects for 2021:

- The third annual Back to School Fair is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 21, at New Hope Community Church, to include the outdoor games, food, and activities (depending on public health and safety protocols) so families can have a "fun-filled" day!

- Another "Pop-up" event is being planned at a different housing community in the Potsdam area.



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Apothecary Chocolates in 4th year

COLTON – In a stressful 2020, everyone is looking forward to an enlightened 2021.

Apothecary Chocolates is entering its fourth year with hope and sweetness. Owner Shelby Connelly, despite the pandemic expanded distribution of these fine, small-batch, handmade chocolates, and made its 10,000th bar.

Found in several local shops in Potsdam and Canton, the bars are also carried in stores throughout the region, Adirondacks, 1000 Islands and into Vermont and Connecticut.

“We have been very fortunate despite the circumstances of 2020,” said Connelly. “We have some wonderful partners who have helped us along the challenging path.”

Apothecary Chocolates are made with adaptogenic herbs, which are nontoxic plants that can help the body adapt to stress and fatigue. Chocolatier Angela Ballou, who has more than 10 years experience making chocolate, also uses local maple, birch and balsam

syrups; coffee from St. Lawrence Roasters; local hard ciders and spirits and other local ingredients to create the various bar collections.

Apothecary Chocolates is also one of the only places to find the ruby “chocolate,” which is a naturally pink chocolate with tart, berry undertones.

For the new year, Apothecary Chocolates will continue to offer confections through local outlets like Maple Run Emporium, Jernabi Coffeehouse, Willowtree Florist, Nature Storehouse, and most recently added, Verville’s Florist in Massena. It can also be purchased the home location at Five Elements Living, 46 State Highway 68, in Colton, as well as online at www.ApothecaryChocolates.com.

They are already gearing up for Valentine’s Day with some special limited edition truffle flavors and ruby cacao bars. And gift cards are always a great idea!

Local food on the menu at Big Spoon

Big Spoon Kitchen, owned and run by Will Trithart and Rose Rivezzi, cooks with what is produced locally: vegetables, fruits, meats, eggs, honey, syrup, and cheeses. They provide food in two ways.

One is a plan ahead option with a menu that changes weekly.

Every Thursday morning a menu goes up on their website and is available until Monday morning. Browse through the week’s offerings and order one meal, part of a meal, or multiple meals.

Included are meat, vegetarian, and gluten free options. Refrigerated items with reheat instructions are ready for a Tuesday pickup in Potsdam or a Wednesday delivery option.

A new menu goes up each week so there is lots of variety!

Big Spoon Kitchen invested in a walk-in freezer in 2020 to stock with meals, soups, sauces, etc. that are always available.

Items can be tacked on to a weekly menu order or send an email to arrange a pick-up and get them the same day. Having the freezer also allows Big Spoon to provide cuts of beef customers can order from Theobald Farms.

Now and then everyone can use a break from cooking!

Some customers let Big Spoon do most of the cooking while others look forward to a night off each week.

Customers have also given the gift of food to celebrate a birth, help out a family dealing with a death or medical emergency, or to provide healthy meals for aging parents with the gift certificates.

Big Spoon Kitchen also can provide catering options suited to any needs. Check out what Big Spoon can do at bigspoonpotsdam.com; 6510 St. Hwy 56 Potsdam, NY; 315-244-8888

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SeaComm remained dedicated to members' needs in 2020

MASSENA – This past year, the pandemic presented many challenges for North Country residents. As an essential service, it was SeaComm's duty to remain dedicated to the financial needs of its credit union members.

SeaComm adapted to the changes that were necessary to ensure the health and safety of its staff and membership, while continuing to meet the needs of the community.

"Every day, our staff touches the lives of our members by providing the best value when it comes to financial services," says Scott A. Wilson, president and chief executive officer.

"From the time they walk into one of our branches, phone into our Call Center, or log in at one of our mobile delivery platforms, we want the experience to exceed their expectations."

SeaComm continued its efforts with the "Pay-it-Forward" program, which allowed the credit union to deliver random acts of kindness to more than 2,100 people during a challenging period.

In the last year, SeaComm purchased pizza for local healthcare workers, paid the admission costs for nearly 200 people at local drive-in theaters, provided backpacks and school supplies to students in need, surprised families with free Christmas trees, and paid off layaway balances for individuals during the holidays, just to name a few.

These gestures attracted national attention when SeaComm was awarded the Category's Best Diamond Award for an ongoing event, and the First Place Dora Maxwell Award for social responsibility and community service. "These awards are a testament to the fact that we are doing what is right, and ultimately has a significant benefit to the people of the North Country," said Wilson.

SeaComm staff members have been encouraged to participate in the "Do Some Good" Program, which allows them to go out into the communities served by SeaComm, and dedicate eight hours of company time to volunteer for a charity or cause of their choice. This ongoing program has allowed Sea-

Comm and employees to make an impact in a direct, meaningful way.

Staff members took advantage of the opportunity, volunteering at various local charities, including the Tri-Town Community Basket Program and Five Pond Partners Volunteer Stewardship Program.

In combination with this initiative, more than \$261,000 in donations and sponsorships were given, which includes pledge donations to CVPH Medical Center, Claxton Hepburn Medical Center, and Massena Hospital Foundation.

SeaComm has continued to support higher education with four scholarship endowments of \$25,000 each, provided to SUNY Canton, SUNY Plattsburgh, North Country Community College and Clinton Community College.

In addition, SeaComm also gave fifteen academic scholarships to local, college bound high school graduates. Each scholarship held a \$500 value.

For the tenth consecutive year, SeaComm was named as one of the 2020 Best Medium Size Companies to Work for in New York.

This statewide competition recognizes the State of New York's leading employers.

The designation was chosen by SeaComm employees who participated in a comprehensive 82-question survey in the categories of leadership and planning, corporate culture and communications, role satisfaction, work environment, pay and benefits, training development and relationship with supervisor.

Out of the employees who participated, 96% stated an overall satisfaction with SeaComm.

Weiss, an independent rating agency, has provided SeaComm the "A-" rating in terms of excellent financial strength.

BauerFinancial, Inc., another independent rating company, has awarded SeaComm the Superior Five-Stars.

The star ratings classify each credit union based on a complex formula, which factors in relevant data including, but not limited to: capital, historical trends, loan delinquencies,

differences in the book and market values of its investment portfolio, profitability, repossessed assets, reserves, charge-offs, regulatory compliance and asset quality.

It has deemed SeaComm as safe, financially sound and that it is operating well above regulatory capital requirements.

Due to years of advanced planning, SeaComm was prepared with the financial strength to proceed ahead with its overall strategic plan during this uncertain time.

The credit union expanded its growth strategy by opening the doors to its South Burlington branch location in January 2020.

SeaComm also began construction on its Essex, VT branch in September, with plans to open in the spring.

"As the CEO, my job, along with our dedicated Board of Directors, is the long-term strategy of the organization. This additional location will offer the credit union the oppor-

tunity to continue to grow and diversify our markets," says Wilson.

The recent expansion will enable SeaComm to continue to provide competitive rates and convenient services, with enhanced online and mobile banking technology, as well as a virtual loan pre-approval program.

With strong financial performance and a solid plan for the future, SeaComm is well positioned for a brighter year ahead.

The credit union's assets exceed \$640 million, with branches in Massena, Potsdam, Malone, Canton, Ogdensburg, Plattsburgh and South Burlington.

In serving its more than 49,880 members, SeaComm looks forward to a successful 2021. Membership is open to anyone who lives, works, worships or attends school in St. Lawrence, Franklin, Essex, and Clinton counties, New York, and Grand Isle, Chittenden and Franklin counties, VT.



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St. Law. Federal Credit Union continues services in '21

For St. Lawrence Federal Credit Union, this past year has been unlike any other.

Everyone has been affected by uncertainty and hardship. We are proud to say our credit union has been able to continue providing services, to meet the needs of our members, along with taking the necessary steps for health and safety. Our staff has been accommodating with the steps we have had to take, and we would like to recognize them for their patience and understanding.

In 2020, St. Lawrence Federal Credit Union ranked 17th on the New York State Society of Human Resource Management's

list of "Best Companies to Work For" in the state. The credit union is listed Under the category of best small companies to work for, which they define as having 15-99 U.S. employees.

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With a look to the future, we will be opening a new branch in Heuvelton, with a target for opening in March of this year. It will be located in the building attached to historic Pickens Hall. We hope to start the renovations shortly.

St. Lawrence Federal Credit Union has been approved by our regulating agency, NCUA, to expand our field of membership to include 11 more counties that surround St. Lawrence County.

St. Lawrence Federal Credit Union has always made its mission to serve the community by providing added value, personalized service, and increased flexibility; these are benefits that a lot of the bigger financial institutions can't and don't provide," stated Todd Mashaw, president & CEO, St. Lawrence Federal Credit Union.

"Our slogan, 'Where People Are Worth More Than Money', serves as a reminder that we are not in a money business, we are in a people business and our members are our number one priority" added Mashaw.

Our expansion has been done with the future in mind, giving us the ability to grow and be somewhat geographically diverse. This will not alter any products or services we currently offer and will not affect any member service. We will continue to do business electronically or traditionally, your choice.

St. Lawrence Federal Credit Union is still your hometown financial institution and as always, here to serve you.

Growth in 2020 for Niles Asset Management

In an overall challenging year, Niles Asset Management, Inc. continued to see solid growth in 2020. Our business model continues to include both the Wealth Management Division, and the Institutional Consulting Division.

The Wealth Management Division grew through both increases in our client base, as well as through market growth, particularly in the equity markets.

The company also continued to provide a unique service to financial institutions across the state in the form of asset liability and risk management services, through our Institutional Consulting Division.

This service includes policy formulation and analysis with the goal of helping these institutions identify, measure, monitor, and control the various risks inherent in institution balance sheets, including liquidity, interest rate, and capital risk management. This service also includes significant investment in the national credit markets.

In a very difficult year especially for local charities and other non-profit organizations, NAM made significant donations and pledges. Our goal was and continues to be to give back to our local communities through annual support of a variety of charitable groups and organizations.

We look forward to the new year, and hope for a return to full health and normalcy.

We will continue to serve the North Country marketplace via our three offices, Canton, Brushton and Plattsburgh, and will be totally dedicated in the pursuit of our goal and mission of "Building Wealth Through Discipline".

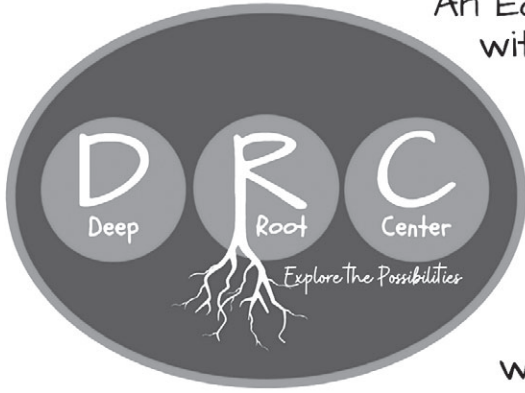
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Does private insurance pay?	No, there is no 'palliative care' package, the services are flexible and based on the patient's needs.	Most insurance plans have a hospice benefit that covers charges related to durable medical equipment and medications related to the terminal illness.
Is this a package deal?	No, there is no 'palliative care' package, the services are flexible and based on the patient's needs.	Medicare and Medicaid hospice benefits are package deals.
How long can I receive care?	This will depend upon your care needs, and the coverage you have through Medicare, Medicaid or private insurance.	As long as you meet the hospice's criteria of an illness with a life expectancy of months not years.



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Jazzercise offers livestream classes

Jazzercise continues to hold classes in the North Country thanks to the loyalty and participation of our faithful customers!

As with most other businesses, Jazzercise had to adapt to continue providing fitness classes during the pandemic.

The day that gyms were required to stop holding in person classes, Jazzercise corporate provided customers with free access to its online platform Jazzercise on Demand to tide them over until local franchises could adapt.

Jazzercise in the North Country began holding local livestream classes in early May 2020 via Zoom and now streams at least 5 classes live each week.

Jazzercise has developed a wonderful online community of faithful customers who get together and support each other during this challenging time – in addition to the fitness classes, there is often time to chat and laugh before and after class.

New customers can get access to our livestream classes, by signing up online. Go to Jazzercise.com and access the local Potsdam location. Or by contacting the instructor at 315-265-0849 and leave a message.

Once you are registered, you will receive the Zoom links via text or email before each class.

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IDA lists economic growth in 2020

The mission of the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency (IDA) is to promote, encourage, attract, and develop job opportunities and economically sound commerce and industry in St. Lawrence County.

Although 2020 was a difficult year, there were positive economic development activities in the County. For example, an overwhelming number of our key private sector employers were designated as "essential" industries, enabling these businesses to continue their operations throughout the coronavirus pandemic, limiting layoffs and positioning them for future success. Additionally, company expansion projects are underway at Corning, Inc, In-Law Brewing Company, North American Forest Group, and Structural Wood Corporation.

The ability of our employers, including private industry, not-for-profit, and public institutions to persevere throughout this pandemic has been remarkable. Their success is a testament both to their own resiliency and to the dedication of our local workforce.

The IDA spent most of the year working with its partners responding to the pandemic.

In addition to chairing the County's Reopening Task Force, the IDA worked with the County Chamber, Small Business Development Center, Cooperative Extension, and numerous local, regional, and state economic development partners to provide businesses and residents with the best information possible regarding customer and worker safety, financial assistance, and general business guidance.

At the beginning of the crisis, the IDA assisted businesses in seeking the essential business designation that helped keep so many of them open. The IDA worked quickly with the North Country Alliance to create an emergency loan fund for businesses in the region and a payment moratorium was offered early on to IDA Local Development Corporation borrowers so companies could plan accordingly for the short-term needs of their businesses.

IDA staff reached out to several hundred businesses to offer support.

Ads ran on local radio stations, in print, and online.

As the crisis evolved, the IDA worked with its partners to host virtual networking events to help businesses connect and learn from one another.

Window and lawn signs were placed in front of businesses and institutions to encourage and enhance the public health messaging.

Progress in St. Lawrence County can be seen through a number of important property redevelopment projects.

Quarry Potsdam, LLC, is moving forward with the renovation of the 88,572 square foot

building known as Clarkson University's Old Snell Hall in downtown Potsdam. Through an IDA PILOT for the project, the building, which was not previously on the tax rolls, will generate over \$2.1 million in PILOT payments to the village, town, county, and school district over the next 30 years.

The IDA has received a \$500,000 award from the Northern Border Regional Council and a \$200,000 loan/grant award from the Development Authority of the North Country for rehabilitation work at the 64,000 square foot former Newell Building in Ogdensburg.

Plans also continue to move forward for the study regarding the development of a business park on excess property owned by Arconic in Massena. The IDA sought out and successfully received a \$90,000 award from Empire State Development toward this project.

Eight community-scale solar development projects have been approved for PILOT assistance by the IDA.

These projects represent over \$120,000 in new PILOT revenue for the county and local taxing jurisdictions in the first year of the PILOT agreements, a figure that will increase by 2% per year over the life of the PILOTS. There are over 20 similar projects in the development pipeline.

As we work to continue to develop the skills and aptitude of our workforce, the IDA received an award from the USDA Rural Business Development Grant Program to assist with the cost of tuition for students interested in taking the CDL-A training course now being offered at the CREST Center at SUNY Canton.

This seven-week certification program will give people the chance to obtain a Class A Commercial Driver's License locally. Twenty-one students participated in the program in 2020.

The IDA and New York Power Authority hosted the business-to-business "Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership" program that is the first spin off from a highly successful program initiated at the University of Buffalo.

SUNY Canton is the local sponsor for this affiliation. Six small business leaders from throughout the county completed the 25-week session in 2020.

The IDA Local Development Corporation and St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency also approved \$100,000 in awards for the 2020 River Valley Community Development and Environmental Improvement Program and provided \$700,000 in various loan financing packages for numerous local companies.

For more information contact the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency at 315-379-9806 or visit www.slcida.com.

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Sunday, June 6	String Solstice with guest artist Andy Van Duyne
Thursday, June 10	Annie and the Hedonists
Sunday, June 13	Aviva Chernick
Thursday, June 17	Honey Dew Drops
Sunday, June 20	The Giroux Brothers
Thursday, June 24	Northern Symphonic Winds
Sunday, June 27	Johnny and the Triumphs featuring Gwen Tracy
Thursday, July 1	The Gibson Brothers
Monday, July 5	The All Star Big Band under the direction of Wally Siebel with guest artist and master trombonist Andy Martin
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Thursday, July 15	Mikaela Davis and Southern Star
Sunday, July 18	Sultans of String
Thursday, July 22	Shimul Zaman and Len Mackey, & Friends
Sunday, July 25	Maggie Gould and Nanni Assis, & Friends
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Hospice goes back to basics, focuses on patients and staff in 2020

It's no secret 2020 handed down unprecedented challenges for every individual, family, small business and organization across our community. Luckily, the Progress Edition gives an opportunity for reflection on the positive things that occurred and an opportunity to look forward to all the coming year may bring.

As the COVID-19 pandemic became more and more of a reality in our community, front-line healthcare organizations were forced to act swiftly, adjusting virtually every aspect of their care for patients and the loved ones who support them. With guidance and regulations

from state and federal officials changing daily, sometimes hourly, front-liners were forced to adapt to new safety protocols and standards of care, and their work, as they knew it, changed dramatically. Hospice was no exception.

For us, this meant going back to basics. Our organization was founded on providing family, friends, and neighbors with the opportunity to remain at home during the end of their life journey. Ensuring this option continued as safely as possible for our patients, their families and our staff became our primary focus.

Our clinical leadership poured over hun-

dreds of pages of guidance on COVID-19 screening for staff, patients, and families; safety protocols were developed and changed, and changed again when required.

A quick shift to offering telehealth and virtual visits was implemented for patients and families who didn't feel comfortable with staff entering the home. Illness does not ignore the boundaries of a pandemic and our staff remained dedicated to providing care each and every day. Although challenges were present, Hospice served nearly 400 families which amounted to 19,055 days of care.

Hospice care is provided by a team of medical professionals, social workers, registered nurses, LPN's, home health aides and clergy. The team approach ensures care and services are extended beyond the patient to the family.

Healthcare providers in our home-based Advanced Illness Management program provided more than 1,200 visits to patients as they learn to navigate life with a chronic illness. AIM allows a unique opportunity for patients to receive support with pain and symptom management, monitoring medications and assistance with any changes with the illness.

As we move into 2021, COVID-19 remains a concern. At Hospice, programs and services will continue to be evaluated on the basis of safety for patients, their families and our staff.

We would like to thank the patients and families who entrust their care to our organization, our staff for their dedication and tireless work and the many, many community members who support our work.

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Local lilac display goes online

The 2021 Virtual Display Garden is now online for Moore's Hill Lilacs. There will be 43 lilac varieties for sale this year, according to owners Cliff and Janice Westerling.

The online display shows photos and descriptions for each variety that will be on sale, grouped by colors.

The Westerlings grow and sell lilac shrubs as a part-time retirement business, at their farm home in West Potsdam. They encourage everyone to go online before they come out to shop in the spring. "People are always amazed at the variety of colors," said the Westerlings.

Beyond the many shades of purple and magenta there are whites, pinks, blues, and stunning multi-colored varieties.

The shop will be open weekends for on-site shopping; Saturday 10 to 4, Sunday noon to 4,

from Mother's Day weekend to Father's Day.

In addition, select plants online at the website MooreHillLilacs.com, phone in an order 315-265-1630, and then pickup.

A third option is to call in advance to shop by appointment. Phone orders and by appointment shopping begins May 1. Gift certificates are also available. The nursery does not do mail order shipping.

Garden clubs and other groups are invited to schedule a guided tour of the large on-site display garden with more than 50 varieties.

Customers shopping for lilacs can also tour the display garden. "We always enjoy the chance to talk about lilacs," the Westerlings noted. Customers come from throughout the North Country, as far as Watertown, Malone, and Lake Placid.

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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.

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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Town of DeKalb monthly board meetings (third Wednesday of each month @ 7pm) will be ZOOM meeting accessible. To gain access, send your email address to supervisor@townofdekalb.org and a link will be sent to you and you will be able to sign on.

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	2				6		1
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	1			4			3
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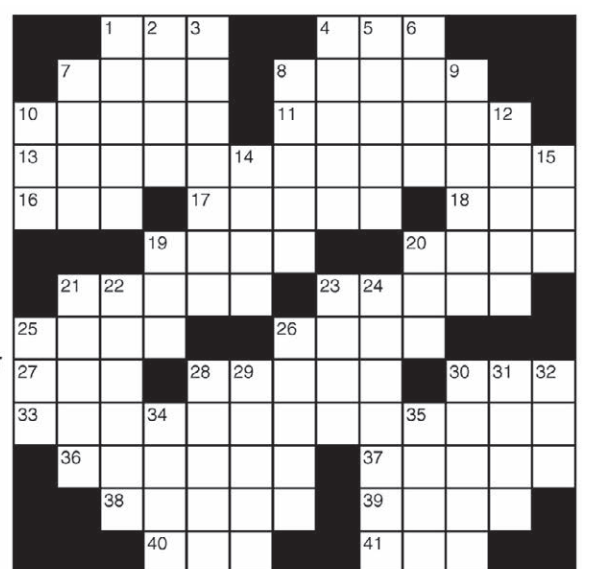
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- 10 Sleep problem
- 11 Court hammers
- 13 1998 Bruce Willis thriller
- 16 Shock partner
- 17 Hoodwinks
- 18 Water tester
- 19 Gum flavor
- 20 Roll call reply
- 21 Fry lightly
- 23 Belted area
- 25 Cooking fat
- 26 Uttered
- 27 Chemical suffix
- 28 Up and about
- 30 Quilters' get-together
- 33 Wimbledon champ of 2008
- 36 Wife of Jacob
- 37 Edition
- 38 Nodded off
- 39 D.C. baseball team
- 40 Picnic crasher



- 41 Ram's mate
- land
- 9 Upper crust
- 10 Docs' org.
- 12 Bull's sound
- 14 Ancient letter
- 15 "My word!"
- 19 Wet dirt
- 20 Secreted
- 21 Less loony
- 22 Sports venues
- 23 Banshee's cry
- 24 Delta, for one
- 25 Actress Tyler
- 26 Long-legged shorebird
- 28 Wan
- 29 Used a broom
- 30 Butter up the turkey
- 31 Flightless birds
- 32 Compass pt.
- 34 Bruins' sch.
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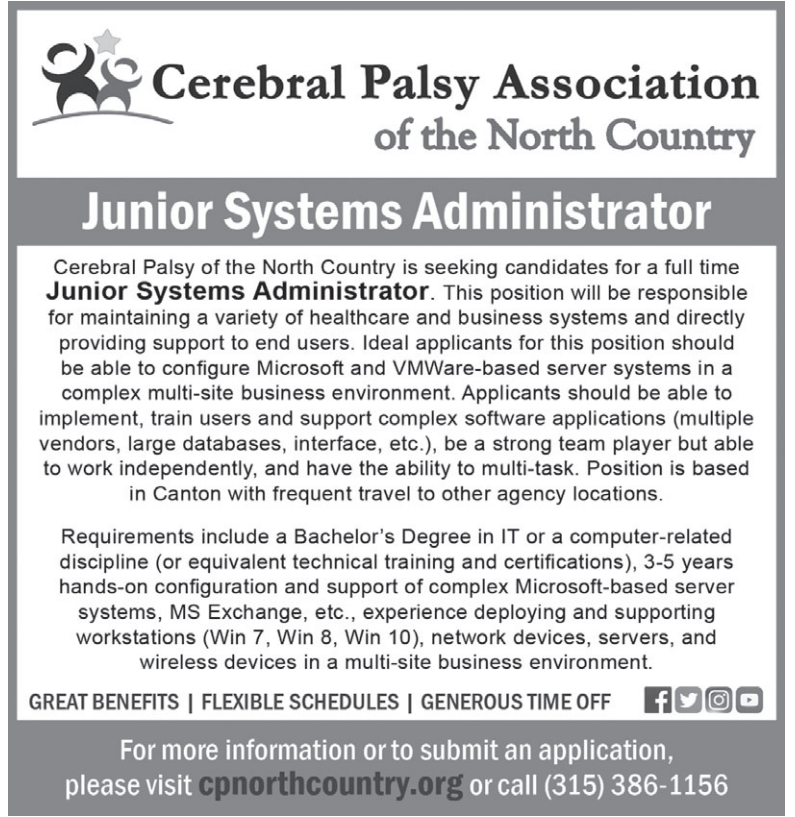
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Real Estate

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