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### City celebrates waterfront upgrades

City officials Interim City Manager Andrea Smith, Mayor Jeffrey M. Skelly and John Rishe were among those who celebrated the ribbon cutting of the city's massive REDI project. Also in the photo are Ogdensburg's county legislators Jim Reagen and David Forsythe and state representatives Assemblyman Scott Gray and Mark Walczyk. See story page 8.

# Police plan meeting as tensions over crimes grows in Ogdensburg

BY JIMMY LAWTON

North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG — Ogdensburg police say residents on high-alert as crime problems continue in city.

A community meeting is planned Oct. 25 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

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.

Police want the public to share there thoughts on the city's crime problem Oct. 25 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

"We are hoping to speak to the community in order to help come up with solutions for these problems," LeClair said.

The meeting is set to take place

less than one week after a shooting that appears accidental in nature left one man with minor injuries

Ogdensburg Police Chief Mark Kearns said the incident is still under investigation and additional charges are possible.

Police say a man was shot after an intoxicated woman fired off a shotgun loaded with birdshot above the head of the victim who she thought was approaching her home.

Lt. Jarret LeClair said Nikeia J. Paige, 39, of 1217 Greene Street, was charged with second-degree

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# OCM ignoring illegal marijuana shops, mayor says

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI

North Country This Week

MASSENA — Massena has been abandoned by the state of New York and Office of Cannabis Management (OCM), according to Mayor Greg Paquin.

"We need OCM to come here and work with us to shut these illegal operations down for good. OCM has the sole authority to do this and the infamous 'Massena square mile' does not exist. It has never and is not an obstacle for the state of New York to come here and work with us. It's my understanding that settlement of the land claims has been reached and that area was never part of any discussion," Paquin said.

He said state officials and OCM have offered no guidance to the village of Massena and area police agencies regarding illicit pot shops in the "square mile," a tract of land that some members of the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe still contends as tribal territory.

However, county officials say that court rulings have upheld that the "square mile" is not tribal land.

Despite their take, marijuana dispensaries and tax-free tobacco shops have opened in the area, causing significant strife between business owners, local officials and state officials.

### No penalties

An operation was carried out in June by the St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office, State Police, Homeland Security and municipal police agencies, targeting shops that were known to have sold vapes, cartridges and marijuana to underage persons.

Seven shops were raided in the operation in June, including Famous A's and THC Remedies in Massena, both of which are in the "square mile." Both shops opened again shortly after the raid, prompting village officials to seek assistance from state officials.

"They were open again not one day later," Paquin said.

Though legislation was passed in the state budget bill earlier this year, giving OCM authority to close the shops, local officials have been left on the hook to handle the shops.

Recent code updates and state regulations allow for municipalities to fine illegal operations.

In the case of Massena, fines of \$250 per day, per violation can be applied. Issuing those fines is one thing but collecting and taking

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# Haunted ride-a-long in Massena

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI

North Country This Week

MASSENA — A local paranormal activity investigative team is guiding haunted tours through Massena most Friday and Saturday nights, giving attendees an inside look at some of the North Country's most haunted sites.

AfterLife Investigators, a group of paranormal investigators based throughout the North Country, formed around two years ago, according to founding member Alonie McGee.

Tours last anywhere from two to four hours and cover a wide range of locations and stories, he said

Beginning on Danforth Place, a group of roughly a dozen people gathered for the tour on the night of Oct. 6.

As it began to rain, tour goers first learned about the murder of Bessie White, a maid in the home of E.F. McDonald.

The murder occurred on Oct. 5, 1917 on the site of the former Massena High School, which has led many to believe the site is haunted to this day, McGee said.

According to a report from the Republican Journal on Oct. 5, 1917, White left the McDonald home at 7 p.m. to go shopping before passing the school, at which time she was attacked and murdered with an iron bar or heavy club.

White was found the next morning at 6:45 a.m. with a red handkerchief next to her body, believed to have been used to stifle her screams, the report said.

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# Costume winners in Waddington The Seaway Valley Senior Citizens recently held a Halloween Costume party in

The Seaway Valley Senior Citizens recently held a Halloween Costume party in Waddington. Winners from the costume contest are from the left, Laura McGath, Janet Leary, Bill Leary, first place, and Pat Shirley. Halloween and fall events are in full swing across the county see events pages 19-21 for details.









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# Prioritizing your health

# The importance of preventative cancer screenings

Take a second to answer this question: are you up to date on your routine cancer screen-

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According to the American Cancer Society, there will be over 123,000 new cases of cancer diagnosed in New York by the end of this year. There will also be an estimated 31,000 cancer deaths this year.

Cancer is the second-leading cause of death in New York (only slightly behind heart disease as the leading cause).

The promising news is the rate of cancer deaths has slowly declined over the past 30 years, thanks in large part to early detection and interventions.

When pre-cancers or early-stage cancers are detected, there is a high probability of a favorable outcome.

The important thing to realize about cancer screenings is that they are used to find cancer in people who have no symptoms.

Far too often, people put preventative care on the back burner in the name of "feeling

When it comes to cancer, the earlier it is detected, the better the outcome.

It is not uncommon for people to ignore or downplay things that seem off, but the problem with that is when cancer symptoms are severe enough to act upon, that usually indicates a late-stage cancer, when it is more difficult to treat (not to mention more expensive and emotionally taxing as well).

One of the biggest issues people cite is lack of time: they feel like they just can't get screened because of their busy schedule.

When pre-cancers or early-stage cancers are detected, there is a high probability of a favorable outcome.

Knowing this has consistently been a problem, more and more hospitals and clinics offer extended hours.

Be sure to check if your local hospital or clinic offers extended hours for cancer screenings.

Another way to ensure more people get screened is through a paid time off (PTO) benefit offered by employers.

All public-sector employees of New York already have this benefit available to themwhere they get four hours per calendar year for any cancer screening. These hours are not charged to their sick or vacation PTO.

Offering a PTO benefit helps employees prioritize their health, potentially saving lives

Studies have found that employers who offer paid time off for cancer screening have a healthier workforce because staff are encouraged to make regular visits to primary care physicians and get routine cancer screenings.

To learn more about this benefit, visit Take-ActionAgainstCancer.com/paid-time-off.

# Working together to increase cancer screenings

# THE FACTS

**Cancer** is the second leading cause of death in New York. Screenings can find cancer early, which improves chances for successful treatment.

# **REDUCE** THE RISK

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# **SPREAD** THE WORD

**Sometimes the people** we care about don't put their own needs first. **Help remind friends** and family to stay on top of their cancer screenings.

# Early detection, education, resources can help save lives

In 2014, Christina was 38 and in the prime of her life.

She was a busy mom of three, including two tween girls who were active in swim and dance competitions throughout New York. Her husband traveled for work, so many of the family responsibilities fell on her.

Her life was busy. but predictable.

That all changed one evening thanks to a strange-yet-fateful occurrence. As Christina was relaxing on the couch watching TV, her cat Gracie jumped up on her chest in a way that caused her pain.

She went to feel the sore spot where her cat landed, and that's when she discovered a lump on her

The crazy thing is Christina was scheduled to have a mammogram earlier that day.

She canceled the appointment, as she had recently started a new job



'If my story is going to motivate people to take care of themselves, then I'm going to share it!'

and did not want to take time off. Plus, she had no family history and, at the time, she "felt fine" so the decision didn't seem consequential.

But discovering that lump motivated her to act quickly. The following weeks were a whirlwind of appointments, imaging, and biop-

Shortly before Christmas that year, Christina received the news: she had breast cancer.

Christina chose to have a lumpectomy three days after she was diagnosed. The surgery was a success, and her doctor assured her the cancer had not yet spread. Still, out of an abundance of caution,

she was referred to the Upstate Cancer Center, where her oncologist advocated for genetic testing as well as chemotherapy and radiation.

Christina was on board; she knew she was in good hands and wanted to make sure every bit of can-

cer was gone. Four months of chemo was rough on her body, but she was resilient -- not only for herself but also her family.

About one year after she began treatment for her own cancer, Christina's mother found out she also had breast cancer. Her mother was an LPN who genuinely loved caring for others.

Sadly, she didn't prioritize her own health and did not receive her first mammogram until age 58 (two years after her daughter's diagno-

By the time her cancer was

discovered, it had already spread, and the disease took her life at age 59. After her mother passed away, Christina opted to have a double mastectomy as an added precau-

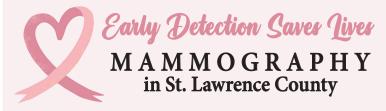
Nearly 10 years later, Christina is still cancer-free and is passionate about helping others prevent cancer.

As an Advocate and Case Manager for the Cancer Services Program

at Oswego County Opportunities, she provides education and resources to uninsured and underinsured individuals for breast, cervical, and colorectal cancer screenings.

In her personal and professional life, she is vocal about the importance of early detection.

"If my story is going to motivate people to take care of themselves, then I'm going to share it!"



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# **Environmental review not finished, says firm**

**BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI** 

North Country This Week

MASSENA — Officials with Air Products and Chemicals, a green hydrogen production company, say an environmental review of the proposed site on Pontoon Bridge Road still needs to be completed.

Director of Governmental Relations Trip Oliver told attendees at a recent public hearing that the company had submitted an application to the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency (IDA) for the construction of the 88.6 acre facility.

Due to a jurisdictional issue, Oliver said the approval for an environmental review has been briefly delayed but ultimately will not affect the construction of the project.

Representatives with the Army Corps of Engineers and state Department of Environmental Conservation debated who should handle the environmental review, with the DEC finally receiving the go ahead stemming from a recent Supreme Court decision.

'The Army Corps has to send a letter to the DEC basically granting them authority to make that wetland determination. So it's just a matter of time. We've actually had preliminary conversations with the DEC. I don't really see any issues with wetland determinations," Oliver said.

Site clear will happen over the next few months, though until the environmental review can be completed, work will be limited, Oliver

One issue is the Army Corps must complete wetland determinations, which Air Products should receive in the next month or so, he

According to Oliver, the \$500 million facility will produce 36 metric tons of green hydrogen every day and will be powered with renewable power supplied by the New York Power Authority.

The facility will also produce hydrogen with no carbon emissions, utilizing hydropower created with the St. Lawrence River, officials say. According to Oliver, part of the



Representatives from Air Products gave a presentation on the development of their green-hydrogen facility at the Massena Rotary Club's weekly meeting recently. Pictured from left: Fred Schneider, North Region Line Manager, Air Products; Trip Oliver, Director, Government and Community Relations, Air Products; Sue Bellor, Past District Governor, Massena Rotary; Nick White, President, Massena Rotary; Harry Johnston, Director Large Project Business Development, Air Products.

environmental review encompasses the discharge of water into the power canal.

"That requires what's called a Wastewater Discharge Permit from the New York Department of Environmental Conservation. We're still going through that process. They haven't actually issued the permit yet," he said.

"We don't anticipate any issues with that. The water that we are discharging is basically cooling water that will actually be cleaned up before it gets put into the river and it will be much cleaner than the water that we withdrew from the river. So as far as environmental impacts, they're very few," he continued

The facility, which will be one of the most advanced in the world, will also be supplied water by the village of Massena in a deal that will net the village \$300,000 per year.

Though village officials say there will be ample water for both residents and the facility, Mayor Greg Paquin made it clear that "residents will come first" in the event that a supply issue arises.

Money raised from the sale of

water is expected to lower water and sewer rates for residents while also allowing the village to invest in and upgrade water and sewer

ment facility. The facility is expected to be completed and online in late 2026.

lines, as well as the water treat-

As part of the deal with the IDA, Air Products is seeking a 20-year payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT), which also ties into the environmental review process.

# Man accused of brandishing hammer during domestic dispute; weapon charge filed

OGDENSBURG – A Lisbon man faces multiple charges following an alleged domestic dispute involving a hammer and blows to the head and face of the alleged victim.

Mark S. Willard, 52, was arrested and charged Tuesday, Oct. 17, with third-degree criminal possession of a weapon, second-degree menacing – weapon, fourth-degree criminal mischief, second-degree harassment - physical contact, disorderly conduct, and second-degree obstructing governmental administration, according to state police.

On Oct. 9, troopers responded to the Dandy Road in the town of Lisbon for a domestic dispute.

An investigation determined Willard and the victim were involved in a verbal argument that turned physical when Willard grabbed a hammer and started making threatening remarks, police said.

Willard put the hammer down, re-approached the victim, slapped the victim in the face, and backhanded the victim in the face, officers said

The victim ran away from Willard, and Willard went outside, said

While interviewing Willard, police said he became agitated with law enforcement presences and was refusing verbal commands.

After being taken into custody, Willard caused damage to a police vehicle by allegedly kicking the seats and center console, troopers said.

He was arraigned in City of Ogdensburg Court and released on his own recognizance.



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### Felony assault of person over age 65

STOCKHOLM — A Winthrop man was charged with felony assault Oct. 17, according to state police.

Steven E. Villnave, 67, was

charged with second-degree assault: Injure victim age 65 or older, officers said.

He was ordered held on bail, offi-



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### **OBITUARIES**

### Martha L. Sinkeldam, 82

Waddington

WADDINGTON, NY. -- Martha L. Sinkeldam age 82 passed away peacefully at Massena Hospital on Wednesday, October 11, 2023, surrounded by her loving family.

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

Born in Flushing NY, Martha was the daughter of the late Willis and Louise (Sluk) Maher.

She married Rudolf Sinkeldam in 1965 and together they raised three children.

Martha was a long-time earlv childhood teacher working in Flushing and later in Warwick NY.

She enjoyed crocheting and was part of a local crafting group that made local donations.

Rudolf and Martha retired to their Waddington home in 1992, where Martha worked in the Waddington-Hepburn Library for several years.

She especially enjoyed Friday morning coffee with friends.

Martha is survived by her husband, Rudolf; and two daughters

and one son, Johanna and George Ford of Durham, NC; Christine and David Colborne of Siler City, NC;



Eric Sinkeldam and Robyn Martin of East New Market, MD. She will be

missed by all who knew her. She dearly

loved her eight grandchildren. Thomas, Brian Christopher, Emily, Paige,

Martha Sinkeldam

Adrien, Martin, and Johannes.

Services are private and at the convenience of the family.

Memorial donations may be made to the Waddington-Hepburn Library 30 Main Street, Waddington, NY 13694.

Family and friends are invited and may leave online condolences and memories at www.PhillipsMemorial.com.

### **Sheila P. Sparling**

Massena

MASSENA -- Sheila P. Sparling, born in Massena, NY, and longtime resident of Painted Post, NY, departed from us on October 10, 2023.

An unforgettable woman, Sheila was a beacon of laughter and love to all who knew her.

Her life was a testament to her generous and loving nature filled with kindness.

Sheila, a retiree from Pathways in Corning, NY, had a deep passion for her work with individuals with disabilities and providing foster care, transforming countless lives with her thoughtful and compassionate approach.

A lover of life's simple pleasures, she was an avid reader, bird watcher, and had a particular fondness for flower gardening.

She often found solace in the beauty of her backyard, and her love for her family and friends was as vibrant as the flowers she tended.

Sheila had an infectious sense of humor that was a source of joy and comfort to all around her; she was always the one to make everyone laugh and feel loved.

Sheila is survived by her loving husband, Thomas Sparling, whom she married on August 4, 1984; her brother, Harry (Peggy) Podgurski; and her children: Tim (Bruce) Sharp-Ward, Patrick (Julie) Sharp, Jill Durkin, and Tom (Sara)

Sparling.

She was a cherished grandmother to six and a great-grandmother to two.



**Sheila Sparling** 

Sheila was preceded in death by her parents, Harry and Ella Podgurski, and her sister and brother-in-law, Ann and Elmer Sigouin.

**Calling Hours** for Sheila will be

held on Friday, October 20, 2023, from 4-6 PM at Haughey Funeral Home, Inc., 216 East 1st Street in Corning, NY.

Memorial donations can be made in Sheila's name to the Southeast Steuben County Library, 300 Nasser Civic Center Plaza, Suite 101, Corning, NY 14830, https://ssclibrary.org/donate/.

Sheila's family has entrusted her care to Haughey Funeral Home,

As we celebrate her life, we invite you to share your cherished memories of Sheila, and upload photos on her memorial page at www.haugheyfuneralhome.com.

Her laughter, love, and legacy will continue to live on in our hearts, and your shared memories will serve as a testament to the remarkable woman she was.

### **Donald Lutke, 69**

Waddington

WADDINGTON, NY -- Donald Lutke, Age 69 passed away at his residence on Thursday, October 5, 2023, surrounded by family and friends.

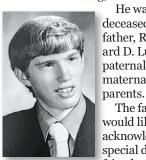
Arrangements are under the care and Guidance of the Phillips Memorial Home, 28 Clinton Street, Waddington, NY.

Born on August 31, 1954, in Poughkeepsie, NY, he was the son of Richard D. Lutke and Louise (Jackquemard) Saunders.

Don was a 1972 graduate of Madrid-Waddington High School and a 1976 graduate of Colorado School of Mines where he received a degree in Petroleum Engineering. He worked for Okmar Oil Company for several years.

Later in life, he worked as a cook in several North Country establishments.

Don is survived by his companion, Susan Ashley of Waddington, NY; his mother and father, Louise and John Saunders; one son, Ethan Lutke. He is survived by two brothers and two sisters, David (Becky) Lutke; Jim and Kelly Saunders; Terri and Don Nims and Margaret Saunders and Todd Long; three grandchildren, Adrian, Ruthie, and Mikey; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends; and his faithful dog, Sadie.



**Donald Lutke** 

He was predeceased by his father, Richard D. Lutke, paternal and maternal grand-

The family would like to acknowledge special devoted friends: Pete and Melissa

Thomas, Joe and Kerri Fieldson, Ann Ruddy,

and Patty Van Patten. A graveside service will be held on Saturday, October 28, 2023, at 11:00 am at St. Patrick's Cemetery

in Colton, NY. In Lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his name to the Waddington Rescue Squad 48 Maple Street, Waddington, NY 13694 or

Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley

6805 US-11, Potsdam, NY 13676. Family and friends are invited to share online condolences and memories at www.PhillipsMemori-

### Carol E. Lacy, 74

Massena

MASSENA -- Carol E. Lacy, 74, of Grove Street, passed away on October 4, 2023, at Champlain Valley Physicians Hospital in Plattsburgh.

Carol was born on December 23, 1948, in Massena, NY to the late Everette and Katherine (Cathers) Lacy. She spent most of her childhood in Helena attending school in Helena and St. Lawrence Central. The family moved to Massena and Carol graduated from Massena Central in 1966.

After graduation, Carol worked for several employers in the area until she began working for NY Periodicals in 1979. She continued working on a part-time basis until the time of her death.

Carol also spent a great deal of time traveling throughout Europe as well as China with her longtime companion, Ed Murphy. They also spent winters in Florida.

In the last few years, you could find Carol attending her great nephews, Preston and Carson basketball, baseball and soccer games. She also delivered Meals on Wheels and after deliveries she would have lunch with "The Ladies."

Carol is survived by her sisters, Mary Ann (Curt) Franck of Lititz, PA; Patricia Shope of Massena; sister-in-law, Carol Lacy of Burlington, VT; Nephews, Christopher Shope of Rome, NY, Justin Shope of Massena, Jared (Kayla) Shope of



**Carol Lacy** 

Massena, NY and Douglas Franck of Beacon, NY; nieces, Laura (Mike) Heverling of Lancaster, PA, Megan (Sean) Brown of Burlington, VT.

Also surviving Carol are her great nieces, Katie and Olivia

Heverling and Julia Shope; and great nephews, Preston and Carson Shope.

She was predeceased by a brother, Thomas; a brother-in-law, Stanley Shope, and her longtime companion, Edward Murphy.

Friends and family are invited to call on Monday, October 16, 2023, from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service at 1:00 p.m. at the Donaldson Funeral Home in Massena. Burial will follow in Pine Grove Cemetery on Cook Street.

Arrangements are under the care of the Donaldson Funeral Home in Massena where memories and condolences may be shared online at www.donaldsonfh.com.

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### **New firetruck** for Massena **BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI** North Country This Week

MASSENA — The Massena Volunteer Fire Department has a new workhorse in its stable of vehicles, having recently received Engine 30.

The new pumper truck, which has been in the works for months, was finally delivered to the station at the end of Fire Prevention Week and will now serve as the main truck to respond to calls.

It took over two years to get the iob done but Engine 30 is now in duty and will replace Engine 28, which fire officials say was 28 years old and past it's expected service life.

The new engine will be used in response to vehicle fires and accidents, according to fire officials.

Fire officials also told village trustees previously that the engine will be on scene at structure fires.

The engine will come at a cost of \$800,000.

Trustees bonded for \$150,000 last vear to cover part of the cost, with \$500,000 coming from American Rescue Plan Act funds and another \$150,000 from the fire department.

The new engine was built in Iowa over the last year by Toyne, Inc., where fire department members were able to follow the progress of it's construction.

A final inspection was completed in August by officials, before getting the final details added in Albany.

### **BRIEFLY**

### Fraud leads to felonies

HERMON - Valeria A. Cleveland, 49, Massena, was charged with fourth-degree criminal possession of stolen property: Possessing of stolen credit card and second-degree identity theft following a May 30 fraud complaint, state police said. Her arrest status was not made public.

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### RECENT DEATHS

NORMA FINLEY, 91, Ogdensburg, Oct. 10. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

SHEILA SPARLING, Massena, Oct. 10. Arrangements with Haughey Funeral Home, Inc.,

Corning DEBRA HARRIS, 71, Ogdensburg, Oct. 11. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

KEITH PREMO, 46, Ogdensburg, Oct. 12. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg. EDWARD OUIMET, 92, formerly

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of Massena, Oct. 13. Arrangements

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SHARON KOCSIS, 81, Massena, Oct. 16. Arrangements with Phil-

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# **State lawmakers seek to**

close insurance loophole

BY JIMMY LAWTON

North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG - State lawmakers want to close an insurance loophole that allows patients to pocket reimbursements for ambulance

Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush (R,C-Black River) and Senator Mark Waclzyk (R-Watertown) are both supporting bills to address the problem.

The current system allows insurance companies to pay ambulance service charges directly to the patient unless the ambulance company has a preferred provider relationship with that specific insurance company.

"Unfortunately, not all ambulance companies can establish preferred provider relationships with every insurance company and they often have to collect payment from the patient, which is not always successful. This legislation would cut out the patient as the middleman to ensure a fair and direct compensation process for EMS/ambulance services in New York state, Blankenbush said.

It's created a dire financial situation for small rescue agencies like the Ogdensburg Volunteer Rescue Squad.

"During the past two years patients have received nearly \$200,000.00 in payments for our services and have not returned those payments to us. During the

past 12 months 59 patients have kept insurance payments ranging from \$7.37 to \$14,370. One patient has received and kept over \$19,000.00 for 22 transports by the OVRS and other area ambulance services," Rescue Squad Chief Ken Gardner said in a statement issued in March

"The OVRS depends upon the insurance payments for the transports that we make to stay in existence. We receive very little in the way of tax dollars from the communities we serve. While greatly appreciated, your donations do not make up for the lost revenue.

"This lost revenue inhibits our ability to provide adequate staffing, and upgrade our equipment and vehicles," he said.

Gardner said then that OVRS and other NYS ambulance services have been pushing for legislation requiring insurance companies to make payments directly to the provider.

Unfortunately, Gardner said the insurance company lobby has more influence with the legislature than the ambulance and other health care providers do.

"We are taking all available legal steps to recover these funds. In the meantime, we are counting on your honesty to help keep us financially solvent and able to continue to provide the quality," he said.

Gardner's efforts though haven't fallen on deaf ears. Blankenbush says he supports the effort.

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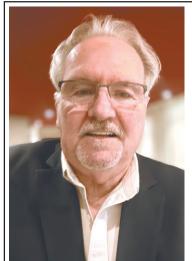


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# Power Authority crews to start removing docks near FDR

MASSENA- New York Power Authority crews are scheduled to remove the docks and buoys along the St. Lawrence River in the vicinity of the St. Lawrence-FDR Power Project beginning the week of Oct.

Beginning the week of Oct. 23, docks and buoys will be removed

The Town and Village of Waddington:

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- Whitaker Park Docks
- Old Milk Factory Buoys

- Town of Louisville:
- Sand Island Town of Massena:
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- · Hawkins Point Dock & Buoy
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This action is taken to ensure the safety of workers and to avert damage to boats, docks and buoys during spells of sub-freezing temperatures. NYPA officials will notify the public when the docks and buoys are scheduled to be installed in the spring of 2024.

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# Sustainability Day and Green Living Fair

# Learn to eat local, conserve energy, be climate smart

The public is invited to attend the annual Sustainability Day and Green Living Fair at Clarkson University.

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In addition to keynote speakers on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 27 and 28, there will be exhibitors, electric vehicles, workshops and more from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday in Clarkson's Schuler Educational Resources Center (ERC)

The exhibits will feature community organizations, renewable energy and environmentally oriented businesses, local food service, topical posters created by area students, outdoor learning activities, and an informational display of electric vehicles. A fun and educational "Kid's Zone" is also planned.

The event is free. The Sustainability Day and Green Living Fair is sponsored by the North Country Partnership for Environmental Action, Community, and Sustainability (NoCoPEACS), a project of the Associated Colleges of the St. Lawrence Valley and Paul Smith's College.

Two keynote speakers will be fea-

### **Waters Have No Borders**

The first keynote address, "Waters Have No Borders: Working Together for the Great River and the Great Lakes," will be virtual from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27.

Hosted by Talking Rivers, the artist and activist couple Blake Lavia and Tzintzun Aguilar-Izzo, it will feature four panelists from across the Great Lakes Bioregion discussing how to unite across borders and advocate for the rights of the connecting waters that bring life to all. Coming from different fields of expertise, including environmen-

> tal management, freshwater science, and Indigenous methodologies, the panelists will address the intricacies of the geopolitical

Dr. Curt Stager

interests that partition the Great Lakes. The panelists will include Kerry-Ann Charles, Jerome Marty, Heather Stirratt, and Engineering at Clarkson.

Together they will grapple with the settler colonial constructs that treat this Bioregion as a mere resource, and will contemplate the implications of granting legal enforceable rights to the Great Lakes' ecosystems.

The presentation is part of a symposium series, "Listening to Water," that will run through November, with workshops, talks, events and art exhibits that explore the Rights and Rites of Nature.

For more information on the panelists and to register for the virtual keynote visit TalkingRivers.org/ Water-Has-No-Borders.

### **Effects of Climate Change**

The second keynote talk will feature Dr. Curt Stager, an esteemed

Paul Smith's College Professor of Natural Sciences, on Saturday, Oct. 28 at 3:30 p.m. in the Student Center Forum at Clarkson.

He will speak about how climate change is affecting plants, animals and people in the Adirondacks and what to expect in the

Stager is an author, radio co-host, and a science journalist focusing on ecology, paleoclimatology.

His diverse background and communication skills have enabled him to contribute immensely to the long-term sustainability of the Adirondacks.

For more information, email GreenLivingNNY@gmail.com, see the NoCoPEACS page on Facebook, or visit www.bit.ly/GreenLivin-

# Many workshops, talks, panel presentations planned

Abraham Francis, who is pursuing a

PhD in Environmental Science and

A variety of workshops, talks and panel presentations are planned Saturday, Oct. 27 in the Schuler ERC Building at Clarkson University. The schedule follows:

### 10:30 a.m.

• Carbon Offsets and Climate Change, Alex French, Climate Action Reserve. Presents why carbon offsets are critical for incentivizing climate action at least cost. It will include examples from projects registered with the Climate Action Reserve.

• Transforming Landscapes for Sustainability, Raymond Bowdish, WISER Center(SUNY Potsdam) The Conway School's Campus Sustainable Master Plan for SUNY Potsdam is presented with workshop activities to help you transform your backyard or your institution's or business's landscape.

 Net Zero Houses in Northern New York, Jon Montan & Will Siegfried, community members. Jon and Will both live in net zero energy homes. They will describe the design, construction and operation of a home and retrofitting an existing home with solar, a heat pump and induction stove

• Re-Use and Waste Diversion: Universities Partnering with Community, Lori Clark, St. Lawrence University. Panel discussion on Re-use, Thrift store/events, furniture exchange and green purchasing and the interactions between campus and community that support the circular economy.

### 11 a.m.

· NP&L, a Community Hydro Compa**ny,** with emphasis on Community Kate Glenn & Emmett Smith, Northern Power & Light.

### 11:45 a.m.

• How to Reduce Your Carbon Footprint with the Vehicle You Already Own, Brandon Baldwin, SUNY Canton Automotive. Can't afford to buy a hybrid or EV? Learn how to reduce your impact on the earth with your transportation needs.

· Tiny House Design for a Sustainable Lifestyle, Dr. Deborah Naybor, Paul Smith's College. In this workshop, you will learn design techniques which maximize available space and functionality while minimizing square footage. We'll discuss options for plumbing, heating and energy supply as well as a review of building codes and regulations that can impact your ability to live legally in a tiny house.

Wear and Repair: Student-Led Workshop, Clarkson Sustainability Club, Clarkson University. Join this hands-on sustainable fashion workshop and clothing swap. Bring clothes you may no longer wear to swap and have the chance to learn how to mend your own clothes.

· Benefits of Masonry Heaters: History, Structure, Design to Living Space and Use, Mark Seymour, Radiant Hearth Inc. This presentation will highlight the benefits of masonry heaters: history, structure, design to living space. and use.

· Rich Road Solar Integrated Design Workshop, Haylee Ferington, EDF Renewables. In this workshop we will have an interactive session on what the community would like to see in and around the solar facility, such as

sheep grazing, bee habitats and more! Community members can input feedback and ideas!

### 12:15 p.m.

 Stories! Join Master Story Teller Dan Dullea for 30 minutes of fun and interactive earth centered stories. For kids of all ages.

### 1 p.m

• Greening Your Career Path: Student-Led Panel, Institute for a Sustainable Environment (ISE) Interns, Clarkson University. Join professionals in green careers like policy, conservation, energy and more.

### 1:30 p.m.

• The Environmental Cutting Board, Dr. Deborah Naybor, Paul Smith's College. You will build a small but beautiful cutting board using local and exotic woods. Participants will assemble the cutting boards from precut strips (no cutting required) using glue and clamps.







# Many exhibitors to be on hand at Green Living Fair

Many exhibitors will be on hand at the Green Living Fair to demonstrate ways to eat local, conserve energy, reduce utility bills and be climate smart. The exhibitors will include:

### **Algonquin to Adirondacks Collaborative**

The A2A Collaborative is a multi-jurisdictional partner organization that works to protect and enhance the unique ecological features and functions of the A2A region. More info: www.a2acollaborative.org or facebook.com/ **A2ACollab** 

### **Apex Solar Power**

Apex Solar Power is a premier solar electric/thermal company providing clean and green energy. More info: www.apexsolarpower.com

### **Barstow Subaru**

Barstow Subaru will be exhibiting their EVs at this year's fair. More info: www.barstowsubaru.com

### **Big Spoon Kitchen**

From their purple school bus food truck: Light food fare for lunch made from locally sourced ingredients. More info: facebook.com/ BigSpoonKitchen

### **Birdsfoot Farm**

Birdsfoot Farm offers certified organic vegetables, herbs and flowers along with Summer, Fall, Student and Winter CSA weekly boxes. More info: birdsfootfarm.weebly.com

### **Potsdam Climate Smart Communities & Canton Sustainability Committees**

Both Canton and Potsdam are Climate Smart communities. Learn about their work on a variety of climate and sustainability initiatives in our communities

### **Casella Waste Systems**

Recycling, Collection, Organics, Energy, Landfills, Professional Services and Sustainability form the foundation for providing service to our customers. More info: www. casella.com

### **Clarkson Institute for a Sustainable Environment**

The Clarkson Institute for a Sustainable Environment is a hub of all environmental and sustainability activities on campus. We offer academic degrees, coordinate sustainability initiatives and work toward a goal of net zero greenhouse gas emissions. Students in the EV100 class will present a sculpture made from water bottles with messages about the amount of water bottles we use and their consequences. Students in the EV100 class will present a sculpture made from water bottles with messages about the amount of water bottles we use and their consequence. More info: clarkson.edu/academics/research/ labs-centers/ise or clarkson.edu/ academics/research/labs-centers/ ise or facebook.com/cusustainabil-

### **Coakley Home and Hardware**

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### **Compost for Good**

Compost for Good helps Adirondack communities turn food and

# **Schedule of events**

### Schuler ERC Building • Clarkson University

### FRIDAY, OCT. 27

• 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. -- Virtual panel discussion, "Waters Have No Borders: Working Together for the Great River and the Great Lakes."

### SATURDAY, OCT. 28

- 10 a.m. 3 p.m. -- Green Living Fair
- 10:30 11:30 a.m., 11:45 a.m. 12:45 p.m. and 1 2 p.m. -- Concurrent workshops and panel discussions for a deeper dive into sustainability, higher education and green living topics.
- 2:00 3:15 p.m. -- Reception, posters, more exhibits and artwork.
- 3:30 4:45 p.m. -- Keynote presentation: Dr. Curt Stager, Paul Smiths College.

quality compost. Bring a sample from your active compost pile to test for a healthy diversity of biodegraders. More info: www.adkaction. org/project/compost-for-good or facebook.com/compostforgoodteam

### **Cornell Cooperative Extension** of St. Lawrence County

CCE's Agriculture Program offers a wide range of services from livestock trainings and workshops to natural resources and local food initiatives. Stop by our table to see our upcoming trainings and workshops! You can also come chat with some of our staff to learn about what other resources we can offer you. More info: stlawrence.CCE. cornell.edu

### **CCE's Energy Navigator Volunteer Program**

Ask an Energy Navigator volunteer how you might lower your energy bills while becoming more climate resilient. More info: stlawrence.CCE.cornell.edu

### **CCE's Master Gardener Volunteer Program**

Cornell Cooperative Extension's Master Gardener volunteers work in partnership with the CCE to extend gardening information to the local community. Come meet some of the master gardeners to learn more about our programs and one-onone consultations. More info: stlawrence.CCE.cornell.edu

### **Ducted Wind Turbines**

Ducted Wind Turbines design, manufactures, sells, and installs, one of the most efficient and cost effective small wind turbine on the market todayThey want small distributed wind to be a part of our energy future. More info: www. ductedwind.com

### **EDF** Renewables

Rich Road Solar Energy Center will provide enough emissions-free energy to power 75,000 homes. Located in the Town of Canton, the project will also provide stable sources of revenue to the community, offer workforce development opportunities, and create potential for co-location of solar and agriculture, and improved storm water possibilities. More info: www. edf-re.com/project/rich-road-solar or www.linkedin.com/company/ edf-renewables-north-america

### **GardenShare Inc**

GardenShare promotes a local food system that ensures food security for local residents. Our programs are cost sharing Bonus Bucks, SLC Farmers Markets tokens Local Food Guide. More info: www. GardenShare.org

### **G.R.O. Energy Solutions**

G.R.O Energy Solutions provides energy efficiency services such as insulating, air sealing, and energy audits to increase your comfort and decrease your energy costs. More info: groenergy solutions.com

### **League of Women Voters** of St. Lawrence County

Visitors will be able to register to vote, fill out an absentee ballot application, and get information about the League of Women Voters. More info: www.facebook.com/LWVSLC

### **Local Living Venture**

Sharing rural skills, building community. Look for more, coming back in 2024! More info on Facebook and at www.LocalLivingVenture.org.

www.dec.nv.gov or facebook.com/

### **North Country Children's Museum**

At the North Country Children's Museum, we believe that learning is a hands-on, minds-on, interactive experience. With exhibits that celebrate the cultural and geographic resources of the North Country, you'll find play areas and tinker spaces for all ages to get kids thinking, making, and doing. Join us at Green Living Fair's Kid Zone for a selection of fun games and activities! More info: northcountrychildrensmuseum.org or facebook. com/ncchildrensmuseum

### **North Country Compost**

Community Compost Service for residential, commercial and institution customers. We collect food scraps at your door and convert them into high quality compost at a facility near Canton. More info: facebook. com/NoCoCompost

### **Northern Power & Light**

NP&L empowers customers to direct their electricity dollar to local renewable electricity sources from nearby hydro power plants to support renewable power and local businesses at no change in cost. More info: www.NPandL.com

### **Norwood Public Library**

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### **SUNY Canton Automotive Technology**

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### **Wild Center**

The Wild Center is a natural history museum based in the Adirondacks that runs a Youth Climate Program, houses a Climate Solutions exhibition, and promotes sustainability and climate education. More info: www.wildcenter.org or facebook.com/thewildcenter

### **WISER Center, Biology Department, SUNY Potsdam**

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### **Youth Climate Science Challenges**

Youth Climate Science Challenges will provide area youth with handson experience in reducing fossil fuel use in homes while guiding youth toward clean energy careers.



Doug Welch checks out the speed governor of hydro turbines used by Northern Power and Light, demonstrated by owner Emmett Smith at the 2022 Green Living Fair.

### **Matt Burnett Guiding**

The Northern Forest Explorers program is a paddling experience that promotes environmental awareness, outdoor skills and team building for youths ages 9-16. More info: www.mattburnettguiding.com

### **New York State Department of Environmental Conservation**

NYS DEC mission is to conserve, improve and protect New York's natural resources and environment and to prevent, abate and control water, land and air pollution, in order to enhance the health, safety and welfare of the people of the state and their overall economic and social well-being. Learn how they empower individuals to participate in environmental decisions that affect their lives. More info:

### **Paul Smith's College**

Paul Smith's College offers experiential education with Bachelor's Degrees in Sustainability, Natural Resource Conservation Management, Forestry and more. More info: www.paulsmiths.edu or facebook.com/paulsmithscollege

### **Potsdam Pride**

Potsdam Pride is a community group whose mission is to organize events for the LGBTQ community, including the annual Potsdam Pride festival. More info: www. potsdampride.org or facebook.com/ potsdampride

### **Potsdam Public Library**

The Potsdam Public Library offers LIFE - Literacy IS For Everyone, Make and Take activities, storytime

# **Supreme Court backs state over ammo**

**BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI** 

North Country This Week

The U.S. Supreme Court has denied an attempt by a gun-rights organization that sought to put a halt to new background check requirements in New York State.

Beginning Sept. 13 of this year, anyone attempting to purchase ammunition or firearms now must complete a background check that is handled by the State Police.

Fees are \$2.50 per transaction for ammunition and \$9 per firearm transaction.

In the case Gazolla v. James, plaintiffs sought to have the new scheme put on hold in an emergency conference held Oct. 6, however justices declined to take action.

As a result, the case will have to play out in the lower courts and the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals before the justices will consider another argument.

St. Lawrence County Attorney Steve Button said the case, like Antonyuk v. Bruen, will be hotly contested in the lower courts.

Button is working "of counsel" on the Antonyuk case after county legislators approved his participation in the case last year.

Antonyuk is another case contesting the majority of the Concealed Carry Improvement Act (CCIA), which was passed in "direct retribution" to the U.S. Supreme Court overturning the state's 109-year-old concealed carry laws, according to state officials.

In that case, a judge in the Northern District of New York Federal Court struck multiple portions of the CCIA, however the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals reversed that decision, allowing the CCIA to stand almost in its entirety.

Under the CCIA, a number of laws were created to make it give law enforcement more flexibility

to decide if an applicant should be allowed to have a concealed carry license.

Other provisions included prohibited spaces where firearms are not allowed, along with recertification requirements and other more stringent requirements for those applying for a license.

Button said justices with the 2nd Circuit were expected to issue a ruling in September, however no decision has been announced yet.

Another wrinkle in the Antonyuk case came about last week when Everytown for Gun Safety, a gun control organization founded by former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, filed a Rule 28 brief with the 2nd Circuit.

A Rule 28 brief allows parties involved in lawsuits to file a brief with supplemental evidence to support a claim, however in the case of Antonyuk, Everytown for Gun Safety is not a party in the case.

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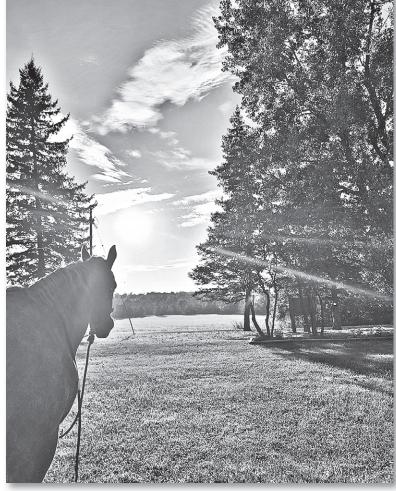
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# Day dreaming in Lisbon

'My horse Dream enjoys the sun,' said Rebecca Kirtley of Lisbon, who submitted

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# State funded flood control projects now complete

OGDENSBURG - A series of flood resiliency projects in the city of Ogdensburg are now complete.

The four projects were awarded more than \$8.3 million in grant funding through the sate's Lake Ontario Resiliency and Economic Development Initiative, announced the governor's office.

Now complete, these REDI-funded projects will help mitigate the impact of future high-water events and improve the resiliency of the shoreline.

"The completed REDI projects in the City of Ogdensburg protect public safety, build resiliency along the St. Lawrence River shoreline and create recreational opportunities for the community, checking off many of the top goals of this successful New York State initiative," Governor Hochul said. "The completion of the city's projects is a step forward in realizing the full potential of the Ogdensburg waterfront."

In 2019, the St. Lawrence River experienced record high water levels that resulted in devastating floods throughout communities along the river's shoreline, the governor's office said.

These events degraded public infrastructure and restricted public use of popular tourist destinations like the Morrisette Park and the city's public docks, negatively impacting public safety and local economies.

The project include:

· Morrisette Park and City Dock, \$4,875,000. Morrisette Park is a popular gathering place for residents and visitors, with a tennis court, wooden playground, and public parking. Flooding and repeated storm action severely eroded the park's shoreline and damaged the existing seawall, threatening park infrastructure and the adjacent sanitary pump station. During flooding, the turnaround and parking area was inundated with water and deemed unsafe for use, forcing the closure of the playground. Resiliency measures implemented in the

project consisted of installing fill and grading to elevate the park and nearby Caroline Street by two to

three feet. Existing site features including stormwater structures, asphalt paths, concrete sidewalks, granite memorials, and site lighting were reconstructed or reset to accommodate the grade change. Naturebased sill shoreline protection was installed on the shoreline northeast of Morrisette Park to provide increased resiliency for the exposed higher portion of the riverbank from future high-water events and wave run-up. The nature-based sill consisted of placement of rip-rap stone at the water's edge along with erosion control matting with integrated vegetation upslope from the rip-rap berm.

- Municipal Marina and Pier close to Dobisky Center, \$911,973. The Ogdensburg Municipal Marina, located on the St. Lawrence River, includes more than 70 boat slips, drawing recreational boaters and fishing enthusiasts to the city. Increased water levels led to structural impairment of the marina's seawall, causing inundation of the marina and substantial undercutting of a stormwater outfall.
- Greenbelt Park, \$530,000. Greenbelt Park is located near the confluence of the Oswegatchie and St. Lawrence rivers. Approximately 680 linear feet of waterfront rip-rap revetment suffered deterioration due to frequent wave action.
- Maple City Trail, \$2,000,000. Maple City Trail is located on the banks of the Oswegatchie River, a major tributary to the St. Lawrence River. Flooding events caused undermining of the 100-year-old limestone block wall along the river, impacting the wall's alignment and structural integrity. The degradation of the wall posed a public safety risk

The project included a new precast concrete segmental block wall (1,200 linear feet) to replace the limestone/concrete wall.

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# Clarkson plans to cut programs and faculty, refocus on STEM

BY JIMMY LAWTON

North Country This Week

POTSDAM — Clarkson University is developing a plan to cut some humanities programs and faculty while refocusing efforts on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) oriented majors.

University officials are calling the plan a "prototype" at this time, and would not answer direct questions regarding the number of employees and programs expected to be cut during the process.

However, Clarkson officials said that students currently enrolled in programs that are sunset will not be impacted.

Colleges nationwide are struggling to retain enrollment. Across town, SUNY Potsdam in September announced plans to cut 14 academic programs amid a \$9 million deficit and a 40% enrollment decline since

"We know that some changes will be necessary. The prototype plan is only a starting point and it's too early to make projections on its final composition and impacts on existing personnel. Normal turnover may also contribute to the final plan," Clarkson's Vice President for External Relations Kelly Chezum said in an emailed response to questions regarding the plan.

"This work may lead to reorganization of academic operations and the sunsetting of some programs as well as the introduction of new majors aligned to Clarkson's strengths. We expect decisions to be made by the end of the semester. As we have made it clear - no changes will impact currently enrolled

students. We look forward to the involvement of our stakeholders as this process moves forward, and we remain dedicated to providing our students with a high quality education and a great return on their investment," she said.

Documents shared with North Country This Week include limited insights into the prototype plan, but it's clear they are expected to change as input is gathered from a variety of stakeholders before it will be finalized.

Chezum was not able to provide a timeline as to when the plan would be finalized or implemented.

Some of the programs that appear to be slated for downsizing, elimination or absorption include Media & Design, American Studies, Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts, Interdisciplinary Social Studies, Political Science, Digital Arts and Sciences, Literature, Communication and History.

It should be noted however, that at this time there has been no confirmation regarding what programs, if any, will actually be cut.

Chezum noted that the goal is to better position the university for the changes to the economy and job

"Today (Oct. 16) we launched a process to evaluate and build upon a prototype plan that lays the groundwork to best position Clarkson for the STEM-focused future economy. The objective of this effort is to align our programs and students' educational opportunities with the growing industries

in New York State, the tech sector across America, and the more than 13,000 global companies that post more than 19,000 jobs in Clarkson's Career Center's portal. This process will include all appropriate voices from across campuses," she said.

"We fully expect the groups working with our Faculty Senate and Provost to improve upon the prototype plan and come up with additional scenarios for net savings and efficient use of resources. Clarkson is a technological institution and a proven leader in STEM education, research and innovation – evidenced by strong enrollments in our STEM fields. To stay relevant, it's time to reimagine how we prioritize investing in the student experience, in demand degree programs that align to our strengths and relevant research for our industry partners."

A letter issued to staff by President Mark Christensen also alluded to ensuring that Clarkson provides an education that will have a return on investment.

"At Clarkson we work hard to use resources judiciously. We take very seriously the hard-earned tuition dollars from students and families as well as the generous support from our alumni and donors. For a period of time, our resources have not been balanced in an effective way and we need to make changes," he wrote.

"It's time to reimagine how we prioritize investing in the student experience and research laboratories as well as continue Clarkson's

commitment to access to an education which we know first-hand can change lives of not only our students, but their entire families."

According to the letter, over the coming days, the president, Provost Christopher Robinson and Vice President of Financial Affairs Jeffrey Ives are meeting with faculty, staff, student and alumni leadership; and all supervisors including the deans and chairs of academic programs to go over the prototype

The letter notes that group sessions are also being scheduled with the students "who are in majors proposed to sunset after they graduate and alumni communications are going to those serving in our leadership and advisory groups."

"At Clarkson, we educate how to prototype, test, evaluate, and improve our designs and practice that as well. That is exactly what we will do with this plan, which mirrors the approaches our alumni take in their companies when they want to prepare for the future. Clarkson has been a proven leader in technological education, research and innovation for over 125 years. We have the resources, dedicated alumni and industry partners to lead and reimagine with us the STEM-focused future that positions us for the next 125 year milestone," the letter says.

It also encourages staff to submit suggestions regarding the plan.

North Country This Week has requested an interview with Christensen, regarding the plan.

# **Legislators focus on** breast cancer awareness

**BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI** 

North Country This Week

CANTON — October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and St. Lawrence County legislators are hoping to bring further awareness to the disease while encouraging women to be screened.

Legislators passed a resolution during the operations committee meeting on Oct. 16, highlighting many figures in the fight against breast cancer.

According to legislators, the American Cancer Society recommends annual breast cancer screenings with mammograms starting at the age of 40.

Every year, nearly 300,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer, while one in eight women in the United States will be diagnosed with the disease in their lifetime, officials say.

Advocates and health care professionals continue to encourage screenings and other early detection tests that are "critical and dramatically enhances the effectiveness of treatment, increasing the chance of survival and can make a difference between life and death," officials

As women grow older, the risk of developing breast cancer increases. Due to the increased risk, physicians, public health professionals and advocates continue to educate communities about awareness and innovative advancements in early detection and treatment, according

Though the focus is primarily on women, men can also be susceptible to breast cancer, with 2,800 men having been diagnosed in the United States during 2023 alone.

National and local organizations alike are also working to raise awareness about the disease and treatment options, with a breast

cancer walk in Gouverneur on Oct. 6 raising over \$150,000 to locally assist women who have been diagnosed with breast cancer.

The walk, hosted by the Gouverneur Breast and Ovarian Cancer Fund, has been held annually for 22 years, organizers said Committee Member Terry Pistolesi also spoke during the event, thanking those who helped make the event a resounding success.

"Without you all, this is not possible. This is truly incredible and we cannot thank you enough for your support," she said.

All donations made during the event will go to support patients going through breast, ovarian cancer, or a cancer that has metastasized from said cancers, living in St. Lawrence, Jefferson, Lewis or Franklin counties.

Following the walk, organizers honored survivors before announcing raffle winners.

The fund was established to provide financial assistance to those fighting breast or ovarian cancer who may need help paying for household, medical, travel or living expenses during a patient's treat-

"Our mission is to alleviate at least some of the financial burden our patients face during their treatment, allowing them to focus on recovery and healing," organizers

For more information about the Gouverneur Breast & Ovarian Cancer Fund, visit www.gouverneurbreastovariancancerfund.com, www.facebook.com/gouverneurbreastcancerfund or email info@ gouverneurbreastovariancancerfund.com.

"A special thank you to our sponsors and all who donate. Your support allows us to organize next year's walk and provide patient care," organizers wrote.





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Application fees have been waived for SUNY colleges and universities across the state for two weeks, from Oct. 16-29.

That means prospective students can apply to up to five campuses free of charge. The potential savings add up to \$250 per applicant, removing an early barrier to college access. The announcement was made by State University of New York Chancellor John B. King, Jr. on Oct. 16. To learn more about applying to SUNY, visit suny.edu/apply. Applicants can apply at ApplySUNY or by using the Common App.

Those who use ApplySUNY will automatically have their first five campus Applications waived on the payment page. On the Common App, prospective students must apply campus by campus and select "Yes" to the question: "SUNY is having a free application week. Would you like SUNY to cover your application fee?"

Families may also qualify for free tuition through the state's Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) and/ or Excelsior Scholarship. Students may apply for financial aid by filling out their FAFSA in December.









# New bridge at Fort

A new pedestrian bridge was installed earlier this month at Fort de la Presentation, providing visitors access to the 300-ft. long peninsula and view of the river. The new bridge was designed by Clarkson University student engineers, and the work was done by TJ Fiacco Construction. Walking across the new bridge are, from left, Fort board member Marsha Hough, CU Civil Engineer Eric Backus, Fort President Barbara O'Keefe, Fort board members Tim Cryderman and Craig Ballard, and CU Mechanical Engineer Ron Buckingham.

# Sen. Stec talks budget, migrants

**BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI** 

North Country This Week

CANTON - State Senator Dan Stec was in the North Country Oct. 16, attending open office hours in Canton as well as the county legislature's operations committee meeting.

Stec addressed the committee on several topics, ranging from the immigration crisis in New York City to electrification of school bus

### **2024 State Budget**

Stec warned legislators that the state budget would be "very challenging next year," noting that Albany had already sounded a warning about financial belt tightening.

According to Stec, in the 12 plus years he has been a state representative, he has never heard Albany say that the budget process would be a difficult one.

"The governor and others have lowered our expectations about the budget," he said.

Though Stec said non-financial substance in the budget would hopefully be lower this year, he did say that some legislation will be included in the budget process again next year.

Stec spoke to his experience as the chair of the Warren County legislature years ago, saying that it's difficult to formulate a budget with so many questions still lingering.

"Obviously we don't have a crystal ball and can't predict everything but obviously if you don't budget for something and an issue arises after a budget is approved, you have to still address that issue," he said.

One such difficulty is the state's plan to push Medicaid expenses onto counties, which will inevitably cost St. Lawrence County an estimated \$3.08 million and would require a 6% tax hike in county taxes, which would push the county well over the state-imposed 2% tax

"This is a big dollar issue with Medicaid expenses being passed onto counties now," Stec said.

Despite opposition from Senate and Assembly members, Stec said Governor Kathy Hochul pressed forward with the plan that inevitably passed in the state budget.

At the time of budget discussions the governor proposed to keep all federal savings going forward and use them to cover further expansion of Medicaid eligibility and benefits and to increase payments to health care providers, legislators previously said.

The county estimates the shift will cost the state's 57 counties to spend an additional \$280 million and approximately \$1 billion when New York City is included.

'Next year is going to be a very difficult year budget wise and the county should be prepared for that," Stec said.

### **Migrant Crisis**

On the topic of the migrant crisis, Stec praised county and local leaders for a unified message that was practical and honest.

"It makes you honest people, good Americans, not bad people,"

In particular, Stec said officials' honesty regarding limited resources to assist current residents was telling in the situation.

'Immigration has been in the news a lot and on a few occasions St. Lawrence County has been at the forefront," Stec said, referencing Massena in particular.

"You didn't want that role but it's been pointed in your direction," he

Despite no action having been taken yet, Stec did say it was important for county and local leaders to know that the issue will be a major topic of discussion going forward next year.

"Mayor (Eric) Adams initially welcomed migrants and requested three billion dollars to help them. He got one billion dollars from the state," Stec said.

Estimates now suggest the migrant crisis will cost upwards of \$12 billion, a number "big enough you'll have people like the governor walking back the state's sanctuary status," Stec said.

Stec did praise Hochul, saying it is difficult to admit when someone is wrong and having to walk back from an initial stance that was originally popular.

With over 120,000 migrants currently in and around New York City, Stec said the problem is not going away anytime soon and must be handled by Washington as well.

"This is a problem that originated in Washington and needs to be addressed by Washington. The state and certainly the counties cannot handle this situation," he said.

### **Electric buses**

When asked about the potential ramifications of electrifying school bus fleets and other municipal fleets, Stec said the state is simply not prepared to implement such systems.

"Most representatives aren't engineers," he said.

Stec pointed to a lack of understanding about the existing power grid and what upgrades would be necessary as a primary cause for concern.

"This is a non-engineer timeline that emphasizes electric. We simply don't have a grid that can support that," he said.

Stec told legislators that the electric distribution system for the 19 million residents of New York State would need to be upgraded at an expected cost of \$272 billion, according to state officials.

According to Stec, that figure is likely double the state's figures, based on conversations he has had to advocate for an electric system.

Conversations with representatives from the five boroughs of New York City also prove difficult, Stec said. Half of all state reps are from New York City.

Stec pointed to many factors that make it difficult to implement in the North Country, including long bus routes, severe temperatures in winter and the need to build not only charging stations but also bus garages in some cases.

"If you wanted to do something in New York City where it's urban, that's one thing," he said.

Stec said the impact on air quality may be a motivating factor for cities but the situation is very different outside of cities.

According to Stec, National Grid has already told school districts that they don't have the services needed to implement electric fleets and significant investment and construction will be required to upgrade infrastructure.

Any wrinkle implementation is finding enough skilled labor to upgrade the state's power grid, something officials acknowledge will be a significant challenge given the scale of upgrades required.

When asked about the potential to stop the implementation of electric fleets, Stec said it's as unlikely to ever stop "unless the financial picture was so awful" state reps advocated to change course.

"Taxpayers and ratepayers will pay for this, in the end it's all the same," Stec said.

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### Local law to crackdown on DWI

St. Lawrence County law enforcement will participate in a statewide STOP-DWI Halloween crackdown enforcement effort Oct. 27 through

St. Lawrence County's STOP-DWI Program will join forces with local law enforcement agencies during this upcoming Halloween holiday period to aggressively target drunk/ drugged drivers.

Law enforcement agencies throughout the state will be stepping up patrols and scheduling sobriety road checks.

Drunk/ drugged driving accounts for nearly one-third of vehicle-related fatalities in the United States and Halloween is one of the most prevalent nights for driving under the influence.

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# The age of information isn't an easy one to grow up in

# Communicate with your kids and their teachers

My youngest son started pre-kindergarten recently. He seems to be taking it well, but I find myself struggling with it, and I know his mother is having an even harder time.

Watching your children grow up

**Editor's** Notebook

Jimmy Lawton



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is awesome, but it's also sad and a bit scary seeing them step out from the safety of their home and into the public realm – especially given the state of the world these days which can often feel like hate yelling at hate in an endless cycle.

I remember the trials and tribulations I faced in my youth - school yard fistfights, heartbreaks, dis-

agreements with authority figures, drugs, alcohol and run-ins with law enforcement.

Getting through the day was no easy task.

Of course, every generation has its challenges and what our children face these days seems daunting to

Perhaps I'm out of touch, but the idea of growing up in a world where most of your mistakes are caught on a camera and your expectation of privacy has dipped near zero seems terrifying.

We were taught not to get into cars with strangers, but our children are facing predators from other countries inside their own homes.

Locally, we saw just how bad that situation can get a couple of years ago, when we had teenagers take their lives after being blackmailed online by strangers.

I see people in my generation "canceled" and called out and torn apart for things that were caught on tape in their teen years.

Today's kids are dealing with this at a much younger age at a much faster rate with societal expectations shifting at incomprehensible speeds.

It honestly seems like an awful way to grow up. Several of my friends homeschool their children. Homeschooling seems to be gaining ground these days. I certainly see the appeal, though I personally feel ill-equipped to prepare my kids for today's world without the support of educators.

So what can we do?

First off, talk to your kids, know what they are doing online and over the phone. It may seem overbearing given the privacy we enjoyed in our youth, but it's not the same world and the stories I've written have convinced me it's necessary.

We also need to talk to those we trust to educate them.

I've found that communicating with teachers and administrators has been essential to ensuring my kids are getting the education they need and deserve.

I think children can easily become numbers in public schools if we don't advocate for them and I'd encourage parents to make sure they attend their parent teacher conferences. Ask questions about things you hear happening at the school and make sure you get answers.

I'm not out to persecute educators. I know they are on the frontlines dealing with this stuff.

I think there is a fallacy that teachers don't like hearing from parents.

That's never been my experience. When I've raised issues about problems my children are experiencing, teachers and administrators have thanked me for bringing it to their attention.

In some cases it's led to policy changes.

So what I'm saying is get that daily report from your kid about what happened during the school day.

Don't be too intimidated to reach out to your local school districts when things sound off.

Advocate for your child and if you have concerns make sure they are addressed.

All systems are imperfect but many heads can lead to better solutions and I think you'll find that educators might just appreciate the

But even if they don't, you deserve to be heard.

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



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### **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

### **DuBray Baker** seeks council seat

My name is Kristy DuBray Baker and I am writing to ask for your support on November 7th as I run for a seat on the Massena Town Council. I am committed to our community and believe this makes me an outstanding choice for this important role.

What sets me apart from others is that I have a deep connection to Massena. Born and raised here, I am now raising my own beautiful family in our town, with eight children between the ages of 10 and 17.

I am dedicated to personal growth, having earned an Associate's Degree in Liberal Arts from SUNY Canton, a Bachelor's Degree in Sociology from SUNY Potsdam and I am currently in the process of earning my Master's Degree in Child and Adolescent Psychology from Capella University, where I hold a 4.0 GPA. I am involved in my church, Emmanuel Congregational United Church of Christ, where I assist with running the youth program "Kids Night Out", a program dedicated to educating the youth in our area about important topics such as internet safety and the harmful effects of drug use. We also participate in community service projects such as creating and delivering Christmas care packages to the residents in the nursing homes and the

annual Trunk or Treat event.

The well being of our community and its youth is of utmost importance to me and I am actively involved in the betterment of Massena. I started teaching dance when I was just 16 and quickly became the co-owner of The Gotta Dance Studio. I am currently a preschool teacher and have always had a passion for nurturing and educating young minds and hearts. While serving on the Massena Central School Board, I was able to actively be involved in pursuing that passion.

I am deeply dedicated to the growth and prosperity of Massena and envision the expansion of all of the resources that we have here. Our town boasts two campgrounds, two beaches, the Nature Center. Eisenhower Locks, Hawkins Point, and the beautiful St. Lawrence River. However, we lack decent movie theatre, bowling alleys, shopping options and have limited eateries. There is currently very little for the younger generation or tourists to do in the evenings and on weekends. Massena has the potential to be an incredible tourist attraction as well as a town that we all can be proud of. We have so much natural beauty and many recreational opportunities and I wholeheartedly believe that we can enhance our town's appeal, creating a thriving and vibrant community

On November 7th, I humbly ask for your support and your vote as I strive to enhance this beautiful town that I have called home for over 40 years. Together we can achieve great things and I look forward to serving the members of this community on the Massena Town Council.

Kristy DuBray Baker Massena

### **Deep Root Center** says thank you

The staff and board of Deep Root Center (DRC) would like to thank American Legion Post #79 in Massena for their recent donation of 500. We are deeply grateful for their commitment to our programs and services.

DRC, an educational alternative in St. Lawrence County, with two locations, has made a promise to our community to accept any child who needs us no matter their family's financial situation. This Community Grant from Walmart offsets some of the \$200,000 in fee reductions we offer each year to our student members and their families.

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# Some facts, suggestions about pumpkins and squash

**BY PAUL HETZLER** 

ISA-Certified Arborist

Linus, the precocious, blanket-toting character from the "Peanuts" world, which by the way is now a Canadian franchise, waited faithfully for "The Great Pumpkin" each Halloween night from 1950 to

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If anyone else had been stood-up that many times by the same character, they'd have thrown in the towel (or blanket) for sure. Perhaps Linus' resolute faith that the mythical pumpkin would show up was spurred on by the fact that almost every year brings the world a bigger "great pumpkin" of the sort one can measure, and - at least potentially – eat.

In fact, pumpkins have gotten so big in recent years that folks have cleaned them out and paddled around in them. Heck, if you're not claustrophobic, maybe you could even live in one - now there's an elegant fix for the current housing crisis. If the Old Lady Who Lived in a Shoe got booted out of her rentfree digs, imagine how thrilled she would've been to inhabit a giant pumpkin. Talk about the kids eating you out of house and home, though...

Being a scholarly lad, Linus probably looked toward the Maritime provinces on Halloween night because he knew great pumpkins come from there. In 1979, Nova Scotia plant breeder Howard Dill patented "Dill's Atlantic Giant," a pumpkin variety whose genetics serve as the basis for today's record-breakers. Although Mr. Dill was often called the Pumpkin King, I doubt he's related to the Great Pumpkin. These days, giant pumpkin enthusiasts (that's

### Meandering **Naturalist**

regular-size people and colossal produce) compete in dozens of countries thanks to him.

In 2021, a Cape Breton grower brought things back home to where they began with an 887-kilogram (1,956-pound) leviathan he dubbed "Howard's Ghost" in honour of the pumpkin king. Howard (the pumpkin, that is) set a Maritime record and came within two kilos of being a Canadian national champion. Pumpkins took a giant leap forward in 2022 when a California-based farmer smashed the world record with a 1,247-kg (2,749-pound) monster-veggie he named "Michael Jordan." That would be a dream come true for Linus.

You can bet the seeds from such record-holders command a high price. Beyond good genes, it takes a lot of daily attention to raise a contender. Growers put in untold hours of labour, which intensifies as the developing "babies" need ever-increasing amounts of water.

Pumpkins are a type of winter squash, one of many varieties originally selected for and culti-

vated by First Nations. Hubbard and butternut squash, along with the small hard pie pumpkins we grow today, have been raised by Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) farmers since long before European contact right into modern times. Even the word squash is of Algonquin origin. Europeans chose Greekbased "pumpkin" for the ribbed orange variety because "The Great Squash" didn't sound quite right.

From ancient times until today (or maybe tomorrow if they're busy at the moment), Haudenosaunee farmers cut and dry strips of pumpkins and squashes for use in late winter after the storage life of most squashes has run its course. If old-time longhouses had dehumidifiers and thermostats, those veggies could have lasted all

Oddly enough, successful storage actually begins in the field or garden. Pumpkins and squash will last longer if you bring them in before the first hard frost (below -2 Celsius). Always pick them up while suppo

rting the bottoms, and never carry them by the stem – if that breaks, rot will set in. For pumpkins, a 10-day hardening-off treatment of 26 to 29 degrees at 80 percent humidity will help harden the rind and prolong storage life. This treatment isn't necessary for butternut, turban and Hubbard

When speaking to potential new

knowledge of flowers and gardening

in general is not required and our

mandatory. We realize we are all

very busy and are appreciative of

The Ogdensburg Garden Club

December. At each meeting, there is

a program/business meeting, good

couple of years, club members have

learned about landscaping, care of

garden tools, making holiday dec-

orations, and nutrition and health

benefits of herbs. Each year there is a holiday party and a summer

picnic. This year the club assisted

the Youth Garden Club with their

flower show, presented Maple Leaf

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Field trips may be planned. This

and held a barn quilt raffle as well

as the annual Hanging Baskets

vear's schedule included a visit

to Bella Brooke Winery and the

holds monthly meetings April -

food and socializing. In the last

any help we can get.

meetings and work sessions are not

members, many say they don't

know anything about gardening

and don't have the time. A vast

squashes, and will actually harm acorn squash.

In terms of storage conditions, the critical thresholds are 10 and 70: never cooler than 10 degrees or more humid than 70 percent. The ideal "Goldilocks" numbers are 15 degrees and 60 percent humidity. Store pumpkins and squash away from apples, which produce ethylene gas that will hasten ripening and shorten storage life. Check stored squash every few weeks, as one rotten one can spread decay to

Under good conditions, acorn squash generally last 5 to 8 weeks. Pie pumpkins often keep for between 3 and 4 months, while Hubbard and butternut squashes can sometimes keep for up to a year. Given that giant pumpkins have Hubbard genetics, I'd expect they could last a while.

But who's going to build a storage room around a 1,200-kg pump-

It would seem this agricultural super-sizing may have been predicted 70 years ago by little Linus. Maybe I should revisit those old comics to read what else the child philosopher had to say.

Val-des-Monts, OC resident Paul Hetzler is a former Cornell Extension educator. He'd settle for a visit from "The Pretty Good Pumpkin" this Halloween.

### **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

### **Garden Club** seeks members

If you like to garden and you want to help keep Ogdensburg beautiful and give back to your community, joining the Ogdensburg Garden Club may be for you. Like

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most clubs, there is much to be done with limited funds and declining membership numbers. Our club has seen a 50% decline in membership over the years. Currently we have only 20 active members with a median age of over 70 years. We are becoming very concerned about the



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Wagner Institute for Sustainability and Ecological Research Center at SUNY Potsdam. As a garden club member, you can count on having enjoyable times and learning a lot.

Of course, club members also work very hard from May through October planting and maintaining the Arterial Garden, the Agarwal Garden, and Library Park Gardens. There is plenty of opportunity for novice gardeners to "get down and dirty" and have the satisfaction of providing lovely public gardens for all to enjoy. These hour-long work sessions are weekly, weather permitting. If you enjoy working with local youth, the Kids Garden Place offers this opportunity as well. There are multiple learning gardens including a butterfly garden and meetings and planned activities for our youth.

We are hoping you will consider becoming a member of our club. For more information about joining or to arrange to be a guest at a meeting to learn more about membership, please call Lin Griffin (393-5202) or Donna Pirie (393-7426).

**Lin Griffin Ogdensburg Garden Club president** 



Geeks OnSite



### **NCNOW SURVEY**



Debbie Morgan| NCTW

### The Question:

# Do you or does someone in your family hunt?

**DEER HUNTING SEASON** for bowhunters is underway, with muzzleloading and rifle season to follow. Do you or does someone in your family hunt?

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

'I love the taste of game meat.'

'As long as I can afford meat at the market, I will not kill animals for food.'

'My husband and I both hunt, with the price of meat it's cheaper, healthier. Already purchased the shells for our guns. We eat the heart and liver too. We also can our veggies from our garden.'

'Used to the kids grew up and I got older, eyes and legs aren't as good as they once were, so now mostly stay home. But miss the stillness of the woods and the fresh meat when we were lucky enough to harvest a deer or rabbit.

I have never hunted or owned a rifle but I enjoy going to a relative's hunting camp for a weekend for good company, food and

My property is a safe area for them. We need to stop all the killing.

'I use to hunt but at my age it's too much work dragging deer out of the woods. I travel 18 miles to state land to hunt, seeing deer in all the fields which are posted. That's the biggest problem, accessibility. As long as there are large areas posted to hunters there will be a big problem with deer vehicle accidents.

'I began Deer hunting in DeGrasse at age 14. I still very much enjoy going afield in the beautiful fall at age 61.'

'It's a family tradition, and helps control the deer population. Great meat.'

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

TO TAKE THE CURRENT SURVEY, visit bit.ly/3PY1PfV.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: Did//do you plan to get the flu shot this year?

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

### **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

### **Protection** vs. intrusion

Mr. Elsner's 9/18/23 NCN letter stated: "Don't create vet another overreaching government intrusion into the lives of the majority of responsible law-abiding citizens...'

I understand that Mr. Elsner's not alone in expressing resentment against "intrusion". Hating democratic protective governance is an attitude that the GOP encourages.

Personally, I appreciate food and water inspection, mandatory public education, FDIC insurance, gun licensing, FDA, FEMA, Social Security etc. Otherwise, a democracy that safeguards the majority of citizens is easily replaced by one that favors the rich and powerful.

Little do media-influenced Republican voters understand the extent to which Republican and Libertarian billionaires secretly bankroll the GOP.

Or the widespread influence of right-wing-funded institutes inserting anti-government, antiregulation attitudes into politics. Or the impact that conspiracy theories have had in claiming that rich Democrats are controlling this country.

Meanwhile, the GOP is obsessed with convincing its voters that politics must only be about the "economy" (as in: their personal wealth, not working Americans).

Their voters fixate on taxes, fiscal responsibility, the national debt, inflation, prices, stocks and the big, bad government.

Regulation that helps and protects "we, the people" as a democracy? That's a waste of taxpayer money and government overreach. But using tax rules that protect their profits. No problem.

I think it's a devious strategy that wealthy GOP operatives manage to convince average working Americans to resent their own government; a constitutional democracy with rules to protect each and every

Maybe the very wealthy, with

their lawyers, accountants and bank accounts, don't worry about working conditions, health scares, unexpected family tragedy, retirement income etc. But the majority of us do.

The GOP may campaign against "intrusive" governmental rules and regulations.

But do voters understand that abandoning protections for citizens against an increasingly self-centered, chaotic world only leaves

them and most Americans more vulnerable?

> **Martha Hodges** Massena

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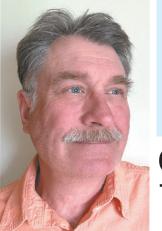
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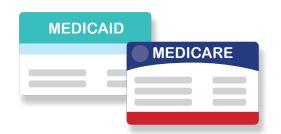
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Focusing on care for mothers and children

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# Samaritan Health sets regional standard for maternity care

According to numbers recently detailed in the American Journal of Managed Care, inadequate prenatal care continues to be a problem for hospitals across the U.S.

Despite spending the most on healthcare amongst its high-income country peers, there continues to be a national escalation of poor maternity services and an inability to provide the best care for America's most precious patients.

But at Samaritan Medical Center, the focus on care for mothers and their children has never wavered.

Set within the Car-Freshner Center for Women and Children and bolstered by the capabilities of its dedicated team, the hospital continues to provide superior maternity services that support new and expanding Northern New York families, every day.

"Samaritan helps deliver more babies than other local hospitals with the largest OB/GYN offices connected to our maternity unit," says Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Mario Victoria. "This sheer volume of births makes our team very knowledgeable and prepared."

This commitment to comprehensive maternity services continues to set Samaritan apart from its industry peers and ascend in an opposite trajectory from aforementioned U.S. trends

But with a focused approach on neonatal care, support of military families and providing services to mothers and their families, the hospital has a multi-pronged approach to remain a leader in supporting childbirth—and bringing more happy and healthy children into the world.

### A regional leader in neonatal care

Samaritan's excellence in maternity care starts with its Level II Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), a high level of care for a newborn and the only one of its kind in the region.

This allows the hospital to also lead Northern New York in comprehensive labor and delivery services and deliver and care for most babies locally with an average of 1,500 each year

"Our NICU is uniquely equipped to care for newborns that need extra care after birth, so that they can go home and continue to thrive," says Dr. Karl J. Komar, a neonatolo-

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**Dr. Mario Victoria**Chief Medical Officer
Samaritan Medical Center



Samaritan Medical Center | Submitted

The Car-Freshner Center for Women and Children at Samaritan Medical Center in Watertown leads Northern New York in comprehensive labor and delivery services.

gist at Samaritan for the last 29 years.

"I am part of the team that helps ease families concerns and care for these tiniest patients. It is a true honor and something I take great pride in."

Dr. Komar and Dr. Craig Guerin, who has been at Samaritan for the past 9 years, are the lead physicians of the NICU. The unit's capabilities are essential in caring for the tiniest patients, consisting of babies delivered at 32 weeks and older that need a little extra care before they can go home.

Amenities in the newly renovated space include 12 private rooms for family bonding, state-of-the-art monitoring equipment to connect when families can't be together and 24-hour neonatology coverage by Samaritan's highly trained staff.

This specialized unit helps us to be a regional leader in maternity care and providing patients and families with critical support when they need it most.

### Support for military families

With its proximity to Fort Drum, Samaritan Medical Center has the honor of providing our full range of maternity services to military families.

Unlike other military installations, our connection is unique because Fort Drum does not offer all healthcare services.

Samaritan Caregivers provide a supportive environment for all families who need local assistance.

"Fort Drum's OB/GYN office is connected to our hospital and their doctors and midwives deliver newborns at Samaritan," says Tom Carman, President and CEO of Samaritan.

"Our hospital maternity services lay the foundation for how closely we work with Fort Drum and how intertwined we are. Samaritan provides most of the acute care services to our miliary community, and we take great pride in this unique relationship."

Samaritan is proud to collaborate with the Soldier Family Readiness Division, which works in tandem with the hospital to offer a variety of familial supportive services, including the Fort Drum New Parent Support Program.

This program offers expectant military parents and parents of newborns and young children the opportunity to learn new skills as parents or improve old ones to better accommodate their needs. Stronger families make for a stronger community, and Samaritan is dedicated to supporting this progress.

# Caring for the Northern New York community

As the Northern New York community grows, so does Samaritan's role in providing the best care possible to mothers and their children.

The Car-Freshner Center for Women and Children features newly renovated mother/baby rooms; new labor and delivery rooms; two dedicated C-section suites; lactation specialists for assistance with breastfeeding; an entire nursing staff who specialize in maternal and infant care; reserved parking and a dedicated entrance for families; and even a way to commemorate each birth with its Children's Miracle Network Miracle Giving Wall.

Before the day of delivery, Samaritan also provides a series of free, classes, focused on such topics as the specifics of pregnancy, breastfeeding, labor and caring for a new family. Each complements the commitment the hospital makes to its maternity services and in turn, the growing Northern New York community it serves.

"Samaritan has invested heavily in our maternity services over the years," says Beth Fipps, vice president of the Samaritan Foundation and community services.

"The Foundation and our community role as a Children's Miracle Network hospital have allowed us to create the Car-Freshner Center for Women and Children with families in mind and to purchase needed equipment. With the area's only NICU, the largest maternity department, and a dedicated pediatric unit, we feel fortunate to care for these patients locally."



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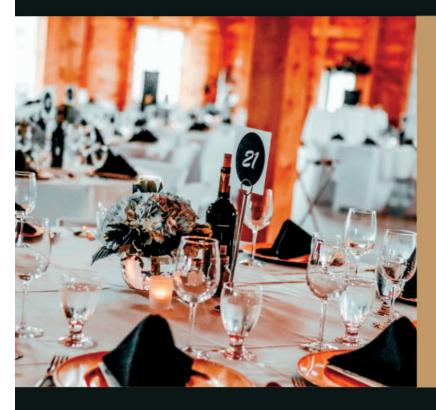
CAMPAIGN KICKOFF

# FUNDRAISING GALA



Thursday, November 2, 2023 | 6:00 pm The Stables at Windy Point 215 Sissonville Road, Potsdam





The St. Lawrence Health Foundation invites you to the "Great Care, Right Here" Fundraising Campaign Kick-Off Gala.

Cocktails will be served at 6:00 pm. with dinner to follow at 7:00 pm. Dinner is being catered by Big Spoon Kltchen.

There will be music provided by locally renowned and internationally acclaimed musicians, as well as a silent and live auction with many amazing items.

Tickets are \$100 each, and the attire is black tie optional.

To register, please contact the SLH Foundation at 315.261.5410 or email April.Grant@rochesterregional.org

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# SCHOOLS

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# Former Section 10 star to speak Nov. 15

BRASHER — St. Lawrence Central Athletics is proud to announce that Missy West, a local Professional Speaker, will be presenting in the SLC High School Auditorium on November 15th at 7:00 PM.

Since Missy's Hall of Fame inductions she has been a

sought-after keynote and motivational speaker for businesses, national organizations, high schools, youth organizations, colleges & leadership seminars around the country.

Her personal experiences of failure, adversity, injury, and serious

health struggles have led her on a path to inspire, uplift, and motivate people of all ages and walks of life.

To learn more about Missy, check out this video or her social media feeds: Instagram: @miswest25, Twitter: @missywest25, Facebook: Missy West.

# MCS athletes raking leaves for free

MASSENA - As part of Make a Difference Days, Massena Central School athletic teams will be raking and bagging leaves for the elderly and disabled people in the community who can't afford the cost of lawn clean up.

Massena Central coaches will

call you prior to coming to your house.

Please call Dori Morrell in the Athletic Department at 315-764-3700 ext. 3106 before Wednesday, Oct. 16 if you would like our athletes to rake your lawn.

Leave a message with the

name, address and phone number of the yard that needs to be raked.

Have garbage bags and rakes available, if possible.

Make a Difference Days Oct. 19 to Nov. 1.

# Salmon River earns NYSPHSAA recognition

FORT COVINGTON — Once again, the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) has recognized Salmon River High School as a School of Excellence.

Salmon River is just one of two high schools in all of Section 10 and is one of 219 high schools statewide to receive this prestigious award.

The award recognizes students who excelled with both athletics and academics during the 2022-23 school year.

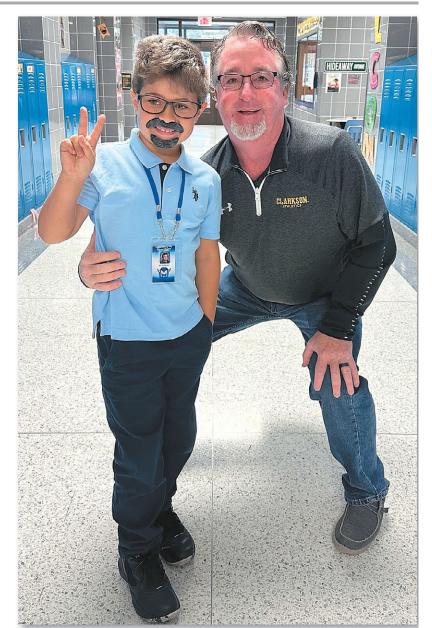
"Our student athletes should be extremely proud of this tremendous

achievement," said Superintendent Dr. Stanley Harper. "While we value the importance of athletics, we also emphasize that academic excellence is key to success."

For a school to achieve this honor, 75% of a school's varsity teams must qualify and receive the Scholar-Athlete team award. To receive the Scholar-Athlete team award, a team's average GPA for 75% of the roster must be at least 90.

NYSPHSAA plans to give Salmon River High School commemorative awards at a local athletic director workshop this month. "This designation wouldn't have been possible without the hard work of our coaching staff as well as the families of our student athletes," said Athletic Director Shawn Miller. "Without them, our students wouldn't have had the guidance and support they needed to prioritize their time at practice as well as in the classroom."

Salmon River High School athletes were also awarded the same School of Excellence honor for their hard work during the previous 2021-22 school year.



Ogdensburg City School District Facebook page | Courtesy

# Impersonating educators

At JFK Elementary School in Ogdensburg, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. The JFK Parent Teacher Organization held its' monthly spirit day on Oct. 6: 'Dress Like a Teacher Day'.

# **Chamber honors MWCS, OFA students of month**

OGDENSBURG – Caleb Averill, a senior from Madrid-Waddington Central School, has been named the Greater Ogdensburg Chamber of Commerce September BOCES Student of the Month.

Caleb is enrolled in the Natural Resource Management Program at Northwest Tech BOCES in Ogdensburg.

Caleb received a Certificate of Achievement from BOCES and a plaque from the Greater Ogdensburg Chamber of Commerce.

Camden Hall, a senior at Ogdensburg Free Academy, has been named the Greater Ogdensburg Chamber of Commerce BOCES Student of the Month for September.

Camden is in the Graphic Communications Program at Northwest Tech BOCES in Ogdensburg.

Camden received a Certificate of Achievement from BOCES and a plaque from the Greater Ogdensburg Chamber of Commerce.

The Student of the Month Program is sponsored by the Greater Ogdensburg Chamber of Commerce.



Massena Central School Facebook page | Courtesty

### 'Orange Shirt Day' at Massena Central

In honor of National Truth and Reconciliation Day, also known as "Orange Shirt Day", Massena Central School staff and students proudly wore orange to acknowledge the legacy of residential schools and celebrate the resiliency of Indigenous Papella





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MCHS photo

A performer at last year's Rocktober rips through a pop tune for the audience.

# **Annual Rocktober concert returns to Massena**

MASSENA — The annual Rocktober concert returns to Massena Central High School on Thursday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. for its first staging in the new high school auditorium.

Admission is \$10 at the door.

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The evening will begin with a short ribbon cutting ceremony and remarks from the superintendent and several oth-

Then the school will take a moment to honor an MCHS alumni who lived her dream of becoming a Broadway Dancer and Cast Member. Stephanie Bissonnette graduated from Massena High School in 2009 and her journey led her to New York where she was cast as the original "Dawn Schweitzer" of Mean Girls.

Unfortunately, her life and dream was cut short and she passed away in December of 2022. The Music Department and Massena High School will honor her with a large photo on the wall of the auditorium, which will be unveiled immediately following the ribbon cutting ceremony, with her family in attendance.

The Rocktober show will then take over the stage and entertain the audi

SEE ROCKTOBER ON 22.

# Conductor finalist to conduct orchestra concert

POTSDAM — Following a national search for a new Music Director, one of the two finalists for the position will conduct the Orchestra of Northern New York's fall concert, Inspired.

Two performances are planned for Saturday, Oct. 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Hosmer Hall, SUNY Potsdam, and Sunday, Oct. 29 at 3 p.m. in First Presbyterian Church, Watertown.

Michael Colburn, from North Hero, VT, designed and named the fall concert, Inspired. What inspires a composer to write a manuscript?

"All sort of things as our Inspired program will demonstrate. The concert will feature music by composers who found inspiration in nature, exotic cultures, family, friends, and even secret codes!" Colburn said. "While the sources of inspiration are varied, the results are identical - unforgettable works that have stood the test of time."

Colburn is the former Director of "The President's Own" U.S. Marine Band (18 years).

As leader of its Chamber Orchestra, he primarily conducted performances at the White House, but also at public venues, including performances for Kennedy Center Honors receptions and two Kenne



The Orchestra of Northern New York will perform Oct. 28.

# GOING ON

# SATURDAY, OCT. 21 Pork dinner

MADRID — The United Church of Madrid is having a drive thru take-out pulled pork dinner Oct. 21. Pulled pork, salt potatoes, baked beans, coleslaw, roll and brownie. \$14.

### **Craft fair**

**HEUVELTON** — The Heuvelton Central School Class of 2025 (Juniors) will host a craft/vendor fair on Saturday, Oct. 21 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Admission will be \$2 and there will be a choice auction as well as concession stand available. We will be set up in the gym and cafeteria with something for everyone, so come get a head start on holiday shopping. For additional information contact Jennifer Gray at jgray@heuvelton.k12.ny.us

Fright Night
RENSSELAER 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.

### Craft, vendor fair

HEUVELTON — The Heuvelton Central School Class of 2025 (Juniors) will host a craft/vendor fair Saturday, Oct. 21 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in the gym and cafeteria. Admission is \$2. There will be a choice auction as well as concession stand. Info: Jennifer Gray at jgray@heuvelton.k12.ny.us .

**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 will 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, and plain donuts. Donations accepted.

### 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. Clothing bag sale. Food and beverages available.

### **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.

### **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

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### Scary sister in Massena

Costumed vendors participated in Massena's Fall Fest, which had events and frights for families on Oct. 14. Live music, food and craft vendors all took part in the event, which was capped off by fireworks.

# Pressure canning classes

MORRISTOWN - Gain new skills and enjoy a hands-on activity during the Pressure Canning 101 class noon-3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22 at the Morristown Fire Hall.

Pressure canning is an amazing technique to preserve low acid foods such as meat, beans, soups, and vegetables that cannot be safely preserved with water bath canning.

Join this class to demystify the process and see the steps in action from beginning to end.

The North Country is full of seasonal foods and pressure canning is a flexible technique that once it is learned, it can be used to preserve our region's diverse and abundant foods from the field and forest.

Vegetables can be mixed for homemade soup blends, meat tenderizes with the high heat and tomatoes can be processed whole or

Every class participant will have a chance to work in a small group to make a recipe, as well as take home a jar and recipe resources. The class is taught by Harvest Kitchen Manager Flip Filippi, along with Master Food Preserver volunteers, and will take place at the Morristown Fire Hall's kitchen and meeting space.

Registration is required to reserve a space and the cost is on a scale where participants choose the best price for their budget from \$10-\$40.

For additional information or to register for this opportunity, visit the event page at http://stlawrence. cce.cornell.edu/. Contact the Local Food Program Leader M. "Flip" Filippi with questions at (315) 379-9192, ext. 229 or mpf65@cornell.

# Ogdensburg Chamber to honor Hough at annual dinner on Nov. 3

OGDENSBURG - Marsha Hough will be honored as the The Greater Ogdensburg Chamber of Commerce 2023 Citizen of the Year at the annual dinner on Nov. 3 at the GranView Restaurant.

Hough was selected for her dedication to Ogdensburg and her volunteer service to many community organizations including Rotary Club, Fort de la Presentation Association, the Greater Ogdensburg Chamber of Commerce and the Ogdensburg History Museum.

The Chamber will present the Business Improvement Award to QT Laser and Design Justin and Misty Fishel have built a successful and thriving business. They purchased and renovated a vacant building on Ford Street that was

vacant for over 20 years. They are generous with donations and support their community. They have created a St. Lawrence River clothing line that attracts people from all over the county, state and country. They have created a thriving business, revitalized a vacant building, hired local employees and created an attraction for tour-

The Chamber will present the **Outstanding Community Service** Award to The Ogdensburg Garden Club for their tireless service and following their mission The Ogdensburg Garden Club faithfully works hard to improve the community and continues to add beauty to our wonderful City by planting and maintaining four major gardens in

the city; providing hanging baskets along Ford and State streets each summer; presenting programs, flower shows, garden tours for the public.

The menu will be prime rib/ roasted stuffed boneless breast of chicken with apple stuffing/broiled seafood platter; grilled confit portabella mushrooms for vegetarian guests; French onion soup, Gran-View house salad with carrot cake for dessert.

There will be a 50/50 raffle, live and silent auctions and Lottery Board raffle.

To make reservations, become a sponsor or donate an auction item, please call Laura Pearson at 315-393-3620 via email at chamber@ gisco.net.

# NCPR fall fundraiser underway

CANTON - North Country Public Radio will launch its Fall Fundraiser on Monday, Oct. 9.

Their goal is to raise \$350,000, to be used to help pay for the reasons people use NCPR - the station's award-winning regional news and features coverage, its growing number of local and regional podcasts, newsletters, to hear NPR news and national programs, and more.

"Support from listeners is our biggest and most important funding source," said NCPR Development Director Lizette Haenel. "So, it's truly vital that everyone who uses the station gives as generously as possible, whether they rely on us on the radio, their phone, or their computer or smart speaker."

Unlike most public stations, NCPR does not change the flow of programming during their fundraiser, using only the usual breaks that are already built into shows in order to remind listeners to donate.

"The programs are the reason

people tune in, so it just makes sense that we interrupt them as little as possible," explained NCPR Station Manager Mitch Teich. "But for this model to work, we need as many people to participate as possible."

NCPR airs news and information from NPR and other public radio sources, as well as their own weekday morning show, Northern Light.

In the last 18 months, NCPR has worked to expand the scope of its work, bringing on a reporter to cover the challenges of poverty in the region, and another to focus on community engagement.

The station has also launched a new podcast version of its popular "Howl" story slam series, a collaboration with the Adirondack Center for Writing, and has expanded its other digital offerings as well, including making more of its content and programming available and known on social media platforms where more people in the North

Country choose to find their news in recent years.

"There's never been a more important time to support public radio," said Teich. "We are working to connect the North Country in so many ways – whether it's through our unrivaled local news coverage, our unique music shows, live events, the newsletters people depend on, or even just providing timely weather forecasts and information."

People who donate before the on-air fundraiser begins are entered to win a special Early Bird Prize, a \$1,000 Visa gift card. Contributors can also choose from a variety of NCPR thank-you gifts, including ball caps, t-shirts, coffee mugs, and more. The station appreciates donations of any amount, as well as sustaining gifts, which are paid monthly. Donations are always welcome and can be made online at ncpr. org/give, or by calling the station, at 1-877-388-6277.

### **BRIEFLY**

### **Halloween party**

RENSSELAER FALLS — A Halloween party will be hosted by the Rensselaer Falls Fire and Rescue on Tuesday, Oct. 31 starting 5 p.m. A costume contest will held at 6:30 p.m. Fire truck rides, pizza and hot cocoa will be offered.



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# 'Ignite the Night' walk/run Saturday at Norwood Volunteer Fire Station

NORWOOD — The Norwood Volunteer Firemen's Association will host the "Ignite the Night" Walk/Run on Saturday, Oct. 21, starting at the Norwood Volunteer Fire Station, corner of Bernard Ave. and South Main

Glow Sticks can be worn around as necklaces, bracelets, taped to your body, glow rings, anything that lights up, is all acceptable to wear.

All different age groups, friends, families, etc. are welcome to participate. First 40 people will receive free glow sticks, complimentary of Dollar General, Nor-

Sign ups will begin at 6-7 p.m. Walk/run will begin at 7 p.m. until all finish.

Maps will be distributed to those who need one with the route highlighted and people will be around to help assist anyone.

Cost: \$3 for single person, \$10 for family (donation highly encouraged)

From 5:30-8:30 p.m., Leanne Greene (Facebook: JET Jump N Slide) has donated a bounce house for the Fire Department to use for children to play in. Be respectful and courteous to others. Firefighters will serve apple cider, coffee, and plain donuts as a complimentary thank you.

Donation jars will be set up around sign-up areas, food tables, bounce house, etc., to help offset the cost of the 3rd and 4th of July events taking place in the year

The department is changing the 4th of July events, and moving events to The Norwood Beach. Many things are planned at a cost the department can't fund without the help of the community in Norwood and surrounding areas.



### Massena fall fireworks

Massena's Fall Fest had many fun events and frights for families on Oct. 14. Live music, food and craft vendors all took part in the event with live music throughout the day and fireworks to cap off festivities.

**Wellness Fair seeking vendors** 

CANTON — The St. Lawrence County Employee Assistance Program

(EAP) Committee would like to extend an invitation for any organizations

ernment Wellness Fair sponsored by the St. Lawrence County Employee

and businesses to participate in the 38th Annual St. Lawrence County Gov-

The Health Fair will be on Wednesday, Oct. 25 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the St. Lawrence University Leithead Field House, 23 Romoda Drive, Can-

Attendance at the last health fair exceeded 300 people, representing

# Book Lovers Celebration at Ogdensburg Library

OGDENSBURG — The Friends of the Ogdensburg Public Library invite all readers, book club members and book lovers to its Book Lovers Celebration on Saturday, Oct. 28, from 12-2:30 p.m. in the library's upstairs auditorium, 312 Washington St.

The event will be a celebration of reading with games, door prizes and lunch, along with a presentation and book signing by regional author Peggy (Marguerite) Mooers. Mooers worked as a teacher in a medium security prison in upstate New York before retiring to write murder mysteries.

Learn more about the author and her writing at the website www.margueritemooers.com.

Mooers's books are for sale at Pickens Hall in Heuvelton and Artworks Creperie in Wadding-

RSVP by Oct. 20 to Ann at alesperance50@gmail.com or 315-

Admission is \$5 per person to offset the cost of the luncheon.

# Home School Open House at nature center

MASSENA — A Home School Open House will take place at Nicandri Nature Center on Wednesday, Nov. 1, from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Learn about nature center programs and how the center can benefit your homeschool group or Meet other home school families, learn

about the nature center's monthly program schedule, and have fun.

Registration is not required to attend but would be helpful in planning the day and supplies. Call (315) 705-5022 or email info@massenanaturecenter.com

10-11:10 Programs for all ages

including owl pellets, nature walk, and more

11:10-11:30 Nature games for kids and a parent meeting to learn about programs

11:30-12 - Pizza lunch 12-1 Free play and exploration

### To register, visit: https://forms.gle/wUDYwG6Tzk8D1BrR8. Halloween fundraiser in Winthrop

The EAP Wellness Fair is a great opportunity to highlight your services

WINTHROP — Equestrian Sports Training Center (ESTC) is hosting a Halloween Fundraiser at 9456 US Highway 11, Winthrop on Saturday, Oct.

The Spooky Halloween Party, games (including volleyball), and barn dance are \$10 to enter. Wagon rides, pony rides, and bouncy house are \$5

Hot dogs, hamburgers, and snacks will be available for purchase as well. There will be chaperones on site if you wish to drop off children over 8

years old. Parents are of course invited to stay. A portion of the proceeds go to benefit the ESTC IEA team. Five riders from the team (John Mahoney-Ruiz, Mila Matecijk, Gavin Mitchell, Rhegan Willette, and Sonja Mitchell) will be advancing to Regionals in March

in Morrisville, NY. https://www.rideiea.org/ https://www.facebook.com/ESTC2017

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CANTON — The St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 1 p.m. at the Ernest J. LaBaff Industrial Building, 19 Commerce Lane, Canton.

Meetings of the St. Lawrence County IDA-Local Development Corporation, St. Lawrence County IDA – Civic Development Corporation, and St. Lawrence County Property Development Corporation will immediately

The meetings are open to the public for in-person attendance.

Also, instructions on how to join the meeting virtually can be found at https://slcida.com/about/announcements/.



### **Bazaar and Halloween party**

BRASHER FALLS - Pike's Place is hosting a "Bizarre Bazaar" and Halloween party Oct. 28. The bazaar will be held 10 a.m.- 5 p.m. It will include tarot readings, piercings, reiki healing, chair massage, Gothic decor, leatherworks and more. Food trucks and bar will be open all day. A Halloween party featuring Crunchenstein will follow from 7-11 p.m. Costumes are encouraged. Pike's Place is located at 138 Co. Rt. 50, Brasher Falls.

### **Ogdensburg public skating**

OGDENSBURG — Public skating is now available at Lockwood Arena. The next public skating session will be Saturday, Oct. 21, from 12-2 p.m. Admission is \$2. Skate rentals are available for \$3. For future public skating schedules visit Ogdensburg City Recreation Facebook page.

### Massena public skating

MASSENA — Public skating weekly schedules for Massena Arena are now available for Senior skate, Parent/Tot Skate, Public Skating and Shinny on weekdays. On Sunday, Oct. 22, public skating will be held from 7:45-8:45 p.m. for \$3. For future weekly schedules, check Massena Recreation Commission Facebook page.



### CALENDAR . . .

### [Continued from page 18.] Food distribution

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

### **Remington Haunting**

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. Admission is \$5 a person, cash only. Eighteen rooms of fright and fun as ghosts and apparitions take over the Museum for two nights of scary adventure and fun. Heart-stopping ghost tour; scaredy cat walk on the main floor for the meek at heart. Info: 315-393-2425, melanie@fredericremington.org.

### 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 .

### **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@breezymaples.com, 315-705-6460.

### 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 ½" 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. 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.

# SUNDAY, OCT. 22 History event

WADDINGTON — The Waddington Historical Association and the Waddington Museum is hosting its 2nd annual "Celebration of History" on Sunday, Oct. 22 from 2-4 p.m. at the old Town Hall on Main Street. The theme is "GOOD OLD SCHOOL DAYS" and the focus is all about Waddington Schools from 1900

to 1991 (the year the old Waddington Elementary School was closed). It will include exhibits of school memorabilia, presentations, stories, trivia and refreshments. Free and open to the public.

### **Public skating**

MASSENA — Public skating is being offered at Massena Arena Sunday, Oct. 15, from 1:50 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Admission is \$3. Skate rental is \$3. Concessions.

### **Apple faces craft**

MASSENĀ — A free craft class on making scary Halloween apple face decorations will be offered 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.. No registration is required.

### Cruise-in

**HEUVELTON** — Amvets Post 1997, 107 State St., will host a cruise-in on Oct. 22 from noon-2 p.m. All cars, trucks and motorcycles welcome. 315-528-2263.

### **Trunk or treat**

**HEUVELTON** — Amvets Post 1997, 107 State St., 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.

### Pressure canning class

**MORRISTOWN** — Pressure Canning 101 class will be held noon-3 p.m. Sunday,

Oct. 22 at the Morristown Fire Hall, organized by Cornell Cooperative Extension. Every class participant will have a chance to work in a small group to make a recipe, as well as take home a jar and recipe resources. Registration required. Cost is on a scale from \$10-\$40. Info, register: http://stlawrence.cce.cornell.edu/. Contact the Local Food Program Leader M. "Flip" Filippi at (315) 379-9192, ext. 229 or mpf65@cornell.edu.

# **TUESDAY, OCT. 24**Streaming and Smart TVs

NORWOOD – A free technology class to learn about Streaming and Smart TVs will be held at Norwood Public Library Oct. 24 at 2 p.m. It is being offered by Senior Planet Class for adults 60+

# WEDS., OCT. 25 Free meatloaf

NORWOOD — A free community luncheon will be held Wednesday, Oct. 25, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Philip's Episcopal Church, 42 South Main St. The luncheon menu will be meatloaf, mashed potatoes, roasted vegetables, applesauce, and pumpkin desserts. All are welcome.

### **Halloween Party**

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

### The Guthries

**HEUVELTON** – Pickens Hall, 83 State St., will host a concert on Saturday, Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. with the The Guthries. Info: 315-344-7950.

### Wednesday bingo

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

# THURSDAY, OCT. 26 Free used clothing

MADRID — Christian Fellowship Center in Madrid has gently used clothing free for families in need. The CFC is open the last Thursday of the month from 2 to 4 p.m. The center is located at 3662 County Route 14 Madrid (Old Madrid School).

### Free dinner

**HEUVELTON** — Heuvelton United Methodist Church, Lisbon Street, will offer a free turkey dinner on Thursday, Oct. 26 from 4:30-6 p.m. Donations welcome. Some take-out available.

### Free community meal

MASSENA — Massena First United Methodist Church will serve a free community meal on Thursday, Oct. 26, from 4-5:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall located behind the church at 189 Main Street. Menu

includes roast pork, mashed potatoes with gravy, veggies, dessert. The church will host dinners every Thursday.

### **Massena Rocktober**

MASSENA — The annual Rocktober concert returns to Massena Central High School on Thursday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. for its first staging in the new high school auditorium. Admission is \$10 at the door. Ribbon cutting ceremony and remarks and dedication to Stephanie Bissonnette. More than 90 minutes of music, sung by current Massena High School students and a couple recent alum with a live professional band. Will feature songs from popular artists such as Taylor Swift, Sara Bareilles, Pink, Alicia Keys, Elton John, Harry Styles, Belinda Carlisle, Stevie Nicks, Joan Jett, and more.

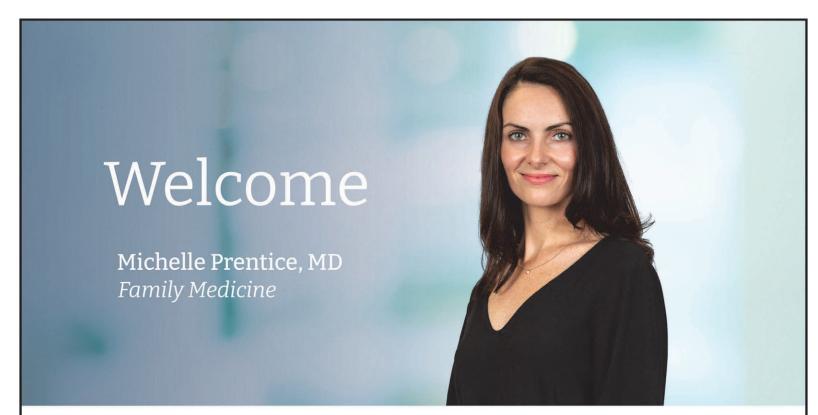
# FRIDAY, OCT. 27 Trunk or Treat

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

### Friday fish fry

**OGDENSBURG** — The Knights of Columbus, 721 Hasbrouck St., will host

SEE CALENDAR ON 22.



St. Lawrence Health is pleased to announce board-certified physician Michelle Prentice, MD, has joined the Massena Hospital Primary Care team. Her office is located in the Medical Office Building, 181 Maple Street, Massena.

As a Family Medicine physician, Dr. Prentice performs and/or requests diagnostic tests, makes diagnoses, prescribes treatments, administers vaccinations, and performs follow-up examinations for pediatric and adult patients alike.

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### CALENDAR . . .

ITS Friday Fish Fry on Oct. 27, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Dine-in, pick-up or delivery. The menu includes fried haddock, mac and cheese, fries, chicken nuggets, fried clams, shrimp, baked haddock [need 30 minutes], cole slaw, baked potato and roll. Single \$13, all you can eat \$16.

### **Haunted House**

MASSENA — Massena Rescue will host a haunted house at 341 East Orvis St. Oct. 27 and 28. Kid friendly hours are 6:30-8 p.m. Regular scaring house are 8 p.m.-12 p.m. Adults \$5, kids under 12 \$2. Free popcorn. Food and drinks available for purchase. Info: 315-842-2402.

### **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@breezymaples.com, 315-705-6460.

### **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.

### Trunk or treat

**LISBON** — 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.

### SATURDAY, OCT. 28 **ONNY** concert

**POTSDAM** — Following a national search for a new Music Director, one of the two finalists for the position will conduct the Orchestra of Northern New York's fall concert, Inspired. Two performances conducted by Michael Colburn, from North Hero, VT, are planned for Saturday, Oct. 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Hosmer Hall, SUNY Potsdam, and Sunday, Oct. 29 at 3 p.m. in First Presbyterian Church, Watertown. For tickets, visit onny.org, email executivedirector@onny.org, or call 315-212-3440.

### **Halloween dance**

MASSENA — The Massena Senior Citizens will be hosting a Halloween dance on Saturday, Oct. 28 at 61 Beach St. The band Pure Country will play from 5-9 p.m. Cover charge is \$5. Kitchen is open from 4:30-7 p.m. Public is welcome.

### **Bizarre Bazaar**

**BRASHER FALLS** — A Bizarre Bazaar will be held Saturday, Oct. 28 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Pike's Place, 138 County Route 50. There will be tarot readings, piercings by Morta's Modifications, reiki, chair massage, crystals, candles, essential oils, amigurumi, gothic type decor, leatherwork and more. There will be a charcuterie contest with a \$15 entry fee, the Burger Box food truck will be on hand along with Jo's Dough Pop-up. Bar is open all day. A costume Halloween Party featuring Crunchenstein will be held from 7-11 p.m. Sponsored by Spud's Run LLC.

### **Halloween Fundraiser**

**WINTHROP** — Equestrian Sports Training Center (ESTC) is hosting a Halloween Fundraiser at 9456 US Highway 11, Winthrop on Saturday, Oct. 21. The Spooky Halloween Party, games (including volleyball), and barn dance are \$10 to enter. Wagon rides, pony rides, and bouncy house are \$5 each. Hot dogs, hamburgers, and snacks will be available for purchase as well. There will be chaperones on site if you wish to drop off children over 8 years old. Parents are of course invited to stay. A portion of the proceeds go to benefit the ESTC IEA team. Five riders from the team (John Mahoney-Ruiz, Mila Matecijk, Gavin Mitchell, Rhegan Willette, and Sonja Mitchell) will be advancing to Regionals in March in Morrisville, NY. https://www. rideiea.org/; https://www.facebook.com/ ESTC2017

### **Driver safety course**

**OGDENSBURG** – United Helpers will host two New York DMV approved National Safety Council Defensive Driving Courses with classes offered on Saturday, Oct. 28 and Friday, Nov. 10. Each class will be held from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the large staff development classroom at the former United Helpers Rehabilitation and Senior Care (RiverLedge), 8101 State Highway 68, Ogdensburg. Students only need attend one day. The Friday class is being held on the observed Veterans' Day holiday.Cost: \$35, payable in cash, check or money order made out to United Helpers Care, Inc. Classes may be paid for on the day of the class. United

Helpers employees may attend either class, free of charge. Advanced registration required: 315-393-0730 ext. 5303 or madarou@unitedhelpers.org.

**Family Fright Fest** 

**WADDINGTON** — Lena The Lizard Lady LLC will be on hand for the first ever free Family Fright Fest on Oct. 28 at at the Donald M. Martin Civic Center from 12-5 p.m. Hands-on activities with exotic animals. A costume contest for ages newborn to 18 years will be held from 3-4 p.m. with 3 cash prizes — \$75, \$50, \$25. There is a \$2 entry fee per child for the contest. Silent and Chinese auctions, a 50/50 raffle, and a lottery tree raffle; food trucks, vendors, crafters, popcorn, cotton candy, a lemonade stand, a kids game lane, photo booths, face painting, sparkle tattoos, a henna artist, and a tarot card reader will be offered. The Police Activities League (PAL) of Massena, a Waddington Fire Department truck, and a state police car will be on hand. The Sheriffs I.D. booth will be there for children to get I. D. cards.

### Spaghetti fundraiser

MASSENA — Massena Hospital Auxiliary will host a spaghetti dinner fundraiser on Saturday, Oct. 28 from 12-6 p.m. at the Italian-American Club, 16 Beach St. The \$10 meal includes spaghetti, meatballs, salad, bread/butter and dessert. Sit-down or take out. Order take-out starting Oct. 23 at 315-250-1968.

### Trunk or Treat

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 party

OGDENSBURG — The Bayside Grill, 1702 Ford St., 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.

### **Halloween Party**

BRASHER FALLS — 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.

### Fall festival

MASSENA — 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 held at 3:15 p.m. There will also be pumpkin painting, crafts, games and free hot dogs. All are welcome to attend. Free to everyone.

### Spooktacular Halloween

MASSENA — A "Spooktacular" Halloween Party will be held Saturday, Oct. 28, from 1-3 p.m. at Hawkins Point Visitors Center. The free, family-friendly event will offer pumpkin painting, Halloween-themed movies, games, arts and crafts, and trick or treating.

### **Book celebration**

OGDENSBURG — The Friends of the Ogdensburg Public Library invite all readers, book club members and book lovers to its Book Lovers Celebration on Saturday, Oct. 28, from 12-2:30 p.m. in the library's upstairs auditorium, 312 Washington St. The event will be a celebration of reading with games, door prizes and lunch, along with a presentation and book signing by regional author Peggy (Marguerite) Mooers. RSVP bv Oct. 20 to Ann at alesperance50@gmail. com or 315-393-1569. Admission is \$5 per person to offset the cost of the

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### Cabbage rolls, candy

NORFOLK — The Parish of the Visitation & St. Raymonds Altar & Rosary Society is hosting a Cabbage Roll & Candy sale Oct. 28, at the Fr. Amyot Parish Center, 3 Morris St., from 9 a.m.-noon. Pre-order, pick-up sale only. All the pre-orders are to be made by Wednesday, Oct. 25. Orders will be accepted by filling out the form found in the church bulletin as an insert or in the back of the church. After filling the form out place it in the collection basket at Mass, call the office at 315-384-4242, or email norfolksec@ rcdony.org. Choices are: peanut butter balls, peanut clusters, chocolate or peanut butter fudge. Candy will be \$12 per lb. and sold in half pound and pound containers. Cabbage rolls are \$4 each.

### Halloween at Nicandri

MASSENA — Celebrate Halloween at The Nicandri Nature Center on Oct. 28. from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Kids can enjoy games, crafts, scavenger hunts, live reptiles from Her-Petology, and trick or treat. .Costumes are welcome but not required. The event is free and open to all.

### ROCKTOBER . . .

ence with more than 90 minutes of great tunes, sung by current Massena High School students and a couple recent alumni. The show will include a live professional band.

Every single bit of technology in the auditorium has been replaced and upgraded. The auditorium has an all new lighting system with new theatrical lights, a brand new state-of-the-art audio system, and a full video production system to the

All of this technology and more will be on display for the Rocktober show, said organizers.

Rocktober will feature songs from popular artists such as Taylor Swift, Sara Bareilles, Pink, Alicia Keys, Elton John, Harry Styles, Belinda Carlisle, Stevie Nicks, Joan Jett, and more.

### CONDUCTOR . . .

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dy Center concerts commemorating September 11.

He also conducted the Marine Band for President Obama's two inaugurations and President George W. Bush's second inauguration.

He was the Director of Bands at Butler University and is now the director and Conductor of the Me2 Orchestra in Burlington, VT.

He has a master's in music from George Mason University, with a concentration in Conducting. His undergraduate career began with two years at the Crane School of Music and finished at Arizona State University

Colburn chose Felix Mendelssohn's Hebrides Overture, also known as Fingal's Cave, to open the program. Mendelssohn was inspired by his 1829 trip to Fingal's Cave on the island of Staffa, off Scotland's west coast, known for its puffins and the echoes of the cave.

He wrote it to capture the Atlantic swell, the sound of the waves crashing into rocks and lapping against each other.

American composer George Walker's Lyric for Strings was dedicated to his grandmother, Melvina King, a formerly enslaved woman, who died when he was a student at Curtis Institute of Music in 1946.

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### MASSENA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Amendment to Village Code Re: Rental Property Registry

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Massena, New York, will conduct a public hearing on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October at 5:31 p.m. in the Town Hall Building 60 Main Street, Massena New York, to consider adopting a Local Law amend the Code of the Village of Massena, New York adding RENTAL regarding PROPERTY REGISTRY for the enforcement and administration of a renta registr property requirement for all renta units within the corporate boundaries of the Village of Massena and for the periodic registration of all landlords and renta property owners for the purpose of regulating rental property conditions

Copies of the proposed local law in its entirety are available in the Office of the Village Clerk located in the Town Hall Building Room 12, 60 Mair Street, Massena, during York, regula business hours, for the purpose of inspection or procurement interested parties. BY ORDER OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES Dated: October 10, 2023

### **OGDENSBURG** HEARING

Γο meet the requirement of Section 511 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 and CFR Part 903, the Ogdensburg Housing Authority will hold a public hearing on the required Annual Plar for the fiscal year ending 3/31/25 on December 7 2023 at 2:00 p.m. at the administrative office of the Ogdensburg Housing Authority. The hearing will be held for a minimum of one hour The Plan documents are on display at the offices of the Ogdensburg Housing Authority, 1101 Jay Street, Ogdensburg New York 13669. Any questions may be directed to Cheryl A. Douglass, CPA, Executive Director, at 315-393-3710.

### NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A COMPANY

Notice of Formation of SMD Property Holdings LLC. Articles of 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 the LLC: 6739 US Highway 11 Potsdam NY 13676. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

### NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A

Acute Care and Family Health PLLC filed w/ SSNY 10/10/23. Off. in St. Lawrence Co. Process served to SSNY desig. as agt. of LLC & 911 Central Ave, #101, Albany, NY 12206. The reg. agt. is Accumera LLC at same address Any lawful purpose

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### NOTICE OF **FORMATION OF A** LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of Kilted Moose at nverlochen, 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 \_imited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to The LLC: 3590 Seneca S West Seneca NY 14224. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

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Joanne Cameron

### BRASHER **LEGAL NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that there will be a meeting of the Brasher Zoning Board of Appeals on Thursday, October 26, 2023 at 6:00 PM at the Municipal Building at 11 Factory Street in Brasher Falls, NY. This meeting i to act on a review for an Area Variance for the following

> 1. Ronald Fleury to install a dwelling and garage on the property located at 1110 Maple Ridge Road in the Town of Brasher, New York bearing #11.003-2-33.

2. Susan and Johnathan Johnson to install a second home or the property located at 2394 County Route 55 ir the Town of Brasher, New York bearing tax map #18.004-2-15.

The Area Variances are required under Article III, Section 14, Table E of the Town of Brasher Zoning Regulations. This hearing is open to the public, any person or persons wishing to be neard in favor or in opposition of said applications may appea n person or by other representation at said time and place Dated: October 16, 2023 Andrew Gray, Chairman Zoning Board of Appeals own of Brasher

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Notice of Formation of KS Upstate Solutions LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-06-22. Office location: Saint Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLĆ) upon may be served. SSNY should mail process to Kyle Scott: 91 Pierrepon Ave Potsdam NY 13676. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

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REHABILITATION Separate sealed bids wil be received by Tisdel Associates 113 Main Street, Canton NY on November 9, 2023 at 4:00pm on behalf of St Lawrence Suds, LLC. PROJECT WORK will be awarded as (2) separate contracts. GENERAL CONSTRUCTION will include general construction, site work olumbing, mechanical, and fire protection. ELECTRICAL will include electric. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at Tisdel Associates, Syracuse Builders Exchange and NNY Builders Exchange Copies of contract documents may be obtained at the office of the engineer upon deposit of \$100 per set. PROJECT PRE-BID will take place at project site 41 W Main Street. Canton, NY on October 26, 2023 at 10:00am. MWBE participation is encouraged in the projec by contractors, subcontractors and

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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 \_awrence County, SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLĆ) upon vhom 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

### NOTICE OF **FORMATION OF A** LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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

### WADDINGTON LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN, that the preliminary budget of the Town of Waddington for he fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024, has been filed in the office of the Town Clerk in Waddington, N.Y. where it is available for inspection by any nterested persons during egular business hours

### FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Town Board of the Town of Waddington will meet and review said preliminary budget and nold a public hearing at 7:10 PM on the 6th of

November 2023 in the Municipal Building, 48 Maple St, Waddington and that at such hearing any interested person nay be heard in favor of or against any item or ems therein contained

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### **CANNABIS...**

action is another, village officials

**But Code Enforcement Officer** Aaron Hardy said the fine schedule is not the only deterrent.

In the case of shops who are in violation of village code, the new regulations set forth gives the village some means to seek legal recourse.

### **Silence from the state**

To date, OCM and state officials have offered no support or advice, according to Paquin.

"In my mind, and in all honesty, we've been abandoned by New York State and OCM and it's a disgrace. We'll keep pounding away at it but it's disheartening to say the least," Paquin said.

Paquin detailed the numerous attempts he has made to contact and work with OCM, beginning with a zoom call on March 29, followed by an email. Subsequent emails were sent on July 31, Aug. 16, Aug. 29 and Sept. 18, all of which went unanswered, according to Paquin.

Village officials held a meeting with Village Attorney Matthew McArdle on Oct. 3 to discuss legal options, followed by a discussion with Jason Solomon, director of external affairs for OCM, on Oct.

In the conversation, Paquin said Solomon suggested that patrons seeking marijuana would rather buy from a legal seller or distributor "where they know the product is coming from."

"I respectfully said 'well, if somebody can save 50 bucks on something, I got some news for vou. It's not going to happen.' So again, we'll continue to push and we'll start to explore other things," Paquin said.

Paquin said he has yet to hear any response from Solomon since the conversation, which has prompted the village attorney to send an official letter to OCM requesting help.

"That's where we stand right now," he said.

Though the village has received no support from OCM and state officials involved directly with the issue, Paquin was complimentary of Senator Dan Stec and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

### **Unlevel playing field**

At the heart of the matter for Paquin is the impact the illicit shops will have on lawful businesses within the village, saying he has no issues with the sale of marijuana but rather that it is "not a level playing field" for all businesses.

"The thing that bothers me is we ask all of these other business-

es to go out and get the proper licenses, the proper certifications to sell products. And how can we look them in the eye," Paquin asked.

Taxation is also a primary concern, with illicit shops not paying tax on sales of goods.

Paquin said that is also a hindrance to lawful businesses and takes money from the village as

Paquin also commented that if other, lawful businesses in the village were in violation of state taxation laws, the state would immediately take action to address it.

"Don't you think for one second New York State would not be up here," he said.

According to Paquin, village officials have also continued to reach out to the New York State **Department of Taxation Criminal** Division, ATF and other state agencies for help.

"It's disgraceful and I just hope at some point, someone gets the courage to actually help us out. If not, we're going to be left on an island. We're going to have to do it ourselves. So I just kind of want to prep everybody for that," Paquin said.

### **Creating confusion**

The confusion over the "square mile" has prompted concerns from those who are hoping to follow the proper laws and guide-

On Tuesday, Lynn Montour, owner of Corner Convenience on Park Ave. in the village, asked Paquin if a shop that is tribally licensed is allowed to sell cannabis in the square mile.

Paquin shot the idea down, saying "Until a judge tells me otherwise, as far as we are concerned, that is the village of Massena and any shop that wishes to sell cannabis must have a state license.'

According to Montour, her shop is tribally licensed and that she has gone through both the village and Tribal Code Enforcement Office to ensure compliance, receiving approval from both entities to operate her current business at the property.

"I just want to make sure we are doing everything the right way and that we are compliant. We aren't trying to illegally operate anywhere, we just want to make sure we aren't doing anything wrong," Montour said.

Paquin and Hardy both commended Montour for her efforts in establishing her business in the village, acknowledging that she has followed all requirements and has communicated with the office on many occasions if issues arose.

### 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 com-

pletion of the work shown on the Plans and de-

scribed 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 con-

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.

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 DBE goal for this project is 4%.

The use of the NYSDOT approved civil rights reporting software, Equitable Business Opportunities (EBO), is required. Access authorization to EBO can be found at:

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### **HAUNT...**

Police at the time say the murder was not a robbery gone wrong as her purse remained untouched and all jewelry was left on her body, according to the report.

Alonie and fellow investigator William Gilbo, the group's demonologist, say they have had brief interactions with the spirit of White on multiple tours in recent months using what they call "spirit boxes "We've asked her questions before and she's responded with yes and no responses but she never stays for more than a minute or two," McGee said.

Tours also incorporate various other sites around the village of Massena that are believed to be haunted.

According to Gilbo, many times they have had interactions with spirits at each site. "They are not always friendly. Sometimes they

mock you, curse at you, say terrible things," he told tour attendees.

McGee said some who attend want to use a ouija board, however they try to avoid doing so because it can open a portal for demons to pass through.

The tours then wrap up with a visit to one of three cemeteries around Massena, according to McGee. On the night of Oct. 6, tour goers were invited to the Pine Grove Cemetery on Cook Road where a number of the Barnhart family are

During the construction of the St. Lawrence Seaway, all graves on Barnhart Island were exhumed before being moved to the All-Saints Mission Cemetery, according to McGee.Some say that disturbing the final resting place of the Barnharts has led to the new site being haunted, he told the tour.

McGee and Gilbo said on numerous occasions their electro magnetic frequency meters and spirit boxes saw significant activity, with multiple spirits attempting to communicate with the team and tour goers alike.

"Last time we had nearly full conversations with them. People on the tour had conversations with some of them as well," he said.

The burial site, located in a back portion of the Pine Grove Cemetery, is hidden out of view and surrounded by a wrought iron fence.

Some believe that wrought iron fences placed around cemeteries protect the living from the spirits of the dead, separating the world of the living from the world of the dead.

Though the rain let up throughout the night, around 10:30 p.m. the rain began to fall harder as the tour closed in on Pine Grove Cemetery.

As the group moved to the hidden burial site of the Barnharts, a sudden drop in temperature was felt, followed by a foul smell, McGee

For the next hour-and-a-half, members of the tour noted the eerie sounds and bumps in the night.

Some spirits would communicate with the tour, calling out their names or the names of those buried near them, McGee noted.

But as the night went on, curse words could be heard with the spirit box, followed by loud laughter, McGee said.

On multiple occasions, voices

could be heard telling the tour "get out," "God is not here," and "run away, cowards," a likely taunt of Gilbo who can cast out malevolent spirits, according to McGee.

"They're very active, very aggressive tonight for some reason," he

The tour eventually wrapped up around midnight, with those in attendance offered sage to ward off

"We don't want spirits to follow anyone home, that's the last thing we need. We've done exorcisms before on properties but we want to avoid that," McGee said.

### CRIME...

assault and fourth-degree criminal possession following the incident.

He said Paige had been on high alert due to an unrelated incident with another male.

He said Paige was intoxicated and had mistaken the victim for someone else.

When she saw the man approaching her home, she fired the weapon from the side door of her home as a warning.

He said the victim was known to her as he has been seen around the city rummaging through various properties, but that they did not have a personal relationship.

The victim was not facing Paige when he was struck by the birdshot. The shotgun was recovered following the incident after police executed a search warrant.

Despite rumors circulating on social media, the victim was not attempting to gain entry to the home and did not enter Paige's property.

But LeClair said the citizens of Ogdensburg as well as the police force are stressed.

LeClair said he believes the incident is in part due to people being scared and on high alert as the city has seen an uptick of crimes, drug use and thefts.

"I think people are fed up. I think people are on high alert," he said.

LeClair said the incident could have been a lot worse.

He noted that the distance between the victim and the fact that the shotgun was loaded with birdshot is likely what kept the injuries from being more severe.

The incident is adding more tension to the city which is already reeling from the murder of a 19-yearold victim in August.

Then on Tuesday, Ogdensburg Police Department received information that citizens are receiving phone calls from an individual claiming to be Chief Kearns from the Ogdensburg Police Department. The caller is demanding personal information and threatening the call taker with arrest.

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Drowsing driving dangerous

# Many ways to remain awake, alert

Impaired driving and distracted driving get their share of attention, as both contribute to fatal yet often preventable accidents.

However, another danger lurks when people get behind the wheel - particularly when they engage in drowsy driving.

The National Safety Council says drowsy driving accounts for roughly 100,000 crashes, 71,000 injuries and 1,550 fatalities in the United States each year.

The Council equates the effects of driving while tired to driving with a blood-alcohol content of 0.08 percent.

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midnight and 6 a.m. or in the lateafternoon hours, indicates the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that one in 25 drivers have admitted to falling asleep behind the wheel. Remaining awake and alert behind the wheel may seem easy. But droopy eyelids and incessant yawns can catch any driver off guard.

The following tips can help drivers remain more alert.

· Alcohol and certain medications can exacerbate feelings of drowsiness, so neither should be ingested prior to driving.

It is important to determine if fatigue arises after taking new medicines before getting behind the wheel.

• Try not to make long distance trips alone.

A companion on the drive can share driving duty and provide conversation that helps drivers stay alert.

· Get adequate sleep at night. It is more likely that you may fall asleep behind the wheel if you are sleep deprived.

· Recognize gas station snacks will not be the fix.

According to Nancy Foldvary-Shaefer, DO, MS, a sleep medicine specialist, once the body metabolizes these snacks, which tend to be carbohydrate-heavy, drowsiness can increase as the sugar spike in the bloodstream wears off.

· Sip coffee or a caffeinated (unsweetened) beverage. The caffeine is a central nervous stimulant. Avoiding sugar will mean you won't crash once it wears off.

· Pull over and take a rest or a brief, 20-minute nap, advises the Cleveland Clinic.

· Exercise increases blood flow to the brain and reduces stress hormones. Doing a small workout before getting on the road, or during pit-stops, can help drivers stay alert.

· Don't begin a trip during a time when you would normally be sleeping. Stop and start while you are alert. Build rest into your budget and stop at a roadside motel.

· Blasting music may not be a fix, and actually could be an extra distraction, causing you to miss the sounds of horns or sirens.

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Here's how to navigate purchasing a used car or truck.

• Check venicie value. Utilize a car pricing tool such as Kelley Blue Book or Edmunds to gauge the value of a used vehicle.

This way you'll have an understanding of the range of prices that are acceptable for a vehicle of a certain age, make and condition.

• Consider "certified" pre-owned vehicles. Many dealerships stand behind vehicles of a certain age and condition.

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### Sudoku

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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- Strong marketing background

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Start-up veterinary urgent care in Norfolk NY looking to hire a receptionist. Position requires greeting, registering, sorting into wait que, and processing payments of clients. Excellent communication skills with clients and veterinary professionals required. We will support with appropriate training and education of necessary knowledge of veterinary medicine. This position is full time at 36-40 hours/week offering the following benefits 401K, PTO, limited holiday and weekends off, employee discount, optional health insurance, and team outings to strengthen working bonds. Interested parties email cover letter and resume to silverbirchvet@gmail.com

Saint Larry's in Potsdam is hiring for experienced line cooks. We operate a fun laid back work environment focusing on house made comfort foods and craft beer. Email your resume mike@saintlarrys.com if you are interested!

Private Nighttime Caregiver/Companion 2-4 nights/week (10-12 hour shifts) in a private Potsdam village home. Client is elderly woman. Looking for a non -smoking, caring and dependable female who has reliable transportation with a valid driver's license. Applicants should have experience in caregiving or a related field with at least two work references. You must be alert and active during this nighttime shift and a team player who is able to work supportively with the caregiving team, the client and the family. Salary is competitive and commensurate with experience. Interested applicants should email

# **Potsdam**

### Full-time, Temporary **ACE Advisor**

SUNY Potsdam is accepting on-line applications for full-time, temporary Academic Advisor to become a member of an integrated college team providing holistic individual, academic and personal support to a group of 150 students enrolled in the new Accelerate, Complete, Engage

### **Primary Duties:**

- Deliver comprehensive advisement support services through to degree completion
- Review student's progress & track use of academic support services
- Conduct regular outreach to faculty and staff to support student's success • Maintain accurate tracking data/notes for each student & recommend referrals and opportunity programs
- Support recruitment of new students into the program
- Organize special events/programs for students, faculty, and staff
- May conduct or support student seminars on issues of importance to students
- · Perform other duties as assigned

### **Required Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's Degree
- Minimum one year academic advisement experience
- Excellent written/oral communication skills
- Strong understanding of the needs of first-year college students
- •Demonstrated ability to work both independently and as part of a team with faculty and administrators
- · Willingness to work evenings and weekends as needed

Starting salary is \$55,000. SUNY Benefits package included. To review complete job description and/or apply, visit employment. potsdam.edu, job posting number U-00526. This position, funded through 2026, is open until filled. EOE



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.

To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, interested applicants must apply online at: https://employment.stlawu.edu. SLU is an Affirmative Action/ Equal Employment Opportunity employer.

All offers of employment are subject to the applicant successfully passing a background (including criminal records) check.

spr62@icloud.com and include something about yourself, your experience, and why you are interested in this position

Looking for DEPENDABLE person to clear walkways: snowblower or shovel. \$25/hour. Village of Massena, Open Net Lounge and adjacent Romeo house apartment building. 315-514-4489

Town of Gouverneur is accepting applications: TEMPORARY FULL TIME OFFICE **CLERK** for the court office. More information and applications can be picked up at the Town of Gouverneur Office, 1227 USH 11 Gouverneur NY. Monday through Friday 8am-4pm. Interested applicants should return application and resume to the Clerk's office by 4:00pm on October 26 for consideration.

Town of Gouverneur is accepting applica-tions: FULL TIME HIGHWAY EMPLOYEE. Ideal employee will carry a valid CDL Class B driver's license, knowledge in heavy equipment, ability to pass a background check and random drug testing. More information and applications can be picked up at the Town of Gouverneur Office, 1227, USH 11 Gouverneur NY. Monday through Friday 8am-4pm. Interested applicants should return application and resume to the Clerk's office by 4:00pm on October 26 for consideration.

The Massena Figure Skating Club is seeking coaches! A competitive skating club that offers a Learn to Skate program through Senior skaters. Coaches need to be LTS members and LTS certified instructors and USFS coaches (Jr/Sr) need to be certified USFS coaches. Please send email a cover letter, resume, 3 references to massenafsc@gmail.com by October 22, 2023! For a more complete announcement see: https://www.massenafsc.org/

Looking for GARDEN HELPER, RAKING & YARD WORK. Call or text 315-244-4226.

RN/Patient Service Navigator: The Registered Nurse/Patient Service Navigator will be responsible for ensuring a care plan is in place helping the patient reach his/her health goals. Will be responsible for coordinating patient care activities for at risk individuals with clinically significant illness. Navigation refers to the assistance survivors, families and caregivers) assisting to chart a course through the healthcare system and overcome any barriers to quality care. The nurse will guide and assist patients and their families move through the complexities of the healthcare systems. Status: Non-Exempt, Full-time, Permanent. Salary: \$27.29 - \$41.03 Deadline: Open Until Filled, Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov.

Staff Nurse RN/LPN: The Registered Nurse/Licensed Practical Nurse under the direction of the Nursing Supervisor will collaborate with all members of the health care team to develop and maintain a high quality of nursing care. The RN/LPN will be accountable for the delivery of highquality natient care. Status: Non-Exempt. Full-time, Permanent Salary: \$ \$27.29 -\$41.03/\$17.09 - \$22.59. Deadline: Open Until Filled. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov.

EDWARDS-KNOX CENTRAL SCHOOL has an opening for a FTE School Registered Nurse. Applications are due by 9AM on Monday, October 23, 2023. Substitutes in all areas are also being accepted, this is an ongoing search without an application deadline. Applications can be submitted online at www.ekcsk12.org. Transcripts



### **Academic Counselor** Liberty Partnerships Program

Locations: Madrid-Waddington and Norwood-Norfolk School Districts, Massena School District, and Gouverneur School District

### **Position Summary**

The SUNY Canton LPP program works with numerous school districts and community-based organizations (CBO's) to deliver academic, career, college, social and emotional support to middle and high school students to graduate and enter the workforce and/or college. These positions are responsible for providing services to students in grades 5 - 12 who are enrolled within the Madrid-Waddington and Norwood-Norfolk School Districts, Massena School District or Gouverneur School District. Duties include outreach, administering program assessments, planning and implementation of lessons, executing retention strategies, and working closely with students and families.

### **Position Responsibilities**

- Provide services that support student academic success including but limited to; mentoring, tutoring, study skill development, social skills development, college/ career exploration, personal learning plan development, community services and enrichment activities.
- Plan and develop fieldtrips and other educational activities that would include summer and afterschool programming. These activities will include social and life skills improvement, academic assistance, community service, employment preparation, college readiness, enrichment or cultural activities, mentoring, civic service, leadership, sports and wellness, social and emotional skill development.
- Screen, assess, and act independently to provide student and family referrals to community-based organizations and collaborating agencies for assistance.
- Administer program assessments including interest inventories, personal learning plans, and social/emotional tests to students.
- Serve as an advocate for students to schools, teachers, counselors, etc. to help students succeed. Enhance collaborative relationships to maximize the student's and family's ability to access supportive services.
- Work closely with partner school staff and counselors to identify and case manage Liberty students.
- When appropriate, conduct home visits and maintain ongoing home contact.
- · Attend regular staff meetings and participate in professional development
- Submit monthly LPP data reports including student academic and enrichment activities, student contact hours, grades, attendance etc.
- Committed to professional growth which is in alignment with student success, college and career access.

- Must be able to work with a diverse and underserved population of students;
- Must have knowledge of workforce entry requirements and college admissions procedures;
- Be familiar with or have knowledge of prevention and intervention strategies for at-risk youth and families, principles related to youth development, program management, case management for at-risk youth and confidentiality requirements.
- Must have the ability to work well independently, as a team member and build positive relationships.
- Must have excellent organizational, interpersonal skills and communication skills both written and verbal;
- Demonstrated computer skills, Microsoft Office suite including One Drive and Outlook email functions, Microsoft Teams. Access database website/social media editing is considered an asset.

### **Education/Qualifications:**

Minimum Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Education, counseling, social work, human services or related field and one or more years of professional experience working in an educational setting or related field. Valid New York State drivers license.

Preferred Qualifications: Master's degree in Education, counseling, social work, human services or related field. One or more years' experience working with a grant; experience working with students identified as "at risk", low-income, or firstgeneration students.

Hourly rate: \$23.00

Application Deadline: Review will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.

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. Persons interested in the above position should apply online at https://employment. canton.edu/

All appointments are contingent upon continued receipt of State funding and renewal of appointment is subject to the Research Foundation of SUNY policies and procedures, sponsor guidelines, and the availability of annual funding.

The Research Foundation, a unit of the State University of New York, is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer, with a commitment to building a culturally diverse and pluralistic faculty to meet the needs of our diverse student population and strongly encourages applications from minority and women candidates.

should be sent to the attention of Brandi Graham, District Clerk, 2512 CR 24, Hermon,

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



### **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

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### Morristown **Central School**

408 Gouverneur Street Morristown, NY 13664

JOB OPENINGS:

- Bus Driver (Hourly)
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- Substitute Custodial Workers
  - Custodial Worker

(Full-Time, 12-mos., 2:30 to 11 p.m.)

- JV Girls Basketball Coach
- Modified Boys Basketball Coach
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  - Varsity Baseball Coach
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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.sllboces.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 St. Lawrence County Department of Social Services is in search of Clerks (Temporary Full Time). Salary is \$18.77 per hour. This is an entry-level class involving the performance of a variety of systematized clerical tasks. Applications accepted until the position is filled. You can apply online at https:// stlaw-portal.mycivilservice.com or by contacting Human Resources at 315-379-2210

St. Lawrence County Department of Social Services is in search of an Employment Coordinator. Starting salary is \$44,483 with excellent benefits. Generous vacation and sick time allowance, Public Service Loan Forgiveness eligibility and the option to enroll in the St. Lawrence County's health insurance or opt out of the insurance and receive a buyout in the amount of \$2,000 for single coverage or \$4,000 for family. This position involves responsibility for coor-



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# **Licensed Practical Nurse**

Make a difference in the lives of individuals with mental illness!

### **Minimum Qualifications:**

Current License or Eligible to Obtain New York State Licensure

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### **Human Resources** at 315-541-2179

Fax resume to (315)541-2034 or send via email to

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Salary \$52,009 - \$56,146 (Includes \$4,000 Geo Pay)

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### For more information:

Sunmount DDSOO NYS Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) Office of Human Resources: 518-359-4150

or Sunmount.Careers@opwdd.ny.gov

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dinating, planning and implementing client employment, internships and training programs. The incumbent acts as a liaison with contract agencies providing employment programs to ensure their proper implementation, inform clients in employment programs of supportive services available and monitors clients' adherence to work regulations and requirements. This is a provisional appointment. The successful applicant will need to take a civil service examination and score within the top three interested candidates in order to be permanently appointed. Applications accepted until the position is filled. You can apply online at https://stlaw-portal.mycivilservice.com or by contacting Human Resourc-

St. Lawrence County Department of Social Services is in search of Keyboard Specialists. Starting salary is \$36,287 with excellent benefits. Generous vacation and sick time allowance, and the option to enroll in the St. Lawrence County's health insurance or opt out of the insurance and receive a buyout in the amount of \$2,000 for single coverage or \$4,000 for family. The work involves the performance of a variety of standardized clerical tasks and the fulltime or part-time operation of equipment requiring the manipulating of an alphanumeric keyboard to produce printed copy.

You must take a civil service exam for this position. The exam is scheduled for 12/16/2023 and the deadline to sign up for the exam is 11/15/2023. This is a provisional appointment. The successful applicant will need to take a civil service examination and score within the top three interested candidates in order to be permanently appointed. You can apply online at https:// stlaw-portal.mycivilservice.com or by contacting Human Resources at 315-379-2210. ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE

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St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center



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### **Maintenance Assistance**

Build a better future by joining the New York State Office of Mental Health

### **Minimum Qualifications:**

Two years experience in maintenance work under the supervision of a skilled tradesperson or completion of an appropriate two year technical school course.

A Maintenance Assistant performs maintenance and repair work on structures and equipment.

For More Info, Please Call

# Human Resources at 315-541-2179 or

Fax resume to (315)541-2034 or send via email to

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### Salary \$40,193 - \$49,405

Comprehensive Health Coverage Individual - \$54.51 per paycheck Family - \$235.13 per paycheck

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# Social Work Assistant - Ogdensburg Location -

Make a difference in the lives of individuals with mental illness!

### **Minimum Qualifications:**

A Master's Degree in Social Work

A Bachelor's Degree in Social Work & One Year of Post-Bachelor's Social Work Experience.

A Bachelor's Degree or Higher in a Human Service Area and Two Years of Post-Bachelor's Social Work Experience.

For More Info, Please Call

# Human Resources at 315-541-2179 or

Fax resume to (315)541-2034 or send via email to

slpc.humanresources@omh.ny.gov

### Salary \$50,678 - \$76,029

Comprehensive Health Coverage Individual - \$74.68 per paycheck Family - \$287.98 per paycheck

Free Dental & Vision
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Flex Spending Account For Health & Dependent Care

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Purchased Referred Care Specialist: Under the direction of the Purchased/ Referred Care Supervisor, the Purchased/ Referred Care Specialist in the Purchased/ Referred Care department will compile, process and maintain accounts payable of Health Services in a manner consistent with medical, administrative, ethical, legal and regulatory requirements in all areas of the Business Office. The Purchased/Referred Care Specialist assumes responsibility for processing payment of purchased/referred care expenditures to outside providers after the patient's alternate resources have been utilized.

Status: Non-exempt, Full-time, Permanent.



# **Assistant Professor Tenure Track - Accounting**

**Department:** Business

Salary Range: Commensurate with credentials and experience

The State University of New York (SUNY) College at Canton and the Business Department invites qualified applicants for a full-time, tenure track Assistant Professor faculty position in Accounting, beginning September 1, 2024.

### **Required Qualifications for Tenure Track:**

Relevant terminal degree (Ph.D., D.B.A.) with accounting experience is preferred.

Candidates with an M.B.A. or a Master's in Accounting and a C.F.A., C.M.A, or C.P.A. licensure in good standing will be considered. Faculty will be expected to engage and be proficient in online course delivery, program and curriculum development and assessment, academic mentoring, scholarly activity, and institutional service. Online and in-person teaching is expected.

### **B.S.** Accounting

### Duties

- Teach face-to-face, online and flex classes in a diverse set of courses in the Bachelor of Science in Accounting.
- Develop business courses for online delivery
- Advise currently enrolled B.S. Accounting degree students
- Participate in faculty committees and other activities related to university service
- Continually develop and improve skills through professional development
   Focus on research and publishing in leading academic journals and/or ton
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Please submit a resume, cover letter, statement of teaching philosophy, statement of research, sample peer-reviewed publication and three professional references to Human Resources.

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. Persons interested in the above position should apply online at: https://employment.canton.edu/

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### **Skilled Trades**

St. Lawrence University has an opening for full time Skilled Trades. Perform general repairs and replacements to damaged, deteriorated or otherwise non-functioning conditions found in and about the University buildings and campus. Apply journeyman level knowledge and experience in carpentry, plumbing or electrical. Additional experience must encompass a basic knowledge from three of the following disciplines: carpentry, plumbing. electrical and painting. Apply skill and responsibility in the use of tools and equipment of respective trades and be responsible for tools, materials and devices to perform tasks according to accepted practices. Perform related duties as required to accomplish tasks. Schedule – Tuesday-Saturday, 7 am-3:30pm with Sunday and Monday off. Occasionally covering for other days and shifts as needed. \$18.26-\$26.56/hr depending on experience.

**Qualifications:** High School diploma (or equivalent) required. Two (2) years of experience in journeyman trades level work is required. May consider specific coursework related to this position, toward the journeyman trades experience. Requires operation of equipment related to the trade.

To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, interested applicants must apply online at: https://employment.stlawu.edu. SLU is an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity employer.

All offers of employment are subject to the applicant successfully passing a background (including criminal records) check.

Salary: \$15.02 - \$31.68. Deadline: Open

Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt.nsn.gov

Assistant Executive Director: The Assistant Executive Director (AED) is respon-

sible for supervising several tribal departments as assigned. The AED is responsible for ensuring that assigned services are ongoing and consistent with community and government needs. AED supports the work of the Executive Director, Tribal leadership and other staff within the adminis-



### **Dean of Business** and Liberal Arts

SUNY Canton seeks an innovative leader of vision and energy to lead the School of Business and Liberal Arts.

### Job Duties:

The Dean will play a pivotal role in planning, operations, retention, assessment, and growth of baccalaureate and associate programs, revisions of existing curricula, and foster the development of innovative initiatives in online learning and other instructional modalities and classroom technologies. The Dean will be in a position to make a significant impact in a rapidly evolving academic environment.

Under the direction of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Dean is responsible for various Bachelor and Associate degree programs in the areas of: Applied Psychology, Early Childhood Care and Management, Esports Management, Finance, Health Care Management, Legal Studies, Management, Technological Communications, Accounting, Business Administration, Early Childhood, Individual Studies, and Liberal Arts and Sciences.

The Dean will play a role in developing undergraduate, nontraditional, and offterm offerings; supporting innovation in teaching and research; maintaining and strengthening professional relationships as well as developing articulation agreements with other institutions both secondary and post-secondary. The successful candidate will lead the school's long-range academic and capital planning, assessment, curricular and grant development and work collaboratively with the other academic Deans and members of the campus community. Within the School, the Dean has oversight of student advising, faculty recruitment, retention, development and evaluation for tenure.

### Required Qualifications:

A terminal degree in a discipline appropriate for faculty in the school is required. The successful candidate should have at least three years of administrative experience which must include the supervision of faculty, three years of full-time college teaching experience, and a record of professional excellence. Candidates should be able to demonstrate leadership, creativity, enthusiasm, the ability to accomplish goals and the willingness to work effectively with all constituencies.

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### **Y** Facilities Operations **Assistant 1**

SUNY Canton is seeking applicants for the position of Facility Operations Assistant 1 to work in our Athletics Complex. Candidate must have one year of experience in the operation of tractors, mowers, and other equipment. Candidates must possess a valid NYS Driver's License Class D minimum. Incumbents of positions in this class also perform routine cleaning tasks as well as, repair and maintenance of roadways, grounds, landscape, and ice rink maintenance on a variety of different work shifts.

Facility Operations Assistant 1 performs routine equipment maintenance and other maintenance tasks and laboring duties, as necessary. 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.

Candidates should send a SUNY Canton Application, letter of interest, resume and three professional references to hr@canton.edu or by US mail to Facility Operations Assistant 1 (Grounds) Search Committee, Human Resources Department, SUNY Canton, 34 Cornell Drive, Canton, NY 13617.

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tration. The Assistant Executive Director assists with coordination of activities, communications and strategic planning within the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe. In conjunction with the Executive Director. works closely with SRMT Management Team to support shared goals and objec-

tives. Exempt: Yes. Salary Level: \$86,195.20 - \$122,116.80 **Deadline**: October 25, 2023. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www. srmt-nsn.gov.

Medical Director: The Medical Director is responsible for monitoring and improving



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Next Era Contracting, Inc. is looking for a NY. Starting date will be in November when this building is complete! Resumes

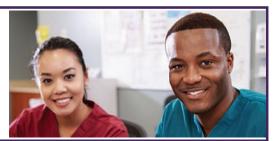
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# HVAC-R Mechanic; Electrician; Plumber/Steamfitter & Trades Generalist

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### **Minimum Qualifications:**

Four years of full-time experience in the specific trade under a skilled tradesperson which would provide training equivalent to that given in a training, apprenticeship, or equivalent program, or an equivalent combination of experience and training gained by completion of technical courses in a specific trade at a school, institute, or branch of the Armed Services; OR successful completion of the two-year Trades Specialist traineeship or a two-year trade specific training, apprenticeship, or equivalent program \*such as the New York State Civil Service Employees Association-Partnership Applied Skilled Trades Traineeship and Certificate Program.

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### Assistant Professor-Management Tenure Track

**Department:** Business

Salary Range: Commensurate with credentials and experience

The State University of New York (SUNY) College at Canton and the School of Business and Liberal Arts invites qualified applicants for a full-time, tenure track Assistant Professor faculty position in the Business Department, beginning September 1, 2024.

### **Required Qualifications for Tenure Track:**

PhD with previous teaching experience in college-level courses, ABD with expected graduation date, or MBA or DBA with 5 years' work experience in industry in addition to teaching experience (including graduate-level Teaching Assistantship). Faculty will be expected to engage and be proficient in online course delivery, program and curriculum development and assessment, academic mentoring, scholarly activity, and institutional service. Online and in-person teaching is expected.

### **B.S. Management**

### **Duties:**

- Teach face-to-face, online and flex classes in a diverse set of courses in the Bachelor of Business Administration in Management, and Associates of Science/Applied Science in Business Administration.
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Please submit a resume, cover letter, statement of teaching philosophy, statement

Human Resources.

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is accepting applications for the following positions:

### -Food Service Helper (Part-Time - 4 hours per day)

• Minimum Starting Salary: \$17.68

All interested candidates must submit the following to be considered for some positions:

- Cover Letter
- Application (Please apply using the Regional Common Application)
- Application and information about Lisbon CSD may be found at: https://www.lisboncsd.org/
- Resume'
- Letters of Recommendation (three)
- For Instructional Positions, Principal Positions, Teaching Positions and Bus Driver Positions **ONLY**

Application deadline is October 23, 2023.

Failure to provide all requested materials may result in disqualification of the candidate's application. Please submit information attention to:

Please submit information attention to: Mr. Patrick J. Farrand, Superintendent of Schools LISBON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 6866 County Route 10, Lisbon, NY 13658



### **Colton-Pierrepont Central School District**

A PreK-12 district of 390 students, innovator in technology, and located in the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains, invites applicants for the following position:

### **School Aide**

\$15/hr, 4-5 hrs a day during the morning. This position follows the 10-month school calendar.

Contact:

Jennifer Fleury, 4921 SH 56, Colton, NY 13625 jfleury@cpcs.us or (315)262-2100 ext. 6
Application deadline is October 27, 2023 EOE



St. Lawrence University invites applications for a Technical Support and Hardware Specialist position. This position provides a wide array of technical support to the campus community with an exceptional commitment to customer service.

The salary range is \$23.00 to \$25.00 per hour. Actual compensation will be determined by experience and other factors permitted by law. To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, as well as application instructions please visit: http://employment.stlawu.edu.

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### The Norwood-Norfolk Central **School District**

is accepting applications for the following positions to be filled immediately

### **BUS DRIVERS TEACHER AIDES** SUBSTITUTES IN ALL AREAS

Applications can be downloaded from the school website (www.nncsk12.org) or obtained in the District Office at NNCS.

Please include a cover letter, resumé, copy of certification, transcripts, and letters of reference with professional application. Accepting applications until filled. NNCS is an EEO Employer. NYS Education Department fingerprint clearance is required for all appointments.



### **Financial Aid Assistant**

Are you considering starting or continuing a career in higher education? Do you enjoy helping others? Come join our SUNY Canton Financial Aid Team as Financial Aid Assistant!

This is a 12- month position reporting to the Director of Financial Aid. As a member of the Financial Aid team, this selected candidate will work within the One Hop Shop to deliver a full range of counseling and financial aid services to students, families, staff, and the community.

### JOB RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Serves as the primary contact for students and families providing comprehensive guidance regarding various questions and concerns in the areas of financial aid, student accounts and student records via phone, e-mail and in-person.
- · Counsel and assist students and parents in completion of financial aid applications for federal, state, and institutional programs.
- · Provide financial aid counseling to student and parents regarding eligibility requirements for various aid programs.
- Represent the office at various on and off-campus recruiting functions, financial aid information sessions, and internal committee meetings as assigned.
- · Maintain knowledge of applicable policies, procedures, regulations, rules, statutes, and laws.
- · Advise and assist students in the add/drop process and the effects it can have on financial aid, academic standing, and their student account.
- · Respond to concerns regarding student account billing, academic credit loads and impact to tuition and refund/credit balances.
- · Collaborate with different areas to integrate service to provide optimum and seamless services to students.

### **REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Associate degree plus 1 year of experience in customer service within an office setting, or equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Must have excellent customer service skills and be a problem solver.
- Demonstrated experience delivering effective communications via telephone, email, virtually or in person.
- Eliqibility to access federal computerized systems (Applicants must be in good standing on federal student loans to be eligible).

### PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Experience in a college financial aid office or similar higher education setting.
- Knowledge of and experience working with federal and/or state aid programs.
- Experience with Ellucian Banner, NSLDS, COD, and/or HESC programs.
- Experience with Microsoft Office programs.
- Experience working with and serving diverse populations.

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Minimum Qualifications: A High School Diploma or GED and a valid Driver's License.

### As a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)

Salary range: \$52,009\* to \$56,146\* (\* Includes Geographic Pay of \$4,000) The Sunmount Developmental Disabilities State Operations Office (DDSOO) is seeking LPNs. Minimum Qualifications: Must have a current license and registration to practice in New York State, or a limited permit to practice in NYS, or an application on file for a limited permit to practice in NYS.

### For more information:

Sunmount DDSOO NYS Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) Office of Human Resources: 518-359-4150

or Sunmount.Careers@opwdd.ny.gov Sunmount DDSO, 2445 State Route 30, Tupper Lake, NY 12986

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# **Associate Director Training 1** Mental Hygiene

**Open-Competitive Qualifications: Candi**dates must have a bachelor's degree in a human services field\* AND six years of post-degree experience in the development, delivery, and management of staff development programs in a mental hygiene setting. \*\*Two Years of this experience must have been in a supervisory position in a setting providing services to individuals diagnosed with mental retardation, mental illness, or alcohol and substance abuse with the responsibility for all or major part of a comprehensive staff development program. SUBSTITUTIONS: A Master's Degree in a human services field\* may be substituted for two years of non-supervisory experience. A doctoral degree in a human services field\* may be substituted for the four years of non-supervisory experience.

**NYS Employee Transfer or Promotional Qualifications: Candidates must have one** year permanent service in a title eligible for transfer OR have one year permanent service as a MH Staff Development Specialist 4 or Training Specialist 2 MH OR two years as a MH Staff Development Specialist 3 or Training Specialist 1 MH or Nursing or MH **Staff Development 3 (Nursing)** 

### Salary \$88,283 - \$111,592

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**APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCT. 24, 2023** 

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**Substitute Maintenance Mechanic Physical Education Teacher Jefferson** 

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> > Please direct questions to: tchapman@mcs.k12.ny.us or (315) 764-3700, extension 3011

All written correspondence should be addressed to Human Resource Office. Massena Central School District, 84 Nightengale Ave., Massena, NY 13662

ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY **Residential Dining Unit Manager** 

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