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Hayrides, haunts and harvest festivals Fall events now in full swing

BY ADAM ATKINSON
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A variety of yard haunts, decorating contests, trunk or treats and other Halloween activities are planned throughout St. Lawrence County in the month of October leading up to All Hallows Eve on Tuesday, Oct. 31.

Below is a listing of some of what is planned.

Haunted Hayride

The Tri-Town Chamber Annual Haunted Hayride will be offered again Oct. 13-14.

Non-scary wagon rides will start at 5:30 p.m., followed by scary rides from 7:30 p.m. The event is located at 94 Leary Flint Rd., Brasher Falls.

Cost is \$5 per person to benefit the Tri-Town Chamber of Commerce. For info: 315-705-8965 or 315-389-4864.

Haunted house in Colton

The Adirondack Park Paranormal Society will hold its annual haunted house charity fundraiser at Colton Fireman's Field, 385 Hanson Rd. on Oct. 13 and 14 from 6-10 p.m. or later.

In previous years the organization has raised funds for a local child's extensive medical bills for her cancer treatment, the Potsdam Snack Pack Program, and recently the Town of Colton's food pantry and community center.

This year the group is helping to raise funds for the Colton Volunteer Fire Department to aid them in purchasing a new ambulance. The haunt offered a family friendly weekend last weekend, and, a bigger scare for the adult's weekend Oct. 13 and 14.

The second weekend will be an all out



Chet and Haley Hardcastle, of Waddington, paint pumpkins during the Pumpkinfest held Oct. 7 at Island View Park, Waddington.

Cheryl Shumway | NCTW

scare house for adults in honor of it being Friday the 13th weekend.

Cost at the gate: \$10 (ages 10 and up), \$5 for first responders with valid ID, free for children younger than 10.

Highway to Horror

Highway To Horror, a 20,000-square-foot haunted walk thru attraction located at Massena's St. Lawrence Centre Mall in the old Bon Ton Store in Massena, will be open Fridays and Saturdays in October starting Friday, Oct. 13.

Every year M.B.I. Entertainment runs

the haunted attraction with a portion of the proceeds going to help a local organization. This year proceeds will help support Massena Little league.

Doors open at 7 p.m. with the last ticket being sold at 10 p.m. Tickets are \$15 dollars and we do offer group discount rates for 10 or more people.

Ghost Walk

Get ready to explore the dark side of history with a unique walking tour

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O'burg budget fails in split vote again

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG — A resolution to accept a preliminary budget in Ogdensburg failed in a 3-3 vote Tuesday.

Voting against the measure were Deputy Mayor Steve Fisher, Councilor John Rishe and Councilor Bill Dillagbough.

Voting in favor were Mayor Jeffrey M. Skelly, Councilor Dan Skamperle and Councilor Michael Powers.

According to the charger the preliminary budget is required to be adopted by the end of the month and the final budget is to be adopted by Dec. 1.

Pushing against the passage was Rishe. He said that while he believed the budget presented by staff was decent, he believes the budget workshops should be held prior to passage.

The workshops are planned for Oct. 16, Oct. 30 and Nov. 6.

Staff's proposal would leave the city's tax rate flat; the levy, which is the total amount raised from property tax collections, would increase by \$1.17 million - just shy of 25%.

That's largely due to a citywide revaluation of property taxes that sent home values soaring.

In order to raise property taxes by an amount that exceeds 2% plus various allowances, a public hearing must be held and a resolution must be passed or the city would risk losing state aid.

Despite recommendations from staff, Rishe says he does not believe the override should be approved until the city is closer to finalizing a budget.

It is extremely unlikely, based on current numbers, that the city would come in under the tax cap.

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Cost concerns raised over state's push toward electric future

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
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MASSENA — With state officials requiring the use of electric fleet vehicles in the coming decade, demand for electricity will continue to rise along with residential bills, according to a Massena man.

Phil Lashomb, a Massena resident, recently told town council members that he is concerned about the potential impact the transition to electric vehicles will

have on residential electricity rates.

Lashomb questioned where the additional power to charge vehicles would come from, whether it would be from the New York Power Authority or Massena Electric.

"Massena Electric is only allotted a certain amount of megawatts and if we go over, you have to buy it out on the market," he said.

Lashomb said that in turn would drive up electric bills for residents.

When it comes to vehicles charging, Lashomb said it's not just about the school district's buses that would use excess power but also personal vehicles.

In recent years, electric vehicles have taken a larger share of the personal vehicle market.

Coupled with a push from politicians to transition to electric vehicles in the coming years, Lashomb said that may make matters worse for individuals on a

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Jimmy Lawton | NCTW

Haunted Trail

Brothers Odin Lawton and Owen Otero, of Lisbon, pose for a picture before walking the Haunted Trail at Morristown Gateway Museum's Red Barn Preserve, 518 River Road. The trail is free and open to the public.

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Council's failure to pass tax cap override spells catastrophe, says candidate

BY JIMMY LAWTON
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OGDENSBURG — Mayoral candidate Michael Tooley says a failure to pass the tax cap override would be catastrophic for the city of Ogdensburg.

Tooley is the only candidate who will appear in the mayoral line in November.

On Tuesday he spoke at the public meeting calling on council to set a public hearing on the matter, which is necessary as a precursor to passing the tax cap override.

Although it has not been adopted by council, a spending plan prepared by staff would increase the tax levy by \$1.17 million nearly 25 percent, keep the tax rate flat and exceed the state's proposed tax cap by 94%.

Councilor John Rishe, as well as Deputy Mayor Steve Fisher and Councilor William Dillabough, said they will not consider adopting the tentative budget, or passing a tax cap override until after budget workshops take place.

Those are currently set for Oct. 16 and Oct. 30 and Nov. 6.

Tooley also pointed out that it appears that regardless of the results of the upcoming election it is likely that at least three members of city council will be coming in with no prior experience as a councilor.

Currently there are five candidates seeking four council seats.

Fisher, Rishse and Dillabough's seats will be up for grabs, as well as an unexpired term for Nichole Kennedy's seat.

Four Democrats, including Jennifer Stevenson, R. Storm Cilley, Michael Weaver and Donna Trimm, are hoping to fill the vacancies.

On the Republican line, Robert Edie is hoping to secure one of the seats.

Tooley suggested the city budget for workshops or training for those councilors. He also suggested that the city should look to the New York Conference of Mayors for support.

Tooley questioned several of the staff proposed changes in various budget lines, however at this time the council has not publicly discussed details of staff's proposed budget.

Tooley suggested that the proposed increases in sewer and water could likely be reduced as the current fund balances for both are "healthy enough."

"As was noted at the last city council meeting. We need to find ways to provide relief to the proposed increase in the water fund and the sewer fund rates when you consider the significant increase in property taxes used to balance the 2023 general fund."



Photo courtesy of Massena Volunteer Fire Dept.

Massena firefighters visiting schools

Massena Volunteer Firefighters are visiting several local schools this week as part of Fire Prevention Week.

Massena budget to reflect hikes in retirement, comp

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
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The village was notified of that bill's increase, which comes from St. Lawrence County, last month.

The reason for the change stems from the formula used when computing worker's compensation, according to Mayor Greg Paquin.

"It used to be a split between assessed property and population. They moved away from that and really now it's based on your experience rate," he said.

Paquin said that calculations are now based on the types of jobs that individuals have when working for a municipality, along with salaries.

"To be honest with you, we got dinged with two rather large salaries for people that retired. Next year that should go down because they won't be on the books," he said.

The formula was updated in 2019, Paquin said. When calculating rates, Paquin also said job types play a large role, with police officer costing more in the long run.

"Obviously the job of a police officer is a lot higher risk than say a teacher," he said.

MASSENA — Village of Massena officials will have to work around increases in retirement and worker's compensation contributions in next year's budget following notification from New York State.

According to Village Treasurer Kevin Felt, the New York State Retirement System recently released rates that show an increase that could range from 1.8% to 4.5%.

Those varying increases will have to be used when preparing the village's budget for next year, Felt told trustees.

More specifically, Felt says the Employee Retirement System (ERS) has estimated increases in the range of 1.8% to 2.8%, while increases for the Police and Fire Retirement System (PFRS) will range from 3.2% to 4.5%.

That won't be the only increase the village has to plan for however, as the worker's compensation bill has increased \$66,032.

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Weapon arrest

MASSENA — Justin M. Currier, 33, Massena, was arrested on charges of criminal purchase of a weapon, a felony on Sept. 26, reported Massena Village Police. Currier is accused of purchasing a shotgun, when he is not allowed by New York State law to possess a weapon, according to police. He was arraigned in Massena Town Court and released to reappear at a later date.

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Former school super to serve 10 to life for trying to entice a minor into sex

BY JIMMY LAWTON
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MORRISTOWN -- Former Morristown Central School superintendent will serve 10 years to life imprisonment for attempting to entice a minor into engaging in unlawful sexual acts.

Bruce A. Wakker, 68, was convicted earlier this week following a three-day trial.

United States Attorney Carla B. Freedman and Alfred A. Watson, Acting Special Agent in Charge of the Albany Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), made the announcement, a release from the U.S. Attorney's office said.

Wakker, of Syracuse, was arrested Thursday, June 11, 2020 and charged with attempting to entice or coerce a child.

Wakker served as Morristown Central superintendent from 2000 to 2003, when the school board failed to extend his contract and Beverly Ouderkirk was appointed as interim superintendent, according to the state Education Department.

According to the United States Attorney's Office, the trial evidence established that from November 2019 to June 2020, Wakker exchanged thousands of sexually explicit text messages with people he believed to be a 9-year-old girl and her mother, respectively.

In these text messages, Wakker, among other things, discussed performing different sexual acts with the 9-year-old and sent the 9-year-old pictures of his genitalia, the attorney's office says.

Wakker arranged to meet with the presumed mother and 9-year-old in person. On June 11, 2020, he

traveled from Syracuse to New York Mills, New York, for the purpose of engaging in sexual intercourse with the 9-year-old, documents say.

On several occasions, Wakker directly instructed the girl how to use various sexual objects and aids he purchased and mailed to her and her mother, federal authorities said.

Sentencing is scheduled for February 28, 2024, before United States District Judge Glenn T. Sudaby in Syracuse, at which time the defendant faces a minimum term of imprisonment of 10 years, a maximum term of life, a fine of up to \$250,000, and a term of supervised release of at least 5 years and up to life, authorities say.

He will also have to register as a sex offender.

The FBI Child Exploitation Human Trafficking Task Force investigated this case. This task force includes FBI Special Agents and Investigators of the New York State Police, Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI), and the Colonie Police Department. Assistant U.S. Attorneys Carling Dunham and Douglas Collyer prosecuted this case.

Officials say the case was prosecuted as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse.

The program is led by the United States Attorney's offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims.

Info: <https://www.justice.gov/psc/>

Massena athletes available for leaf cleanup for elderly

MASSENA — Massena Central School fall athletes will once again be available to rake and bag leaves for elderly and disabled members of the community.

School officials say the tradition will continue this year, with members of the cheerleading, cross-country, football, soccer, swimming and volleyball teams all taking part between.

Clean-up will run from Oct. 19 to Nov. 1 and requires just a phone call to sign up.

The annual fall clean-up is part of

Make a Difference Day, a tradition that has endured for years, school officials say.

Raking is first-come, first-served, with signups running until Oct. 16.

Residents are encouraged to provide bags and rakes for athletes to use and coaches will call before athletes are sent to homes.

To signup, call Building Secretary Dori Morrell at (315) 764-3700 ext. 3106 and leave a name, address and phone number for a property that needs to be raked.

St. Lawrence County no longer sanctuary county

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

CANTON — St. Lawrence County has been delisted as a sanctuary county following action from County Attorney Steve Button and Sheriff Brooks Bigwarfe to correct a clerical error by the Center for Immigration Studies (CIS).

County officials say the error was made in 2017, seemingly designating the county as a sanctuary county that would house migrants if state officials deemed it prudent.

Legislators passed a resolution on Sept. 11 to rectify the designation, objecting to the county's inclusion on the list.

Officials say the designation came to light after an Aug. 29 report from Director of Homeland Security Alejandro Mayorkas was released, outlining eleven sites within the state that were deemed appropriate to house migrants.

On the list was Massena International Airport, which caused consternation among residents, local, state and federal officials who objected to its inclusion.

Officials in Massena and with the county all said at the time that they were caught off guard and were given no prior notice from Department of Homeland Security officials that the site was under consideration.

Legislators and Sheriff Bigwarfe all publicly objected to the inclusion the county on the sanctuary list and "public pronouncement of enforcement of immigration measures against illegal aliens when initially discovered in 2017, the County remains listed as of today," according to the resolution passed on Sept. 11.

County officials were also critical of the non-profit CIS for listing the county as having failed to cooperate

with federal Immigrations and Customs Enforcement Detainers since 2017.

In a letter sent to CIS, dated Sept. 18, 2023, Button refuted claims by CIS that the county was not compliant with CIS detainers and requested the county be removed from the list of sanctuary counties.

"It was alleged that the St. Lawrence County Sheriff had refused to comply with an ICE Detainer in August of 2014, a fact which the St. Lawrence County Sheriff denied at the time of the issuance of your original report," Button wrote.

That initial contestation of CIS's claim came from former Sheriff Kevin Wells, who retired in Dec. 2019. Sheriff Bigwarfe assumed office in Jan. 2020, having been elected in Nov. 2019.

Included with the letter was a copy of the resolution, along with a sworn affidavit from Sheriff Bigwarfe in which he stated "no such policy exists under his administration to refuse to comply with ICE Detainers and he will comply with all validly issued detainers, as he has done so during his tenure in office."

Button also included a copy of the 2017 US ICE notation that he said "erroneously listed our County as uncooperative with ICE Detainers."

"Please accept this letter, and accompaniments, as a formal demand to de-list St. Lawrence County, New York as a Sanctuary County and to make such other and further amendments as necessary to delist our municipality based upon the allegation that we are either incapable or unwilling to comply with federal immigration detainers," Button concluded.

As part of the initial declaration, St. Lawrence County was listed

amongst a group of sanctuary cities and counties that were compiled by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) as a result of the CIS listing, officials say.

Part of the issue at hand is the fact that the county has been listed as being non-compliant with immigration detainers issued by ICE, which allows local law enforcement officers to detain individuals who have been arrested on criminal charges and who ICE has probable cause to believe are removable non-citizens, according to officials.

According to a sworn affidavit by Sheriff Bigwarfe, the Sheriff's Office never failed to comply with ICE detainers and in fact has always sought to comply with federal authorities.

Bigwarfe stated "To the best of my knowledge, St. Lawrence County has never refused to comply with a validly issued ICE Detainer and would not do so as that would be contrary to federal law. Upon information and belief, St. Lawrence County, New York has previously requested the removal of the designation by the Center for Immigration Studies from their list of Sanctuary municipal entities."

Legislators also wrote that the county "has had a long history of honoring the requests of Immigration and Customs Enforcement to detain individuals believed to have violated United States laws and believed to be present in this Country illegally," refuting a claim by CIS that the county was non-compliant for years.

In the resolution, legislators say the county will continue to comply with ICE detainers "should migrants be sent to this County and detainers lodged for their detention and transfer to ICE custody."



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Green hydrogen producer plans 90 jobs in Massena

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
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MASSENA — The world's largest producer of green hydrogen is moving forward with a facility that is slated to be built on Pontoon Bridge Road in Massena; a move that will bring at least 90 jobs to the town.

At a public hearing held by the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency in Massena Oct. 10, Air Products and Chemical Director of Government Relations Trip Oliver told officials work has already begun at the site.

"There's some equipment on site right now. Site clearing will occur over the next couple of months. There's some limitations on how much site clearing we can do at this point because we're still waiting for an Army Corps of Engineers wetland determination that we should hopefully receive in the next month or so," he said.

The facility, which will cover over 80 acres, will likely take about three years to complete before opening in 2026.

Construction will bring a number of temporary jobs to the area as well, with an estimated 500,000 hours of construction work to be done, according to Oliver.

Once at its peak, construction at the site would lead to the employment of about 350 people full-time.

Anywhere from 20 to 40 jobs will be created in the near future with site clearing needed, Oliver said.

"Next year I think we're going to ramp up to maybe 100, 125 jobs on site. And then in 2025, that's when you're going to get peak construction at about roughly 350 jobs on site," he said.

But the jobs won't stop there, with 90 jobs coming to Massena, 64 of which will "likely be at the facility" and another 26 jobs that will "be in either an office location somewhere in this area or at the site," Oliver said.

Oliver said local contractors will be hired to help with maintenance throughout the years too, with around \$2 million in maintenance costs expected every year.

Oliver said larger projects are also needed every few years, requiring further investment.

"Every few years we have to do a major turnaround. That's an additional \$5 million a year," he said.

According to Oliver, Air Products has a deal in place with the village

of Massena to purchase \$300,000 worth of water per year from the Massena Water Department.

"The process with this site will use approximately 1 to 1.2 million gallons of water a day. Of that water, about 300,000 or so will then be returned to the St. Lawrence River, actually cleaner than it was when it came out," Oliver said.

Businessman William Fiocco asked if the process to create hydrogen in Massena is currently in use at other facilities.

Harry Johnston, a senior business manager for Air Products, said the Massena plant would be the first to use electrolysis to create the fuel.

"We are the world's largest producer of hydrogen. All that hydrogen comes today from some type of carbon source, whether it's natural gas or coal or other organic sources. We have this facility that's going in here. We have a very large facility in Texas that we're building right now. We have a very large facility in Saudi Arabia that we're building right now, and a number of other facilities in Canada and the U.S. that we're contemplating to do basically the same thing we're doing here. So, this will be one of our first," he said.

Other questions from audience members arose during the public hearing as well, with one member asking what the hydrogen would be used for.

Oliver said the company and the fuel produced in Massena would be used for large vehicles that transport goods throughout the country.

Officials say the "vast majority of the product from this plant we see going into what we call the mobility market."

Johnson also told attendees that other businesses could possibly come to Massena, noting that some have approached Air Products in recent months but nothing definitive is in the works.

"I'm not aware of any immediate synergies that are being worked on right now but the concept is absolutely true, that if a company needed a gas or liquid hydrogen, they would save money by co-locating here," he said.

Expansion was also a topic of conversation, with Johnson confirming that the facility could be expanded in the future however it "will be determined by the market, the demand for hydrogen," Johnson said.

County overtime on the rise

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
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CANTON — Overtime expenses continue to mount for multiple departments around the county, forcing legislators to make budget modifications to cover the added expenses.

Two modifications were approved during the full board meeting on Oct. 2.

The first, which totaled \$82,163, was for the Sheriff's Office.

Officials say the Sheriff's Office will exceed the budget in the criminal overtime account for 2023.

That account is related to deputies and other officers in the criminal division.

Officials say funds that will be used to cover the overages were found after reviewing all accounts, allowing the department to cover the overtime expenses from existing funds.

In the resolution, it is also stated that the department found it necessary to transfer funds from targeted contingency for the overtime accounts.

Overtime expenses continue to mount for the County Clerk's Office as well.

According to the resolution, a budgetary measure during the 2023 budget process identified a percentage of appropriations for departments with overtime expenses and located those funds in a contingency account.

Officials say the Clerk's Office will exceed the identified percentage of appropriations included in the 2023 budget for overtime costs, necessitating the \$22,500 budget modification.

Those funds will be transferred from the targeted contingency account to cover the overtime expenses incurred, according to the resolution.

County extends state of emergency over migrant crisis

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

CANTON — St. Lawrence County has once again extended the state of emergency that was first declared in May due to the ongoing migrant crisis afflicting New York City and surrounding states.

The state of emergency has been extended to Sunday, Nov. 5.

The declaration will be reviewed prior to its expiration to determine if an extension should be considered, officials say.

County officials first passed a state of emergency on May 12, 2023 “to address the concerns associated with the May 11, 2023 expiration of the Title 42 Order.”

“In specific, the Title 42 Order prohibited the migration into the United States by “covered noncitizens” traveling from Canada or Mexico who would otherwise be introduced to a port of entry or U.S. Border. St. Lawrence County has over seventy-five (75) miles of border with Canada with two border crossings in Massena and Ogdensburg that anticipate an influx of individuals who may be seeking shelter,” County Administrator Ruth Doyle wrote the release.

County officials say the state of emergency was extended over concerns about an anticipated “surge of migration into the United States,” which could lead to migrants being placed in St. Lawrence County.

Governor Kathy Hochul issued a fourth executive order on Sept. 24 of this year to extend the state’s own state of emergency, which is currently expected to remain in place until Oct. 23, 2023.

County officials say local emergency orders “may be promulgated by the Chair of the Board of Legislators in accordance with Article 2-B of the New York State Executive Law during the State of Emergency. Emergency orders would be issued in order to protect life and property and to allow emergency and municipal personnel time to bring emergency conditions under control.”

There are no emergency orders at this time, officials say. This is not the first time St. Lawrence County has

taken action on migrants potentially being housed in the county.

On two separate occasions, Massena was in the news when a local hotel owner attempted to coerce the state into housing migrants at the Quality Inn hotel in downtown Massena.

That property was nearly foreclosed on in August by the county due to taxes not being paid for years.

Gary Melius, owner of the hotel, owed over \$385,000 in back taxes from the previous three years.

According to County Attorney Steve Button, the lien holder on the property made a payment to the county for the taxes owed to “protect the asset,” which is likely the first step in their own foreclosure on the property.

Massena then popped up in the news a few weeks later when New York City Mayor Eric Adams said his administration was weighing their options to house migrants upstate, including at the Massena International Airport. Adams says the city no longer has the option of handling the influx within its own borders.

“New York City has run out of room. We are going to use any space that’s available to take the pressure of New York City residents,” Adams said at a press conference.

Local, state and federal officials pushed back on the idea, saying it was not within the law for a city mayor to force other municipalities to house migrants, despite Massena being listed on a report by Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas that identified the airport as a viable option. Massena officials at the time said they had zero communication from the state regarding the possibility, saying it appeared the state had not done their due diligence in considering the airport.

No further action was taken by the state and to this date no migrants have been housed in St. Lawrence County.

WellNow may stop accepting Excellus BCBS

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA — WellNow Urgent Care clinics may soon cease relations with Excellus BlueCross BlueShield (BCBS) at all locations, citing poor reimbursement rates that don’t fairly compensate providers at the clinics.

That change could have a dire impact on the WellNow clinics in Massena and Ogdensburg, which opened just over a year ago, according to WellNow officials.

In a letter sent to patients last week, WellNow President Sam Meites said the company made the “difficult decision” to notify Excellus BCBS they would no longer accept the insurance provider’s coverage beginning Jan. 1, 2024.

Meites wrote that it was due to unfair compensation for providers who work for WellNow.

“Unfortunately, the rates we receive from Excellus BCBS for the care provided to their members have been flat for the past decade. At the same time, over the past five years, Excellus BCBS has continued to drive average rate increases to their members of more than 8 percent every year, generating more than \$130 million in profits a year. It’s a simple equation: charge you more, pay your WellNow providers the same or less, boost profits for the insurance company,” he wrote.

Meites said the rate reimburse-

ment is not sustainable for WellNow clinics, which could potentially force WellNow to close clinics in a number of communities in New York.

In a separate link provided by Meites, WellNow went on to detail Excellus BCBS’s financial status, saying since 2017 Excellus has profited around \$130 million per year.

The page also states that Excellus’ CEO salary has averaged more than \$3 million annually.

Since 2017, the state of New York has approved an average rate increase to Excellus’ patients of more than 8% per year, according to WellNow officials.

Despite the profits and rate increases, WellNow rates with Excellus have remained flat, WellNow officials say.

“The 2,500 healthcare professionals at our 75 WellNow Urgent Care sites in the state of New York have worked tirelessly to provide high quality, convenient care to our patients in communities across the state,” Meites said.

Meites went on further, saying the essential care provided by WellNow is needed for patients that are seen “seven days a week for up to 16 hours per day.”

“We also provide 24/7 access to care through our telehealth services. We have worked hard to play an essential role as a provider of quality, dependable healthcare in your community,” he wrote.

Meites said it is the hope of WellNow officials that the clinics will still be able to accept Excellus BCBS in the future, however it is a very real possibility that some clinics will be forced to close if a deal is not struck.

Meites suggested patients reach out to Excellus BCBS to voice their support for a rate change, saying it is crucial to continued services.

“Your voice does matter. Contacting Excellus BCBS can help. You can share your concerns on your social media channels and post directly to their leadership and tell them that you want WellNow in your network,” he wrote.

Meites said WellNow will still continue to provide services for patients with Excellus BCBS even if a deal is not struck, however patients will have to pay for services entirely out of pocket.

“If we are unable to reach an agreement with Excellus, as of January 1, 2024, you can still receive care at WellNow Urgent Care clinics. However, that care will not be covered by Excellus BCBS insurance. The cost of care will be our current rate of \$165, plus the possibility of additional fees, based on services needed,” he wrote.

“Together, with your voice, we hope we can encourage Excellus BCBS back to work out an agreement that’s fair and will allow us to continue to best serve their members and sustain all of our NY urgent care centers,” he concluded.

BRIEFLY

New record temperature

Wednesday was the hottest day on record in Massena and Gouverneur, according to the National Weather Service. Temperatures peaked at 87 degrees around 3 p.m. on Oct. 4 in Massena. The average temperature this time of year ranges between 41-63 degrees, NWS says. NWS says the record low for Oct. 5 in Massena took place in 1948, when temps dipped to around 22. In the southern part of the county, NWS data shows a high temperature Wednesday of 83 degrees. The lowest temperature on Oct. 5 in Gouverneur was also in 1948, at 21.

Burglary charge

POTSDAM — Dustin C. Browning, 38, Massena, was arrested on two felony counts of third-degree burglary, two counts of fourth-degree grand larceny, and two counts of criminal mischief on Oct. 4 on Main St. According to police, Browning was arrested on warrants stemming from two separate incidents on Aug. 2 where two businesses were burglarized and money was stolen. He was arraigned and remanded without bail and transported to the St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility.



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OBITUARIES

John K. Foy, 88

Massena

MASSENA -- John K. Foy, 88, of Waddington passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on Thursday October 5, 2023 at the St. Regis Nursing Home.

Arrangements are under the care and guidance of the Phillips Memorial Home, 28 Clinton Street, Waddington, NY.

Born in Malone, John was the son of the late Kenneth and Margaret (Blair) Foy.

After High School, John started working for Alcoa in Massena, retiring after 42 years.

He was united in marriage on September 3, 1994 in Waddington to Alice Champion. John loved being on the water. He could be found living on his house boat "The Branta" during the summer months for many years. He and Alice spent the last 23 years wintering in Leesburg, Florida.

John was an avid woodworker who loved making wooden crafts. He enjoyed spending time with family and friends. He will be sadly missed by his wife and family.

John is survived by his loving wife, Alice, two sons and two daughters; John (Jack) and Lucille

Foy of Virginia; Timothy and Julia Foy of Georgia; Debra Foy of Massena, NY and Sandra and Joseph



John Foy

Costa of SC. He is also survived by one stepson, Dale Champion and a step-daughter Lisa Barkley. He is also survived by one sister Rita Stewart of Syracuse, NY. He is survived by 8 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. Many nieces and nephews

also survive.

John was predeceased by one grandson.

A graveside service will be held on October 21, 2023, at 11:00 am at the new Brookside cemetery in Waddington. Donations may be made in his name to the Waddington Rescue Squad.

Family and friends are invited to share on-line condolences and memories at www.PhillipsMemorial.com.

Elizabeth M. "Betsy" Baker, 66

Madrid

MADRID -- It is with a heavy heart that the Baker family announces the passing of Elizabeth M. "Betsy" Baker, age 66 of Madrid, NY. She passed unexpectedly on Monday, October 2, 2023, at the University of Vermont Medical Center in Burlington, VT.

She was born September 15, 1957, in New Haven, Connecticut a daughter to Elizabeth (Williamson) Cass of Connecticut and the late Joseph Cass.

She is survived by her loving husband of 34 years, Jerry Baker; son, Emmett (companion Michelle) Baker; grandchildren, Gabby, Hunter, Joseph, Calob, and Jacob; her mother, Elizabeth Cass; and two siblings, Joseph (Donna) Cass, Nancy (Clint) McLean and William "Bill" Cass.

She was predeceased by her father, Joseph Cass, and a grandson, Michael.

Betsy met the love of her life, Jerry Baker in Connecticut and they moved to Madrid where she had to learn (with some trial and error) how to navigate the North Country winters. They were married in Madrid on May 27, 1989.

She worked for Burger King for many years until she started work at First Student in Ogdensburg and was an employee until her passing.

She had also worked for Compass and McAdam Cheese.

Betsy loved her family, and dog, had an interest in coins and precious time spent at hunting camp but always missed her family in Connecticut. Jerry and Betsy recently took a trip to Connecticut for her Mom's 99th



Elizabeth Baker

Birthday.

Betsy had a big heart and liked everyone. She was a down-to-earth, everyday person and therefore no formal services are planned. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Cremation services are to be handled by Lawrence Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Canton, NY.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent to Potsdam Humane Society, 17 Madrid Avenue, Potsdam, NY 13676.

"If there are two flowers and one is all dried up and the other one is beautiful, which one are you going to pick?"

Condolences may be shared by visiting www.lawrencefuneral-home.org.

Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

BARBARA RICHARDS, 59, Massena, Oct. 6. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

ROBERT GRIFFITH, 79, Winthrop, Oct. 6. Arrangements with Hammill Funeral Home, Winthrop.

FLOYD BISSONETTE, 86, Norfolk, Oct. 6. Arrangements with Hammill Funeral Home, Winthrop.

JAMES VALOIS, 66, Ogdensburg, Oct. 7. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

LILLIAN LYTTLE, 90, Heuvelton, Oct. 7. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

RECENT DEATHS

MARYANN LOOMES, 85, Louisville, Oct. 2. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

BRUCE SMITH JR., 87, Massena, Oct. 3. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

CAROL LACY, 74, Massena, Oct. 4. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

LAWRENCE SWAMP, 77, Akwesasne, Oct. 4. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

DR. BRUCE SMITH JR., 87, Massena, Oct. 3. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

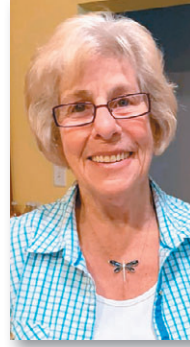
JOHN FOY, 88, Waddington, Oct. 5. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Waddington.

ROBERT LEBEL, 48, Ogdensburg, Oct. 5. Arrangements with

MaryAnn Vivian Loomes, 85

Louisville

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MaryAnn Loomes

Donna Dudley of Fairfield Glade TN. 14 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren as well as many nieces, nephews, and stepchildren.

In addition to her son Peter T. McGrath, MaryAnn was predeceased by a son-in-law, Philip Lautensack; her parents, her brothers; Joseph 'Hank' Verville, Joseph 'Butch' Verville, her sisters; Rose Leroux, Jeannine Peck, Louise White, Theresa Otis, and Yvonne Verville.

As per her wishes, there will be no services or calling hours. Instead, she wanted a celebration of life as was done for her son, Peter.

Carolyn L. LaDue, 77

Raymondville

home to care for her family.

A few years later she attended Massena School of Business.



Carolyn LaDue

She was elected and served as the Town of Norfolk Assessor for a few years until her husband became ill.

After her husband's passing, she was active in local knitting groups and the quilting group, Calico Stitchers, often donating her projects to area organizations for children and the elderly. She enjoyed traveling with her sister, Nancy and spent her winters in Miami, FL, with family.

She is survived by her children, Tracey (Tony) Chebli of Miami, FL, Paul (Kim) LaDue of Raymondville, NY, and Kimberly (Edward Young,

She enjoyed family and friends and knew that everyone should share that with her even in her passing. As yet, the celebration date has not been set.

However, we will gather to sing, dance, and laugh so MaryAnn can celebrate with us in our hearts and souls.

Anyone who knew MaryAnn knows that she welcomed everyone into her home at any time. She took great pride in cooking and feeding the masses. Food fuels the soul, she used to say, and meant it. No one got away without eating first.

The family game she enjoyed most was Mexican trains. Her husband, Adrian hand-made the 'large and sturdy' model that would hold up under years of use.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Donaldson Funeral Home in Massena, NY.

Family and friends are welcome to share memories and online condolences by visiting www.donaldsonfh.com.

LOUISVILLE -- MaryAnn Vivian Loomes, age 85, of Louisville, NY, passed away peacefully at home on October 2, 2023, after succumbing to cancer.

MaryAnn was born January 9, 1938, in Massena NY to Joseph A. and Ernestine (LaPierre) Verville and raised in Fort Covington.

She relocated to Pawling NY where she married and raised eight children.

She dedicated her life to caring for others as a Healthcare Provider.

She enjoyed cooking, family gatherings, entertaining, game nights, traveling, bingo, camping, and watching the lovely view of the St. Lawrence from her front porch.

MaryAnn is survived by her husband, Adrian of Walthamstow, London, her 7 children; Daniel & Janine McGrath of Roswell GA, Marcella 'Marcy' & Jerry Laramay of Massena NY, Colleen Lautensack of Arlington TX, Jacqueline Barney of Hudson Falls NY, Patricia & Kevin Shepard of Sandy Hook CT,

MIAMI, FL -- Carolyn L. LaDue, 77, of Raymondville, NY, passed away peacefully, on September 21, 2023, at The Palace Royale in Miami, FL, surrounded by her loving family.

She fought with grace and strength against the formidable disease, Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis, of which she was diagnosed in 2021.

Carolyn was born July 25, 1946, in Massena, NY, the daughter of Charles and Winnie (Ellis) Beaulieu.

She married Albert L. LaDue on September 10, 1966, in Louisville, NY. Albert predeceased her on October 15, 2000.

Carolyn graduated from Massena Central School in 1963 and then attended St. Lawrence University, where she earned her R.N. degree in 1966.

She worked for several years as a registered nurse and then stayed

MASSENA -- Dr. Bruce Taylor Smith Jr. (87), of Massena, NY, passed away on October 3, 2023 at the North Country Nursing and Rehabilitation Center surrounded by his loving family.

Arrangements are under the care and guidance of the Phillips Memorial Home, 64 Andrews Street, Massena, NY.

He was born in Syracuse, NY to Dr. Bruce Smith and Elin Macartney Smith on April 13, 1936 and grew up in Fort Covington, NY.

Bruce was a member of the class of 1957 at Hamilton College, Clinton, NY. He then attended McGill University in Montreal, Quebec, earning his medical degree in 1960.

In 1970, after a decade as a General Practitioner in Massena, Bruce returned to McGill for an ophthalmology residency.

From 1973-1997, he had a private ophthalmology practice in Massena.

He was a longtime member of Massena Rotary and served the Massena Memorial Hospital as a Board member and as Chief of Staff.

Bruce is survived by his beloved wife of 62 years, Rosalie (nee Kent). They have three devoted children: Catherine Smith, Hamilton, ON,

Stephanie (Mark) Luebbers, Princeton, MA, and Andrew (Melissa) Smith, Ithaca, NY. Bruce has the



Dr. Bruce Smith Jr.

special love of eight grandchildren: Karen and Stephen Gross, Jonas and Max Luebbers, and Mia, Kevin, Scott, and Nathan Smith. He is also survived by his dear brother, Dr. Robert (Carolyn) Smith, Massena and was preceded

in death by his parents and his brother, Douglas Smith.

Anchored by the Adirondacks and the St. Lawrence River, Bruce was an avid outdoorsman who loved skiing, hiking, paddling, road cycling, and hunting, always with family and friends. He is a past member of the Massena Yacht Club and the Stillwater Club.

Bruce, a lifelong hockey player, was a defenseman on his high school's state championship team.

He was also a key member of the Hamilton and McGill teams before playing for years in the Old Timers' league in Massena.

In 2002, at age 65, he was a valuable teammate on the gold medal-winning team at the National Senior Olympic Hockey Championship, in Lake Placid, NY.

During retirement, he especially enjoyed traveling adventures with Rosalie to St. John, USVI and throughout the United States in their RV.

Bruce was a gentleman and a gentle man who cared deeply about his community and his family.

He will be remembered for his wisdom, his character, his playful nature with his family, and his smile.

The family wishes to thank the staff at the Massena Hospital and the North Country Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for their care over the weeks before his passing.

Memorial contributions in Bruce's honor can be directed to the Massena Hospital Foundation, Trinity Catholic School, Massena, or North Country Public Radio.

A private burial service for immediate family will take place at St. Lawrence Church in Louisville, NY.

Family and friends are invited to share on-line condolences and memories at www.PhillipsMemorial.com.

Forum planned to talk about public safety in the city

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG — Ogdensburg Police are asking the community to come together on Oct. 25 at the Dobisky Center to address a rash of public safety issues impacting the city.

Topics officers are hoping to discuss include the homeless problem facing the city, an increase in thefts from buildings, cars and property, increases in drug problems and mental health issues as well as other problems community members might want to bring forward.

“We are hoping to speak to the community in order to help come up with solutions for these problems,” Lieutenant Jarret Leclair said in a media release.

The problems facing Ogdensburg aren’t new, but the number of occurrences, at least anecdotally, appear to be rising.

In recent years the Ogdensburg City Police Department has seen dramatic cuts to staffing from 27 sworn officers to a one-time low of 16. Currently there are 18 positions and the upcoming budget would bring that to 19. However, that includes school resource officers as well as officers hired to provide security at the city airport.

At a Tuesday council meeting Ann Loffler raised major concerns about public safety in the city.

“I think what needs to be addressed right now is what’s going on in the city. The thefts. It’s ridiculous,” she said.

Ogdensburg police said that thefts have been on the rise in the city, as have reports of homelessness and calls related to mental health issues.

Loffler said she came before council in 2021 warning that things were getting bad and would continue to get worse. She said she was accused of instilling fear.

She said the city needs to invest in public safety.

“We need more police. We need more patrols,” she said. “What do you guys plan to do?”

Leclair says that while staffing has certainly put additional stress on the city’s police force, changes at the state level have made policing

difficult.

He said bail reform and other state changes have created a revolving door for low level criminals.

He says police are frequently arresting the same person for the same crime over and over.

He said that he doesn’t blame the judges or the district attorney’s office, as he believes the state has tied their hands.

Loffler told councilors Monday that the city’s decision to cut law enforcement has had severe consequences.

“The drugs, (overdoses) in this town. The thefts. The burglaries. We just had a murder of a young boy. During the day time we had an armed robbery... by a homeless person,” she said. “You have to worry when you go to bed. It’s ridiculous,” she said.

Loffler asked the council what they thought would happen when they cut law enforcement.

“What in God’s name did you guys think was going to happen? You laid out a doormat for every thief, drug dealer and drug addict to come into Ogdensburg and God bless you, you got it.”

Leclair says he’s hopeful community members will attend the Oct. 25 event. He says police are hoping to partner with community members interested in making a difference.

He said that he knows the public is frustrated and said the department is as well.

Leclair said that the department is doing the best it can with the resources it has, but that in many instances more severe crimes are pushing smaller crimes to the back burner.

Leclair said one detective is currently handling the cases that were once handled by five detectives.

Leclair said he’s hopeful that a conversation between law enforcement and the community can lead to some good ideas and he remains hopeful that state officials will make necessary changes to close the revolving door.

“I think they were trying to make things better, but it’s clearly backfiring and the people that are suffering are members of the community,” he said.

School adopting diversity, equity policies

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA — The Massena Central School District has made progress in implementing a number of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) policies in recent weeks.

According to Director of Curriculum Nicole Charleson, the district is working closely from the New York State Culturally Responsive Sustaining Education Framework, as was previously outlined in a meeting earlier this year.

“The CR-S framework helps educators create student-centered learning environments that: affirm racial, linguistic and cultural identities; prepare students for rigor and independent learning, develop students’ abilities to connect across lines of difference; elevate historically marginalized voices; and empower students as agents of social change,” according to the state program’s website.

Charleson said she likes the language set forth in the framework, noting that the framework is grounded in a cultural view of learning and human development “in which multiple expressions of diversity, for example, race, social class, gender, language, sexual orientation, nationality, religion, ability, are recognized and regard-

ed as assets for teaching and learning.”

Charleson recently told board of education members that it was crucial to focus on creating a welcoming and affirming environment, which “really speaks to the work of Advisory, Sources of Strength, and the DEI work that we’re beginning.”

Following efforts to raise awareness among the community, Charleson said they will move onto phase two, which includes processes, policies, procedures and building capacity.

“We aren’t exactly honing in on the policy part. We’re more building the capacity part, the implementing part,” she said.

Initial steps were taken in January when the district reviewed the Framework in January, followed by surveys completed during the spring.

Part of the work completed by the district included forming a district DEI committee, as well as analyzing survey data, Charleson said.

From there, building committees will be created for each school within the district to ensure full representation throughout the district.

“We are currently in the fall of 2023, and now we are in implementation of the welcoming and affirming environments,” Charleson said.

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Tribal audit to be presented

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summary of the auditor’s results.

All tribal members are welcomed and encouraged to participate in-person or virtually. The annual audit presentation will be held in the first-floor conference room at the Tribal Administration Building, 71 Margaret Terrance Memorial Way.

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Harvest festivals, haunted houses and apple orchards

Winter is coming, don't miss out on autumn attractions

The harvest season has long been celebrated by agrarian societies, and while we've grown into something more complex in this global age, fall remains a season ripe with activity.

As a camper and fan of bonfires, it's my favorite time of year.

In St. Lawrence County there are several apple orchards, pumpkin patches and farmers markets bustling in fall.

Editor's Notebook

Jimmy Lawton



A quick glance at the event listings in our paper and you'll find dozens of Halloween and harvest activities planned around the county.

Recently my family and I visited a local apple orchard where we also enjoyed a corn maze and some apple cider donuts.

Last weekend, we went to Wadlington's Pumpkinfest and dropped in at the St. Lawrence Power and Equipment Museum in Madrid where a pumpkin painting event

was taking place. We also took a hayride tour of Fort Tribute at the museum. The kids were able to interact with some reenactors from Forsythe's Rifles and see an apple press in action while they waited in line.

Despite the wet weather, we also visited Morristown's Halloween story walk, which the boys really enjoyed.

The best part is aside from the gas, the only cost associated with the events was \$6 I spent on pumpkins for the boys.

I know Halloween isn't celebrated by everyone and that's fine by me, but it's always been one of my favorite holidays, perhaps because it feels so different from the others.

While most holidays tend to be very family-centric and steeped in charity, both of which are great attributes, Halloween has always felt more community oriented to me.

Instead of gathering in one home, we visit dozens of others.

I know in recent years there have been efforts to move away from Trick or Treating, but I'm admittedly resistant to the movement. Trunk

or Treats are fun, but the magic, to me, just isn't quite the same.

I remember that feeling as a child traveling in costume with friends from house to house laughing with community members and yes getting some unhealthy treats along the way.

I think now more than ever, seeing people face-to-face, and interacting with members of our community, however briefly, is important.

What always amazed me about Halloween as a kid was how the whole community seemed in on it and that's pretty special.

People I'd never met were willing to await my arrival and reward me for my visit. Sometimes they'd compliment my costume or hit me with a riddle or joke.

Even better were the houses that took it step further. The ones with spooky decorations, fog, lights and scary sounds.

Sometimes they'd even have someone waiting to pop out and scare me.

As a child, trick or treating was the payoff after weeks of build up. I remember I remember carving

'I think now more than ever, seeing people face-to-face, and interacting with members of our community, however briefly, is important.'

pumpkins, coloring contests and selecting, making or modifying costumes. I remember having important discussions about which streets gave the best candy and watching Halloween-themed episodes of my favorite shows and in later years it became a chance to catch up or revisit old horror films.

I remember trading candy with my brothers after an exhausting night of laughs and scares with my spooky sounds of cassette tape playing in the background.

As an adult I still enjoy Halloween, especially in St. Lawrence

County and even more than ever now that I have kids to celebrate with.

We really have some top class "haunts" around here. I've been to many haunted houses in many places, including Salem, Mass. and I have to say the ones up here are as good or better than anywhere I've been.

I highly recommend visiting as many as you can if you're into that sort of thing. If you're not, there are still plenty of harvest celebrations to enjoy as well. There is lots of fun to be had at local orchards and community events.

Much like the sugaring season in spring, the cider season takes place in the fall. It's another great opportunity for kids to see where their foods come from.

It's also a great time for a foliage-filled drive down in the Adirondacks.

Remember, winter's right around the corner, so get out and have some fall fun before it's too late.

Jimmy Lawton is news editor of North Country This Week and NorthCountryNow.com

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Massena man offers thoughts on tragic anniversary

Editor's Note: This letter contains references to sexual violence.

A sad anniversary is upon us.

For anyone who is younger than Gen X, there is probably actually no reason for you to continue reading, unless perhaps for a little historical context, because fortunately, you already get it.

On October 6, 1998, Matthew Wayne Shepherd, then a 21 year-old University of Wyoming Student, was beaten, tortured, and left to die near Laramie, WY. He died at hospital six days later on October 12, 1998. Matthew was robbed, pistol whipped, and beaten so badly

that his face was "completely covered in blood, except for where it had partially cleansed by his tears". Matthew was left tied to a fence, and remained so, in a coma, for 18 hours, until he was discovered by a passing cyclist. Two suspects in the case were eventually charged and convicted of his murder.

Testimony brought out at trial, and available in transcripts for any to read, indicated that the suspects specifically targeted Matthew "because he was gay" or "because they at least thought that he was gay".

I have read some suggestions indicating that for anyone going through confusion or lack of understanding about their sexuality, that their exclusive educators/enforcers

are the parents, and that there is no place for churches, or any other resources...and that "therapy" instead is what may be required.

In Garrard Conley's 2016 Memoir, "Boy Erased", the author details his experience of being a 19 year-old college student, conflicted about his sexuality, when he was raped by his college dorm mate and then subsequently outed as gay to his parents, by this same person who raped him. The only son of a Baptist Minister, Mr. Conley was issued an ultimatum by his father to either enter the "Love In Action - Ex-Gay" program, or be disowned by his parents, both literally and financially. Mr. Conley details his experience, as well as that of his other "classmates" in this un-vetted, unlicensed, program, where participants were literally beaten with Bibles.

In an afterword, an update in the film version of Mr. Conley's Memoir, to the "Love In Action -

Ex Gay" program is provided, in which we are informed that the male "Headmaster" of this now dissolved former Conversion Therapy program, is now happily living in Texas. With his husband.

Both Matthew Shepherd and Garrard Conley were from my generation.

Mr. Conley is only a few years younger than myself, and I was in grad school while Matthew Shepherd had begun his undergrad studies.

While commemorating the tragic, unnecessary, and disgusting anniversary of the brutal, hateful, murder of Matthew Shepherd, I would also like to take this opportunity to apologize to the generations younger than mine, for those in my generation, and older, whom cannot seem to stop themselves from telling you just how much that you have no right to be who you are.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Seeking town council seat

I am Lindsay Hendricks and I am honored to announce my candidacy for the Massena Town Council. As a lifelong resident of this wonderful community, I feel a deep connection to Massena and its residents.

I reside here with my loving family, which includes my husband, Jason Hendricks, a proud local business owner of H3 Designs LLC, and our five incredible children, aged 9 to 16.

My journey in Massena began when I graduated from Massena High School in 2004, and I continued my pursuit of knowledge at St. John Fisher University, earning a bachelor's degree in English in 2007. My dedication to education and self-improvement then led me to obtain my first Master's degree in Business Administration, specializing in Accounting and Project Management. Committed to staying in Massena and raising my family here, I furthered my education by earning a Master's degree in Special Education. I currently serve the community as a member of the Special Education department at Massena High School, working to support students with diverse needs.

My extensive experience in education traces back to my undergraduate days. I began as a teaching assistant at BOCES where I dedicated nearly a decade to this role before pursuing my teaching degree. My deep roots in this community have allowed me to witness Massena's triumphs and challenges firsthand.

My decision to remain in Massena was fueled by my love for this town and its unique offerings. This love and a strong desire to rekindle Massena's vibrant spirit inspire my candidacy for the town council. I recognize that there are areas needing improvement, but I firmly believe that, with the right individuals and community members, we can continue to revitalize Massena.

As a mother, educator, and spouse of a local business owner, I understand the importance of efficiency in managing our time and resources.

I am an active member of the Massena Community, participating in various community initiatives. I have contributed to the Downtown Christmas project, volunteered for Explore Massena events, served my local church, St. Peter's Parish, as a youth leader, and worked as a volunteer coach for Massena track and field. My commitment to Massena's well-being extends to being a voice for our lifelong residents, and I am unafraid of confronting challenges head-on.

As a town council member, my focus will encompass financial responsibility, infrastructure development, and the creation of lasting memories for future generations. I envision fostering economic tourism through civic engagement, attracting newcomers who will fall in love with our town, invest in it, and help us lower taxes and rebuild our community. Collaborating with neighboring towns and utilizing our unique strengths, such as town activities, after-school programs, and free to low-cost programs offered all year round, will be central to our approach.

I am dedicated to supporting local jobs, nurturing professional growth, lowering taxes, enhancing community programs for all age groups, and expanding and maintaining our local infrastructure.

With your support, I aspire to be a dedicated member of the Massena Town Council, working tirelessly to empower our community and facilitate its growth. I am deeply grateful for your support on November 7th as we embark on this journey together.

**Lindsay Hendricks
Massena**

Massena Library celebration set

The Massena Public Library will celebrate the Friends of MPL during the 18th annual National Friends of Libraries Week, Oct. 15-21.

Friends of Library organizations provide crucial support for the continued viability and growth of their partner library. Friends raise funds, advocate for the library, volunteer and raise awareness of the library in the community. Without the Friends, the library would not be able to provide the variety of programming, equipment, support for children's summer reading and special events that it does.

We want to take this opportunity to congratulate the revitalized Friends of MPL. Some of their recent fundraising and programming activities are used book sales, library-themed merchandise, raffles, lottery tree, gift baskets, National Library Week Celebration with patron and staff appreciation days, library giving day and New Horizons Swing Band, retirement reception for Director Elaine Dunne and assistant director Debbie Fuehring, welcome reception for new Director Krista Briggs, library garden enhancements, children's art classes, author visit by Tessa Wegert, children's book give-away at Rockin' the River, koozie and adult book give-away at Louisville Fall Festival and created a new website "Friends of the Massena Public Library."

Additionally, the Friends have made great strides towards incorporation, receiving tax exempt status and growing their membership and governance.

Please visit the Friends of MPL website at friendsofmassenapubliclibrary.org to learn more about the Friends organization and how to become a member. Joining the Friends of MPL is a terrific way to support the library's programs and services, give back to your community and make new friends.

Joseph Savoca, President, Massena Public Library Board of Trustees

Supports Baker for town council

We are writing to endorse Kristy DuBray-Baker for Village of Massena Councilman. It is said that if there is an important job that needs to be, ask the busiest person you know. That person is Kristy DuBray-Baker. Her organizational skills are exemplary and her energy is boundless. She teaches pre-k classes, volunteers at her church teaching dance, and serves as a board member for Massena Central, all while caring for her family of ten.

As a Massena native, she is well acquainted with both the strengths and weaknesses in the area and

as a mother of teenagers, is well aware of the challenges and needs of our young people.

We are proud that she is our daughter but honestly would be impressed with her amazing work ethic even if she wasn't.

Take a close look at this amazing woman and vote for her on Election Day.

**Terry and Jane DuBray
Massena**

Balanced budgets and economics

I'll try to be nice this time as I hurt too many feelings last time.

Mr. Shirtz talks (Opinion: Irresponsible spending by government, says Rensselaer Falls man - Sept. 26, 2023) about a balanced budget and economics, stating that Keynesian economics helps to only make the rich richer and the poor poorer. Funny he should mention this, because it was Keynesian economics that helped to get the nation out of the Great Depression, multiple recessions, and help to stabilize the nation's economy every time. Keynesian ideology has been shown to work.

Reaganomics or trickle down is what Mr. Shirtz should be bad-mouthing as this is shown to only cause inflation and an increase

in debt while allowing the rich to get much richer and the poor to be more poor.

Need anyone need reminding, the Trump years increased the national budget significantly while lining the pockets of the rich.

The failure of a balanced budget really has to do with the trickle down theory and the improper taxing of the wealthy while the poor bear the brunt.

Mr. Shirtz is wrong in his letter but supports a balanced budget. I wonder if he supported President Clinton when he was in office as he had...balanced the budget.

**Jeffrey Wilson
Massena**

Thanks for planting trees

On behalf of Trinity Catholic School I am writing to thank Alcoa and the Village Arbor Committee for planting trees a number of years ago. It is said that the best time to plant a tree is 20 years ago.

In our case it is 5 years since the trees were planted and they are already bearing fruit. In 2018, Alcoa and the Arbor Committee received a grant where 67 fruit trees were planted on the campus of Trinity Catholic School. Those fruit trees are now providing food

for our afterschool program.


The children love to pick their own apples to eat. Students in other classes pick apples for a snack in class. The kindergarten class picked their apples while learning about the life cycle of an apple in the Science lab.

We know that Alcoa, NYPA and the Arbor Committee continue to raise awareness for the importance of trees at each of the schools throughout our community through Arbor Day celebrations and other tree planting events. However, there is no project that has such a tangible return for our community.

So, thanks for your foresight and commitment to our community.

**Ann Borsellino
Science coordinator
at Trinity Catholic School,
Massena**


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Northern New York Community Foundation

Dr. D. Susan Badenhause Legacy Fund now accepting proposals.

Dr. D. Susan Badenhause was deeply devoted to St. Lawrence County. She believed in the strength of community and was a passionate supporter of the people and places in the region she loved and called home. Dr. Badenhause served all for whom she provided medical care with dignity and respect. Her story lives on in perpetuity through the **Dr. D. Susan Badenhause Legacy Fund of the Northern New York Community Foundation.**








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SUNY Potsdam at crossroads, but there is a path forward

BY SUZANNE SMITH
SUNY Potsdam President

As one of the nation's 50 original colleges and the oldest institution in New York's public university system, SUNY Potsdam has a long and proud history of providing students a quality higher education and serving as an economic anchor for the community.

From our start in a one-room schoolhouse, we have adapted and evolved along with the times—and now is one of those times.

SUNY Potsdam is at a crossroads.

Like many other colleges and universities across the nation, we have experienced a steady

Viewpoint

Suzanne Smith



decline in enrollment over the past decade.

Despite diligent effort to reverse this trend and to cut costs, our expenses have continued to exceed our expenses.

As a result, we are facing an annual structural deficit of \$9 million.

Though the state has provided additional aid, no one-time bailout

would be sufficient to secure our financial future.

There is a path forward. It will be difficult, but I am convinced that this tight-knit campus community will come together and pull through.

Last month, I unveiled a plan to put SUNY Potsdam on the path to sound fiscal footing, including through the recalibration of our academic offerings to better accommodate student demand.

As part of our plan, 14 programs, representing 6.3 percent of our enrollment, are currently being reviewed for discontinuation over the next few years.

To be clear, we aren't just cutting. We are also investing in areas

of need and potential growth.

We have an opportunity to be creative, work across disciplines, and develop new programming—like micro credentialing—that today's students want.

That's why I am meeting with employers from across the region in the coming days and months, to find out ways that we can help address our area's workforce needs and support the vitality of the North Country.

While we examine tough but necessary changes, I give you my word that SUNY Potsdam will continue to uphold our mission and the hands-on student experience we are known for.

I believe in this campus, this

community and in the path ahead. I moved here with my family five months ago, with the intention of staying for a long time to come.

We love the natural beauty and the neighborly spirit here, which made us, and our five dogs, instantly feel at home.

As we work to return our campus to fiscal health, I am committed to providing transparency and openness about this process, as we work collaboratively to see Potsdam succeed through this challenging period and soar into a new era of strength and prosperity.

Before assuming the role of SUNY Potsdam president on April 17, Suzanne Smith was provost at Georgia Southwestern University.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SeaComm recognizes Credit Union Day

October 19th is International Credit Union Day. This year marks the 75th anniversary of celebrating

this special day. This year, we celebrate our 60th anniversary and we join with credit unions around the world in this celebration. This one day that is set aside affords us an

opportunity to be thankful to our movement and a celebration of the differences and impact SeaComm and other financial cooperatives have made and continue to make for

their members and the communities in which they do business.

For us it all started with a tool box (which is iconic for us today and can be seen in the lobbies of all our branches), \$50 and a shared vision of the ten Chevrolet Foundry workers, who each wanted to improve the financial lives of not only themselves, but those they worked with. That vision is no less important today than it was back on June 6, 1963.

All credit unions share a common goal to offer access to affordable financial services to their members and provide even the most financially disadvantaged the tools and the opportunities to be financially self-sufficient. Making life choices and dreams a reality is the credit union difference that makes a real impact in our world.

Exceptional member service and democratic control are just some of the many benefits of being a credit union or cooperative member. That's as true at SeaComm as it is in other cooperatively-owned financial institutions from Afghanistan to Zimbabwe. Credit unions and other financial cooperatives are founded on community service, a principle that has set them apart for more than 100 years.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, management and our entire staff, we look forward to carrying on this rich history and continuing the journey that was started by those ten men of People Helping People attain their dreams.

Happy International Credit Union Day.

Scott A. Wilson
President & Chief Executive Officer
SeaComm

Backs Baker for town council

I am writing to express my wholehearted support for Kristy DuBray Baker as a candidate for the Massena Town Council. Having closely followed her involvement in our community over the years, I am confident in Kristy's ability to make a positive and lasting impact on our town.

Kristy possesses a unique combination of dedication, intelligence, and genuine care for the well-being of our community. She is equipped with the skills necessary to navigate the complexities of local governance effectively.

One of Kristy's standout qualities is her unwavering commitment to inclusivity and collaboration. She has demonstrated time and again her ability to bring diverse groups of people together, fostering an environment of open dialogue and mutual respect. In today's increasingly diverse and interconnected world, this trait is invaluable for creating a thriving and harmonious community.

Moreover, Kristy has consistently shown a deep understanding of the unique challenges facing our town. Her innovative ideas and proactive approach to problem-solving are exactly what we need to address issues such as economic development, infrastructure, and education to name just a few. I am confident that with Kristy on the Town Council, we will see tangible progress on these fronts.

In addition to her professional merits, Kristy is a compassionate individual who genuinely cares about the well-being of Massena's residents. Her involvement in the Massena Central School Board speaks volumes about her dedication to creating a better quality of life for all of us.

I wholeheartedly endorse Kristy DuBray Baker for Massena Town Council and believe that she has the vision, skills, and passion needed to lead our community forward. I encourage you to join me in supporting her candidacy.

Morgan Christy
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NCNOW SURVEY

The Question:

What are you looking forward to most about autumn?

FALL IS UNDERWAY in St. Lawrence County with foliage changing color each day. Although this week the weather has been warm for fall, cooler temperatures are expected soon.

What are you looking forward to most about autumn?

HERE ARE COMMENTS from some survey participants:

'It's a beautiful time of year, if we didn't have to think about what comes next.'

'I love everything about Fall. I even named my daughter: Autumn.'

'Cozy sweaters & cute boots!'

'Raking and preparing for winter. Said no one ever.'

'Can't stand the heat and humidity. Football season is here.' 'It means spring is only 6 months away!'

'Fall is a nice season but when the frost hits, I hit the road to Florida until spring for the cold winter months. Cold weather sucks!'

'Seeing the beautiful colors of the leaves!'

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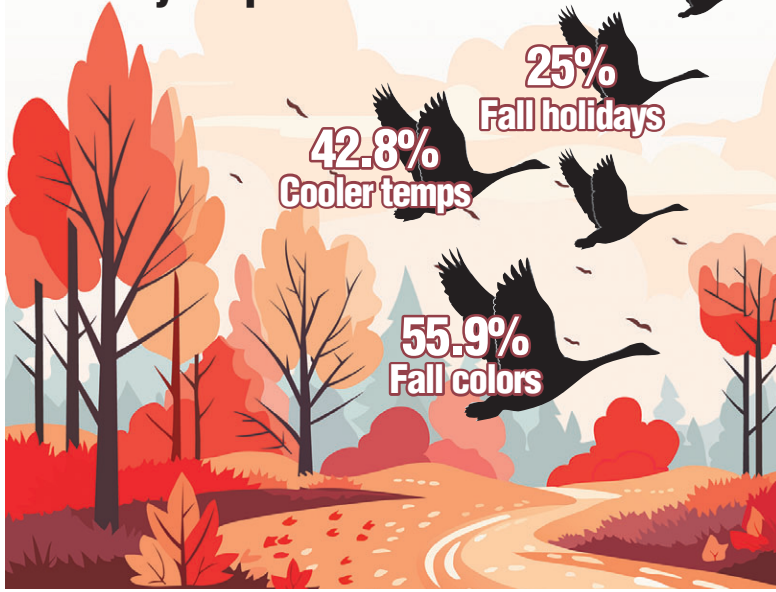
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

DeLaPorte seeks council seat

Allow me to introduce myself; my name is Sabrina DeLaPorte and I am running for a seat on the Massena Town Council. Having lived in Massena for many years I have had time to observe the kind of town we have and have high hopes for its future.

When our family arrived, we found Massena an ideal place to raise our seven children. They could walk in safety to school, downtown to the library, to their friends' homes and to their sports practices. They learned their neighborhood from the ground up. I'm confident that can happen again.

Today's parents encounter problems that didn't exist then. That doesn't mean that they can't be faced. What it does mean is that our community needs the cohesive force required to combat them.

That means citizens need to feel that their government supports them.

A few years ago I joined the Massena Republican Committee in order to learn what it takes to elect representatives and understand the function of a political party. I found that there isn't a great difference between the goals of our two major parties, but the difference lies in how each wants to achieve those goals.

Keeping a watchful eye on where the taxpayer's money goes and keeping those taxpayers aware of how their money is spent is of prime importance. The catchword for that, today, is "transparency." And we deserve that.

In the 20 years my husband and I delivered Meals on Wheels, I got well acquainted with Massena people who live on the edge. It takes all they have to maintain independence and I hope to help them achieve that.

These are my goals for serving on the Town Council and I hope you will help elect me on November 7. I will work for you.

Sabrina DeLaPorte
Massena

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SUNY Potsdam highly rated among top public master's universities in the U.S.

Despite its small size, SUNY Potsdam continues to punch above its weight in national college rankings.

Washington Monthly recently ranked The State University of New York at Potsdam at No. 34 in the country—the top 7 percent—in its national public master's universities ratings, for the magazine's 2023 College Guide.

SUNY Potsdam came in at No. 47 out of all 604 public and private institutions that grant master's degrees on the Washington Monthly list, and was ranked in the top 35 public colleges in America.

"For over two centuries, SUNY Potsdam has been steadfast in providing an education that is not only accessible and affordable, but also deeply ingrained in the betterment of society," said President Dr. Suzanne Smith. "This latest national recognition affirms our commitment to creating the difference-makers of tomorrow—helping students graduate with less debt, on a path to successful and fulfilling careers."

SUNY Potsdam also was recognized in



Washington Monthly's Best Bang for the Buck (Northeast) rankings, which lists campuses

that help non-wealthy students attain marketable degrees at affordable prices. Among

public institutions, SUNY Potsdam ranked at No. 30 in the entire Northeast for value.

The College rated highly by the magazine thanks in large part to the social mobility return it provides for graduates, helping students from all socioeconomic backgrounds earn their degrees and go on to fulfilling and successful careers, with as little debt as possible.

Additionally, Potsdam scored highly for the number of undergraduates who go on to earn a Ph.D. or doctorate.

Likewise, in the U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges 2024 guide, SUNY Potsdam is now tied at No. 28 on the Top Public Schools – Regional Universities North list. The campus also ranked highly in the Top Performers on Social Mobility and Best Value Schools lists.

U.S. News & World Report bases its rankings on assessment by peer institutions, graduation and retention rates, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources and alumni giving.

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Businesses have until Oct. 17 to apply for Core of Community funding

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA — Businesses hoping to receive a chunk of the \$540,000 put aside in the village of Massena's Core of the Community Fund are encouraged to submit their applications.

Village officials say the deadline to apply is Oct. 17 for businesses within the Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) target area.

The village of Massena was awarded \$10 million through the state's DRI program in 2021, intended to jump start work in the downtown corridor that would promote local businesses and provide new opportunities for economic growth.

As part of the initial application through the Local Planning Com-

mittee (LPC), the Core of the Community Fund was one of over two dozen projects in consideration.

When all was said and done, eight projects were selected by the LPC and state for funding through the DRI.

According to Village Administrator Monique Chatland, \$540,000 is available for local businesses looking to create new or update signage, to expand or renovate spaces, to improve facades and storefronts and to convert vacant property into usable commercial and residential spaces.

Fifty percent of project costs must be covered by property owners of for-profit businesses, while only 25% must be contributed for non-profit businesses.

If projects run over projected

budgets, business owners will be on the hook for the difference and additional grant funding will not be supplied, officials say.

I will say that the property owners must fully fund the project and then will be reimbursed at the completion of the grant. There's different percentages based on what you're doing for the projects," Chatland said.

Project guidelines are available on the village's website at the following link: <https://massena.us/537/Core-of-the-Community-Grant-Fund>.

The project funding is not just limited to property owners as well, business owners are eligible to apply as long as they are within the DRI boundary, Chatland said.

"It's actually pretty large," Chatland said.

To apply, businesses can do so on the village website as well, www.massena.us and completed applications can be submitted to jkonkoski2@labellapc.com.

"Those applications are due Oct. 17. We will review them the following week and a public review committee will have their decision the week after that," Chatland said.

If funds are not exhausted in the first round of approved projects, Chatland said it may be possible to set up a second round of applications in the future.

Numerous businesses are cur-

rently eligible within the zone, which runs from Andrews Street west to Church Street, south to West Orvis Street, west to Church Street, from East Orvis Street east to Parker Avenue, from Glenn Street south to East Orvis Street, from Phillips Street east to Water Street, from Main Street north to Maple Street,

from Water Street northwest to Main Street, from Center Street east to Parker Avenue bridge and from Maple Street east to Center Street.

Officials say it is their hope that after extensive behind the scenes work throughout the year that projects will be shovel ready next spring.

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SeaComm recently donated \$1,000 to the Massena Little League to help rebuild the concession stand that was destroyed by fire. Pictured from left from SeaComm are Assistant Branch Manager Emily Clark, Teller Shae Defreeze, Teller Kaila Peets, Teller Hope Chapman; and Massena Little League President Leon Shorette.

Fall Fest in Massena Oct. 14

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA — Fall Fest is right around the corner, with a number of events slated to take place in downtown Massena on Oct. 14.

Digital Brand Manager Jason Hendricks said the event is shaping up nicely, following on the heels of Rockin' the River, which saw over 3,000 people attend.

"Fall Fest: Pumpkinpalooza" has long been in the works after Trustee Shelyn Peets sought to bring back the traditional fall fest for the downtown area.

Hendricks said they were "keeping the palooza going for this year" but would transition the name and theme next year.

Events will include "harvest-friendly activities" like pump-

kin painting and face painting, along with, brewers, craft vendors, fireworks, food trucks, music and craft vendors.

Officials say the Massena Arts and Theater Association will also hold a Haunted House Walk-Through at the Massena Schine Theater beginning at noon.

The events are sponsored by Arconic, Curran Renewable Energy, Liberty Utilities, Massena Elks Lodge, Massena Savings and Loan, the Mega Reunion Committee and fireworks sponsored by the village of Massena.

Musicians slated to take the stage will include Chris Cole at 12 p.m., Lacy Rae at 1:30 p.m., Borderline at 2:45 p.m., Dad Bods at 4:15 p.m., Atom Ghost at 5:45 p.m. and SFM at 7 p.m.

Fireworks will launch at 10 p.m.

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Pictured above, from left, Mike Martin, Gary Clancy, and Jacob Bennett take out their boat from Ogdensburg's Hosmer Marina for the last time this year on a gorgeous October afternoon.



Photo submitted by Silas Smith

Levi Zufal and his children Elliot, Joseph and Kora introduce Isaac Smith to their cows in Lisbon.



Photo submitted by Kim Golden

The Louisville Fall Festival was held Saturday with vendors, food, live music and games for the whole family. Above, teams compete in a cornhole tournament.



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Chris Fraser from Heuvelton out for a last day of kayaking with his dog Jake late Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 4, at Cooper's Falls.

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Halloween-themed events at Massena Library

MASSENA — A teen Halloween writing contest, pumpkin basket making class, and local author visit, are among the upcoming offerings at Massena Public Library.

Tales from Teens Scary Story Contest for ages 13-18 is offering gift cards and a posting on the library's website for winners in three categories: Spookiest Library Setting, Best Poem and Biggest Plot Twist. Deadline for submission is by

5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27. For more info visit the library website.

A pumpkin basket class taught by Ann French will be held Oct. 24 at 10 a.m. until finished in the downstairs community room. Cost is \$45. Call the library to register.

John Michaud, a Massena native and local history author, will discuss his new book, "A St. Lawrence Seaway Photo Album," Oct. 25 at 6 p.m.. His talk will also feature

another of his books, "Haunted Massena."

"Guy Ritchie's The Covenant" will be this month's Friday Afternoon at the Movies event held on Friday, Oct. 27 at 1 p.m. in the library's screening room.

The Library Book Club is back by popular demand and will meet Nov. 1 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss "Trust" by Hernan Diaz.

Open mic coffee house

MORRISTOWN — Christian musicians and vocalists are being sought for an upcoming open-mic coffee house on Friday, Oct. 20, at the First Congregational Church of Morristown, 541 Sand Street Road. The event begins at 6:30 p.m. and

is another of the church's "Third Friday Fellowship Nights" that have proved successful this year.

For more information, and to sign-up to perform, call or text Dixie Dave Ellis at 315-276-1878.

Interviews upcoming for Christmas assistance outreach

MASSENA — Christmas assistance interviews will be held at St. Peter's Outreach Ministry (formerly St. Vincent de Paul Society), from Oct. 16-Nov. 22, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

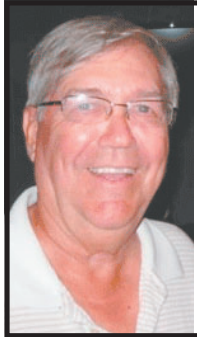
Call 315-957-9742 to set up an appointment.

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Scarecrow Shirley Stone, of Waddington, poses with Owen Otero, of Lisbon, during the Pumpkinfest held Oct. 7 at Island View Park, Waddington.

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Museum haunting planned

OGDENSBURG - The Frederic Remington Art Museum, 303 Washington Street, Ogdensburg, invites you to the Remington Haunting: A Family Event on Friday, Oct. 20 and Saturday, Oct. 21 from 6-8 p.m. if you dare.

This event is sponsored by America 1 Realty and is a major fundraiser for the museum.

Admission is \$5 a person, cash only.

For much of its nearly 100 years as a Museum, the Parish Mansion has been the subject of ghost stories. One rumored story is about Madame Ameriga Vespucci, who lived in the Mansion from 1841-1859 with the house's owner, George Parish. It is said that her heart was broken when he left her here when he inherited his title as the Baron von Senftenberg and moved to his castle in Vienna, Austria.

Eighteen rooms of fright and fun. That's what you'll find at the Remington Museum as ghosts and apparitions take over the Museum for two nights of scary adventure and fun.

There will be a heart-stopping ghost tour through the Museum and a scary cat walk on the main floor for the meek at heart. Come scare yourself silly in this very limited opportunity.

For more information contact Melanie Flack, at 315-393-2425 or melanie@fredericremington.org.

WHAT'S GOING ON

SATURDAY, OCT. 14

Psychic fair

OGDENSBURG — A psychic fair will be held Saturday, Oct. 14 from 10 a.m.-6 p.m., and Sunday, Oct. 15 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus, Martin Field Home, 721 Hasbrouck St. Psychics, tarot card readers, palmist, mediums, healers, spiritual animal reader. Vendors, jewelry, gems, crystals, tarot cards and more. Admission: \$10, at the door. www.destinyreader.com.

Ghost Walk

OGDENSBURG — The Ogdensburg History Museum is offering a Ghost Walk that will take visitors through the streets of Ogdensburg to explore the city's most haunted locations such as the Frederic Remington Art Museum, where they will learn about the city's haunted history, notorious criminals and learn about the city's dark past on Oct. 14 at 7 p.m. Participants should meet on the steps of the Ogdensburg Public Library. A donation of \$10 is suggested. Info: 315-528-0733 or jmmadlin@gmail.com.

Fall festival

MASSENA — Massena First United Methodist Church, 189 Main St., will host a free fall festival Saturday, Oct. 14 from 3-5 p.m. Costume judging will be held at 3:15 p.m. There will be pumpkin painting, crafts, games, free hot dogs and other creepy fun. All are welcome.

Haunted Hayride

BRASHER FALLS — The Tri-Town Annual Haunted Hayride will be held Sat., Oct. 14, at 94 Leary Flint Rd., Brasher Falls. Non-scary wagon rides will start at 5:30 p.m., followed by scary rides at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$5 per person to benefit the Tri-Town Chamber of Commerce. For info: 315-705-8965 or 315-389-4864.

After Dark haunt

MASSENA — Breezy Maples Farm, 331 Willard Road, Massena is again hosting its annual "After Dark" haunt on Oct. 13, 14, 20, 21, 27 and 28 from 7-10 p.m. The farm will feature the Forest of Frights scare trail, The Night time Wagon Ride, and the Flashlight Corn Maze. There will also be the Spooky Trail, Chicken Coop Movie Theatre, Farm Animals to visit, and campfires. Admission sales start at 6:30 p.m. Cost to enter is \$15. Info: info@breezypmaples.com, 315-705-6460.

Roast pork

LISBON — A roast pork dinner will be served Saturday, Oct. 14 at 4 p.m. at the Lisbon United Presbyterian Church, 26 Church St. The meal is eat-in or take-out and costs \$14 (5-years-old and younger eat for free) for roast pork, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, cabbage salad, homemade rolls and homemade pie. Pre-order starting at 2 p.m. by calling 315-394-8303. Pickups start at 4 p.m.

Pumpkin Palooza

MASSENA — The first-ever Massena Fall Fest 'Pumpkin Palooza' will be held Saturday, Oct. 14, from 10 a.m.-11 p.m. in downtown Massena. Activities will include live music, food trucks, vendors, local brews, pumpkin decorating, bounce houses, face painting and fireworks. Free.

Haunted House

MASSENA — The Massena Schine Theater Haunted House Theater Walk will take place Saturday, Oct. 14, at 65 Main St. in conjunction with the Massena Fall Festival Pumpkin Palooza. It will be a kid-friendly walk-through from noon to 5 p.m., followed by a scary version from 7-10 p.m. Tickets are \$3 kids twelve

and under, and \$5adults/teens. Proceeds benefit Massena Arts and Theater Association, preserving and reviving the historic Massena Schine Theater.

Halloween painting class

WADDINGTON — Gallery at Lake Saint Lawrence Arts, 14 Main St., will host a class on Halloween themed tole painting project with Janette Perrault Oct. 13 starting at 1 p.m. Cost: \$65, materials supplied. Must pre-register. Register: 315-308-4410, lakesaintlawrencearts@gmail.com, www.facebook.com/lslarts.

Auxiliary meeting

HEUVELTON — Amvets Auxiliary 1997 will meet Oct. 14 at 6:30 p.m.

Fall bazaar

MASSENA — The Massena Senior Citizens will host their annual Fall Bazaar at 61 Beach St. on Saturday, Oct. 14, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. There will be quality craft vendors, a bake sale, Chinese auction and raffles. Skillo will be played from 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Lunch is available 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Admission is free.

Cabbage rolls

MASSENA — Massena First United Methodist Church, 189 Main St., is selling \$5 cabbage rolls for take-away Saturday, Oct. 14 starting at 8 a.m. Call 315-769-8036 to pre-order your rolls. All proceeds will benefit the church and the Community Meal Program.

Public skating

MASSENA — Public skating at Massena Arena on Oct. 14, from 7:55-9:00 p.m. and Oct. 15, from 1:50 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Admission is \$3. Skate rental is \$3. The concession stand will be open.

Photography class

MASSENA — Fellow photographers can learn how to use camera lenses to the best advantage when taking photographs with photographer Konstantin Tovstadi. He will present his talk at Nicandri Nature Center on October 14 at 10 a.m. The presenter uses Zeiss/Nikon as the example, but the lens talk applies to all photographers using manual lenses. It is open to all levels of photographers. The program is free. No registration is required.

SUNDAY, OCT. 15

Adirondak Playboys

HEUVELTON — Pickens Hall, 83 State St., will host a concert on Sunday, Oct. 15 at 7 p.m. with the Adirondak Playboys & Country Dance. Info: 315-344-7950.

Public skating

MASSENA — Public skating is being offered at Massena Arena on Sunday, Oct. 15, from 1:50 p.m.-3 p.m. Admission \$3. Skate rental \$3. Concession stand open.

Trinity's birthday bash

MASSENA — The 2023-2024 school year marks 40 years of operation for Trinity Catholic School, and TCS will hold a celebration event open to the community on Oct. 15. There will be Mass at 11 a.m. celebrated by Bishop Terry LaValley at Sacred Heart Church, then the party will begin on Trinity's school grounds. Lunch prepared by Pig and Moo BBQ, and the band Downtown will play music from all genres and eras. Peanut butter bars. RSVP to the school's main office by calling 315-769-5911.

MONDAY, OCT. 16

Driving course

OGDENSBURG — The Ogdensburg City School District is offering a five-hour

safe driving course Monday, Oct. 16 and Tuesday, Oct. 17. Call Cindy O'Grady to register at 315-393-0900 x31920.

Blood drive

MASSENA — There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive at the Massena VFW dining room, 101 W. Hatfield St., on Monday, Oct. 16 from 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Info: redcrossblood.org.

TUESDAY, OCT. 17

Planning board

WINTHROP — The Stockholm Planning Board will hold work meetings to continue cleaning up and preparing changes to the Stockholm Land Use Regulations on Tuesday, Oct. 17, Nov. 14 and Dec. 19 at 6 p.m. in the board/court room at the municipal building in Winthrop.

Obit writing workshop

GOVERNEUR — The St. Lawrence County Office for the Aging is partnering with Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley to host an obituary writing workshop for older adults on Oct. 17 at 10 a.m. at the Gouverneur Community Center, 4673 State Highway 59. Lunch offered afterwards. Info: 315-386-4730.

BOCES tour

FWLER — The St. Lawrence County Business Connections Committee is pleased to partner with the St. Lawrence-Lewis Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) for special informational programs and student-led tours at Southwest Career & Technical Education Center is located just outside of Gouverneur on Tuesday, Oct. 17 from 8:30-11 a.m. Southwest Tech serves an average of 280 students from 5 component school districts: Clifton-Fine, Edwards-Knox, Gouverneur, Harrisville, and Hermon-DeKalb. Advance registration is required, and space is limited. Breakfast will be provided. Networking opportunity so make sure to bring your business cards. Info: 315-393-3620. Register: <https://tinyurl.com/yck7cxz3>.

WEDS., OCT. 18

Wednesday bingo

MASSENA — The Marine Corps League, 166 Maple St., is hosting Bingo Night every Wednesday at 7 p.m. Open at 5 p.m.

Book sale

OGDENSBURG — The Friends of the Ogdensburg Public Library annual fall book sale will be held in the auditorium upstairs and in the book store (basement) on Wednesday, Oct. 18 from 4-7 p.m.; Thursday, Oct. 19 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; and a \$5 bag sale Friday, Oct. 20 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Proceeds support the Ogdensburg Public Library.

Chamber dinner

POTSDAM — St. Lawrence County Chamber Annual Awards Dinner will be Wednesday, Oct. 18, 5:30-9 p.m. at the Stables at Windy Point, starting with a happy hour. Awards, musical entertainment by John Danis, silent and 'lucky draw' auctions, live auction, 50/50 raffle, and lottery board. Reservations can be made online at <https://business.visitstlc.com/events/>, by calling 315-386-4000, or by email to Regina Bowser at Regina@slcchamber.org. \$50 per person or \$480 for a corporate table of 10 people.

THURSDAY, OCT. 19

Community dinner

HEUVELTON — There will be a community dinner at the Heuvelton Presbyterian Church, 63 Lisbon St., on Thursday, Oct. 19 starting at 4:30 p.m. Donations are accepted but not required.

Sell a Haunted House

MADRID — The Hepburn Library of Madrid will offer a Halloween-themed book at their next meeting on Thursday, Oct. 19, at 7:00 p.m. The book discussed will be "How to Sell a Haunted House" by Grady Hendrix. All are welcome.

Obit writing workshop

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Audit presentation

AKWESASNE — The Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe's annual audit presentation for the tribal government will be held for tribal membership on Thursday, Oct. 19, at 5 p.m. The audit presentation will cover the

2022 Fiscal Year and will include a summary of the auditor's results. All tribal members are welcomed and encouraged to participate. The presentation will be held in the first-floor conference room at the Tribal Administration Building, 71 Margaret Terrace Memorial Way. Tribal members attending in-person do not need to register in advance however, those who want to join virtually must pre-register at <https://bitly.ws/WfWfH>.

FRIDAY, OCT. 20

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Halloween party

NORWOOD — A Halloween party will be hosted by Norwood Public Library on Sat., Oct. 21, from 1-3 p.m. A ghost scavenger hunt, glow-in-the-dark coloring and slightly spooky cartoons will be held in the common city room. Each child will receive a free book. Costumes are encouraged.

Christian coffee house

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Movie Theatre, Farm Animals to visit, and campfires. Admission sales start at 6:30 p.m. Cost to enter is \$15. Info: info@breezymaples.com, 315-705-6460.

Open house

OGDENSBURG — United Helpers Independent Senior Living in Canton will hold an open house on Friday, Oct. 20 from 1 to 3 p.m. For more information, or to schedule a private tour, please call 315-379-1428 or visit United Helpers Independent Senior Living online at www.unitedhelpers.org.

KC Karaoke

HEUVELTON — Amvets Post 1997, 107 State St., will host KC Karaoke on Oct. 6, 13, 20 and 27 from 6-9 p.m.

Halloween party

MASSENA — Chase's Riverside Dining,

829 State Highway 131, will host a Halloween party with live music by The BackWater Duo on Friday, Oct. 20 at 7 p.m. 21 and older. 50/50 raffle, costume contest at 9 p.m., chance to win Halloween swag basket. \$10 admission includes appetizers, games, karaoke, drunk pumpkin selfie/tag.

SATURDAY, OCT. 21 Steampunk Dance

MADRID — A Steampunk Halloween Dance with DJ Josh "the Wolfman" Barkley will be held Saturday, Oct. 21, from 5-7 p.m. at the Hepburn Library of Madrid Community Room. The event will include Halloween treats and great music, and prizes for the best Steampunk costume. All are welcome.

Ignite walk

NORWOOD — Norwood Volunteer Firemen's Association will host the "Ignite the Night" Walk/Run Saturday, Oct. 21, at 7 p.m. starting at the Norwood Volunteer

Fire Station, corner of Bernard and South Main. Glow sticks and other light up gear can be worn. First 40 receive free glow sticks. Sign ups 6-7 p.m. Cost: \$3 for single person, \$10 for family. From 5:30-8:30 p.m., bounce house. Apple cider, coffee, plain donuts. Donations accepted.

Concert series fundraiser

NORFOLK — Norfolk Concert Series will host a Fall Fundraiser at the Norfolk American Legion on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 6-10 pm. St Lawrence county's own Lacey Stoddard Meets and Franklin County's own Jack Bellows will perform. There will be a silent auction featuring gifts donated by local residents and businesses. Admission is free but donations will be accepted throughout the evening.

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Trunk or Treat in Oburg

OGDENSBURG — Trunk or Treat will be held Saturday, Oct. 21, from 5-7 p.m. at 206 Ford St., at the corner of State St.

and Washington St. The event is hosted by St. Lawrence Valley Prevention Council and Community Health Center of the North Country. To register a trunk, or for questions, email clebeau@SVPC.net .

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Midnight Stargazers

NORFOLK — Bregg Winery will host the band Midnight Stargazers on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 6-9 p.m. The Bloomingdale band is four-piece acoustic group playing cosmic country, a blend of classic country, folk and country rock as well as their own Americana compositions.

Bird barn quilt class

WADDINGTON — The Gallery at Lake St. Lawrence Arts is offering a bird barn quilt workshop with T. Gabor on Saturday, Oct. 21 and Sunday, Oct. 22 starting from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at the Old Town Hall, 38 Main St. Create a Cardinal or Bluebird wooden barn quilt. The quilt is painted on a 2' X 2' piece of 1/2" thick plywood. Bring a yardstick, a pencil, and a

white eraser. All other materials supplied. Cost: \$65 includes both days. Must pre-register. Limit 12. Call 315-388-3033 or lakesaintlawrencearts@gmail.com.

Cemetery cleanup

NORFOLK — Hale Cemetery of Norfolk is having fall cleanup day Oct. 21, starting at 9 a.m. Bring your rakes and gloves.

Massena Artists Show

MASSENA — The Massena Artists Association Membership Show will hold a reception and awards ceremony on Saturday, Oct. 21, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. The award presentation will begin at 11:45 a.m. The exhibit will be on display in the library from Oct. 21 - Nov.10. This show features the work of talented community members and includes paintings, sketches, photographs and sculptures. The Artists Association will receive members work on Oct. 11 from 6:00-7:45 p.m., Oct. 13 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. and Oct. 14 from 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Food distribution

MASSENA — There will be a food distribution Saturday, Oct. 21 from 8:30-10 a.m. for St. Lawrence County residents at St. Peter's Outreach Ministry, 128 Main St.

Rummage, crafts

OGDENSBURG — The Ogdensburg United Methodist Church, 627 Caroline St., will host a rummage and craft sale on Oct. 21 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. There will be a clothing bag sale. Food and beverages.

Fright Night

RENSELAER FALLS — The HDCS Class of 2026 is sponsoring Fright Night at Applewood Orchards, 176 Johnson Road, on Saturday, Oct. 21 from 6:30-9 p.m. Mild scares for small children is from 6:30-7 p.m. Serious scares between 7-9 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person to benefit the HDCS Class of 2026. Info: www.applewoodorchards.com, 315-344-7002, 315-347-3442.

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Position Summary Guidelines: Manage and maintain the administrative flow of the office, provide first contact for faculty, staff, and students and initiate action when appropriate. Administer policies established by the Dean regarding budgetary, personnel, academic issues. Represent the Dean as required. Resolve problems, provide assistance and answer questions relating to Graduate School issues. Maintain confidentiality and discretion regarding College business and files.

Minimum qualifications: High school degree and five (5) years office experience in a University setting, of which must have occurred in an academic department-level or higher – level academic unit, comparable research unit, or in a setting that involved day –to –day collaboration with such units. An Associate degree may substitute for up to two (2) years' experience. A Bachelor's degree may substitute for up to four (4) years of experience.

Range: \$16.22- \$19.50

Laboratory Manager (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary Guidelines: Provide administrative and lab support for all activities of the PI and research group, including purchasing, expense reconciliation, staffing, safety and record keeping

Minimum qualifications: B.S. or M.S. (preferred) degree in Chemistry or closely related field. 2-5 five years in a university chemistry stockroom.

Range: \$23.00- \$27.00

Review of applications will begin immediately and continues until the position is filled. To submit your application, go to www.clarkson.edu/hr and click "Career Opportunities" below Careers at Clarkson section. An equal opportunity /affirmative action employer, Clarkson actively seeks and encourages applications from minorities, women and people with disabilities.

<https://www.clarkson.edu/human-resources/career-opportunities>

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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Find the full job listing and apply online at
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Job postings open until filled.



**Morristown
Central School**

408 Gouverneur Street
Morristown, NY 13664

IMMEDIATE OPENING

KEYBOARD SPECIALIST

Full-time, 12-mos., CSEA Position
NYS Retirement, Health, Dental & Vision Benefits Available
(**See Additional Employment Information below.**)

Applications will be accepted until the position has been filled.
To apply, please visit www.GreenRockets.org
(under the District & Human Resources tabs)

****Additional Employment Information:** This is a provisional appointment. The successful applicant will need to take the St. Lawrence County Keyboard Specialist Civil Service Exam on 12/16/23 and score within the top three interested candidates in order to be permanently appointed. **Exam Has Been Announced:** The last filing date is 11/15/23. **You must also apply to take the exam at:**
<https://stlaw-portal.mycivilservice.com/post/exams>.

ELECTRIC...

fixed income. Lashomb said a number of residents in Massena are elderly and on a fixed income, which is a recipe for disaster if electric rates and use continue to climb. "Just last year even though it wasn't that bad we exceeded the allotment because you've got more people using electric. I was just wondering if maybe in the future, the next contract, we could ask the Power Authority to double our allotment," Lashomb said.

The idea of raising allotments from Massena Electric has been broached multiple times in recent years as many customers complained about higher than expected bills during the winter months. Lashomb was critical of power generated in the North Country being sent to the southern parts of the state, saying if it is produced here "we should benefit." Officials say Massena Electric is on top of the situation, having studied the potential impact for years now. Town of Massena Attorney Eric Gustafson, who also serves as

Massena Electric's attorney, said it is a major concern for the board. "The state is encouraging electrification of many things that were done with fossil fuels and how it's all going to shake out is something that they're actively pursuing," Gustafson said. Local officials have also raised concerns about the transition to electric vehicles, with many reaching out to state and federal officials to address those concerns and delay implementation. State officials passed regulations this year in the state budget bill that

would require school districts to transition to all electric vehicles by 2027, however districts can apply for a two-year delay in implementation. **BUDGET...** Comptroller Angela Gray said the proposed budget would exceed the state tax cap by 94 percent. What may confuse some is that with a flat rate, those who did not see an increase in their assessment will not pay higher taxes this year. In order to calculate the tax responsibility, property owners

need to take their new assessments, divide by \$1,000 and then multiply by the tax rate of \$16.59. To understand the impact of the assessment increase one just needs to calculate their 2023 value the same way and subtract that from their new calculation. For instance, if someone had a home assessed at \$100,000 last year they would have paid \$1,659 in taxes. If their assessment jumped to \$150,000 under the revaluation their new tax liability would be \$2,488.50

COLTON NOTICE OF MEETING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Colton-Pierpont Central School Board of Education will hold its regularly scheduled board meeting @ 5:00 p.m., October 18, 2023, at Seaway Career and Technical Education Center in Norwood.
Jennifer Fleury
Board Clerk

HAMMOND NOTICE OF MEETING
The Hammond Fire District will be holding a budget hearing on 10/17/2023 at 7 pm at the Hammond Fire Station.

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
LEGAL NOTICE
HOPKINTON FIRE DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Proposed 2024 Budget of the Hopkinton Fire District, Hopkinton, NY will be presented to the Board of Fire Commissioners for its consideration. **A PUBLIC HEARING** will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Hopkinton Municipal Building, 7 Church Street, Hopkinton, NY on the 17th day of October, 2023.

Pursuant to Town Law, the Board of Fire Commissioners must hold a public hearing on the budget, make the proposed budget available to the public prior to the public hearing, and allow the public to comment on the budget at the public hearing. This public hearing must be held to allow maximum public participation in the hearing.

The purpose of the public hearing is to allow any person to be heard in favor of or against the proposed budget as it is submitted, or for or against any item or items contained in the proposed budget, and hearing all persons interested in the subject concerning same. That a copy of the proposed budget is available at the Office of the Town Clerk(s) of the Town of Hopkinton at 7 Church Street, Hopkinton, NY during regular office hours. This notice of hearing as well as the Proposed Budget is also posted on the Town of Hopkinton website, www.townofhopkinton.org. A work session and vote on the budget will follow the public hearing.
Dated: October 9, 2023

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE
FIELD TECHNICIANS NEEDED 2024 SEASON FOR BTI BLACKFLY CONTROL PROGRAM TOWN OF COLTON MID MARCH- JULY \$20/HR
MANDATORY (30 HOUR) TRAINING COURSE FOR INFO: ANDREA MALIK (315)262-2034, (315)212-6259
btidirector@townofcolton.com

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Notice of Formation of J Wallace LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2022-07-07. Office location: Saint Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to SSNY: 637 State St. Ogdensburg NY 13669. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

RUSSELL ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

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The Town of Russell is accepting sealed bids on these projects:
Project #1 Town Hall Step replacement/ Engineered plans are available and
Project # 2 Repairing the Chimney and re-pointing stones. We offer prevailing wages.

The engineered step plans are available by calling the Town Clerk at 315- 347-2358. Sealed bids are to be in by October 16, 2023. Sealed bids will be accepted at the Town offices at 4 Pestle Street, PO Box 628 Russell, NY 13684.

Office hours are Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 4:00pm. Submittals shall be placed on a sheet if clean paper with the amount of bid legibly and clearly written or typed along with contact information including name, address, email address and phone number for said bidder.

Bids shall be placed in a sealed envelope with the words "Project #1", "Project #2" or Both Projects written on front and submitted to the Town Office before the deadline. The Town of Russell has the right to accept or reject all bids.

Town of Russell Town Clerk



BRASHER PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, Seasonal roads in the Town of Brasher, such as sections of the Lalonde Road, sections of the Vice Road and sections of the Meyers Road will not be maintained from **December 7, 2023 to April 1, 2024**.
By Order of the Brasher Highway Superintendent Larry Hewlett
Dated: October 2, 2023

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of Salon Esque LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-09-25. Office location: Saint Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Salon Esque LLC: 22 Depot Street, Suite 18 Potsdam NY 13676. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

PARISHVILLE NOTICE OF BUDGET WORKSHOP

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING UPON THE TENTATIVE BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Tentative Budget of the Town of Parishville for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024, has been completed and filed in the office of the Town Clerk in Parishville, New York, where it is available for inspection by any interested person during regular business hours.

FURTHER NOTICE is hereby given the Town Board of the Town of Parishville will meet and review said budget and hold a public hearing thereon, at the Parishville Town Hall on October 17, 2023 at 5:00 pm and at such hearing any person may be heard in favor or against any item or items therein contained.

PURSUANT TO section 113 of the Town Law, the proposed salaries of the following Town Office are hereby specified as follows:
SUPERVISOR.....\$12,000
TOWN CLERK- \$25,000.00
TOWN COUNCIL- \$12,000.00 (4 @ \$3,000.00 each)
TOWN JUSTICE- \$20,500.00
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT - \$52,000.00
Dated October 02, 2023 BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD CONNIE MAGUIRE TOWN CLERK

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of SMD Property Holdings, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-09-18. Office location: Saint Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to the LLC: 6739 US Highway 11 Potsdam NY 13676. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of US Beach Handball Tour LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-09-18. Office location: Saint Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Zenbusiness Inc.: 41 State Street Suite 112 Albany NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of North Country's Full Circle LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-09-01. Office location: Saint Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to United States Corporation Agents, Inc.: 7014 13th Avenue Suite 202 Brooklyn NY 11228. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of KICK STAINS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-07-19. Office location: Saint Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Jason Schmitt: 117 State Highway 310 Canton NY 13617. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

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WADDINGTON PUBLIC NOTICE

The Village of Waddington Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 23, 2023, @ 6:30 PM in the Municipal Building, 48 Maple St, Waddington. The purpose of the public hearing will be to consider a request from Robert Arquette to combine three lots and then subdivide them into two lots. The lots are located on the corner of Franklin Rd & Nell Manor Drive.
Dated: October 10, 2023
Carol A. Burns, Planning Secretary

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of Kilted Moose at Inverlochen, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-10-10. Office location: Saint Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to The LLC: 3590 Seneca St West Seneca NY 14224. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

Notice to Bidders: Qualified bidders may submit bids for project as described in this Document. Submit bids according to the Instructions to Bidders. Project Identification: **(2023-30) St Lawrence County Public Safety Complex Renovations**

Project Location: 49-1/2 Court Street, Canton, NY 13617, United States. Owner: St Lawrence County. Owner's Representative: Ruth Doyle. Architect: Beardsley Architects + Engineers; Architect's Representative: Michael Reynolds, RA

Project Description: See Multiple Contract Summary, Section 01 12 00. Construction Contract: Bids will be received for the following Work: Multiple Contract Project consisting of the following prime contracts:
A. General Building Construction.
B. Plumbing Construction.
C. Mechanical Construction.
D. Electrical Construction.

BID SUBMITTAL AND OPENING
Owner will receive sealed lump sum bids until the bid time and date at the location given below. Owner will consider bids prepared in compliance with the Instructions to Bidders issued by Owner, and delivered as follows:
Bid Date: November 16, 2023 @ 3:00 p.m., local time.
Location: St. Lawrence County Purchasing Office, 48 Court Street, Canton, NY 13617. Bids will be thereafter publicly opened and read aloud

BID SECURITY
A. Bid security shall be submitted with each bid in the amount of 5 percent of the bid amount. No bids may be withdrawn for a period of 60 days after opening of bids. Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities and irregularities.

PREBID MEETING - Prebid Meeting: See Document 002513 "Prebid Meetings."

Bid Documents may be viewed and/or purchased after October 6, 2023, at the Syracuse Blue Print Planroom in electronic (pdf) or hard copy format. Viewable in "Public Jobs" tab. Contractors will purchase complete sets only. Online access will be provided to all registered bidders and suppliers. Costs for downloads, printing, and shipping to be paid by bidders directly to: Syracuse Blue Print Co., Inc., 825 E. Genesee St., Syracuse, NY 13210 www.syracuseblueprintplanroom.com. Contact: Karen Johnson: 1-315-476-4084

Documents can also be requested from St. Lawrence County Purchasing Office by emailing Stephanie Kerr @ Bids@stlawco.gov

TIME OF COMPLETION
Successful bidder shall begin the Work on receipt of the Notice to Proceed and shall complete the Work within the Contract Time.

BIDDER'S QUALIFICATIONS
Bidders must be properly licensed under the laws governing their respective trades and be able to obtain insurance and bonds required for the Work. A Performance Bond, separate Labor and Material Payment Bond, and Insurance in a form acceptable to Owner will be required of the successful Bidder.

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ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE
TOWN of MASSENA

ASSESSOR

The Town of Massena, NY is currently taking applications for Sole Appointed Assessor. The Town has approximately 6,034 parcels consisting of residential, commercial and industrial. Candidates working toward certification will also be considered for this position.

Applicants must possess good inter-personal skills, exhibit integrity and sound judgment. Responsibilities include, but not limited to, inspecting, classifying and valuing all classes of property, maintaining property records, proficient computer skills, have knowledge of existing law, rules and regulations governing the evaluation of property for assessment purposes and exemptions.

Applicant will work with the RPS program and attend Board of Assessment Review (BAR) and Article 7 hearings. The work-week is 37 1/2 hours/week and the successful applicant is expected to be the sole full-time assessor for the Town of Massena. Salary range for Certified Assessor is \$59,000-\$64,000. Otherwise, salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Applicant must have a valid New York State Driver's License. Candidates will be expected to successfully pass drug and alcohol tests and reside in the Massena Electric Service area.

Please send completed application, resume, three letters of recommendation and a copy of your certification(s) to Sue Bellor, Supervisor, Town of Massena, 60 Main Street, Massena, NY 13662. Application deadline: October 19, 2023. Application form is available on the town website at <https://massenany.us>

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ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

Notice is hereby given that St. Lawrence County Purchasing Office will accept sealed bids for:

(2023-26) Replacement of Lazy River Road Bridge over Grasse River, Contract No. D040752
 PIN 7753.32; BIN 3341820

The Owner is St. Lawrence County and the work site is located in the Town of Russell, St Lawrence County New York. The projects limits extend from: 450 feet west of the bridge carrying Lazy River Road over the Grasse River to 400 feet east.

The work includes providing all labor, materials, machinery, tools, equipment and other means of construction necessary and incidental to the completion of the work shown on the Plans and described in these Specifications including, but not necessarily limited to the following:

The removal and replacement of the existing bridge carrying Lazy River Road over the Grasse River on a new horizontal and vertical roadway alignment. The existing bridge will be removed in its entirety and replaced with a 170-foot long multiple steel girder superstructure with a composite concrete deck. The superstructure will be supported on semi-integral abutments on driven steel H-piles to refusal. The bridge and approach roadway will consist of 10'-0" travel lanes and 4'-0" shoulders. Approximately 850 linear feet of approach highway reconstruction will be required to tie the new bridge into the adjacent roadway alignment. New box beam guide railing will be installed on the bridge and onto the approaches. Traffic will be maintained on an off-site detour during construction.

This is a Federal Aid Project and NYSDOT Standard Specifications, officially finalized and adopted on May 1, 2023 as posted on the New York State Department of Transportation's website must be followed by the successful Bidder.

The DBE goal for this project is 4%.
 There are no M/WBE goals for this project.
 The EEO Employment goals for this project are: 2.5% Minority Employment Goal
 6.9% Women Employment Goal

The use of the NYSDOT approved civil rights reporting software, Equitable Business Opportunities (EBO), is required. Access authorization to EBO can be found at:
https://www.dot.ny.gov/main/business-center/civil-rights2/civil-rights-repository/Tab/EBO_Login_Application.pdf
 No residential or geographical restrictions will be in effect for this project. Applicable Federal requirements take precedence over State and local requirements unless State and local requirements are deemed to be more stringent.

Contract Documents, including Invitation to Bidders, Information For Bidders, Wage Rates, Bid Documents, Agreement, Special Notes, Specifications, Contract Drawings and any Addenda, may be examined, at no expense, at the office of: Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C., 443 Electronics Parkway, Liverpool New York 13088 or at St. Lawrence County Department of Highways, 44 Park Street, Canton, New York 13617 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained from the St. Lawrence County Purchasing Office, 48 Court Street, Canton, New York 13617. The Purchasing Office may be contacted through email at purchasing@stlawco.gov or by phone (315) 379-2207.

No questions or inquiries regarding this Bid will be accepted within seven (7) business days prior to the Bid opening.

Contractors that obtain Contract Documents from a source other than the issuing office must notify the issuing office in order to be placed on the official Plan Holders List, to receive Addenda and any other Bid correspondence. Bids received from Contractors other than those on the official Plan Holders List will not be accepted.

Addenda will be emailed from St. Lawrence County to Bidders listed on the official Plan Holders List. Bidders must acknowledge receipt of all Addenda by signing and dating each Addendum on page 00 03 70-1 of the Bid Form. Failure of any Bidder to receive any such Addendum or interpretation shall not relieve such Bidder from any obligation under this Bid submittal. All Addenda so issued shall become part of the Contract Documents.

Questions regarding the Contract Documents should be directed to Bids@stlawco.gov within 7 days of Bid opening.

All bids must include the materials in Division 00 03 and 00 04. This is a unit price bid as described in the Information For Bidders. No Bidder may withdraw his/her bid within forty-five (45) calendar days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Each bid must be accompanied by security in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the Bid in the form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information For Bidders. Bids to be considered must be received in a sealed envelope at St. Lawrence County Purchasing Office, 48 Court Street, Canton, New York 13617 by 3:00 PM, local time, on October 24, 2023 at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received after the above noted time will not be accepted. All sealed envelopes should be clearly labeled (2023-26) PIN 7753.32 – Replacement of Lazy River Road Bridge over Grasse River (BIN 3341820).

The Bidder to whom the Contract is awarded will be required to furnish Performance, Payment and Guarantee Bonds from an acceptable Surety Company for an amount not less than 100% of the accepted bid. The successful Bidder and all subcontractors must have an approved CCA-2 on file with NYSDOT prior to being awarded a contract. If the successful Bidder does not currently have a CCA-2 on file with NYSDOT, the Bidder may find the CCA-2 forms and instruction for completion online at:
 For-Profit Construction Questionnaire (CCA-2) | Office of the New York State Comptroller
 The successful Bidder will be required to comply with all provisions of the Federal Government Equal Employment Opportunity clauses issued by the Secretary of Labor on May 2, 1968, and published in the Federal Register (41 CFR Part 60-1, 33 F.2 7804). Successful Bidders will be required to pay prevailing wage rates on this Contract.

The County reserves the right to consider the bids for forty-five (45) days after receipt before awarding any contract, and to waive any minor informalities in, and to reject, any and all bids. All bids are subject to final review and approval by St. Lawrence County before any award of contract may be made. Receipt of bids by St. Lawrence County shall not be construed as authority to bind the Municipality.

The work will be substantially completed 30 calendar weeks from Notice to Proceed and completed and ready for final payment by December 31, 2024.

The New York State Department of Transportation, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation and Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Title VI Program and Related Statutes, as amended, issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all who respond to the related solicitation, request for proposal or invitation to bid that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, National origin, sex, age, disability/handicap and income status in consideration for an award.

Purchasing Contact – Any and all questions shall be emailed to Bids@stlawco.gov
 Stephanie Kerr
 Assistant Purchasing Agent
 48 Court Street
 Canton, NY 13617
 (315) 379-2207
Skerr@stlawco.gov

Engineer's Contact
 Bryan M. Tremblay, P.E.
 Senior Associate
 443 Electronics Parkway
 Liverpool, NY 13088
 (315) 457-5200
btremblay@bartonandloguidice.com

EVENTS...

experience.

The Ogdensburg History Museum is offering a Ghost Walk that will take visitors through the streets of Ogdensburg to explore the city's haunted past and notorious crimes.

The Ghost Walk will take visitors through the city's most haunted locations such as the Frederic Remington Art Museum, where they will learn about the city's haunted history, notorious criminals and learn about the city's dark past.

The Ghost Walk will be offered on Oct. 14 at 7 p.m. Participants should meet on the steps of the Ogdensburg Public Library. A donation of \$10 is suggested.

For more information, contact Julie Madlin at 315-528-0733 or jmmadlin@gmail.com.

Scary story contest

A scary story contest for teens ages 12-18 years old are invited to showcase their creativity in a local writing contest at the Norwood Public Library. Share your scary stories and poems. A panel of three judges will choose a total of three winners. Winners will have their works posted on the Norwood Public Library website and receive a \$25 Amazon gift card, donated by the Friends of the Norwood Public Library.

The categories will be best plot, scariest setting and best poem.

Judges will not see the author names of submitted works. The winners will be announced on Oct. 31. To enter, submission guidelines: word limit 2,000 maximum, with no minimum; format: typed, PDF, Word, or Google Doc. Submissions will be judged on style, creativity, and grammar.

(The judges request the contest contain no sexual assault, young child deaths, or animal cruelty. For further clarification, please email nowlib@ncls.org.)

Submissions can be emailed to nowlib@ncls.org or print copies can be dropped off at Norwood Public Library beginning Oct. 1. DEADLINE: October 27 at 4 p.m.

Halloween party in O'burg

A Halloween party, Halloween-themed candy lab, comic club, and take-home spooky crafts are among the offerings at Ogdensburg Public Library in October.

Hands-on workshop making Halloween candy will take place Oct. 18 making monster marshmallows.

A Halloween party will be held Wednesday, Oct. 25, starting at 5 p.m. Children can wear costumes, trick or treat in the library, play games and do Halloween crafts.

A 'Hardly Haunted' book walk will be set up outdoors starting Oct. 23.

Fall festival

Massena First United Methodist Church, 189 Main St., will host a free fall festival Saturday, Oct. 14 from 3-5 p.m.

Costume judging will be held at 3:15 p.m.

There will be pumpkin painting, crafts, games, free hot dogs and other creepy fun.

Halloween paint project

The Gallery at Lake St. Lawrence Arts in Waddington is offering a "PUMPKIN AND BOO!" Halloween Themed Tole Painting Project with Janette Perrault on Friday, Oct. 13 starting at 1 p.m. at the Old Town Hall, 38 Main St.

Basics of tole painting with

some tips and techniques of this homespun craft.

This acrylic painting is done on a 19" X 13" framed chalkboard.

Cost: \$60, materials supplied. No experience needed.

Must pre-register at 315-388-3033 or email lakesaintlawrencearts@gmail.com.

After Dark haunt in Massena

Breezy Maples Farm, 331 Willard Road, Massena is again hosting its annual "After Dark" haunt on Oct. 13, 14, 20, 21, 27 and 28 from 7-10 p.m.

The farm will feature the Forest of Frights scare trail, The Night time Wagon Ride, and the Flashlight Corn Maze. There will also be the Spooky Trail, Chicken Coop Movie Theatre, Farm Animals to visit, and campfires.

Admission sales start at 6:30 p.m. Cost to enter is \$15.

Info: info@breezymaples.com, 315-705-6460.

Pumpkin Palooza

The first-ever Massena Fall Fest 'Pumpkin Palooza' will be held Saturday, Oct. 14, from 10 a.m.-11 p.m. in downtown Massena.

Family-friendly activities will include live music, food trucks, vendors, local brews, pumpkin decorating, bounce houses, face painting and fireworks.

Admission is free.

Event sponsors include the Village of Massena, Massena Savings and Loan, Massena Elks and Liberties Utilities.

Schine Haunted House

The Massena Schine Theater Haunted House Theater Walk will take place Saturday, Oct. 14, at 65 Main St.

The event is being held in conjunction with the Massena Fall Festival Pumpkin Palooza.

It will be a kid-friendly walk-through from noon to 5 p.m., followed by a scary version from 7-10 p.m. Tickets are \$3 kids twelve and under, and \$5 adults/teens.

Proceeds benefit Massena Arts and Theater Association, dedicated to preserving and reviving the historic Massena Schine Theater.

Remington Haunting

The Frederic Remington Art Museum, 303 Washington Street, Ogdensburg, invites you to the Remington Haunting: A Family Event on Friday, Oct. 20 and Saturday, Oct. 21 from 6-8 p.m. if you dare.

This event is sponsored by America 1 Realty and is a major fundraiser for the museum. Admission is \$5 a person.

For much of its nearly 100 years as a Museum, the Parish Mansion has been the subject of ghost stories. One rumored story is about Madame Ameriga Vespucci, who lived in the Mansion from 1841-1859 with the house's owner, George Parish. It is said that her heart was broken when he left her here when he inherited his title as the Baron von Senftenberg and moved to his castle in Vienna, Austria.

Eighteen rooms of fright and fun. That's what you'll find at the Remington Museum as ghosts and apparitions take over the Museum for two nights of scary adventure and fun.

There will be a heart-stopping ghost tour through the Museum and a scaredy cat walk on the main floor for the meek at heart. Come scare yourself silly in this very limited opportunity.

For more information contact Melanie Flack, at 315-393-2425 or melanie@fredericremington.org.

EVENTS...

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Halloween party

Chase's Riverside Dining, 829 State Highway 131, Massena, will host a Halloween party with live music by The BackWater Duo Friday, Oct. 20 at 7 p.m. 21 and older. 50/50 raffle, costume contest at 9 p.m., chance to win Halloween swag basket.

\$10 admission includes complimentary appetizers, games, karaoke, drunk pumpkin selfie/tag.

Make scary apple faces

A free craft class on making scary Halloween apple face decorations will be offered Sunday, Oct. 22, at 2 p.m. at The Nicandri Nature Center.

The apples will be peeled, carved, and treated so they can dry into

cool creations. All materials and instruction will be provided.

O'burg trunk or treat

Trunk or Treat will be held Saturday, Oct. 21, from 5-7 p.m. at 206 Ford St., at the corner of State St. and Washington St., Ogdensburg.

To register a trunk, or for questions, email clebeau@SVPC.net

The event is hosted by St. Lawrence Valley Prevention Council and Community Health Center of the North Country.

Steampunk Dance

A Steampunk Halloween Dance with DJ Josh "the Wolfman" Barkley will be held Saturday, Oct. 21, from 5-7 p.m. at the Hepburn Library of Madrid Community Room.

The event will include Halloween treats and great music, and prizes

for the best Steampunk costume. All are welcome.

Chemistry Spooktacular

The North Country Children's Museum's "Chemistry Spooktacular" is scheduled on Saturday, Oct. 21 from 12-4 p.m. in celebration of National Chemistry Week. Guided, drop-in chemistry activities will be available for visitors including mixing sweet chemical concoctions and experimenting with creepy science.

The Children's Museum will have other spooky STEAM activities every Saturday and Sunday in October from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Family Programs are included with the cost of admission and membership. The Children's Museum is located at 10 Raymond St. in Potsdam Info: www.applewoodorchards.com, 315-344-7002, 315-347-3442.

Heuvelton trunk or treat

Amvets Post 1997, 107 State St., Heuvelton, will host a trunk or treat Oct. 22 from 2-4 p.m.

To set up a truck contact 315-871-6706, 315-528-2263.

Tarot Share

The workshop "Tarot Share" to practice reading tarot cards will be offered at Potsdam Public Library on Tuesday, Oct. 24, from 6-7:30 p.m.

Kathy Wilcox will give guided meditation and exercises to improve your natural intuitive abilities. Contact the library to register.

Trunk or treat

Trunk or Treat will be held Friday, Oct. 27, from 5-7 p.m. at the Gouverneur High School parking lot.

To register a trunk, or for questions, email clebeau@SVPC.net

The event is hosted by St.

Lawrence Valley Prevention Council and Community Health Center of the North Country.

Trunk or treat

Lisbon Teacher's Association and the non-instructional staff will host a Trunk or Treat event in the Lisbon Central School back parking loop, 6866l County Route 10, Friday, Oct. 27 from 4:30-6 p.m.

All are welcome.

To register a trunk contact Molly Finnegan at lisbonteachersassociation@gmail.com by Oct. 25.

Haunting of Clarkson Hill

The Clarkson University Physician Assistant Program Students Without Borders (SWOB) program is again hosting its annual haunted infirmary "The Haunting of Clarkson Hill" on October 27 and 28 at Clarkson Hall, 59 Main St., Potsdam. Gate open at 7:30 p.m. with final ticket sales ending at midnight Cost: \$15.

Anyone is welcome to come, children 12 and under have to be accompanied by an adult.

Each year, the PA program sends second and third year PA students along with local health professionals to Nicaragua to provide medical care to impoverished communities. This includes hosting health clinics, home visits, as well as children's activities, and community health education. All of the proceeds raised are utilized in funding not only the travel expenses, but also clinic supplies, medications, in-clinic testing, translators, and accommodations.

Parishville trunk or treat

A Haunted Trail Trunk or Treat will be held at the Paris-

ville Beach on Saturday, Oct. 28 from 5-7 p.m.

There will be a haunted trail, trunk or treat, wagon ride, face painting, food and drinks, bon fire, smores, pre-pumpkin carving contest. Cost: \$15 per car.

Halloween party

The Bayside Grill, 1702 Ford St., Ogdensburg, will host a Halloween party with live music by Shawn Stoddard on Saturday, Oct. 28 at 6 p.m. 21 and older.

Chance to win Halloween swag basket.

Fall festival

Massena First United Methodist Church's fall festival, 189 Main St., will be Saturday, Oct. 28 from 3-5 p.m. Costume parade will be at 3 p.m. Costume judging will be held at 3:15 p.m. There will also be pumpkin painting, crafts, games and free hot dogs.

Spooktacular Halloween party

A "Spooktacular" Halloween Party will be held Saturday, Oct. 28, from 1-3 p.m. at Hawkins Point Visitors Center in Massena.

The free, family-friendly event will offer pumpkin painting, Halloween-themed movies, games, arts and crafts, and trick or treating.

Halloween Party

Soul Seeker's Brotherhood Motorcycle Club presents a Spud's Run Charity event Halloween Party featuring Crunchenstein on Saturday, Oct. 28 from 7-11 p.m. at Pike's Place, 138 County Route 50, Brasher Falls.

There will be a costume contest and Brasher's Got Talent contest.

\$5 cover charge to benefit Spud's Run.

Trunk or treat in Massena The 7th annual Massena Trunk or Treat will be held Saturday, Oct. 28, from 6-8 p.m. at Massena High School Parking Lot.

The event is hosted by Massena Drug Free Community Coalition.

For more information, or to register a trunk, contact Jason Novak : massenanydfc@SVPC.net

Halloween at Nicandri

Celebrate Halloween at The Nicandri Nature Center in Massena on Oct. 28, from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Kids can enjoy games, crafts, scavenger hunts, live reptiles from Her-Petology, trick or treat, and more.

Costumes are welcome but not required. The event is free and open to all.

Halloween dance

Amvets Post 1997, 107 State St., Heuvelton, will host a Halloween dance Oct. 29 featuring Pure Country Band. \$5 cover charge. Costume judging, food. Gift bags for first 100 kids.

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

Notice is hereby given that St. Lawrence County will accept sealed bids for:

(2023-24) Replacement of County Road 35 (Slab City) (BIN 3341700) over Trout Brook, Town of Potsdam, St. Lawrence County
PIN 7753.94
D040929

The Owner is St. Lawrence County, and the work site is located in the Town of Potsdam. The project limits extend from approximately 425 feet south of the existing bridge to approximately 250 feet north of the existing bridge, including work along Morley-Potsdam Road from approximately 440 feet west of County Road 35 to approximately 285 feet east of County Road 35.

The work includes providing all labor, materials, machinery, tools, equipment and other means of construction necessary and incidental to the completion of the work shown on the plans and described in these specifications including, but not necessarily limited to the following: complete removal of the existing bridge superstructure with partial removal of existing bridge substructures and replacement with a new single span, steel multi-girder superstructure and a monolithic concrete deck slab, construction of integral abutments founded on piles, construction of approach slabs at each end of the bridge, re-alignment of Trout Brook within the project limits, re-alignment of the intersections of Morley-Potsdam Road and County Road 35, installation of SPDES stormwater treatment swales and drainage, and reconstruction of roadway approaches as required to accommodate bridge replacement efforts.

This is a Federal Aid Project and NYSDOT Standard Specifications, officially finalized and adopted on September 1, 2023 as posted on the New York State Department of Transportation's website must be followed by the successful bidder.

The DBE goal for this project is: 4%
There are no M/WBE goals for this project.
The EEO Employment goals for this project are: 2.5% Minority Employment Goal
6.9% Women Employment Goal

The use of the NYSDOT approved civil rights reporting software, Equitable Business Opportunities (EBO), is required. Access authorization to EBO can be found at <https://ebo.dot.ny.gov/>.

No residential or geographical restrictions will be in effect for this project. Applicable Federal requirements take precedence over State and local requirements unless state and local requirements are deemed to be more stringent.

Contract Documents, including Invitation to Bidders, Instructions to Bidders, Wage Rates, Bid Documents, Agreement, Special Notes, Specifications, Contract Drawings, and any Addenda, may be examined, at no expense, at the office of: St. Lawrence County Purchasing Department, 48 Court Street, Canton, New York. The Courthouse is open by appointment only and arrangements for viewing documents must be made in advance by calling the Purchasing Office at (315) 379-2207. An electronic copy of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS/DRAWINGS can be made available to the CONTRACTOR upon request from the St. Lawrence County Purchasing Office Bids@stlawco.gov, or by calling (315) 379-2207.

No questions or inquiries regarding this bid will be accepted within three (3) business days prior to the bid opening.

Contractors that obtain Contract Documents from a source other than the issuing office must notify the issuing office in order to be placed on the official Plan Holder List, to receive Addenda and any other Bid correspondence. Bids received from Contractors other than those on the official Plan Holders List will not be accepted.

Addenda will be emailed from the St. Lawrence County Purchasing Office to Bidders listed on the official Plan Holders List. An emailed response from the Bidder to the Addendum sent by the St. Lawrence County Purchasing Office will act as proof that the Bidder received the Addendum. In addition to an emailed response, Bidders must acknowledge receipt of all Addenda by signing and dating each Addendum and the Acknowledgement of Receipt of Addenda, page 78. Failure of any Bidder to receive any such Addendum or interpretation shall not relieve such Bidder from any obligation under this Bid submittal. All Addenda so issued shall become part of the Contract Documents.

Questions regarding the Contract Documents should be directed to Stephanie Kerr, St. Lawrence County through email at: Bids@stlawco.gov.

All bids must include the completed Bid Form, Non-Collusive Bidding and Disbarment Certifications, and Lobbying Certifications. This is a unit price bid as described in the Instructions to Bidders. No bidder may withdraw his/her bid within forty-five (45) calendar days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Each bid must be accompanied by security in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid in the form and subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders.

Bids to be considered must be received in a sealed envelope at St. Lawrence County Purchasing Department, 48 Court Street, Canton, New York 13617 by 3:00 PM, local time, on October 19, 2023 at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received after the above noted time will not be accepted. All sealed envelopes should be clearly labeled "BID: BridgeNY Project, (2023-24) Replacement of County Road 35 (Slab City) (BIN 3341700) over Trout Brook, PIN 7753.94".

The Bidder to whom the Contract is awarded will be required to furnish Performance and Payment Bonds guaranteeing performance of work and prompt payment from an acceptable Surety Company for an amount not less than 100% of the accepted bid. The successful Bidder and all subcontractors must have an approved CCA-2 on file with NYSDOT prior to being awarded a contract. If the successful Bidder does not currently have a CCA-2 on file with NYSDOT, the Bidder may find the CCA-2 forms and instruction for completion online at <https://www.osc.state.ny.us/state-vendors/vendrep/vendor-responsibility-forms?redirect=legacy#Construction>.

The successful Bidder will be required to comply with all provisions of the Federal Government Equal Employment Opportunity clauses issued by the Secretary of Labor on May 2, 1968 and published in the Federal Register (41 CFR Part 60-1, 33 F.2 7804). Successful bidders will be required to pay prevailing wage rates on this contract.

St. Lawrence County reserves the right to consider the bids for forty-five (45) days after receipt before awarding any Contract, and to waive any minor informalities in, and to reject, any and all bids. All bids are subject to final review and approval by the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators before any award of contract may be made. Receipt of bids by St. Lawrence County shall not be construed as authority to bind St. Lawrence County.

Enactment of the off-site detour and construction work shall not begin prior to April 1, 2024 and shall be substantially completed and ready for final payment on 10/31/2024.

The New York State Department of Transportation, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation and Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Title VI Program and Related Statutes, as amended, issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all who respond to the related solicitation, request for proposal or invitation to bid that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability/handicap and income status in consideration for an award.

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Potsdam Central School District is seeking a Transportation Supervisor. This is a Civil Service position. Currently, a list does not exist. This will be a provisional appointment subject to being reachable on the list once the exam is given and taken. An employee in this class plans, assigns, and directs the work of a substantial number of employees engaged in the operation and maintenance of school transportation equipment. The work involves establishing bus routes and time schedules for each school, as well as supervising the maintenance, repair and inspection of all vehicles in the district. The incumbent is responsible for reviewing the operation of the transportation unit and for acting as an advisor on school transportation matters. The incumbent is responsible for the preparation of all required reports and records of the transportation unit. Work is performed under the general supervision of an administrative supervisor who reviews the work through conferences, written reports and the results of state inspections. Does related work as required. Candidate must possess valid NYS CDL B.P.S endorsements along with excellent verbal and written communication skills. Experience in related fields preferred, two years supervisory desirable. Please complete the online application at <https://forms.slboces.org/Forms/CommonApplication> and address all application materials to Mr. Jerry Griffin, Supt. of Schools, 29 Leroy St., Potsdam, NY 13676 • Application deadline: October 20, 2023 EOE

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The Research Foundation for SUNY, a private, not-for-profit Corporation, is seeking a part-time Salmon River Migrant Educator (Teacher's Assistant) for the Northeast Migrant Education Program (\$18.00-\$21.00/hour and paid mileage). We are looking to add an energetic, qualified educator to our dedicated staff. The successful candidate will provide high quality small group or one-on-one tutoring including advocacy for eligible students and their families. Spanish language preferred but not required. NYS Teacher Certification or Teacher Assistant Certification and teaching experience preferred. Associate's degree in education or equivalent combination of education and experience. Experience implementing instructional programs with children and/or young adults in a classroom setting. Strong communications and record keeping skills required. This unique opportunity allows the individual to work with students at the district buildings during and after school hours. Excellent benefits including health, dental, vision and life insurance for anyone working over 18.75 hours per week. Cell phone w/voicemail, e-mail, dependable car and valid driver's license required. Renewal of appointment is subject to The Research Foundation for SUNY policies and procedures, sponsor guidelines, and the availability of annual funding. Send Research Foundation employment application, cover letter and resume, and reference letters immediately to Laura Burnett, NMEP, SUNY Potsdam, 282 Van Housen Hall Ext., Potsdam, NY 13676 or upload to https://webpace.potsdam.edu/SUNY_RF Review



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Answers found elsewhere in this paper.



Mental Health COUNSELOR

SALARY: \$50,000 - \$60,000 (depending on qualifications & experience)

The SUNY Canton Counseling Center seeks a counselor for a full-time, 11-month position. Qualified applicants will have demonstrated clinical and outreach experience working with a diverse population.

The counselor will provide personal/group counseling, assessment interviews, and community & on-campus referrals, along with delivering educational programs to staff and students. Services will be implemented via face-to-face and telehealth services. Counselor will perform crisis interventions as needed.

Counselor will perform other related duties such as assisting with development & implementation of relevant programming to the campus community, consultation with other departments, and training of other college staff members. Some evening and weekend hours are required.

The counselor will maintain licensure during the course of employment and participate in ongoing training to provide quality therapeutic interventions.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS: NYS licensure as a Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LMHC), Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), Licensed Psychoanalyst, or current permit holder able to obtain licensure as a LMHC within one year of start date.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Experience with college and/or diverse populations, proficiency with electronic medical records, crisis interventions skills, and educational programming

Prior to 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.

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

SUNY Canton, a unit of the State University of New York, is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. SUNY Canton is building a culturally diverse and pluralistic faculty and strongly encourages applications from minority and women candidates.

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For questions, contact:

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General Laborer

St. Lawrence University has an opening for a full time **General Laborer** employee. Duties: Perform work required in the care, maintenance, cleaning, and housekeeping of all university buildings in accordance with established practices and procedures and responds to emergency calls throughout campus for various general laborer needs. Responsible for performing duties associated with setups and deliveries for special events in and around all of campus. In the absence of the material recycling, performs regular duties of that position assigned. Location of work is campus wide for all aspects of this job. Secondary Function: On occasion, as required, performs the primary duties of other A classification personnel as assigned by management staff. **Minimum Qualifications:** Must be able to meet University requirements to be authorized to drive University vehicles as assigned. Ability to work with chemicals. Requires lifting a minimum of 45 lbs. High school diploma or equivalent. Pay range- \$14.20 - \$19.98/hr. depending on experience.

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