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The Potsdam High School boys hockey team began their first practice of the delayed season Tuesday, Feb. 16, after approval was given for Section X high risk winter sports.

COVID spikes in Potsdam, colleges taking action

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM -- Rising case numbers have prompted Clarkson to move to fully remote learning and has SUNY Potsdam taking precautions.

St. Lawrence County Public Health reported 107 active cases in Potsdam as of Friday, Feb. 12.

Clarkson University reports 45 current active cases. Their COVID-19 dashboard does not delineate which positives are among students and staff.

SUNY Potsdam says there are 24 students positive and in isolation there, with another 36 students in mandatory quarantine. No staff are currently infected. Of those who tested positive, 18 leave off campus.

The increasing cases have prompted some action by SUNY Potsdam.

"We completed our weekly surveillance testing (Feb. 15) so we will be keeping a very close eye on those results to track our response. Remember, we are actually going beyond the requirements for testing by also requiring all students living within 15 miles of Potsdam, or Watertown for our students in our programs at JCC, to be tested as well, even if their classes are all virtual. This is to help get a sense

As of press time, SUNY Canton reported 14 active cases and St. Lawrence University reported two.

of spread within the community as well," Communications Director Alex Jacobs-Wilke said.

"As for our response, we are continuing to limit in-person activities. Students will have to continue to follow the same strict measures that we opened the semester with until we can get the spread under control. So unfortunately that means that dining remains grab-and-go only, no visitors are allowed, even other students, so only roommates in rooms, no in-person activities in the lounge areas, Union, etc. We know this is very difficult but it is necessary. We will continue to assess our response based on the data and on all SUNY and New York State guidelines."

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Schools scramble to finalize high-risk sports schedule

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

Section 10 hockey and basketball games are tentatively set to begin March 1, but everything remains subject to change as schools scramble to pin down details.

Last week, after long delays due to COVID-19, many schools approved plans to allow for sports, which were deemed risky, but allowed by New York State and St. Lawrence County Public Health officials.

Initially, schools were erring on the side of caution with early plans to hold off on offering hockey and basketball. However,

Canton and Potsdam approve high-risk sports plans, discuss testing.

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plans passed on narrow split votes, but sports plans were approved unanimously in Potsdam and Ogdensburg. Potsdam and Canton also discussed testing as a potential caveat to offering the sports though details on testing remain undecided.

This week, districts are working on the logistical complications associated with holding shortened sports season during a pandemic. They hope to have a schedule completed this week.

Scheduling so far

Things are a bit more complicated for hockey where rinks are

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after athletes protested the issue, schools soon changed course, pivoting their efforts toward establishing hockey and basketball seasons.

In Canton and Massena the

PCS sets eyes on stimulus bill

BY MATT LINDSEY
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — Potsdam Central School officials have their eyes on the federal stimulus package being discussed by lawmakers as the district plans its 2021-22 school budget.

Even though there are a lot of unknowns, Potsdam Central officials have been working on the

school budget since December.

PCS Superintendent Joann Chambers said the biggest impact on the upcoming budget is the COVID-19 pandemic.

"It's a challenging year because we are trying to really get a sense for whether 21-22 will be more like 20-21 or 19-20 ... because a lot of things look really different this year," she said. She added that the school added staff due to the hybrid schedule and used

more technology. Thus, she is not sure what the next school year will be like.

She said Gov. Andrew Cuomo laid out several scenarios that are dependent on how much state aid the state receives from the federal government. As of now, the state budget includes the lowest amount that the state could possibly receive.

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Potsdam finalizes new water district along Route 56

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — A water district and sewer district is now officially established along Route 56 where the town hopes to spark future economic development.

With the districts now official, construction on the LC Drives building proposed within the districts is expected to begin sometime this year.

The districts were established by a vote of the town board at their meeting Tuesday, Feb. 9 in the

final procedural step in the process which has spanned a couple years. The two districts feature the exact same boundaries, but need to be handled separately by state law.

Twenty-nine town residents living within the district recently voted in January, 19 to 10, in favor of setting up the districts.

The districts will allow the town to supply municipal water and sewer service to residences and businesses along Route 56 within the district boundaries.

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Committee outlines reform plan for Canton police

BY ADAM ATKINSON
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CANTON – The Village of Canton’s executive order 203 advisory committee outlined its plan for local police reform measures at its first public forum recently.

At the forum Feb. 10, the group covered 18 recommendations for the Canton Police Department to meet the governor’s executive order to adopt a police reform plan by April 1. A tentative timeline to adopt the measures by March 17 was given as well.

Among the measures outlined were ways to reduce bias within community policing operations, adopting a “guardian” persona for officers, increase de-escalation and diversity training and find ways to hire from a more diverse candi-

date pool when making new hires, review of potential use of force situations involving officers, and coordination with local mental health professionals when handling certain cases that might require that sort of expertise.

“When this all came out it was a little daunting I felt at first. I wasn’t sure who this was all going to go, but I feel confident with what we’ve put together for the village,” said Village Police Chief Jim Santimaw, a member of the committee. “I really appreciate everyone who has taken the time to be part of this committee, offering some thoughtful and intelligent conversation. It’s given me a few things to think about.”

In the reform plan, the committee emphasizes that the Canton Police Department work on building collaborative relationships and

implement community policing practices, said committee chair Anna Sorensen, who is also a village trustee.

“It’s really about building relationships with community members,” Sorensen said.

Only a few members of the public attended the forum which was held on Zoom.

Rev. Michael Catanzaro, of the Canton Presbyterian Church, said he came to the community 23 years ago, describing himself as a different person then.

“I don’t have long hair by accident,” the reverend said, relating how he was active in protests at the time and followed the Grateful Dead.

“I came to Canton with a first-hand experience with problem policing,” Catanzaro said. “And I

will say to you, because it’s hard to remember who you are a lifetime ago, but that I was a very different person when I got here.”

“One of the aspects of me that has changed, is that I’ve been changed by my experiences with the Canton Police Department,” Catanzaro said.

He then related a list of positive experiences he has had with the local police department over his time in the community. The reverend credited the department with their performance and policing practices over the years.

Another member of the public, Eileen Raymond, while calling for more communication and collaboration between state and county police agencies and the local department, also spoke highly of the Canton village police. “I think the local police do a very good job at what

they do, and I would like to see the other units support that,” Raymond said.

The committee’s full report, with all of the specific recommendations can be viewed at file:///Users/Nctw5/Downloads/Advisory-Committee-Draft-Report-Exec-203_1.28.2021.pdf.

A public survey on local police reform has also been set up through the municipal website. To participate in the survey visit <https://tinyurl.com/1wdmck7m>.

For more information on the village’s response plan visit <https://cantony.gov/government/village/boards-and-committees/village-of-canton-response-to-executive-order-203/>.

A second community forum on the committee’s draft plan is slated for Sunday, Feb. 21, at 3 p.m.

SLC schools set to start 2021-22 school year before Labor Day

BY MATT LINDSEY
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CANTON — St. Lawrence County schools are currently scheduled to

start their 2021-22 academic year prior to Labor Day, Sept. 6.

The news was announced Thursday night at Canton Central School’s Board of Education meeting.

The school calendar calls for students to return from summer break on Friday, Sept. 3. They would then resume school the Tuesday after Labor Day.

CCS Superintendent Ron Burke said he expected a lot of absenteeism that day due to many families traditionally having plans for the final weekend before school begins.

A Board member asked if the spring break could be shortened to allow for a start date after Labor Day. Burke said that the break cannot be shortened due to legalities about having Good Friday off.

The reason for starting Sept. 3 is mainly tied to BOCES students who are often required to have a certain number of hours of instruction to complete their program or earn a certificate. The last day of school is scheduled to be June 24.

BRIEFLY

NNCS appointments

NORWOOD — Three people were appointed to positions at Norwood Central School by the Board of Education at its most recent meeting. The Board approved the appointments of Troy Dubois and Vicky Cote as permanent bus drivers in the district. Rebecca Perry was appointed as a probationary food service worker. The meeting was held Feb. 9.

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Ashley to run for supervisor

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CANTON – Current Canton Town Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley has announced her intention to run for the position in the November election.

“I am announcing my candidacy for reelection as Canton Town Supervisor. For the past three years, we have focused on the people and provided quality public services with the highest standard of excellence,” Ashley said in a prepared statement released Tuesday, Nov. 16.

Ashley, a former Canton village mayor and trustee, was elected to

the supervisor's seat in the November 2017 election.

“Our teams, including shared services partnerships, volunteer committees and boards, have worked tirelessly and accomplished a great deal with limited resources. Together, we moved the Town forward, on several levels, in the best interest of the taxpayer,” Ashley said.

“I am grateful to have been given the opportunity to serve as Town Supervisor and be a member of a visionary Town Board. There is a lot more work to be done, and continued support of our heartfelt efforts would be sincerely appreciated,” she said.

Town board approves funding for upcoming highway work

BY ADAM ATKINSON
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POTSDAM – The town board has approved spending \$290,714.06 in state funding for upcoming highway work for the following stretches of roadway.

At its Feb. 9 meeting town council members and the supervisor authorized repair and improvement of .08 miles of Parmenter Road, starting at Sweeney Road and Root Road intersection. The work is not to exceed \$86,000.

Also approved was work on about 1.2 miles of the Waite Road starting at the Potsdam-Morley Road and leading west toward the Wright Road. The work is not to cost more than \$105,684.06.

Finally, 1.1 miles of the Potsdam-Morley Road, from Waite Road to Hoadley Road, was approved for repair.

The cost of that work is not to exceed \$99,030.

The money to be spent is from the state's annual CHIPS funding distribution to the town.

Town condemns white supremacy

POTSDAM – The Potsdam Town Board at its meeting Feb. 9 approved a resolution condemning white supremacy.

The resolution claims that social media has been used by white supremacists for hate speech which has stifled attempts “to combat racism and systemic inequality.”

The resolution goes further to claim that “many” insurrectionists who raided the U.S. Capitol building on Jan. 6 were “wearing shirts,

waving flags, or chanting slogans associated with white supremacy.” Finally the resolution passed by the board calls on elected officials at all levels of government to “propose actions and policies to confront white supremacy.”

The board passed a second resolution celebrating February as Black History Month. The resolution “encourages the celebration of Black History Month” and calls for instruction of black history in schools.

Voters approve \$23.5M PCS capital project

POTSDAM — Voters approved Potsdam Central School's \$23.5 million capital project that will see a variety of improvements across the campus.

The capital project was approved Wednesday night 251-32, according to PCS Superintendent Joann Chambers.

“We are grateful for the support of our community,” she said.

The proposed project includes health and safety improvements including site traffic and pedestrian safety, renovated restrooms, running track and field surface reconstruction, and asbestos abatement.

Other interior improvement highlights include expansion of the high school kitchen, creation of a large group instructional and multipurpose gathering space, art and science classroom renovations, new windows, and updated wall surfaces, ceilings and floors.

Mechanically, boilers that provide all heat for the elementary and

middle schools are set for replacement, as well as replacement of various classroom ventilation units throughout the district.

Since the middle school's construction in 1973, little has been done aside from critical maintenance to the building, therefore the proposed project has a particular focus on updates to learning spaces to prepare the building and its students for the future.

“We are looking forward to completing necessary improvements to our school buildings in order to provide a safe and healthy learning environment for our students.

Potsdam CSD receives about 85% state building aid on capital projects, and the balance of the cost is typically generated by local taxpayers.

However, through careful planning over the last several years, in anticipation of having to conduct buildings and grounds improvements, Potsdam CSD has, with voter support, built up funds and positioned ongoing debt service in order to offset the funding portion of the project that would be local share.

As a result, the proposed capital project would come with no tax increase.

BRIEFLY

PCS teacher resignations

POTSDAM — Several resignations and an appointment were approved at the Potsdam Central Board of Education meeting Feb. 9. School counselor Kim Miller and social studies teacher Randy Burlingame had their resignations approved by the Board. The Board also approved the resignations of elementary teachers Robin Lalonde, Tina Parker and Paulette Whalen. Allison Vitale was appointed as a long-term substitute. A leave of absence for teacher Jennifer Saber was also approved.

Special meeting

CANTON — The Canton Central Board of Education will hold a special board meeting Thursday, Feb. 25, at 6:45 p.m. The meeting will stream live. The purpose of the meeting is to hold a budget workshop to discuss the capital project.

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24/7 urgent mental health, addiction treatment center coming to SLC

Around-the-clock access to urgent mental health and addiction treatment services are coming to St. Lawrence County.

The St. Lawrence County Community Services Board (CSB) recently approved Citizen Advocates' proposal to establish a 24/7 Behavioral Health Urgent Care Center in Ogdensburg.

"Many communities already have 24/7 urgent care centers for physical health, but less common are those that provide urgent care for mental health or addiction treatment," said James Button,

CEO of Citizen Advocates. "We are deeply grateful to the St. Lawrence County CSB for unanimously approving this innovative service and increased access to behavioral health services, which comes with the additional supports individuals need to live a healthy and full life."

"Increasing access to vital, safety-net care and a comprehensive range of Behavioral Health Services in St. Lawrence County is essential," said Mary Jones, Chair of the St. Lawrence County Community Services Board. "We are encouraged by the level of engagement Citizen

Advocates has demonstrated in the past several years, especially the school-based services being provided to several of our local districts."

The new center would be open seven days a week, 24 hours a day, including holidays. No appointments are needed. The treatment team includes a supervising physician, advance practice providers, registered nurses, therapists, targeted case managers, peer specialists and customer support.

Targeted Case Managers connect individuals with services like job training or housing, often coordi-

nated through other organizations. Peer specialists are specially trained counselors who often have lived experience with a mental health or addiction diagnosis, or both.

As an extension of Citizen Advocates Behavioral Health Clinics, the 24-hour center is expected to offer many of the same mental health and addiction treatment therapies. In addition, there is potential to offer access to temporary stabilizing treatment services for individuals on a path to recovery, outpatient detoxification services, along with linkages to other community

services such as transportation, housing assistance and employment training. If approved, pending the application and review by various state agencies, these services are available to children, adolescents and adults.

"It's also important to note this is all available on an outpatient basis in a completely voluntary setting," said Dr. Joshua Frank, Chief Medical Officer for Citizen Advocates. "Our main focus is to provide prompt, effective, recovery-focused services in a respectful, patient-centered environment."

"The personalized, one-on-one care we offer is proven to lead to better health outcomes, and in general, is less costly than hospitalization," Dr. Frank added. "The individualized treatment and recovery plans we develop are a targeted approach intended to reduce or eliminate avoidable ER visits, law enforcement encounters or use of emergency responders."

For perspective, the Ogdensburg area ranks higher than most others in the state when it comes to hospitalization rates for adult alcohol use, substance use, and hospital discharges due to opioid use. Many of these individuals were traveling to Citizen Advocates Crisis & Recovery Center in Malone, which is also a 24/7 Behavioral Health Urgent Care Center, to receive treatment. To help provide more convenient access, a Behavioral Health Clinic was opened in Massena in 2019. Consistent with this approach, Citizen Advocates is further increasing access with the now eventual addition of the Behavioral Health Urgent Care Center in Ogdensburg.

Citizen Advocates is tentatively scheduled to open the 24/7-hour center in Ogdensburg by the end of 2021, pending additional state and local approvals.

To learn more about 24/7 crisis care services offered by Citizen Advocates, visit www.CitizenAdvocates.net/help.

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Russell fire sends four to hospital

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RUSSELL - Four people, including two firefighters, were transported to Canton-Potsdam Hospital following a fire Friday morning on CR 17, according to Nick Friot, St. Lawrence County deputy fire coordinator.

He said two people that live in the home were taken to CPH for treatment of burns and the firefighters were treated for smoke inhalation.

A dozen fire departments battled the blaze in frigid temperatures.

Friot said "access to the home was difficult" due to it being on a hill with "narrow, unplowed roads."

Firefighters used "mini-pumps" and even cut through the ice in a nearby pond and used a portable pump to get water to put the fire out.

It is believed that the homeowners discovered the blaze and it was reported shortly before 11 a.m.

Firefighters from Canton, DeKalb, DeGrasse, Edwards, Fine, Pierrepont, Pyrites, Rensselaer Falls, Richville, Russell, and Star Lake responded.

The fire is under investigation by state fire officials.

Red Cross provided assistance to two people following the fire.



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Skaters hit the ice in Canton

Two skaters attend a newly opened public skating session at Canton Arena, Feb. 15. It is open each day during school break and on Saturday evenings. Adult skating is open Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 315-386-3992 from 3 - 8 p.m. for reservations. Visit cantonny.gov for details.

NNCS continues work on pandemic plan

BY MATT LINDSEY
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NORWOOD — The Norwood-Norfolk Central School Board of Education will vote next month on the district Pandemic Response Plan.

Much of the work for the plan was done by BOCES as they provided a framework for local schools to use, which could then be tailored by each district to meet their needs.

“When you think about it, in five year, hopefully we don’t go through a pandemic again for a while, but say in five years if we happen to go through a pandemic ... many of the administration in the North Country or New York State potentially could be retired,” NNCS Superintendent Jamie Cruikshank said. “And so a lot of that historical knowledge could be, could be lost.”

He said much of the work was trying to determine which employees need to complete their work in

person, versus working remotely.

Bus drivers and cleaning staff cannot work remotely due to the nature of their work. Most teaching staff would be able to work remotely if needed.

Officials also had to determine how much PPE would be needed in the event of a pandemic.

The Board will have a month to look over the plan before voting on it in March.

Their next regular scheduled meeting is slated for March 16.

Canton creates escrow account for solar studies

BY ADAM ATKINSON
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CANTON — The Canton Town Board has established an escrow account of funds from U.S. Light Energy to pay for studies and other third-party work required to consider the firm’s plans to construct a commercial solar operation at 161 Meade Road.

U.S. Light Energy is planning to construct a 5 MW solar farm on a 33-acre lot of primarily agricultural land, with about two acres of woodland and some wetlands, leased from Brian Brewer.

Under the municipality’s solar energy law, solar companies are required to supply the town with

1 percent of the project cost (in this case \$9 million), to fund any analysis or consultation on the project by the town.

The town board approved setting up the account at their meeting Feb. 11.

The project is a concern for Pam and Jim Rose who live next to the lot in question and operate their business Boyden Brooks Body Works at the site. Access to the solar farm would be along a right-of-way across the Rose property. Several town planning board meetings have been held

concerning the issue, and the county planning department has also reviewed the early plans for the project.

Most recently, the town planning board charged the town attorney to review the right-of-way question, and the town was to consult with an independent engineering firm about the project. The money from U.S. Light Energy in the newly formed account will be used to fund that review.

The planning board is set to meet again Feb. 25 at 6:30 p.m.

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Crash leads to drugs arrest

CLARE — A Russell man was accused of driving under the influence of cocaine following a personal-injury accident on CR 27 last year, according to St. Lawrence County sheriff’s deputies. David J. Peabody, 39, was charged Thursday with driving while ability impaired by drugs, speed not reasonable or prudent, failure to keep right and driving without a seat belt, officers said. Deputies said Peabody was the driver of the crash and that he was found to be under the influence of cocaine at the time of accident. The incident took place Dec. 27, officers said.

Juneteenth will now be observed by SLC schools

BY MATT LINDSEY
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CANTON — St. Lawrence County students and staff will get an additional holiday off, as Juneteenth will be observed.

Juneteenth, a day that commemorates the end of slavery, is now an official public holiday in New York. Last fall, Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed the bill into law that designates Juneteenth, which also

celebrates Black and African American freedom and achievements, as a state holiday.

The news was announced Thursday at Canton Central's school board meeting.

Canton Central Superintendent Ron Burke said the addition of the holiday will allow teachers to provide "valuable instruction" to their students.

Juneteenth is observed on June 19.

PCS pandemic plan due to state by April 1

BY MATT LINDSEY
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — Potsdam Central School will soon have its Pandemic Operations Plan complete.

"It may seem a little odd to be developing a plan for a pandemic when we're almost one year into one, but this was a requirement that came through an executive order for every employer in the state."

The plan needs to be submitted to the state by April 1.

"It is a good idea, I don't believe many organizations, including ours, really had a plan for what occurred starting in March," she said.

She said a main purpose of the plan was to have it in place for future generations.

Chambers said much of the information is repeated from the school's reopening plan.

She said an important part of the plan was determining which employees are considered essential and non-essential if there were a

pandemic in the future.

For the plan, being essential means they must come to campus to complete their work duties. This includes cleaning staff and bus drivers. Non-essential workers, such as some teachers, could do the majority of their work from home.

Other topics covered in the plan include scheduling, PPE and internet access.

This plan would be added to the district safety plan. Chambers said she will ask the board to make it official at a future meeting.



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OBITUARIES

Carol "Joanie" Waite, 84

Parishville

PARISHVILLE - On February 11, 2021, Joan left this world with her loving family by her side.

She was born on December 27, 1936 the youngest daughter of James and Irene (Murphy) O'Brien. She attended St. Mary's Catholic School and graduated from Canton High School in 1954. She obtained her first job at the New York Telephone Company where she worked as a telephone operator for ten years.

In 1956 she married Raymond E. Waite with Father Griffith Billmeyer presiding. The wedding party consisted of friends and family members. They honeymooned in Lake George and settled in Pierrepont until 1966 when they moved to the High Flats area in the Town of Parishville where they have resided for the remainder of her life.

Joan was a devout Catholic and enjoyed helping others. She was a member of the St. Michael's Alter and Rosary Society in addition to being a member of the St. Michael's and St. Patrick's congregation.

Her most satisfying job was working as a volunteer driver for St. Lawrence County which she did for over 25 years. She enjoyed taking individuals to their medical appointments from all over St. Lawrence County and developed lasting relationships with a few of

her "regulars".

Her greatest love was her family. Joan is survived by her husband

Raymond of 64 years; three daughters, Jennifer Waite (Angela Doe), Valerie Waite (Toby Eurto), Karen Demo (David), and one son, John Waite (Karla Young);

four grandchildren, Tiffany Irish (Robby), Steven Cool (Chelsea), Brooke Carey (Wade), and Brock Waite (Kodi Perkins); four great-grandchildren, Wade Jr, and Riley Carey, and Carson and Kendyl Cool; along with three nieces, Sherry Hodge (PK), Deb Peck (Tom), Nancy Rutledge (Jim) and one nephew, James Veber (Shelley). Joan also kept in contact with her remaining relatives.

She was predeceased by her parents, her sister and brother-in-law, Theresa and Floyd Veber, along with twin brothers who died shortly after birth, in-laws Allen and Alta Waite and a number of aunts, uncles and cousins.

Joan was an avid bingo player and loved going to casinos. She traveled with family and friends to Las Vegas on a number of occa-



Joan Waite

sions and enjoyed attending various other casinos with her family. She liked watching game shows, doing puzzles, and visiting with others. She played Old Timers Softball and on occasion would get to first base laughing all the way there. She loved to laugh and saw the humor in most situations. She relished watching birds and adored her cat Maggie. Her fun-loving spirit will be missed by all that knew and loved her.

Friends may call on Thursday 3-6:00 PM at the Donaldson-Seymour Funeral Home, Potsdam. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday 11:00 AM at St. Patrick's Church, Colton with Rev. Stephen Rocker, celebrating. Burial will follow in Chapel Hill Cemetery, Parishville.

Please note that visitation will be occupancy controlled with those attending required to observe social distancing and wear face coverings. Please note that if occupancy limitations are reached, those attending may have to wait outside until occupancy has been reduced.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to the Parishville Rescue Squad.

Friends are encouraged to share memories and offer condolences to her family online at www.donaldsonseymour.com.

Donna Lee Ross, 82

Hannawa Falls

HANNAWA FALLS -- Donna Lee Ross, 82, passed away on February 13, 2021 with family at her side following a brief stay at Riverledge Nursing Home in Ogdensburg.

She was born on September 29, 1939, to the late Ralph Eugene and Kathleen Helen Town-Gilmore of Hannawa Falls, NY who is a resident of Riverledge Nursing Home in Ogdensburg, NY.

Donna graduated from Potsdam High School in 1957.

She married Steven George Cayey in 1958; they had a daughter, Vicky L. Cayey.

She lost her husband on April 10, 1963 when the USS Thresher went

down off the coast of New Hampshire. From a brief second marriage she had a daughter, Jennifer J. Ross.

In addition to her mother she also leaves behind two sisters; Sharon Hanniwel, of Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada and Gail Baxter, and brother-in-law, James Baxter, of Hannawa Falls, NY; two daughters, Vicky Cayey-Martin, of Salisbury, NC and Jennifer Ross-Schultz, of Westfield, MA; several grandchildren: Lindsay Martin, Corey Ayers, Peter, Andrew, and Jacob Schultz; great grandchildren: Courtney, Kyler, McKenna, Hayden and Kamden, and two

great-great grandchildren: Peyton and Phoebe.

To all that knew her, let us remember her as the one that always cared for others before herself; coffee and a seat at her table, no matter the time of day; and a caring and loving mother and grandmother.

The family will have a private service for Donna at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Helping Hands, Box 92, Hannawa Falls, NY 13647, 315-268-0633.

Condolences, thoughts, and fond memories can be placed online at www.garnerfh.com.

RECENT DEATHS

WARREN BESSETTE, 89, Canton, Feb. 13. Arrangements with O'Leary Funeral Service, Canton.

DONNA ROSS, 82, Hannawa Falls, Feb. 13. Arrangements with Garner Funeral Home, Potsdam.

CAROL WAITE, 84, Parishville, Feb. 11. Arrangements with Donaldson-Seymour Funeral Home, Potsdam.

SARAH STONE, 95, Potsdam,

Feb. 6. Arrangements with Donaldson-Seymour Funeral Home, Potsdam.

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Canton school board approves high-risk sports; more activities planned

BY MATT LINDSEY

North Country This Week

CANTON — Following a chaotic night for Canton Central School officials, the Board of Education passed a resolution to allow high-risk sports.

The resolution passed 5-3 Thursday night at the district's regularly scheduled meeting that was delayed several times due to technical difficulties.

Board members who voted no were Patrick Hanss and Steven Sanderson, while Robert Devins abstained. If the vote had ended in a 4-4 tie, it would not have been passed.

Schools have been crafting "sports safety plans" for a safe return of high-risk sports. In the North Country, for this shortened season, it would include ice hockey and basketball.

CCS Superintendent Ron Burke and Board of Education Clerk Autumn Brown read emails, letters, and online comments from the public with about half in support and half opposing high-risk sports.

People in support cited a decline in mental health of students and wanted the school board to let athletes and coaches prove they can go through with the season safely.

One online comment from a student said if the sports safety plan was already approved by medical professionals, then the board should do what is in the best interest of students, to provide a balanced educational program.

Those who disagreed said the safe-

ty of the student body as a whole and the extended community were more important than a minority of students that this would likely impact.

One commenter referenced keeping the positivity rate low to keep the doors open for in-person instruction, which they believed is the primary function for schools. Another said that athletes should not receive special treatment, describing them as "crybabies."

CCS Athletic Director Bill Porter, who supports sports returning safely, said there were about 120 athletes that would compete in girls and boys hockey, boys swimming and boys and girls basketball. Swimming is considered a low-risk sport. Porter noted that swim meets can be done virtual and teams do not need to travel.

Student testing

As part of the resolution, Board members agreed they would like to see students tested for COVID-19. If testing fails to come to fruition, Burke said the school would not go through with competing with nearby districts. Practices however could still move forward, even as soon as next week.

COVID testing, which has been heavily discussed at other area schools too, would see students tested up to three times a week. At CCS, this would include students involved in other extra-curricular activities such as a musical.

Officials were still working out details on student COVID testing.

Tests were expected to come from the county and there would be no cost to families to have the test done.

Burke said he was confident that testing procedures could be worked out and that he would be willing to do testing himself if he is allowed. Burke is also a volunteer rescue squad member in Madrid.

The superintendent said Dr. Daniel Palmateer chose his words wisely when backing the sports safety plan. Burke told viewers the MD said he would not oppose the plan as is, but would actually support the plan if it includes student testing.

The resolution passed without testing included. However, the plan is to include testing once details have been ironed out.

More Activities planned

The Board also passed a resolution, 6-2, to allow for a school musical. The theater production of "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown" will include less than 20 students, who will follow all safety protocols including spacing of 12-feet, Burke said.

He said much of the plan in place for sports could be used as a model for other activities, such as musicals and other performances.

Burke said the musical, as well as all sporting events, will be live streamed. No spectators will be allowed at events at this time. However, school officials were hopeful to be able to allow parents of seniors to attend a "senior night" celebration if games get underway.

Schools that choose to participate

in sports will likely play each other in regional "pods" to shorten bus rides. Parents can also bring their child to and from games, but they will not be allowed in the building with the athlete.

Superintendent Burke said he can envision a safe environment for students to practice in. "I've done a 180", Burke said about his support for allowing high-risk sports. He did not support the return of fall sports in 2020.

Sports Mergers

The Board did not support most of its requested sports mergers with local schools. The Board only approved a merger with Potsdam and Madrid-Waddington schools for boys swimming, which is considered a low-risk sport.

The swim team has six Canton students and seven more from Potsdam and Madrid-Waddington schools. AD Porter noted that the coach of the team is from Potsdam, however the team uses Canton Central's pool.

Prior to voting down non-swimming sports mergers, Board members wanted to know if denying the mergers would mean a team did not have enough players to compete.

AD Porter said the girls hockey team would be "thin" with 11 players, but they could possibly add two more eighth graders to the team to give them 13 players.

Board members were concerned with students from other schools coming to campus to possibly give

CCS students COVID, but also to protect athletes from other schools from possibly getting COVID from a Canton student or coach.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

The meeting did not live stream on Facebook as planned due to technical issues. After a half hour or so, a Zoom link was posted on the district Facebook page that allowed for people to watch and comment.

School officials kept viewers updated on the issues in real-time as they worked out the problems with the live feed.

Some commenters thought the timing of technological issues was odd, but in the end the meeting took place and the public was able to participate.

Background info

Once a school approves its safety plan for sports, the plan must be posted on the district website. District then must complete affirmation forms on the NYSDOH website. Following that, public health officials will conduct random spot checks.

If all of the aforementioned conditions are met, school districts in Section X could begin practices. Athletic directors and Section X office will work on final sport schedules after each district completes the steps needed.

According to NYSDOH guidance, if school is closed for in-person learning due to an increase in confirmed COVID-19 cases, school-sports are suspended until in-person education resumes.

PCS moves forward with high-risk sports

BY MATT LINDSEY

North Country This Week

POTSDAM — Athletes at Potsdam Central got some good news last night after the school board approved a sports safety plan that will allow for the return of basketball and ice hockey.

The board passed the resolution at a special meeting Thursday night during a Zoom meeting that garnered lots of interest.

"We've never had a crowd this large," said Potsdam Central School Superintendent Joann Chambers.

Chambers said she was told the county may have an adequate supply of rapid tests districts could use.

Testing was a central focus for board members and their approval of the sports plan was contingent on those protocols being in place.

Chambers told the board that Dr. Andrew Williams advised that the rapid test is less accurate than the PCR test, so it's recommended it be done twice a week.

At PCS, any parent who wishes to have their child tested would be able to do so in an effort to be fair to all. Chambers said there would be no cost to families to have the test done and that the cost to the district was reasonable. She said there were talks with BOCES for co-op purchasing that could lower costs for all schools who chose to participate.

There is a possibility that people such as coaches or the athletic director can be trained to administer the COVID test, Chambers said.

The resolution passed without testing included. However, Board members want to include testing once more information is known in the coming days.

The district plans to limit bus trips to 30 minutes in an effort to keep exposure minimal, for students, coaches and the bus driver. Schools are expected to play teams in "regional pods", such as Potsdam

playing Colton or Parishville.

Board members questioned safe spacing issues. School officials said that teams have about 20 students on them and that a gym class has 28. Thus, they are able to safely accommodate at least six feet between players.

Athletic Director Mark Wilson noted that hockey and basketball are contact sports and that physical interaction is bound to happen. However, the sports safety plan discourages things such as hugging, high fives and fist bumps.

Students will have assigned seats when not in the game, Wilson said. No locker rooms will be used and athletes are encouraged to be as dressed and ready for practice and games as possible.

Board member Rachel Wallace encouraged the school to look into surgical masks or double masks, which is now a CDC recommendation.

Chambers said that with students running around, double

masks may impede breathing. She did say the school has a large supply of surgical masks that they could use. There was no decision made to require students to wear specific masks.

State requirements state a student does not have to wear a mask during competition if they "can not wear one" for a reason. Section 10 however is mandating masks for practices and games.

Officials and all game personnel, such as timekeepers, will follow the same safety plan as players and coaches.

Chambers said some clubs in the high school have been opening up slowly and there is interest from non-athletic groups to start having activities again.

Chambers said she would present a plan on March 8 to offer other extracurricular activities.

She also discussed the possibility of holding music performances in a safe manner.

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Winter work continues

The replacement of Browns Bridge in Hannawa Falls is ongoing in spite of the winter weather.

Board looks to fill vacant seat

HOPKINTON – The town council seeks public comment on two candidates for appointment to a vacant town board seat.

Louis Main and Rick Eakins letters of interest and resumes and were interviewed by the town board at their Feb. 8 meeting.

The town board will take comments from Hopkinton residents

regarding the filling of the vacancy prior to the next board meeting on March 15.

Comments can be submitted to the town supervisor either by email, supervisor@townofhopkinton.org, or by mail Susan Wood, Supervisor, Town of Hopkinton, 7 Church St., Hopkinton, NY 12965.

More people eligible for COVID-19 vaccine

CANTON -- St. Lawrence County residents with comorbidities and underlying conditions will soon be eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine, according to St. Lawrence County Public Health.

On Feb. 5, Gov. Andrew Cuomo announced a list of comorbidities and underlying conditions that New York State will use to determine eligibility for the COVID-19 vaccine. Residents who have one of these conditions will be eligible for the vaccine beginning Feb. 15. The St. Lawrence County Public Health Department and area providers are preparing for this expansion in vaccine distribution.

“The medical community is very excited that the eligibility criteria has now expanded to include individuals with relevant co-morbid conditions,” said Dr. Andrew Williams. “These individuals are more likely to have serious complications, require hospitalization and even die when infected with the COVID-19 virus. Vaccination will help prevent this.”

Adults of any age with the following conditions due to increased risk of moderate or severe illness or death from the virus that causes COVID-19 are eligible for the vaccine:

- Cancer (current or in remission, including 9/11-related cancers)
- Chronic kidney disease
- Pulmonary Disease, including but not limited to, COPD (chronic

obstructive pulmonary disease), asthma (moderate-to-severe), pulmonary fibrosis, cystic fibrosis, and 9/11 related pulmonary diseases

- Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities including Down Syndrome

- Heart conditions, including but not limited to heart failure, coronary artery disease, cardiomyopathies, or hypertension (high blood pressure)

- Immunocompromised state (weakened immune system) including but not limited to solid organ transplant or from blood or bone marrow transplant, immune deficiencies, HIV, use of corticosteroids, use of other immune weakening medicines, or other causes

- Obesity (body mass index [BMI] of 30 kg/m² or higher) or Severe Obesity (BMI 40 kg/m²)

- Pregnancy
- Sickle cell disease or Thalassemia

- Type 1 or 2 diabetes mellitus
- Cerebrovascular disease (conditions affecting blood vessels and blood supply to the brain)

- Neurologic conditions including but not limited to Alzheimer’s Disease or dementia

- Liver disease

Individuals who have one of these conditions will need to verify their eligibility by signing a personal attestation.

Dana McGuire, St. Lawrence County Public Health director

stated that, “counties in the North Country Region collaborated with others in the Capital Region on the documentation required for this expanded eligibility group. We wanted to make the process as easy as possible without creating barriers to receiving the vaccine.” Completing the attestation form is sufficient documentation in confirming eligibility. A doctor’s letter is not necessary. However, if individuals have questions about whether their medical condition qualifies as a co-morbid condition, they should contact their primary care provider to discuss this.

Vaccine and registration information can be found at <https://www.stlawco.org/Departments/PublicHealth/COVID-19>. People can also call the state COVID-19 Vaccination Hotline at 1-833-NYS-4-VAX (1-833-697-4829).

Once an appointment is successfully scheduled, people will receive a confirmation email that contains a barcode. This is confirmation of an appointment. Once an appointment is confirmed, people must also complete the state COVID-19 Vaccine Form. This form should be filled out online and brought to the appointment.

For additional information regarding the COVID-19 vaccine, contact the St. Lawrence County Public Health Department 315-386-2325 or visit <https://www.stlawco.org/>.

Canton public works survey now complete

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North County This Week

CANTON – A survey of the town’s street signs, culverts and other public works has been completed by the Development Authority of the North Country.

The town board contracted with DANC in 2020 to conduct the geographic information systems (GIS) survey of its public works features and inventory its street signs. The agency is in the process of doing similar catalogs for other local governments.

Kari Tremper from DANC was

on hand at the town board meeting Feb. 11 to update the town board on the work. Tremper said the data collected by DANC is now available to the town through a website portal hosted by DANC.

“That is your data, we just host it,” Tremper said.

“This dataset that we have provided is a living document, basically it’s a living map,” Tremper said DANC encourages that town update DANC if they make real world physical changes so the agency can keep the information current.

The survey and website setup of the data cost the town \$8,000 up

front. Annual maintenance fee for the website and information management is \$825 at first and \$875 later on during the life of the contract the town signed with DANC.

Tremper said the survey revealed that the town has 427 culverts, 649 road signs and 44 street lights. The information on the website will give data to town highway workers such as age of street signs and condition to aid in management and maintenance of the town’s infrastructure.

The information has already allowed the town to straighten and clean several road signs, Tremper said.

Police: Potsdam man injures victim in Madrid

MADRID – A Potsdam man was jailed on numerous charges following investigation of a domestic incident that left a male victim with injuries to his face and neck, according to St. Lawrence County sheriff’s deputies.

Deputies said the incident took place earlier this week on Feb. 12, deputies and Potsdam police were interviewing a male suspect

on Main Street in relation to the domestic incident.

Officers interviewed Jesse D. Cali, no age listed, who falsely identified himself as a different person to evade custody.

Cali was charged with second-degree strangulation, third-degree assault, second-degree criminal impersonation, obstruction of governmental

administration and seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, deputies said.

He was arraigned by Honorable Rachele Foster in Canton court and remanded to St. Lawrence County jail on \$10,000 bail.

The domestic incident reportedly took place on State Highway 345.

BRIEFLY

Deputy supervisor salary

POTSDAM – The Potsdam town board approved a resolution to set the deputy supervisor’s salary at \$5,120. The amount was budget-

ed for 2021. However, since the amount was an increase of \$1,000 over the standard town board member’s salary of \$4,120, a public hearing was held at the Potsdam town

board meeting Feb. 9. No comments from the public were leveled.

Town board meetings

POTSDAM -- The Potsdam Town Board has scheduled the following meetings in 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Meetings held every month on the second Tuesday include: Feb 9, March 9, Apr 13, May 11, June 8, July 13, Aug. 10, Sept. 14, Oct. 12, Nov. 9, Dec. 14. The meetings are to be held on Zoom unless otherwise noted in the future. Join the Zoom meetings by visiting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81016453602?pwd=aUtrVHR6Q2o4T1Z1NVFyaVN-LZXhPZz09>. Meeting ID: 810 1645 3602; Passcode: 863508

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LETTERS

Heartfelt thank you to Helping Hands

Helping Hands truly cares about the people in their community. They provide many necessities for people in need.

I am a recent recipient of their generosity. They recently provided me with a \$1,000 donation to a GoFundMe account.

The GoFundMe was set up by a dear friend in hopes to help me purchase a used adaptive vehicle for me to gain independence to work, doctor's appointments, grocery shopping, etc.

I wanted to personally thank Helping Hands for their extremely generous gift.

In addition to providing the \$1,000, the members of the organization have tried to help spread the word throughout the community regarding my need for accessible transportation and the GoFundMe.

I do not want to put the details of the GoFundMe in this letter because my intent is not to ask for funding.

My intent is to thank a wonderful organization that is in our community and to bring awareness to all the hard work the organization members do to help others in need. I will forever be in awe of their support.

You may be wondering why I need an adaptive vehicle and why their support was such a big deal to me.

I have Cerebral Palsy and utilize a power wheelchair to move about. It is nearly impossible for me to transfer into a vehicle and if I could my power wheelchair would not be able to go with me, further hindering my mobility.

I would love to return to work as an educator but that is not possible until I find accessible transportation.

Helping Hands understands my need for independence. They generously provided me with some support to achieve my independence and, hopefully, soon return to teaching!

I have not achieved my goal of having accessible transportation yet, but Helping Hands has provided me with a start to having accessible transportation.

Every success must start with some help in order to achieve success. I cannot wait to gain accessible transportation in the future and help "pay it forward" in my community as soon as possible.

Thank you more than words can say to Helping Hands of Potsdam and their generous gift!

Pamela Charleson
Potsdam

We still have the power

Despite the disingenuous calls to "move on" and "get over" the horrifying events of January 6, 2021 at our Nation's Capitol, we cannot – and must not – ever forget the deadly assault on our democratic process and those who helped cause it.

The voters must now complete the work that the Senate has so shamefully failed to do.

Never again should Donald Trump - nor any of his Senate or Congressional allies who failed to vote for impeachment or bar him from holding future office - deserve

to be elected.

Without accountability, healing will be difficult or impossible.

Voting is the way we ensure accountability for grievous crimes committed against the people of the United States. To tolerate representatives that deny, ignore, or belittle the link between signals they send and anti-democratic actions taken by terroristic groups is to invite a slide toward authoritarianism.

We must be ever vigilant in scrutinizing the actions of our elected representatives. We must be hyper-aware of any indications that they are prone to trade service to the people for fealty to power-hungry tyrants. When we see these flaws in our representatives, we must vote them out of office. Corporations must cease making campaign contributions to them. There is simply too much at stake.

Jon R. Montan, Jr.
Canton

Stefanik is clear about where she stands

I have sent the following letter to Congresswoman Stefanik.

"The is just a short note to commend you for your very courageous stand against removing Marjorie Taylor Greene from the House Education and Labor Committee because of her exposure of the 'false flag' operations regarding school shootings.

While some may call her accusations cruel and bizarre fueled by conspiracy theories, having you in her corner must be reassuring.

If some may call this irresponsible on your part, even reprehensible, they simply don't know the true Elise Stefanik.

"When coupled with yet another action on your part to overturn the 2020 presidential election – to prevent the counting of the electoral college ballots – it is clear that you have the courage of your convictions.

tions.

To do so when congress was under attack from a terrorist mob makes clear the steps to which you will go to do everything in your power to highlight the baseless and unproven accusations of fraud.

This further solidifies your aim to remain in the good graces of the former president and those who realize appealing to the more base sensibilities of human nature – anger, fear, bigotry, xenophobia, racism – can get you re-elected in the 21st District, an admirable goal indeed.

"Over the last four years you have been steadfast in your support of the former president and all he stands for, no matter the impact on human suffering.

"I, for one, applaud your efforts to do everything in your power to keep the legacy of the former president alive, as well as your fealty to the GOP of such greats as former Sen-

ator Joe McCarthy, and his present-day counterparts, Josh Hawley, and Ted Cruz.

"While some may call your behavior that of a sycophant, a better term might just be expedient.

Your willingness to whole-heartedly support tax cuts for the wealthiest of Americans, while remaining firmly opposed to any measures designed to help those at the lower end of the income scale who have been most impacted by the pandemic – lack of jobs, food insecurity, health care – have solidified your credentials in a party devoted to fiscal responsibility.

"While others may find such actions hypocritical, your supporters must be relieved to know how clear and honest are your positions."

I don't expect a response.

Tim Schwob
Potsdam

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Judy Fuhr | Submitted

Winter fun

Brent Bishop with family in tow at Higley Flow State Park where skiing and snowshoeing is free with your own equipment. Rental equipment and less area also available for a nominal fee.

LETTERS

Higley Flow State Park great for exercise, wildlife

Where can you ski or snowshoe for free?

Bring your children to learn to xc ski and love the outdoors, enjoy the beauty of nature and occasional wildlife, learn to ski or to improve your skiing at a nominal cost?

Rent equipment for small fry for nothing and pay only \$7.00 per day for quality equipment for yourself, skijor with your dog, skate ski or traditional ski in groomed and set tracks, enjoy a heated lodge with capabilities to warm up a lunch or purchase a few treats to enjoy?

That little piece of heaven is Higley Flow State Park, nestled in the foothills of the Adirondacks, in Colton a Town with a population of around 1400.

The Park is part of the Thousand Islands State Parks. While most of the Parks in this category are near the St. Lawrence River, Higley is on the Raquette, on Higley Flow.

The Park itself is one of the most beautiful camping destinations anywhere and operates for camping from Victoria Day Weekend through Labor Day. What makes it unique is that sites are wooded and secluded with ample distance between them. Cycling from the Lodge around all the loops and back to the lodge yields a 4.5 mile loop. The Park offers swimming at a lovely sandy beach and a new beach house, a boat launch, and also rents kayaks with which to enjoy the surrounding waterway. There is a nature center with a naturalist offering activities in the summer months and 10 miles of wooded

trails to explore.

When the Park shuts down from the camping season, Park staff take a long breath, wrap things up for the coming winter and shift gears to prepare for the other busy season-winter. Fall is a time for walkers to enjoy the Park's 14 miles of trails, including the camp roads, away from the potential danger of hunters. It is also a time for Park staff to check each trail for hazard trees to be removed before they cause issues over the winter and to do any trail improvements.

The Park has an active Friends group with over 150 members. Each fall they host a work day to trim trails and spread woodchips purchased by the Parks and by the Friends. This year's event was a socially distanced version to comply with Covid regulations with family units working together but apart from others on a variety of projects throughout the Park. With Covid on the rise it was uncertain how many would show up-usually between 50 and 75. This year 143 volunteers came ranging in age from toddlers to octogenarians.

The Friends group also provides adult lessons in a four lesson package. Danielle Jerry organizes the program where lessons are available for all ability levels. This year approximately 30 are participating. In addition there is an active youth ski group, the "Ermines" with 63 members organized by Jenny Townsend and Liz Bollt. School groups are invited to spend a day at the Park with free equipment rentals and volunteer helpers from the Friends group. Most bring a lunch with them and enjoy a break in the lodge.

Trails are groomed by a dedicated group of volunteers with the road grooming being provided by St. Lawrence University, one of the two colleges whose XC teams train there, the other being Clarkson University. Grooming is done with two Arctic Cat Bearcats with Tidd Tech drags and one Skandic with a roller.

The roads are groomed for skating and classic technique with an adjacent lane for snowmobile traffic groomed by the county snowmobile association (the Park is the connecting link for trails south and north of it).

An excellent relationship has been formed with the county and local snowmobile associations to everyone's benefit.

Most woods' trails are classic technique and vary from mostly flat, to undulating to some with very steep hills. Two woods' trails are dual groomed for classic and freestyle. One is a very gentle, beginners' loop, the other is a very challenging short loop.

The Park has one trail that is lit

with solar motion sensing lights for night skiing on most Tuesday and Thursday evenings until 8 p.m. On other days the Park and trails close at sunset. Volunteers from the Friends' group act as lodge hosts on the evenings the Park is open. The other trails are open for night skiing, a headlamp is suggested.

Most days the Park lodge closes at 3 p.m. The lodge has heated bathrooms, a microwave, coffeemaker, fridge with cold beverages and a table with snacks. There is ample seating in the lodge to rest between trails. The lodge was completed in 2014 through a partnership between Parks maintenance and the Friends group. The lodge and trail improvements have been possible because of the efforts and support of the current Park Supervisor, Henry Sieg.

Weekdays see steady traffic on the trails keeping the Parking lot filled much of the time. Weekends are very busy with a conservative estimate of 400 users per weekend as the access road lined with a continually changing variety of vehicles attests to. Fortunately the Park trails disperse people well and once on the trail the serenity of the woods takes over.

The lodge is COVID compliant with reduced occupancy, hand sanitization and masks required.

Masks are also required on the trails when social distancing is not possible. Certainly, the tragedy of COVID is evident everywhere we look, but there is a silver lining.

The Park has seen more new skiers and more families skiing together than ever before. We all long for the end of COVID but at the same time we hope we can hold onto some of the positive things that have been by-products of it.

The Friends host two social media sites- website: higleyfriends.org; and Facebook Friends of Higley Flow State Park, where you can learn more about the Park and its offerings.

Judy Fuhr

The Higley Flow Association

Disgusted over Trump acquittal

I am beyond disgusted with the Republicans who voted to acquit Donald Trump.

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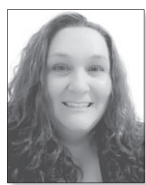
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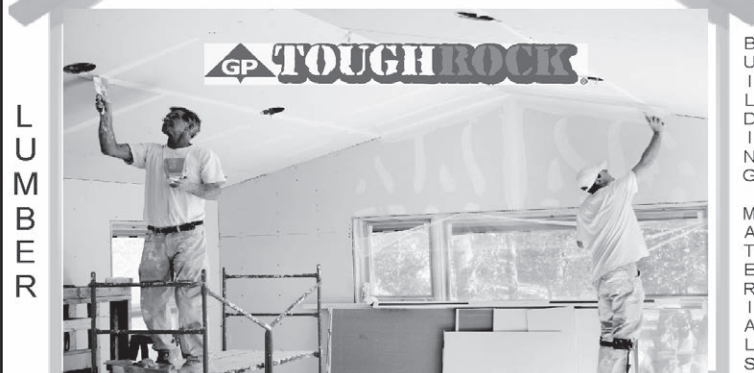
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LETTERS

Support for Stefanik to object contested electors

I support Elise Stefanik's decision to object to contested electors. I think every politician should be concerned about voting irregularities and unconstitutional overreach by state officials, example signature matching requirements.

Every citizen of America should be concerned that the integrity of our elections remain intact. It's common sense that mail in ballots are conducive to widespread fraud. We have to produce ID to buy certain items at the store.

Why don't we have to provide ID to vote? It's not about Trump versus Biden or Democrat versus Republican. It's about ensuring fair and secure elections for all generations to come. It's about not allowing unconstitutional overreach to be tolerated.

To allege that Elise Stefanik is complicit in the crimes of those who stormed the capital smacks of hypocrisy as there have been several politicians that have supported the violent riots for the last several months.

For example: Ayanna Pressley, "there needs to be unrest in the streets"; Kamala Harris, "protesters should not let up"; Maxine Walter "create a crowd and push back on them." Why aren't we calling for their resignation and/or impeachment?

Mary Brown
Dekalb Junction

SNAP helps SLC residents buy food

A year into the coronavirus pandemic, New York State faces a profound hunger crisis. Many people in our community have lost jobs, are under-employed, or struggle to feed their families. If you or someone you know needs help buying food, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) may be able to help.

SNAP helps low-income families, seniors, people with disabilities, veterans and others stretch their grocery budget and buy the food they need to stay healthy.

It provides monthly benefits on a debit card to spend at local grocery stores, farmers' markets, and approved online retailers. You can apply for and receive benefits by phone or online, without having to leave your home.

For millions of New Yorkers, SNAP can be the difference between having food and going hungry.

The Nutrition Outreach and Education Program (NOEP) can help you learn if you may be eligible and complete and submit a SNAP application. These services are free and confidential. If you are struggling with hunger, please contact your St. Lawrence County NOEP coordinator today at (315) 764-9442 x405.

Robert J. Smith
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What does it take to get Republicans impeached?

We found out this past week that if you are a Republican president, no matter what you do, you will not be impeached. On the other hand if you are a Democrat you can be impeached for cheating on your wife.

A Republican president can pay off his mistresses to keep their mouths shut, alienate our allies, try to force an ally to make up a lie about your political opponent, lie about a deadly pandemic, lie about a fair election (everyday for months), try to force and even threaten state election officials to

break the law and change votes, call together a violent mob poisoned by his lies, get them fired up and send them to destroy the capital, maim and kill, then watch as police are being beat to death and do absolutely nothing to help.

And for these horrific acts the Republican Party does nothing. But if you are a decent member and you tell the truth and speak out against these despicable acts you will be condemned. This is a disgrace! I can't believe how corrupt and immoral the Republican Party is.

I am an independent voter who always voted for the person, not a party. After this year I don't think I can ever vote for another Republican.

Denise Shumway
Colton

Reminder of winter trail etiquette

It's great that North Country Now has outlined some local trails for people to get their winter exercise on and I enjoy seeing all the recent pictures of folks XC skiing.

My wife and I are avid fat tire bike riders and we have spent countless hours trying to maintain area trails for riding.

It is surprising how few people pay attention to trail etiquette and it seems like a good time for folks to educate themselves on proper winter walking/hiking.

Walking on snow covered trails in the winter time, without the use of snowshoes or skis, ruins the surface of the trail.

What is commonly known as a "post hole" occurs when an individual walks on a trail with bare boots and leaves deep depressions in the trail. Not only does it do (oftentimes irreparable) damage to the trail surface, but it can cause hazards for others who are trying to ski, snowshoe or ride a fat tire bike.

There is a certain irony to this situation, because the people who are bare booting on trails would be floundering through knee deep snow if others hadn't "groomed" the trails in advance.

According to the "Winter Hiking Safety" page on the DEC website, skis or snowshoes should be worn with snow depths over eight inches.

Many of the trails highlighted in the article on North Country Now are on public land and are free to all.

I say get outside and have fun in the snow, but please do it responsibly so that we can all enjoy what's left of the winter months.

T. Donnelly
Canton

Council candidate is humble, honest, reliable

I grew up on 1150 Sylvan Falls Road in the town of Hopkinton and attended PHCS. I am proud to have grown up in the North Country and, although my career has taken me overseas, I continue to be part of the community as a registered voter in

Hopkinton

I heard about the open town council seat from my parents Sandy and Louis Maine of 1150 Sylvan Falls Rd and immediately thought of the best person to help lead our community during this challenging period. I firmly believe that person is Louis Maine.

My dad grew up in the North Country and has lived with my mother in Hopkinton for the past 25+ years. He is a humble, honest and competent community member who will serve the people of Hopkinton with the same indomitable spirit he instilled in my siblings and I. Work hard, do the right thing, get along with people even if you don't agree with them and stand up for yourself were just some life lessons he gifted me.

My dad has an MBA from Clarkson university and founded and operated Maine Land Surveying PC successfully for many years. He has an unparalleled knowledge of Hopkinton's land because he has surveyed much of it and a deep connection with the community because he has spoken with most of you. He has driven property corners into the rich earth and blazed property lines which will endure for centuries.

My dad will be there for Hopkinton like it's been there for him and his family. There is no question in my mind that granting this responsibility he will leave a lasting positive impact on the town, the town council and the inhabitants of Hopkinton. I hope the town board won't miss this opportunity to make a great decision.

Clark Maine
Hopkinton

Stefanik pretending to be champion for women

In response to Elise Stefanik's joint effort to strip pensions from members of Congress that have been convicted of sexual misconduct.

According to the legislative misconduct database, there are currently just over 600 former members of congress receiving pensions and one of them has been convicted of a sexual crime. And he, it just so happens, is a millionaire. So the \$75,000 pension is peanuts to him.

The most amazing part of all this is that she worships Trump and rode his coat tails for four years. A man that had dozens of allegations against him. Dozens. He was even caught on tape bragging about how being rich allows him to abuse women.

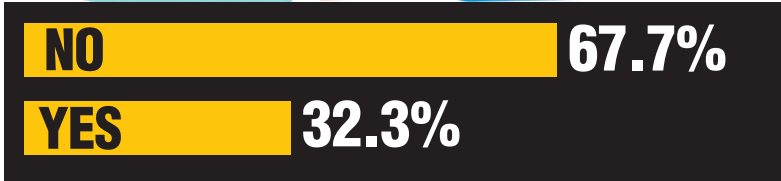
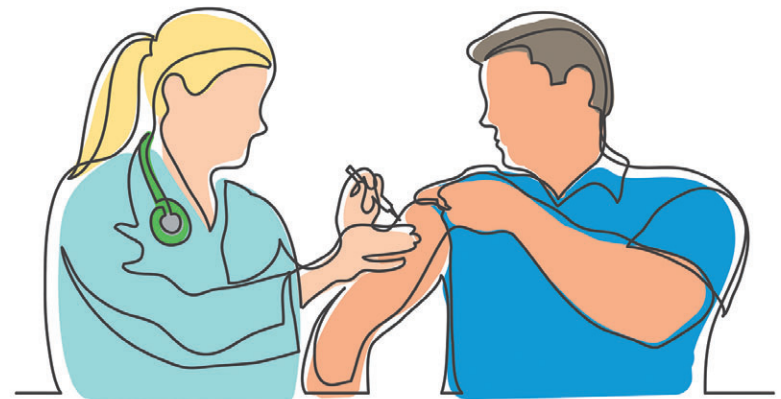
Congresswoman Stefanik just kept silent during all of that. And now she's going to try to improve her image by pretending to be a champion for women. Really?

It's an insult to the "me too movement" and every woman who has experienced trauma. If you want to improve your image, apologize and start telling the truth. We'd forgive you and your rating would go through the roof.

Allan Duane
Canton

NCNOW SURVEY

The Question:
Are you satisfied with the rollout of the COVID-19 vaccine program in St. Lawrence County?



Debbie Morgan | NCTV

ST. LAWRENCE County had administered over 13,000 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine through the end of January and into the first day of February, the most in the North Country region, according to St. Lawrence County Public Health Director Dr. Dana McGuire. The governor's office released the list of comorbidities and underlying conditions that New York State will use to determine eligibility for the COVID-19 vaccine. New Yorkers who have one of the comorbidities on the list will be eligible for the vaccine beginning Feb. 15. Are you satisfied with the rollout of the COVID vaccine program in St. Lawrence County?

HERE ARE COMMENTS from some survey participants:

'As long as they don't mandate it and force people to take the shot.'

'Yes. Wish it was faster, but I think they are doing the best they can with what they have.'

'We need more and quicker appointments.'

'The problem is with the supply, not the demand. Pharmacies need to be given access to the vaccines so that folks do not have to travel so far to get the shot.'

'It sounds like our county is doing a great job compared to other areas.'

'There should have been more sites in Ogdensburg, Massena and other areas.'

TO READ MORE COMMENTS, visit NorthCountryNow.com/ncnow-survey. **TO TAKE THE CURRENT SURVEY**, visit bit.ly/3u4JBNR.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: Do you think schools should begin their academic year prior to Labor Day?

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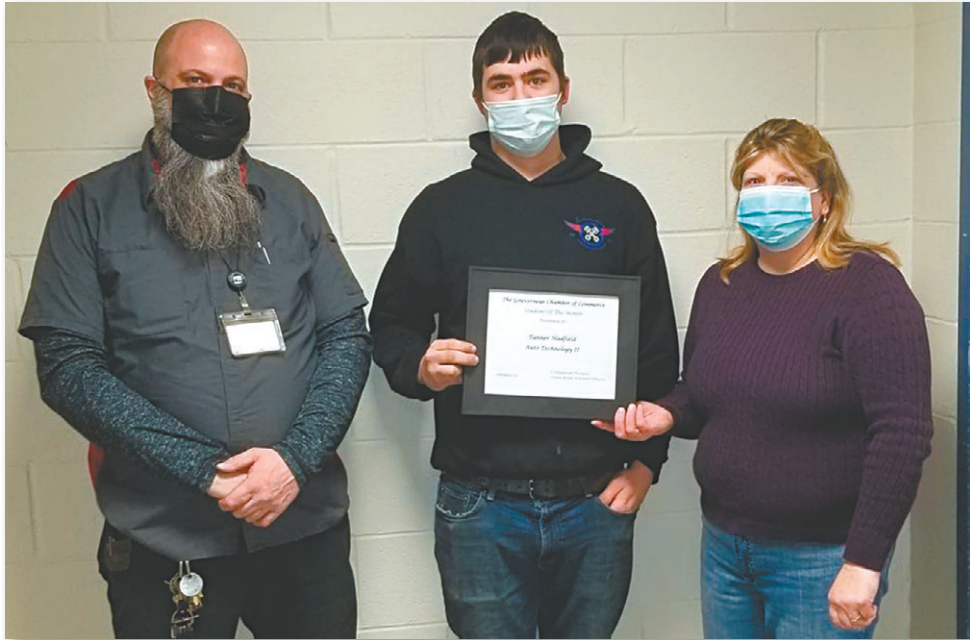
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Tanner Hadfield, center, accepts his student of the month award flanked by teacher Russell Stewart and his mom Daine

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Southwest Tech names February Student of the Month

GOUVERNEUR – BOCES Southwest Technical and Career Center announces the February Student of the Month, sponsored by the Gouverneur Chamber of Commerce.

Tanner Hadfield is the son of Diane and Thomas Hadfield and a senior at Harrisville Central School and is enrolled in the Auto Technology II Program.

“Tanner is an outstanding student academically and in the shop,” said his automotive technology teacher Russell Stewart. “Tanner cares about the jobs he is assigned and shows pride in his work and is always willing to help a fellow student and knows how to work hard. Tanner has the makings of an excellent employee and automotive tech.”

Career and tech education recognized in February

February is Career and Technical Education month.

CTE is education that helps prepare students for high-wage, high-demand jobs.

Nearly 95% of CTW students graduate. Of those who graduate, nearly 40% become employed and about 34% go on to attend college or advanced training.

This education covers so many different fields, including health care, culinary, technology and so many more.

At St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Southwest Tech in Fowler, 11 different programs are offered, according to officials. Northwest Tech, Ogdensburg, offers 13 programs, and Seaway Tech in Norwood offers 14 programs.

Education, from the classroom to certifications to work-based learning in the communities.

So, for the month of February celebrate a student that you know that sees the opportunity and potential CTE can do for them.

CTE by the numbers

CTE Participation Rate (Jrs/Srs participating from 18 districts)	48.3%
CTE Graduation Rate	94.84%
CTE Students with IEP/504	36.22%

As of 12/20 Post-Graduate Survey 2020 CTE Graduates who are:

Enrolled in College or Advanced Training	34.4%
Enlisted in Military	5.9%
Employed	39.9%
Seeking Employment	12.6%

*Based on 2019-20 CTE Data

Rotary names Seaway Tech January student of the month

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

She is a student in the Allied Health Program, from the Massena Central School District.

She is the daughter of William & Monica O'Brien.



O'Brien

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

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

This program also offers dual enrollment classes where students can earn college credits

upon successful completion of the program.

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

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

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

BOCES announces Seaway Tech honor students

NORWOOD -- The St. Lawrence Lewis BOCES Seaway Career and Technical Center has announced the students for the second quarter honor role for 2020-2021.

Allied Health: Hayleigh Armstrong, Jozalynn Campbell, Emma Clemo, Sophie Clothier, McKenna Currier, Alexis Cuthbert, Tsiakoserio David, Jade Fields, Sydney Graham, Laura Guimond, Hannah Hughes, Layla Johnson, Caleb Knowle, Lucas LaSiege, Emalyn Martin, Keira Moore, Samantha Munson, Emma O'Brien, Abeni Payne, Lauren Russell, Esther Shipman, Abigail Stiles, Noboni Sultan, and Emma Wells.

Auto Technology 1: Dakota Allen, Royas Barney, Kylie Baxter, Tyler Beamis, Dawson Cunningham, Derrik Fiacco, Leon Forbes, Jayden Grant, Neal Grant-Mossow, Andrew Johnson, Jared LaMora, Gavin Mackinnon, James McConkey III, Joshua Merrill, Rocco Perretta, Jasmin Razis, Anthony Rivera-Doman, Jestin Simpson, Brayden Stephenson, Andrew Ward, and Madison Weegar.

Auto Technology 2: Alexander Burg, Autumn Cryderman, Preston Farnsworth, Daniel Francis, Kendra Frary, Zachary Gilbert, John Guiney, Michael Keleher, Jenny LaMay, Devin LaRock, Connor McPherson, Matthew Phippen, Hunter Snyder, and Andrew Wright.

Auto Technology Asst 2: Cayden Bradley

Building Trades 1: Wyatt Colter, Daniel Dodds-Walters, Tad Eddy, Joshua Hal, Dylan Jock, Daven LaFaver, Daniel Manor III, Jayden Martinez, Carl Morris, Hailey Perry, Michael Planty, Owen Ruest-Hewlett, and Shawn Smith.

Building Trades 2: Ryan Avery, Casey Basford, Nicholas Chase, Jeffrey Crump, Ryan Frost, Eric Lashomb Jr., Nicholas Rayburn, Christopher Smith, Dakota Thompson, Matthew Vierno, and Joseph Weir.

Cosmetology 1: Joslynn Farnsworth, Catherine Henry, Justyce Kargoe, Kiah LaPradd, Jocelynn Love, Megan MacWilliams, Kitanna Newton, Alexis Newvine, Alexys Savage, Haley Stevenson, and Chelsey Varney.

Cosmetology 2: Chloe Best, Abigail Frary, Savannah Gauthier, William Gordon, Summer Joslin, Chloe Kelly, Wynter Langlois, Harley Razis, Hannah Reed, Haley Reom, Angela Smith, and Abigail Sochia.

Criminal Justice 1: Kaden Baxter, Tyler Bowles, Collin Bromley, Abigail Cary, Samantha Eurto, Cheyanne Giles, Kylee Kellison, Troy Lader, Gracie Manning, Mark McGrath, Korbyn Miller, Emily Monroe, Brianna Rogers, Ethan Ryan, Nichalis Tupper, and Skarlett Wilson.

Criminal Justice 2: Madison Arquiett, Stuart Ayers, Michael Baxter, Gavin Benson, Burton Chevier IV, Aidan Dailey, Kyton Deon, Steven DeRushia, Bryce Deshane, Peyton

Despaw, Reilly Donahue, William Frary, Tyler Friot, Mabelle Morehouse, Kady Newton, Cooper Rabideau, Alayna Rutledge, Tyler Svarczkopf, Joseph Tisdell, Shelby Vallance, and Derek Weston.

Culinary Arts 1: Amethyst Barber, Meredith Guyette, Rachel Major, Shelby Pierce, Maria Rodriguez, and Benjamin Rumble.

Culinary Arts 2: Julia Basford, Chantel Fifield, Kylie Gambaccini, Saydie Hally, Alexis Hippensteel, Tianna Jacobs, Meredith Jones, Noel Newton and Joeann Reed.

Culinary Food Service Asst 1: Marisa Dalton, Gabriel Phillips, and Myron Taylor Jr.

Education & Human Services 1: Olivia Chambers, Avery Collins, Sara Creighton, Pandora Gagliano, Kaitlin Harper, Lindsey Phippen, Katrina Sheffield, Aiyanna Walton, and Quinn Woodward.

Education & Human Services 2: Olivia Ashlaw, Victoria Bisnett, Haili Cartin, Josephine Condon, Jordan Hall, Harley Hanson, Aleesa Jarvis, Alexis LaBrake, Kenadee Love, Kiely Mattice, Hannah Pike, Ashley TeRiele, and Jordan White.

HVAC/R 1: Michael Carr, Ryan Emlaw, Derek Morrill, Caden St. Andrews, Conor Taillon, Aric Taylor, and Garrett Villnave.

HVAC/R 2: Michael Bolia Jr., Zachery Chapman, and Mackenzie Rookey.

Metalworking 1: Ryan Curtis, Chase Daniels, Kaleb Hamilton, Thomas Hopsicker, Mac LaPage, Jericko Oakes, Joshua Pete, and Chase Sheehan.

Metalworking 2: Norman Austin, Remington Charleson, Daryn Rourke-Square, and Benjamin White.

Multi Occupations 1: Colton Brothers, Ray Carpenter, Abigail Jandrew, Andrew Newton, Savannah Silva, Jeremy Slater, Lex Trim, and Jaden Villano.

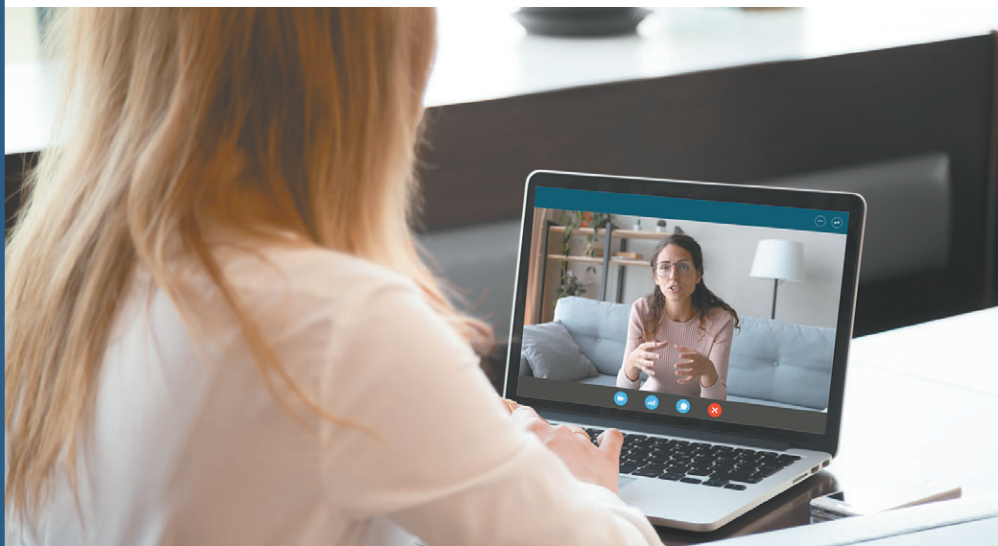
Multi Occupations 2: Ethan Besio-Kahrs, DaShaun Burnette, DeShaun Burnette, Shawn Gilson, Jacob McDougall, and Sondra Simmons-Cooper.

Natural Resource Management 1: Gary Donie, Damion Hally, Brennan Losey, Duncan O'Brien, Tyler Smutz, Nicholas Tebo, and Gavin Thompson.

Natural Resource Management 2: Hunter Blauvelt, Nathan Mille, and Hannah Northrup.

Software Development & Business Design 1: Haden Ashley, Madison Dettmer, Samantha Major, Raymond Miller Jr., and Luke Robar.

Software Development & Business Design 2: Samantha Foster, Patrick Furgison, and Addison Savage.



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Melinda Miller | Submitted

Skiing for Hospice

Colton-Pierrepont Central School students Allie LaShomb, Amanda Woods, Amber Erwin, and Savanna Smith recently skied for the Ski/Snowshoe-a-thon Hospice Challenge. The school's National Honor Society is organizing a virtual fundraiser for this year and runs through March 7th. For more information or to register visit www.hospiceslv.org.

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Recreation Pavilion open for public skating

CANTON — The Canton Village and Town Joint Recreation Committee has announced that the Recreation Pavilion is now offering several public skating opportunities.

Public skating will be open to a limited number of skaters and is subject to strict COVID precautions and protocols, including masks required at all times, physical distancing, no locker room use, and no food or drinks.

Complete guidelines and rules should be reviewed at <https://cantonny.gov/community/parks-recreation/canton-pavilion-ice-rink/>.

The schedule, beginning Saturday, Feb. 13, is:

Public skating Saturday evenings from 6 to 6:45 p.m. and 7 to 7:45 p.m.

Adult skating Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2 to 2:45 p.m., open to skaters 21 years of age and over.

Special school break daytime public skate (Monday, February 15 to Friday, February 19) Monday

through Friday 12 to 12:45 p.m. and 1 to 1:45 p.m. plus Monday, Wednesday and Friday 2 to 2:45 p.m.

Capacity is limited to 30 people and advanced sign-ups are required by calling the Recreation Department at (315) 386-3992 between 3 and 8 p.m. If there is no answer, please leave a message including a call-back number. All skaters 12 and under must wear a helmet, and must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Everyone entering the Pavilion will be required to undergo a COVID health screening and sign a risk and liability waiver. Those documents will be available at the rink, but to avoid crowding at the door they can be downloaded from the Canton website (link above) and completed before arriving. The Pavilion schedule is subject to change. With everyone's cooperation and compliance with the publicized rules, we hope to make skating an option for as many Canton skaters as possible.

Children's Museum to offer winter class series

POTSDAM — The North Country Children's Museum's winter class series begins on March 3 and runs for five consecutive weeks. The drop off, all-day programs are led by NCCM educators.

The cost is \$145 per session with a 10% discount for members. Contact the museum about scholarships.

The museum is located at 10 Raymond St. Email info@northcountrychildrensmuseum.org for more information.

Classes included:

- Art & Theater Wednesdays from 11-3:30 for Grades PreK- 3
- Circus Arts: Do you love the circus? Come create your own circus as you walk the balance beam, practice hula hooping, put on special performances. Create fun, circus inspired art projects and learn about famous

artists who loved the circus as much as you do.

- Music Thursdays from 11 a.m. from 3:30 p.m. for grades pre-k- kindergarten Hit it!
- Drumming: Kids will discover different percussive instruments and how to play them both traditionally and by thinking outside the box! We will explore rhythm and even how to make our own percussion instruments.

- Science Fridays from 11:00-3:30 for Grades 1- 5 Robotics: This class teaches students the basics of robotics. We'll build our own robots and apply what we learn to make them navigate obstacle courses and mazes. At the end, we'll get to meet some of the stars from Clarkson University's Robotics Lab and learn how they're solving real world problems.

Regional arts roundtable slated for Feb. 18

POTSDAM -- SLC Arts will be hosting their first Regional Arts Roundtable of the year, on Feb. 18, at 1 p.m. Panelists will discuss the importance of using social media to spread an organization's mission, engaging their audience, and utilizing specific tools to make social media usage efficient.

Panelists for the social media roundtable will be: Jenna Clute, Programs Coordinator at SLC Arts; Valerie Visser, owner and operator at Valerie Visser Photography; Xiuke Wei, Communications Director at TAUNY; Mary Harding, owner and artist at Mary Harding Jewelry; and Rebecca Weissman, Social Media Coordinator at the Orchestra of Northern New York.

SLC Arts modified their Regional Arts Roundtable last year. The new and improved Roundtable focuses on a specific topic, featuring a guest panel prepared to share informa-

tion, and answer questions. In lieu of completely open dialogue, participants will have an opportunity to listen to the panel's discussion response to pre-written topics, engage in meaningful conversation, and ask pertinent questions.

To join the panel discussion, register online at the SLC Arts website.

BRIEFLY

Ash Wednesday service

POTSDAM — The Potsdam United Methodist Church will offer a live online Ash Wednesday Service beginning at 7 p.m., Feb. 17. For more information or to join, please visit potsdamumc.org. The church also offers live online worship services every Sunday at 11 a.m. The Potsdam United Methodist Church is a reconciling church, and everyone is welcome.

New album from Claude and Ola Aldous

CANTON -- Experimental musicians Claude and Ola Aldous of Canton have released their second album, "vol," on the TQN-aut record label in England. The album features piano, voice, modular synthesizer, bowed banjo, and field recordings, in various combinations.

Ola Aldous earned her Bachelor of Music degree in piano performance at the Crane School of Music, where Claude studied electronic music composition for three years, in the midst of completing his undergraduate Psychology degree.

The two have performed improvised experimental and electronic music extensively, both as a duo and with their previous quartet, Figure From Ground. While the limited edition CD version of "vol" sold out on release day, the album can be streamed and digital copies can be obtained at <https://tqn-aut.bandcamp.com/album/vol>.

In addition to their sound practice, Claude and Ola also publish Deft Esoterica, an international periodical focused upon experimental music and sound art, which can be viewed at <https://deftesoterica.bandcamp.com/>.

Student juried art exhibit opens Feb. 27

OGDENSBURG — The Frederic Remington Art Museum's 2021 College Student Juried Art Exhibition will open on Saturday, Feb. 27.

The exhibit will be on view in the Museum's Richard E. Winter Gallery & Torrey Family Gallery and online at www.fredericremington.org. However, because of the ongoing need for social distancing, the opening reception will take place online via Zoom.

The public is invited to a special virtual reception on Saturday, February 27 from 2 to 3 p.m. The reception offers an opportunity to view the entire group of artworks in the show, and to talk with the artists and the juror. Those who would like to attend the virtual reception, email Laura Desmond at desmond@fredericremington.org

for a digital invitation.

The College Student Juried Art Exhibit is open to students at four area colleges and universities: Clarkson University, St. Lawrence University, SUNY Plattsburgh, and SUNY Potsdam. For this year's exhibition, juror Russell Dirks selected 53 works by 27 artists to be in the show, including paintings, drawings, prints, photographs, sculptures, and digital and mixed media works.

Juror Russell Dirks, based in Idaho, has been a professional illustrator, designer, and sculptor for the last 25 years. Working in a variety of mediums he has provided unique licensed work for such clients as Walt Disney, Lucas Film, the DC & Marvel Comics franchises and other familiar entertainment industries. With a strong foundation in traditional art skills, Russell incorporates old and newer technologies to create vivid works not only in his professional career but also in his studio work. Russell's work is as varied as it is passionate, from realistic representations to bold abstractions of color and shape.

Many of the student works on display in the Remington exhibit will be for sale. One third of the

proceeds benefits the Frederic Remington Art Museum, and two thirds go to the artists. In addition to the on site exhibition, the exhibit will be online at www.fredericremington.org and artworks may be purchased through the Museum's online shop.

The student artists in the exhibition are: Jocelyn Acosta, Martin Arquitt, Allison Arruda, Lindsey Baker, Alexa Barile, Sarah E. Brown, Maxwell Davis, Chris Falcon, Jada Flanagan, Mara Frisbee, Samantha Giambrone, Liv Gonia, Bennett Hight, Chloe Koegel, Alexis LaBarge, Kailey Maher, Elara Martin, Chloe McConnell, Jade Nguyen, Greta Nystrom, Shannon O'Brien, Charlie Patterson, Allison Perham, Jackie Reiss, Wanya (Wahn-yae) Simmons, Abigail Todd, and Krista Larock Wells.

The exhibition will be on display through Sunday, March 28.

The next opportunity for artists to enter a juried exhibit at the Museum is in the spring, for the 2021 Members' Juried Art Exhibit. That exhibit is open to any member of the museum. An artist who is not yet a Museum member may join when they enter their submissions.

Food distribution planned

NORFOLK — The Norfolk-Raymondville Food Pantry will hold its regularly scheduled monthly distribution Saturday, Feb. 20, from 9 until 11 a.m., at the Norfolk United Methodist Church, 9 W. Main St.

Social distancing and masks are required, as well as proof of address for those who have not participated since July, 2020.

The pantry provided enough food for 15 meals per family member, according to Food Bank of Central NY Guidelines.

Because of COVID restrictions, pantry workers will provide boxes

and bags for food, and deliver it to vehicles.

People are asked to load it into vehicles. Clients are asked to enter from the rescue squad side of the parking lot.

The church driveway will be exit-only. There will be three lanes—two for existing clients with cell phones—call the number on the lane sign to let us know you are here. The third lane is for new clients and folks without a cell phone.

Questions or emergency food requests may be addressed by calling 315-212-0520.

Canton thrift shop to open

CANTON — Church & Community Program's Second Chance Thrift Shop, 30 Court St., Canton, will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 19 and Feb. 26 only so that anyone who needs warm clothing can get it for free.

They will have an assortment of winter coats for adults and children, sweaters, hats, etc.

The store cannot accept any clothing donations. The shop is closed until sometime in spring when the COVID threat lessens.

"We don't have storage for donations and have asked repeatedly for people to not leave any. Since the shop is closed, and we lack storage, we just have to throw out what people leave at our door," an announcement from the store said.

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2. California's
3. Woodrow Wilson, March 1913
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New daily podcast from prof focuses on Black writers

POTSDAM — In honor of Black History Month, SUNY Potsdam Professor of English and Communication Dr. Derek C. Maus has launched a daily podcast series celebrating poetry and prose by Black authors.

"A Deeper Dive into African-American Literature" introduces listeners to Black writers and their works, with bite-sized daily video podcasts sharing information about their lives and selections from their poems, plays, essays, and novels. To catch up on the podcast, visit <https://people.potsdam.edu/mausdc/bhm/>.

The podcast series is hosted on YouTube, with Maus' narration accompanied by images and details on each author. Each episode clocks in under five minutes, making it easy for anyone to fit into their daily schedule. The podcasts are also archived at the website listed above so that listeners can catch up with the whole series at their convenience.

Law Enforcement Day goes virtual

CANTON -- SUNY Canton is continuing its Law Enforcement Day tradition by hosting four special-topic virtual discussions throughout the semester.

The series, hosted by the college's Center for Criminal Justice, Intelligence and Cybersecurity, is free and open to the public. The first event will be held at 12:30 p.m. Feb. 18 and will feature representatives from human trafficking victims advocate organizations and state agencies.

The panelists are:
Mary Armistead, an attorney for

the Trafficking Victims Program through The Legal Project in Albany.

Christine Battisti, the chief operations officer for the Crime Victims Assistance Center in Binghamton.

Carl Boykin, director of human trafficking prevention at the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services.

Katherine Kopita, a prosecutor with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of New York.

Marilyn Morey, public affairs specialist/community outreach coordinator with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of New York.

Renán Salgado from the Worker Justice Center of New York.

Jody Wheet, director of the National Center of Missing and Exploited Children's Mohawk Val-

ley field office.

The experts will touch on many topics that also are woven into SUNY Canton's new Forensic Criminology bachelor's degree program.

The curriculum focuses on the causes of crime and examines the complex factors that leave some individuals more vulnerable to human trafficking, as well as the dynamics that lead others to perpetrate it.

For more details about the series, and for information about joining the event via GoToMeeting, visit <https://www.canton.edu/led/>.

Upcoming panels will discuss technology used to uncover clandestine graves on Feb. 25, cybersecurity issues on March 18, and emergency management on April 8.

REVISITING OUR PAST



Potsdam

Winter Fun, 1937. The Normal School's toboggan slide on Pierrepont Avenue was built by the Civilian Conservation Corps. The course was 542 feet in length, "emerging upon the river bed." The chute's metal linking was considered to be an experiment, designed to protect tobogganers from side wall (wood) splinters. The sliding surface itself was made from ice blocks sawed from the river. (Photo courtesy of the Potsdam Public Museum.)

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Living Writers series begins

CANTON — SUNY Canton is continuing its Virtual Living Writers Series this spring with a diverse lineup of writers who offer unique perspectives on death, corporate America and gender power dynamics.

The first guest will be African-American author and NAACP Image Award recipient Sheri Booker, who will read excerpts from her dark comic memoir "Nine Years Under: Coming of Age in an Inner-City Funeral Home" at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24.

The second guest will be up-and-coming author Mateo Askaripour, who released his debut novel, "Black Buck," last month. He will appear at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 31.

The final Spring guest will be poet Chase Berggrun, author of "RED," a collection that is based on Bram Stoker's "Dracula." She will appear at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 5.

All events are free and open to the public. To find Zoom link information for all events, visit <https://www.canton.edu/writers/>.



Judy Fuhr | Submitted

Higley Flow trails open for skiing

Higley Flow State Park offers opportunities for free cross country skiing and snow shoeing on groomed trails. The park also has options for adults and children to learn to ski, rent equipment for \$7 a day, and enjoy a heated lodge when taking a break from the trails. Brent Bishop with family in tow.

Underground Railroad is subject of roundtable

CANTON — Jennifer DeBruin will present "The Underground Railroad in Northern NY and Lower Canada" as the topic of a virtual Civil War Roundtable hosted by the St. Lawrence County Historical Association (SLCHA) on Sunday, Feb. 21, at 2 p.m.

Though much is discussed about the Underground Railroad routes from the U.S. into Western Ontario, it is unfamiliar to some that along the St. Lawrence River there were a series of routes to bring Freedom Seekers into Canada. This presentation will include the history of the Underground Railroad, northern routes along the St. Lawrence River, and legends and lore that exist on

both sides of the border, which may help to uncover hidden stories.

This is a free online presentation using Zoom. RSVP by Saturday, February 20, at 4:00 p.m., by email (events@slcha.org), or phone (315-386-8133), to receive the login information.

SLCHA hours are Tuesday-Thursday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., and Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; closed Sundays and Mondays.

For more information about SLCHA and St. Lawrence County history, or to become a member, call 315-386-8133, e-mail info@slcha.org, or visit the website at www.slcha.org.

Free career counseling

CANTON — SUNY Canton graduates from any year can now receive free career counseling and resume assistance from SUNY Canton's Career Services office.

Consultations usually take about an hour and are conducted safely and virtually using Microsoft Teams or Google Meet.

Extended resume-building services were announced in preparation for the college's series of virtual spring career fairs, which will be held throughout the semester. The college anticipates that nearly 100 employers will recruit during the following meetups:

A fair designed specifically for students and graduates of the Canino School of Engineering Technology will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Feb. 23.

A fair for Nursing, Physical Therapist Assistant, Health and Fitness Promotion, Health Care Management, and Applied Psychology students and graduates will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 11.

A general recruiting fair open to employers seeking students or graduates from the entire college will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. April 15.

For more information, or to schedule a virtual appointment with Career Services, email careers@canton.edu.

BRIEFLY

Fish fry

CANTON -- Canton VFW Post 1231 Auxiliary will stage a fish fry pick-up on Friday, Feb. 19 at the Post on Gouverneur Street. The menu will consist of deep fried fish or baked fish, macaroni & cheese, coleslaw, dinner roll & dessert. All dinners will be the same, no substitutions. The cost will be \$11. To purchase a dinner call Joan Dox at 315-379-9643 on Wednesday, Feb. 17 and Thursday Feb. 18, between the hours of 2-5 p.m. All dinners will need to be pre-ordered. Upon arriving to pick up orders, stop at the side entrance to pay, then drive around the building to the back door. Orders will be handed to customers. Mask wearing is requested.

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NOTABLE

As part of her Better Together project, Brittney Bassett, Canton High School senior, recently installed a sign in Canton's Heritage Park encouraging people not to leave their trash behind. Grasse River Heritage is a non-profit organization that owns and maintains Heritage Park, Dwight Church Park, and the GRH Sculpture Garden. Photo submitted by Anneke Larrance.

Local students make the dean's list at SUNY Potsdam

POTSDAM -- The State University of New York at Potsdam recently named 245 students who excelled academically in the Fall 2020 semester to the College's Dean's List. Students on the Dean's list have a GPA between 3.25 and 3.49.

Local students named to the list include: From Potsdam, Qiong Qiong Bergmeier-Esterberg, Celeste Bienz, Ameen Conrad, Nathan Hunter, Samuel Kramer, Jeremy LaClaire, Matthew Booth, Cree Cordwell, Connor Newcombe, Kristi Pruitt, Taylor Scovil, Douglas Scoville-Upham, Emma Segnini, Abigale Shampine, Sarah Stone, Rebekah Tardif, Jordan Tishberg, Cameo Torres, and Megan Wemett.

Elijah Bulriss, Jesse Cunningham, Merrick Sinclair, and Andrew Zimmer all from Canton. And from Norwood: Martin Arquitt, Kaeonna Deshane, and Julia Reiter.

From Norfolk: Brooke Beaudoin, Kaitlyn Dominie, and Qaraline Guerard. And from Massena: Caitlin Fields, Emma Kormanyos, Nicole Silver and Stephen.

Other students include: Lindsey Baker, Lisbon; Abigail Duquette, Nicholville; Kari Hance and Autumn Thompson of De Kalb Junction; Lucas Hanss, Hannawa Falls; Taylor Harris and Cheyenne Planty both of Madrid; Victoria Scott, Heuvelton; Jared Morse, Richville; and Jennifer Lynch, Cheyenne Earlywine, Lisa Marie Lopez-Baez, all of Gouverneur.



Head Start | Submitted

Fun at Head Start in Canton

Elvin Norouzi Sani, 3, at Canton Head Start enjoying a hands-on "blubber experiment," learning how arctic animals stay warm. The Head Start program has openings at its centers throughout the county and in its home-based program. Children who turned 3 or 4 by Dec. 1, 2020 are eligible to apply. Both face-to-face and virtual programming are being offered at this time. For more information, call 315-386-8574 or email: hbcoord@slccd.org.

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Academic honors for locals

Utica College announced their academic honors for the fall 2020 semester including local students: Genevieve Close-Madore, and Erica Sloan, Potsdam; and Brittany Wilcox, Rensselaer Falls.

SLC students on dean's list

Cazenovia College recognizes students for their academic achievement during the Fall 2020 semester. Those named to the Dean's List have achieved a 3.5 or better GPA including: Janelle Brothers of Brasher Falls; and Allyson Laflair, Canton.

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Gardenshare recognizes the service of local food heroes

CANTON -- GardenShare honors 10 individuals and groups who were declared heroes by their peers and neighbors for their work in the local food system.

The heroes were recognized for their service during a week-long,

online celebration beginning on January 18, 2021.

The 2020 GardenShare Community Food Heroes are:

- Canton CDS Cafeteria Staff - keeping Canton children and families fed during the shutdown

- St. Patrick's Church of Colton and Colton UMC - preparing and distributing food for the Colton community

- Peggy McConeghy - sharing her CSA to spread local food love and lift spirits

- Canton UMC Free Will Dinner Team - maintaining a tradition of hot meals for all during a challenging time

- Flip Filippi - pivoting (or should we say flipping?) local food programming to a COVID safe virtual format while expanding food production at her farm

- littleGrasse Foodworks - a CSA

farm feeding their community with healthy food despite the pandemic

- Jeanna Matthews - a local arts promoter who got into #guerillagardening to share veggies

- Anna Campbell - going the extra mile to deliver food boxes to the Madrid community

- Michael Schuckers - a SLU professor who came to the aid of the food distribution programs and brought his whole family to help

- Therese Baxter - the heart and soul of Parishville Hopkinton's backpack program

"We are so very thankful for the leadership and contributions of

these Community Food Heroes. We're so glad to have been able to recognize these efforts and thank those who shared their stories," says Carol Smith Pynchon, GardenShare's Board President.

This year, GardenShare took a virtual approach to recognizing the fantastic efforts across St. Lawrence County, as the pandemic did not allow for a traditional award presentation. Community Food Heroes were honored via video submissions, which are available to view on the GardenShare website at <https://www.gardenshare.org/heroes> and on the GardenShare Facebook Page.

Students on dean's list at SUNY Canton

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

Students include: from Brasher Falls: Cora Burnett, Jordan Cartier, Parker Hornung, Dillon McCarthy, Madysen Michaud, Paige Monacelli, Alexis Ramsdell, Makenzie Taylor; Hailey Collins, Logan Reed, Calli Thomas, and Lindsey Toms all from Colton; ; Camryn Bullock and Joshua Lashua both of Edwards; Eric Thivierge, Fine; Jacob Forsythe, Jordyn Fuller, John Holt, Amy Horton, Christian Kingsbury, Joseph McIntosh, Michaela O'Riley, Michael Sears, Jenna Shippee, Nathaniel Tomford, and Johnathan Vanderbogart all

from Gouverneur; Jacob Mayette and Evan Ruddy both of Madrid; Austin Cadrette, Nathan Cota, and Cheali Kench all of Lisbon; Dylan Aumell, Hannah Brady, Jillian Breitbeck, Gabrielle Torres all of Norfolk; Elizabeth Arquette, Laura Jones, and Stephani Sherwood all of North Lawrence; Elizabeth Azar, Nichalos Burke, Alexis Jackson, Emily Kolanko, Hailey Lepage, Hailey Scovil, and Damion Taylor all of Norwood; Alec Knowles, and Eric Leroux, both of Parishville; Curtis Hitchman, Pyrites; Krystal Arce-neaux and David Hartman, both of Rensselaer Falls; Nicholas Jenkins, Richville; Valaree Hale and Virginia Surdez both of Russell; Brandi Boyce, South Colton; Michaelyn Hunter, Chase Sweeney, and Cole Sweeney both of Winthrop.

Colton native releases novel

COLTON -- Terry Fisher, a graduate of Colton-Pierrepoint Central School, has released his second novel.

"Sin-Eater (Cain Lake Series, #1)" is another novel set in northern New York on the edge of the Adirondacks.

The characters are located in the fictitious town of Stoneville, and the book contains drops of supernatural elements.

While everyone in town searches for a missing teen, a serial killer stalks the only man that can find her.

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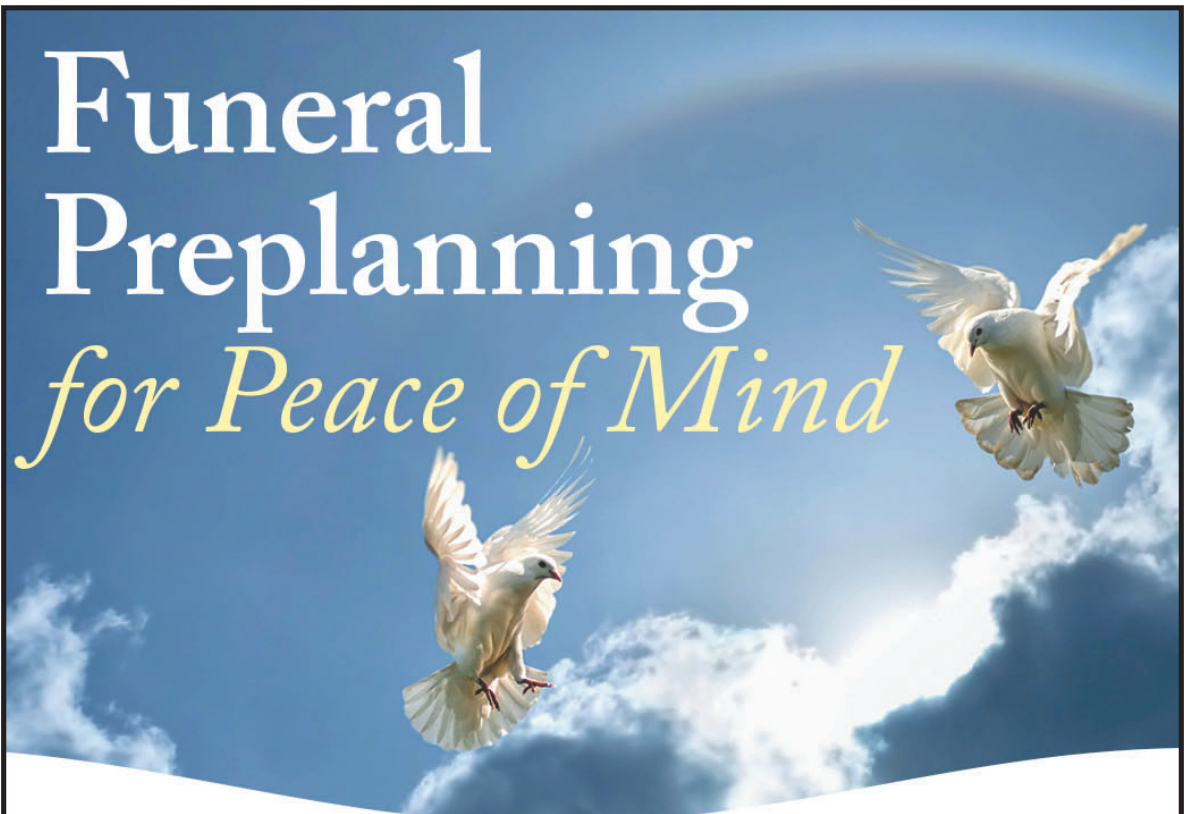
Cody will need to team-up with an unlikely ally to find her and the person who killed his wife.

Together, they'll face the Sin-Eater, but the ugly truth they reveal might be the real enemy," a summary of the books reads.

Sin-Eater is available in e-book or paperback format on all major platforms.

Visit www.terryfisherbooks.com to sign up for announcements for future books by the author.

Fisher lives in South Carolina with his wife, Michelle, and their son, Evan.



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On the president's list

CANTON – The following students have been named to the SUNY Canton President's List for the fall 2020 semester earning 3.75 or more.

From Canton: Christina Adams, Bailee Bessette, Hope Bishop-Myers, Jonah Black, Kelly Cougler, Ashley Dixon, Rebecca Driggers, Zachary Frank, Kristine Furgison, Mackenzie Harris, Joseph Mastro, Bailey Murray-Vierich, Jonathan Oakes, Enya Patterson, Lauren Premo, Madison Skopec, Emily Thacker, Ian Tut-hill, Angelina Vecchio, and Peter Xanthaky.

From Potsdam: Brooke Ayers, Charlotte Baldwin, Shelbie Baldwin, John Frick, Stormi Gardner, Alexis Hervin, Kiona Loran, John Meyers, Kattie Nanticoke, Nevaeh Rhodes-Phillips, Olivia Scott, Marisa Wood, Brenna Woods, and Erwin Zahler

Students from Gouverneur include: Conagher Buckmaster, Melissa Cruz, Keegan Fawcett, Lauren Frank, Jennifer Hay, Timothy Hillanbrand, Ashley Kelsey, Joseph

Love, Emily McGregor, Josh Miller, Antoinette Moon, Quincie Parker, Ty Reed, Daniel Whitton.

Others area students include: Eric Alan, Andrea Bonno, and Rebecca MacDougall, all from Colton; Zach Denesha, Mykailia-Leigh Fletcher and Francis Anson all of De Kalb Junction; and Jessey Gates from Edwards; Adria Faneli, Hammond; Cole Murray, Hannawa Falls; Mia Brown, Teresa Burnor, Hannah Grant, Brennan Harmer, and William Murphy of Madrid; Madison Austin, Nicholville; Cole Currier and Fisnik Hadzovic, from Norfolk; Noah Felix, North Lawrence; Jordan Burnett, Ethan Cragg and Michael Lashomb, all of Norwood; Brian Knowles, Parishville; Jeffrey Dollinger, Darcel Downing, Cayden Emerson, Savona O'Brien all of Rensselaer Falls; Ryan Besaw and Emily Burgess, Richville; Dylan Bradley, West Stockholm; Joshua D'Souza, Emily Deshane, Erik Hull, Grace Lyon, Chad Mason Jr and Hannah White all of Winthrop.

On the honor roll at Parishville-Hopkinton

PARISHVILLE – The Parishville-Hopkinton Central School announces the honor roll for the second quarter of 2020-2021 school year.

7th grade honors: Matthew Barr, Sophia Bruno, Alanna Monroe and Jordan Perry

7th grade high honors: Eliza Colbert, Makayla Collins, Luxi Hayes, Chloe Molella, Jacob Phippen and Allie Snell

8th honors: Cameron Andrus, Rebecca Collins, Emma Malette, Kamryn Palmer, Dayna Sullivan, Aurn Vangellow, Alyssa Ward, Taya Whitehill, and Jonathan Wilkes

8th grade high honors: Lilianna Clark-Vallance, Taylor Murray, Emma Phippen, Ava Smith, and Bailey Warren

9th grade honors: Brayden Cutler, Julia Ellison, Kelsey Farnsworth, Camden Hazen, Aryanna Jordon, Samantha Kearney, Andrew Newton, and Noah Phippen

9th grade high honors: Madelynn Barr, Kiersten Gardner, Dahlia Liebfred, Luke Phippen, Jack Snell,

Jordon Snell, Julian Wenzel, and Nathan White
10th grade honors: Edward Browne, Kailey Crump, Brianna Parker, Cassia Sago, Gavin Sheldon, Kayleigh Sheldon, and Emma Young

10 grade high honors: Sharon Colbert, Marygrace Guiney, Kylie Kirk, Jacob Martin, Indigo Pease, Jacob Perry, Natalie Snell, and Nicholas Snell

11th grade honors: Ilona Baker, Samantha Eurto, Matthew Fisher, Kade Hayes, Cassandra James, Conor Taillon, Aric Taylor, and Rylee Wells

11th grade high honors: Susan Baldwin, Leland Blevins, Avery Collins, Melody Hannon, Megan MacWilliams, Audrey McGill, Annika McIntosh, Cassidy Phippen, Lawson Snell, and Megan Taylor

12 grade honors: Sophie Clothier, Desirae Malone, Carson McCargar, Abigail Sochia, Brandon Wilkes, Courtney Wilson, and Andrew Wright

12 grade high honors: Stuart Ayers, Emma Bloom, Kelly Bloom, Caleb Knowles, and Peyton Snell

Named to honor roll at Colton-Pierrepont

COLTON -- Colton-Pierrepont Central named the following students to the honor roll for the second quarter:

5th and 6th grade: Johnny Andrews-Perry, Ava Anson, Molly Beaulieu, Kendyl Burcume, Kaleb Cantwell, Wade Caskinett, Shea Charleson, Joslyn Cole, Kallie Cole, Paisley Cole, Kayden Dow, Ethan Erdner, Hailey Fifield, Carli Friedel, Audrey Higham, Abigail Hoose, Kayleigh Kenyon-Larmore, Joseph Kraszewski, Tyler Kraszewski, Journey LaPage, Madison LaRose, Hayley McNamara, Madison McNamara, Cohen Moore, Emmitt Murray, Allen O'Riley, Cedric Phillips, Lucas Poste, Margaret Powell, Zoe Powell, Aidan Revet, Brooke Robert, Olivia Schwartzfigure, Alexander Seymour, Madisyn Skiff, Mason Smith, Joshua Stone, Sierra Thomas and Aubree VanBrocklin.

High school honor students: Katie Bartlett, Brienne Basford, Carter Brown, Jozalynn Campbell, Landree Chamberlain, Ariana Clark, Morgan Cole, Skyler Crocie, Alexis Cuthbert, Shiloh DeGray, Christopher Edwards, Amber Erwin, Joshua Erwin, Joseph Fisher, Allysa Fleury, Cody Francis, Hailey Friedel, Alexis Garcia, Alexa Gilbert, Sydney Graham, Christopher Hall, Joshua Hall, Katherine Hanifan, Kiana Hogle, Malia Hogle, Aiden Hoose, Anna Hoose, Kaitlyn Houston, The-

odore Hughes, Jaeleigh Jacot, Layla Johnson, Ambree Jones, Kendall LaMora, William LaPierre, Logan LaShomb, Mya Lamieux, Alannah Long, Matilyn Lovely, Emma Matthe, Mark McGrath, Ashley McKinley, Zoe McLean, Ryan Munn, Abeni Payne, Owen Peacock, Mika Phillips, Callie Richards, Luke Robar, Noah Rousell, Jaedyn Rutledge, Michael Schwartzfigure, Mya Sevey, Abigail Smith, Savanna Smith, Christopher St. Andrews, Ashley Stone, Skyler Thomann, Tristin Thomas, Cian Trimm, Cody Trimm, Isabelle Vaccaro, Sadie Williams, Amanda Woods, Ashleigh Woods and Connor Wright.

High school honor students: Tanner Adair, Harlee Besio, Cole Blackmer, Neil Brown, Natalie Butterfield, Emma Clemo, Riley Cole, Jameson Cota-Giordano, Hailey Delaney, Ty Farns, Isaiah Favor, Mackaylae Fisher, Dalton Francis, Eric Friedel, Jack Garcia, Ian Graham, Damion Hally, Saydie Hally, Nathan Huckle, Elijah Johnson, Alexandra LaShomb, Nathaniel Lemieux, Makena McCarthy, Lillian McNamara, Hayley Murray, Wyatt Paulette, Emma Pitcher, Teagan Planty, Evan Poste, Jenna Regan, Ryelee Rutkauskas, Matthew Scharfigure, Eva Sevey, David Seymour, Christopher Smith, Cassidy Stone, Hayden Todd, Ethan VanBrocklin, Hunter Wagner and Jace Worden.



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Also, in an effort to assist several local charities through the challenges of 2020, NAM made significant donations and pledges to several organizations in our marketplace. Our goal was and continues to be to give back to our local communities, through annual support of charitable groups and organizations.


Meanwhile, we remain optimistic, as we look forward to 2021, and hope for a return to full health and normalcy throughout the country. We will continue to serve the North Country marketplace via our three offices, Canton, Brushton and Plattsburgh, and will be totally dedicated to our mission of "Building Wealth Through Discipline."

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SUNY Potsdam lists local students who made the president's list

The State University of New York at Potsdam recently named 1,046 students to the President's List, in recognition of their academic excellence with a GPA of 3.4 or higher in the Fall 2020 semester.

Area students on the list include, from Potsdam: Marie Amell, Rainar Anderson, Natalie Ayers, Jessi Blackmer, Luke Boyle, Breanna Cardinal, Kristy Coyle, Elizabeth Deschaine, Taner DuFault, Saydie Eggleston Ryan Ellingsworth, Hailey Ellis, Grace Favreau, Jacob Fisher, Brianna Hammond, Tyler Hammond, Ahmed Hmyene, Kayla Jacques, William Jadlo, Donald Johnson, Joey Lashomb, Makenzie Martin, Yesenia Melendez, Raymond Monette, Patrick Nason, Keenan O'Gorman, Kristen Parker, Mary-

jane Plastino, Alexandra Quinn, Brynne Reid, Emilee Smith, Gideon Smith, Destiny Sokolowski, Emma Thomas, Allen VanAtter, and Ashley Walter.

From Canton: Jonathan Carls, Olivia Cole-Berry, Meghan Conklin, Kayla Covey, Abbigail Dent, Saira Herrera, Anna Ladouceur, Preston Santimaw, Charlie Sarkioglu, Elizabeth St Andrews, and Maria Wisniewski.

Brandon Beattie, Taylor Bond, Anneke Chudzinski, Brandi Delosh, Emily Jarvis, Sici Kahrs, Cortney McDonald, Shannon McDonald, Connor McGinnis, and Madison McLean all of Norwood. Norfolk students include: Lacey Bosjolie, Karli Clark, Alyssia Simons, Reanna Taylor.

From Madrid: Josh Barkley, Zoey

Flanagan, Marissa Johnston, Kerry Mayette, Olivia Rubin, Alexis Sullivan, Michael Wells. And from Wad- dington: Jenna Marcellus, Alexis Rivera, Jake VanHouse, Alexis VanPatten.

From Gouverneur: Shelbie Alguire, Jeneca Cook, Nazzarena Easton, Kylie Helvie, Emily Morse, Shea-Marie Mussaw, Kate Rushlo,

Christopher Stannard, Ashley Stowell, Fallyn Strawder, Melody Webster, and Catie Yablonski

From North Lawrence: Josphine Beck, James Gardner, Deven Leggett, and Shane Murphy. And from Winthrop: Breanna Anderson, James Farrell, and Marissa, Kelley McKenna Daoust and Felicity Sarsfield from Brasher Falls and Kaylee

Wood and Michael Carlisle from Nicholville.

Other students include: Saphier Hally, Nicolas Ryan and Tanner Wilson, Colton; Melida Carr, DeKalb Junction; Makayla Bacon, Willo Frizzell, Emma Gotham, Haven Gotham all of Edwards; Olivia Collins and Brooke Hayes, Parishville, and Rachel Vachev, Richville.

Local students make honor's program

POTSDAM -- SUNY Potsdam recently accepted 58 students into its rigorous Honors Program.

The program offers highly motivated students the benefits of small classes and excellent professors, with special opportunities to pursue advanced independent projects. Incoming first-year students with high school GPAs of 95 or higher are invited to join, as are second-semester students or transfer students with at least 13 credit hours completed and GPAs of 3.5 or higher.

The following area students in the program include: Jacob Fisher, and Brynne Reid both of Potsdam; Madison McLean, Norwood; Elizabeth St. Andrews, Canton; and Alexis Sullivan of Madrid.

Kiwanis plans to honor hospital staff

POTSDAM -- The Potsdam Kiwanis Club plans to honor the essential COVID-19 staff of the Canton-Potsdam Hospital for "their meritorious and unselfish dedication providing exceptional and outstanding care to hospitalized COVID-19 cases," said a recent announcement from the club.

Donations from Walmart and Pizza Hut of Potsdam aided in providing small Valentine boxes of candy and nourishing pizzas to be sent to the CPH Covid-19 Unit staff from Feb. 12 through Feb. 16.

During the pandemic, the Potsdam Kiwanis Club members not only have projects providing services to local children, but in addition, chose their February project to recognize and honor staff of the Canton-Potsdam Hospital Covid-19 Unit.

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Potsdam man on dean's list
Wheaton College student Richard Brown of Potsdam was named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2020 semester. To earn Dean's List honors at Wheaton, an undergraduate student must carry 12 or more credit hours and achieve a 3.5 grade point average or higher on the 4.0 scale.

Free career counseling, resume assistance offered

CANTON -- Graduates from any year can now receive free career counseling and resume assistance from SUNY Canton's Career Services office.

SUNY Canton staff decided to expand services to help those who are seeking new career opportunities for alumni of all ages -- from recent graduates looking to start their first post-college job, to those who have retired and are looking to re-enter the workforce.

The team of career professionals said consultations usually take about an hour and are conducted safely and virtually using Microsoft Teams or Google Meet.

The digital platforms were a driving factor in extending services because job seekers no longer have to be on campus to attend in-person sessions.

Extended resume-building services were announced in preparation for the college's series of virtual

spring career fairs, which will be held throughout the semester.

The college anticipates that nearly 100 employers will recruit during the following meetups:

A fair designed specifically for students and graduates of the Canino School of Engineering Technology will be held from 1-4 p.m. Feb. 23.

A fair for Nursing, Physical Therapist Assistant, Health and Fitness Promotion, Health Care Management, and Applied Psychology students and graduates will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 11.

A general recruiting fair open to employers seeking students or graduates from the entire college will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. April 15.

For more information, or to schedule a virtual appointment, email careers@canton.edu.



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'Love Local' gift cards

Every gift card purchased on www.ShopSTLC.com earns businesses a matching grant thanks to generous support from NBT Bank and the Alcoa Foundation. Since the "Love Local Gift Card Bonanza" began Feb. 5, almost \$5,000 in gift cards have been sold, injecting \$10,000 into small businesses in four days, reports the chamber. Above, Dallas Sutton and Amy Page from NBT present Brooke Rouse of the chamber with a \$2,000 contribution towards the Love Local Gift Card program.

Kinney Drugs raises \$52,000 for heart association

GOUVERNEUR -- In 2020, Kinney Drugs earned special recognition from the American Heart Association as the #1 National Wear Red Day® Fundraiser.

The employee-owned company raised \$52,000 through its in-store fundraising campaign.

In addition, Kinney Drugs and the Kinney

Drugs Foundation were recognized with a regional Corporate Leadership Award.

The award was presented for "...exemplary support of, and involvement with, the mission of the American Heart Association over at least five years."

The first Friday of February is Wear Red Day®, the American Heart Association's national cam-

paign that encourages employees in businesses across the U.S. to wear red and donate \$5 to help fight heart disease in women.

For its 2020 campaign, Kinney employees, customers, partners, vendors, and the general community donated \$52,000 in critical funds for research and people living with heart disease and stroke.

Gov. Cuomo proposes legalized pot regulations

Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo has announced a proposal to legalize and create a comprehensive system to oversee and regulate cannabis in New York as part of the 2021 State of the State.

Under the governor's proposal, a new Office of Cannabis Management would be created to oversee the new adult-use program, as well as the state's existing medical and cannabinoid hemp programs.

Additionally, an equitable structure for the adult-use market will be created by offering licensing opportunities and assistance to entrepreneurs in communities of color who have been disproportionately impacted by the war on drugs. Once fully implemented, legalization is expected to generate more than \$300 million in tax revenue, the governor's office said.

"Despite the many challenges New York has faced amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, it has also created a number of opportunities to correct longstanding wrongs and build New York back better than ever before," Governor Cuomo said.

"Not only will legalizing and regulating the adult-use cannabis market provide the opportunity to generate much-needed revenue, but it also allows us to directly support the individuals and communities that have been most harmed by decades of cannabis prohibition."

In 2018, the Department of Health, under Cuomo's direction, conducted a multi-agency study which concluded that the positive impacts of legalizing adult-use cannabis far outweighed the negatives. It also found that decades of cannabis prohibition have failed to achieve public health and safety goals and have led to unjust arrests and convictions particularly in communities of color, the governor's office said.

SeaComm donates \$150,000 to hospitals in northern NY

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

The \$25,000 contributed to the Canton-Potsdam Hospital Foundation (CPH) will be used to support local healthcare workers as they care for north country residents during the ongoing pandemic.

"For decades, the St. Lawrence

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

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

Locally, SeaComm operates branches in Massena, Potsdam, Canton and Ogdensburg.

Legal studies program in top 10

CANTON — SUNY Canton's Legal Studies program was included in a top 10 best value list for online bachelor's degrees in paralegal studies, said a press release issued by the college.

The Online Paralegal Degree Center created the ranking using out-of-state tuition, 20-year return on investment, and graduation rate. SUNY Canton has the lowest tuition of the colleges to make the list.

The college has an agreement allowing students to earn a Bache-

lor of Science in Legal Studies and a Juris Doctorate from the University at Buffalo School of Law in six years. The streamlined path cuts a full year off of the education necessary to become a lawyer and is one of the most affordable routes to a law degree available.

Legal studies is primarily taught by full-time faculty members Professor Jondavid S. Delong, who is also a St. Lawrence County attorney, and Lecturer Rosemary Phillips, a former town justice.

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needed to allow for play. Schools are reaching out to municipal rinks to determine when the ice seasons are ending. If municipal rinks close in mid-March, that could make it hard to hold a hockey season. However, nothing is set in stone at this time. "It my understanding is that a few rinks that may close in the third week of March. The districts are working individually with alternative practice venues," St. Lawrence Lewis BOCES Communications Director Rebekah Mott said. In Ogdensburg, Public Works Director Shane Brown said the plan is to keep the Lockwood Arena open through the end of March. However financial restrictions could play a factor if weather is uncooperative and ice rentals decline. He said that with a reduced schedule due to fewer teams playing each other the season should be doable in that time frame. Although basketball doesn't require ice, it has its own logistical issues. Many more schools offer basketball so determining the schedule for games and who will play who is a bit more complicated. While all plans are tentative, schools are looking at keeping games between schools with a 30-minute travel radius, but that could be tweaked in the case of hockey as fewer teams are available to play each other. The move is designed to reduce bus times, which could help limit the spread of COVID-19. "Districts are doing tentative schedules at the end of this week," Mott said. "We still have schools that are sorting out their logistics." Bus drivers have also been in short supply for districts throughout the county during the pandemic as exposures can force drivers to quarantine even if they don't test positive for COVID-19. Efforts are being made by the schools to limit any further strain on the driver shortage. The season is scheduled to kick off on March 1 and end March 31 but Mott says some schools may end on March 21 to avoid overlapping athletes and coaches in facilities. "Districts are looking to schedule match-ups for Basketball to be around 30 minute radius. Hockey may be a little longer given the location of the schools districts," she said.

Risk and testing

Details on whether or not Section 10 districts will require testing sports are still up for debate. While some believe the rapid testing that would be used could help reduce risk of transmitting COVID-19, issues regarding the accuracy of such tests could lead to false negative, or in rarer cases false positive tests. If some schools opt for testing while others do not, that could impact the schedule of which teams play each other during the season, but again nothing has been finalized. Although local public health officials acknowledged that sports seasons will increase risk, they have issued guidelines to minimize exposure for the majority of students, who will not be participating in sports. "Contact sports increase the risk of COVID-19 transmission. If schools and other organizations, athletes, and their parents/guardians choose to resume higher risk sports, they must do so in a safe manner and give considerable thought to prevent the spread of COVID-19. We must work collaboratively during this pandemic to ensure that our athletes have the opportunity to participate in athletics safely," St. Lawrence County

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Rebekah Mott
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Public Health Director Dr. Dana Olzenak McGuire said.

DISTRICT...

The services are also expected to supply the proposed LC Drives electric motor plant which will be located in the district as well. Project planner Kevin Feuka of the local engineering firm C2AE, told the board that when planning began for the districts initially several years ago as a way to spark economic development along the Route 56 corridor, LC Drives was not initially a consideration. However, as the firm has grown, the ability to provide town water and sewer services to the company at a new plant which will provide jobs for the region was "icing on the cake." "They reported to us that their growth is stronger than originally projected," Feuka said. "They are ahead in their projections on demand and orders that come in to LC Drives (for their) motors. They are at a staffing level where they need to look for building space in some form or fashion." Feuka said the firm estimates that they need a building of about 30,000 square feet of space initially. He said LC Drives, with their current customer orders for motors, needs to either expand their space at their current location on the Clarkson campus, or, "preferred," construct their new building on Route 56. "So I think that's good news and a good challenge we have to meet," Feuka said. Feuka said the firm wants to start construction on the new facility sometime this year with plans to move into the new building by spring 2022. "It puts a little more onus on us to advance the project as reasonably well as we can, which, actually with the schedule that I have laid out, will help with the advantage that we don't miss any more time," Feuka said. The engineer said the town should plan to have the water district construction project go out to bid for contractors sometime next winter. "It's an aggressive schedule but we are prepared to meet it," he said. The town will be working with several contractors to handle

the environmental work that is required before construction can begin, things like wetlands delineation and archeological surveys. Topographic mapping will begin as soon as the snow clears this year. Design work will be through this spring and summer to get things ready for bidding by the first of the year. The total cost of the sewer district project approved by the board at the Feb. 9 meeting is not to exceed \$5,511,000. The total cost of setting up the water district is not to exceed \$4,802,000 according to the resolution passed by the board. About \$4.78 million in grants and loans from USDA Rural Development will help pay for the project. Other grant funding is expected to be available now that the districts have been voted on by residents and officially formed by the town. Once complete, one or two family households located within the sewer district will pay \$810 per year for the service. One or two family households located within the water district will pay \$457 per year for that service. For details on specific district boundaries, view the official resolutions at <https://potsdamny.us/government/rt-56-water-sewer-districts.html> on the town website. Roger Linden, the attorney contracted by the town to handle the legal work of setting up the district and to serve as the project's bond counsel, told the board at the Feb. 9 meeting, that he would present two bond resolutions at the town board meeting March 9. The bond resolutions will allow the town to borrow money from a commercial lender for the interim funding necessary to pay for construction prior to grant funding be leveled against the cost, the attorney said.

COVID...

She says all residential students, students living within 15 miles of campus, anyone with a reason to be on campus and/or those in applied learning experiences like student teaching must all be tested weekly. Additionally, any students who are close contacts of someone who tests positive or any students who report symptoms are tested through Student Health Services. All employees who report to campus for work, even if it's only one day a week, must also be tested weekly. Clarkson University has moved to "Red Alert Level 1" which means the school has shifted all classes to fully remote and all athletic contests are on hold. On Feb. 10 Clarkson announced they would be pivoting to remote learning. "Today we have had 18 new positive test results for COVID-19 from our community members and 15 cases were reported yesterday,"

Clarkson VP for External Relations Kelly Chezum said in a statement on the universities webpage. "Of the recent positive cases, we know some are inclusive of people already in quarantine from previous exposure," she said. "We also have new cases of unknown origin at this time which we need to support further contact tracing and disinfecting protocols."

Canton Colleges

Although Canton as a whole is well below Potsdam in total case numbers, the colleges there are seeing active cases. In Canton, SLU has two active cases among students and three among staff. SUNY Canton reports 14 cases among students and two among staff.

STIMULUS...

"The federal stimulus package is going to be a really big factor on our school budget," she said. She said one major expected increase is related to special education. She said it is expected costs there will rise by more than \$400,000.

She said a "bright spot" is that employee benefit costs, which are a large portion of the budget, are not likely to rise as much as they have in previous years. "And of course the tax cap impacts how much local revenue we can raise," Chambers said. "That's always going to be a factor and that's a calculation we have to do each year." She said the proposed increase of just over \$60,000 in state aid is a "drop in the bucket" for a school budget the size of Potsdam Central. Chambers said all three building principals have requested funding for summer programming that will help students who have fallen behind over the past year. The superintendent said she expects there to be a budget gap, but is unsure at this time as to how large that may be. The Board will likely be asked to approve the spending plan at its April 19 meeting. A public hearing on the budget is set for May 11. The budget vote would take place May 18. To watch the entire meeting, go to <https://tinyurl.com/1likwyjg>

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PRODUCTION OPERATORS wanted in Ogdensburg. The successful candidate will be responsible for packaging finished products as well as other tasks assigned by the production supervisor. Must be capable of lifting up to 55 pounds while stacking on pallets. Must be able to operate a forklift and other manufacturing equipment. Position will require rotating shifts monthly. Wage ranges from \$17.00 to \$20.89 per hour. Interested applicants may drop resume off to; 110 Denny Street or email kim@hoosiermagnetics.com.

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Recovery Coach/Peer:

The individual chosen for this position will demonstrate an understanding and belief in the recovery process, Recovery Oriented Systems of Care, and be strengths-based. A Recovery Coach will be able to engage peers and visitors at assigned worksite in constructive conversations about personalized recovery goals while sharing their story as a tool to empower the individual to see hope for their future. Recovery Coaches will have an excellent understanding of the principals of recovery coaching, as explored in the Connecticut Center for Addiction Recovery's (CCAR) Recovery Coach Academy. The candidate will understand the power of language and use current and stigma-free language in the workplace and while



Assistant Professor Civil and Environmental Engineering

The Canino School of Engineering Technology at SUNY Canton invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position in Civil and Environmental Engineering Technology starting Fall 2021 semester. The intended rank is Assistant Professor other ranks considered.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

The successful candidate will teach and advise students in the Civil Engineering Technology A.A.S. and Civil & Environmental Engineering Technology B.Tech. programs. The position will serve the needs of multiple programs, including Mechanical Engineering Technology, Engineering Science, and Mechatronics. The successful candidate will have the ability to teach lectures and labs (face-to-face, online) in Statics and Strength of Materials, Surveying, Hydraulics, Soils, and electives in transportation, construction, and geotechnical courses. Other responsibilities include the recruitment and retention of students, participation in program/course development and the formal assessment of student learning, development of a program of scholarship, and involvement in faculty committees and other campus service.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

A Master's degree in Civil Engineering or a related field is required.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

A doctoral degree in engineering or related discipline from a regionally accredited institution. A professional engineering license. Strong skills in engineering applications, a demonstrated work history in engineering-related jobs.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: open until filled; application review begins immediately.

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working with peers on an individualized basis. A solid understanding of community resources in the Northern Economic Zone desired. A Recovery Coach will understand and embrace the concept of multiple path-

ways to recovery fully, be familiar with a variety of them, and be willing to learn about more as time goes on. Employment Standards: Minimum of a high school diploma or equivalency • Knowledge of basic crisis

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Assistant Professor Mechanical Engineering

The Canino School of Engineering Technology at SUNY Canton invites applications for a tenure-track faculty position in Mechanical Engineering Technology and Mechatronics starting Fall 2021 semester. Intended rank is Assistant Professor other ranks considered.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

The successful candidate will teach and advise students in the Mechanical Engineering Technology A.A.S. and B.Tech. programs and in the Mechatronics Technology, B.S. program. The position will serve the needs of multiple programs, with machine design, instrumentation and controls, and robotics as the fundamental focus, but expertise in CNC, fluid mechanics, and fluid power will also receive consideration. Classes may be face-to-face or online and include lectures and labs in the related discipline. Other responsibilities include the recruitment and retention of students, participation in program/course development and the formal assessment of student learning, development of a program of scholarship, and involvement in faculty committees and other campus service.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

A Master's degree in Mechanical Engineering, Engineering Technology, or a related field is required.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

A doctoral degree in engineering or related discipline from an accredited institution. A professional engineering license. Strong skills in engineering applications, a demonstrated work history in engineering-related jobs.

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Nursing Lecturer

The Margaret Sovie School of Nursing at SUNY Canton is seeking a full-time Clinical Lecturer to teach in the clinical and skills laboratory setting for the pre-licensure nursing programs. Clinical experiences are at area hospitals, long term care facilities, and health care facilities.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Clinical and skills laboratory instruction using criterion referenced methods of evaluation; collaboration on course content, implementation, and evaluation; maintain an effective relationship with clinical sites; participate in curriculum development and revision; maintain clinical expertise; participate fully in the Nursing Department and its activities.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

Bachelor's degree in nursing or proof of enrollment and progression toward a Bachelor's degree in nursing. Must possess a valid, unencumbered RN license in New York State, and the American Heart Association Healthcare Provider BLS for Adults, Infant, and Child. Outstanding interpersonal communication skills.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

Two or more years of experience in clinical nursing practice and teaching.

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Assistant Librarian

SUNY Canton seeks a full-time (12-month) Instruction & Outreach Librarian to provide a range of academic librarian services to students and the campus community. The Instruction & Outreach Librarian will focus on initiatives that increase student access and engagement as well as collaborate and network with the campus community. This person will have an outward-facing role in promoting the Library Learning Commons and will work to maintain a welcoming and inclusive learning environment.

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- Providing library orientation and training to new students, faculty, and staff
- Developing and delivering classes on use of the library and its resources
- Supporting student retention through targeted outreach to the campus and our diverse student body.
- Leading student engagement efforts for the Library Learning Commons
- Collaborating with campus departments to ensure compliance with campus-wide and system-wide accessibility standards
- Acting as liaison to specific academic departments, including collection development and support for the integration of Open Educational Resources into courses
- Providing reference and patron service both virtually and at specified service points
- Engaging with the campus community by participating in campus governance and committees

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Master's degree in Library or Information Science from an ALA-accredited program (those completing a degree by June 2021 are encouraged to apply)
- Demonstrated proficiency in customer service through engaging and interacting with patrons.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Experience with instructional technologies and support for in-person, blended, and remote/online learning.
- Demonstrated ability to develop, promote, and assess outreach projects and activities
- Awareness of accessibility guidelines and how they relate to libraries and library resources
- Evidence of professional initiative and flexibility

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intervention and motivational interviewing skills preferred •Completion of CCAR's Recovery Coach Academy •Completion of CCAR's Ethical Considerations •Completion of CCAR's full suite of trainings within one year of hire •Certified Recovery Peer Advocate- Provisional or Full preferred. Job Duties: Provide on-call recovery coaching for members of SVPC and/or designated worksite as requested •Provide education to peers on the recovery process and resources available to them, including but not limited to Family Support Navigator •Collaborate with Assessment and Referral Coordinator to ensure that peers connect with services including but not limited to housing, vocational services, benefits, and treatment •Obtain necessary releases of information as needed, abide by the Health Insurance and Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), federal, state, and confidentiality law •Provide members with one-on-one recovery coaching sessions to help them meet their own goals as they pertain in their recovery •Complete all required documentation promptly and in a manner congruent with billable service provision standard •Collaborate and communicate effectively and respectfully with members of SVPC/ St. Lawrence County/St. Lawrence Health Systems staff to ensure that information is shared as needed •Attend all staff meetings and trainings when requested to do so, worksite schedule permitting •Complete 500 hours of peer-to-peer work to obtain a CRPA certification within one year of hire date. EEO, excellent salary and benefits. Submit resume and cover letter to Kathryn Favaro, The Valley Recovery Center, 206 Ford Street Suite 301, Ogdensburg, NY 13669 or via email to kfavaro@svpc.net by **FEBRUARY 22, 2021**.

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Nursing Instructor

The State University of New York (SUNY) at Canton invites qualified applicants for a full-time, tenure-track position in the Nursing Department, to begin September 2021. The Department of Nursing has a practical nursing certificate program, an AAS nursing program, an RN-BS online program, and a dual-degree (AAS/BS) program. All of these programs are ACEN accredited. Salary is commensurate with experience. Excellent benefits and a great work environment.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Conduct didactic, laboratory, and clinical instruction; plan and participate in program, department, college and university activities; prepare instructional and learning guides for courses; evaluate students' comprehension of didactic, laboratory and clinical instruction using criterion referenced methods of evaluation; participate in curriculum development and revision; participate in student and program assessment; maintain clinical expertise; participate in scholarly activity, university and community service. Voluntary summer or winter contracts may be available. Successful candidates will have a strong commitment to excellence in teaching, service, and scholarship.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

Master's Degree in Nursing. Must be eligible for or licensed as a registered nurse in New York State. Must have a minimum of two years nursing experience, preferably within the past five years.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

A terminal degree in nursing or related field from a regionally accredited institution is preferred. Preferred candidates will have prior college level teaching experience in either the face-to-face or online environment. Expertise in fundamentals of nursing, mental health or maternal newborn nursing, pharmacology and medical surgical nursing.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: open until filled; application review begins immediately.

Persons interested in the above position should apply online at <https://employment.canton.edu/> Prior to a final offer of employment, the selected candidate will be required to submit to a background check including, but not limited to, employment verification, educational and other credential verification, and criminal background check.

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Assistant Director of Off-Campus Programs

St. Lawrence University invites applications for an **Assistant Director of Off-Campus Programs** position. Reporting to the Associate Dean of International and Intercultural Studies, the Assistant Director will work closely with the staff of the Center for International and Intercultural Studies to advise students and the wider campus community about off-campus study and intercultural education.

To view the complete job description, including minimum qualifications required, as well as application instructions please visit: <https://employment.stlawu.edu>.

All offers of employment are contingent upon the finalist successfully passing a background (including criminal records) check.

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Mathematics Lecturer

The Mathematics Department of the Canino School of Engineering Technology seeks qualified candidates for Mathematics Lecturer.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

The successful candidate can expect to teach online and face-to-face classes in a 5-course load per semester. There is no scholarship expectation. Participation in faculty governance, department, university, professional, and public service are encouraged. Faculty members should have good verbal and written communication skills and are encouraged to innovate. The ability to teach a diverse student population is an additional benefit.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

Master's Degree in Mathematics or related degree such as math education, with an intense concentration in applied mathematics.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

The candidate should demonstrate teaching experience for a significant number of years at all levels of mathematics from developmental up to the Calculus sequence. Online teaching experience encouraged.

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North Country Public Radio Chief Engineer

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4. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many breaths does the average human being take in one day?
5. MOVIES: Which movie featured the Seal song "Kiss From a Rose"?
6. U.S. STATES: A city in this state became the first in the world to install a parking meter?
7. ANCIENT WORLD: Before he became a philosopher, what was Socrates' profession?
8. LANGUAGE: What is the only letter that does NOT appear in any of the U.S. states' names?
9. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of giraffes called?
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Laboratory Testing: Collects specimens for laboratory analysis and accurate recording of lab requisitions. Performs Point of Care Testing; HCG's, Rapid Strep, Urinalysis, Fecal Occult Stools. Records and maintains appropriate laboratory logs.

Other duties as assigned

REQUIREMENTS:

New York State Licensed Practice Nurse License, Current Basic Life Support Certification (American Heart Association) or successful completion upon hire. The ideal candidate would have a minimum of one year experience as a Licensed Practical Nurse. New graduates are encouraged to apply. One year of experience in a medical office practice or hospital preferred, demonstrated experience providing excellent customer service is required, demonstrated experience working as part of a dynamic team in a fast-past environment is required, knowledge of requirements regarding and experience working with confidential material (including medical records) is preferred.

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QUALIFICATIONS & SKILLS:

High school Diploma or (GED Equivalent) preferred, Current Basic Life Support Certification (American Heart Association) or successful completion upon hire, Minimum one (1) year related experience in hospital and/or medical office registration preferred, experience using Electronic Health Record preferred, knowledge of requirements regarding and experience working with confidential material (including medical records) is preferred, effective verbal and written communication skills required, knowledge of medical terminology preferred, demonstrated experience providing excellent customer service is required, demonstrated experience working as part of a dynamic team in a fast-past environment is required.

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Hunter Coloney, Clinic Manager
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Vet Tech Instructional Support Associate

The State University of New York (SUNY) College at Canton invites qualified applicants for a full-time, ten-month, instructional support associate position in the Veterinary Science Department, to begin August 2021. The college's veterinary technology programs include an accredited AAS in veterinary science technology, a Bachelor of Science in veterinary technology, and a Bachelor of Business Administration 2+2 in veterinary service administration. The ideal candidate will possess good communication and organizational skills and function well as a member of a team.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Preparing for and assisting in the daily operations of the veterinary technology laboratories and surgeries; requisitioning of supplies and inventory control; work with animal procurement sites (shelters and laboratory animals) to maintain animals for program needs; supervise students in clinical preceptorships and in animal care rotations (kennel duty); record keeping; coordinating needed supplies, equipment and materials; record keeping; performing skills remediation; assist program director with the budget, various reports, controlled substance logs, and the facilitation of new student orientation; organize sponsored continuing education programs and act as an advisor to the Veterinary Technician Association and the Tau Phi Zeta Honor Society.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

Licensed Veterinary Technician with a current New York State registration.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

5 years of clinical experience as a veterinary technician, with both small and large animals. A bachelor's degree.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: open until filled; application review begins immediately.

Persons interested in the above position should apply online at <https://employment.canton.edu/> Prior to a final offer of employment, the selected candidate will be required to submit to a background check including, but not limited to, employment verification, educational and other credential verification, and criminal background check.

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