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Pictured is the current exterior of the diner at the Cascade Inn, Canton. The new owners are looking for someone to manage or operate the restaurant and bar.

Developer shares plans for former Cascade Inn

BY PAUL MITCHELL
North Country This Week

CANTON — The new owners of the Cascade Inn are looking for someone to manage and operate the restaurant and bar.

The Canton landmark was recently purchased by High Cap NY LLC, Elk Grove, Calif. For \$300,000.

Whitney Verkade, chief executive officer, told North Country This Week Friday, that he wants to see the business return to its popular past.

"We are not in the food service industry or the bar business. I am looking for a team that can make this a success," said Verkade. "I would like to see it run as it was for years and years." I want this to be brought back to its original glory,"

Verkade said he was approached by numerous entities and individuals encouraging him to purchase the Cascade Inn.

"We were asked to buy this property by many of our contacts from bankers to social workers to car lot owners. So we did," he stated. "Upon reviewing the records we have determined this was a money-making business. It's a really cool building that hasn't been off too long."

"Food service is not in our wheelhouse so we will be the stewards of this property until someone steps up," added Verkade who said six inquiries have been made.

Verkade's company currently has investment

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St. Lawrence Health centralizing support services

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — Local residents and patients may have noticed several new St. Lawrence Health office buildings and treatment spaces opening up around the county in recent months.

The new spaces are part of a planned relocation of certain departments as the health system zeros in on a major expansion at the Canton-Potsdam Hospital and reorganization of space at its other hospitals in the region.

Among the changes, SLH's accounts payable, compliance, human resources, information systems, patient finance and quality departments have all been relocated to the SLH Regional Administrative Campus at 6196 U.S. Highway 11, just outside the village of Canton.

The relocations have all occurred in the past three months, said SLH Pamela Klosowski, SLH communications specialist.

"It has long been the plan for St. Lawrence Health's non-clinical administrative services to be housed off-site in one location, where they can work more collaboratively and efficiently with other non-clinical support areas," Klosowski said. "Since they are

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system-wide services, they are conveniently located mid-way between Gouverneur, Massena, and Potsdam where our three hospitals are located."

"The office moves also permit much-needed office spaces to open up inside our hospitals for clinical purposes. It also allows for additional patient and visitor parking on the hospital campuses," she said.

Office hours for those departments at the Regional Administrative Campus are 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Other recent relocations include Potsdam Cardiology's move to the Potsdam Plaza at 201 Market St.

Also relocated there is the SLH Provider Scheduling Call Center, Klosowski said.

Other change-ups include the temporary move of the SLH Administrative C-Suite to The Quarry at Old Snell Hall, 41 Elm St., in Potsdam.

The Quarry is also now housing the SLH Clinical and Rural Health Research offices, and the Isabella Graham Hart School of Practical Nursing.

St. Lawrence Health has undergone a great deal of change in recent years. An affiliation with Rochester Regional Health, the purchase of a

State says local elections will now be on even years only

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

CANTON — A number of local elections will now be moving to even-numbered years after Governor Kathy Hochul signed legislation in hopes of boosting participation in those elections.

The new law, which was signed last week, moves the majority of town and county elections that were previously held during odd-numbered years to even-numbers years. In doing so, those elections will fall at the same time as state and federal elections that historically have a significantly higher voter turnout.

According to state officials, voter turnout in New York State was around 64% in 2020, the most recent presidential election.

That figure declined significantly in 2021,



St. Lawrence County Board of Elections officials will have to navigate the changes.

when local elections were held, to just 25%.

"Every eligible New Yorker deserves the right to participate in the democratic process without unnecessary barriers," Gover-

nor Hochul said. "By signing this legislation, we are taking a significant step towards expanding access to the ballot box and promoting a more inclusive democracy. This is

a meaningful first step and I would support a constitutional amendment to align all election years, to save taxpayer dollars and avoid voter fatigue."

The legislation will impact all elections for which dates can be changed through legislative action, though a number of offices like judgeships and offices in any city in the state must be changed through a constitutional amendment, state officials say.

In her public statement, Hochul voiced support for a constitutional amendment in the future to ensure that all offices across the state are aligned with state and federal elections alike.

Hochul claims the move would "be a fiscally responsible approach that would reduce the taxpayer cost of election

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St. Lawrence Health | Submitted.

St. Lawrence Health's Patient and Family Advisory Council (PFAC) recently toured the new Regional Care Pavilion at Canton-Potsdam Hospital. Pictured are St. Lawrence Health PFAC members (front row) Bill Mein, Louise Harder, Penny Rattan, Miranda Britt, and Patient Experience Coordinator Danielle Caskinett. (Back row) Patient Experience Coordinator Christine Sutter, Administrative Assistant Madeson LaVigne, Sr. Director of Corporate Compliance/Patient Experience Keri Allen, Patient Experience and Compliance Manager Maura Mayer, Regional Director of Planning Albert Hanson, and Director of Facilities Dereck Dodd.

Tour of new hospital building in Potsdam

POTSDAM – St. Lawrence Health's Patient and Family Advisory Council (PFAC) recently toured the new Regional Care Pavilion at Canton-Potsdam Hospital.

The Council consists of patients and family members of patients who have received services at Canton-Potsdam, Massena, and/or Gouverneur hospitals, either on an inpatient or outpatient basis.

The mission of the SLH PFAC is

to implement a community partnership model to develop innovative strategies to improve quality, patient safety, and patient satisfaction throughout St. Lawrence Health.

PFAC members have a valuable impact on the patient experience through sharing their ideas and providing feedback on the planning, design, and execution of health system-based programs and services.

The SLH PFAC meets regularly via WebEx on the last Friday of every month between 12-1 PM. If you would like to join the Council or need more information, please contact Patient Experience at (315) 261-5314, or email maura.mayer@rochesterregional.org. There is a short application process.

To learn more about the Regional Care Pavilion project, visit <https://www.stlawrencehealthsystem.org/about/regional-care-pavilion>.

New state legislation puts an end to several hunting derbies

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

Governor Kathy Hochul has signed legislation that largely outlaws some hunting and fishing competitions in an effort to curb “the wasteful taking of certain wildlife.”

In a press release issued by the governor’s office, Hochul said the legislation targets contests, competitions, derbies and tournaments held for prize money or entertainment. The new law now makes it illegal to organize, conduct, sponsor or take part in such competitions. The legislation goes into effect Nov. 2024.

Department of Environmental Competition officials will now be

able to seize wildlife taken during such competitions and participants can be fined anywhere from \$500 to \$2,000, according to the legislation.

In the future, only competitions aimed at targeted wildlife management of certain populations will be lawful in New York.

The move from the governor will likely have an impact on many competitions, with numerous fishing derbies, rabbit hunts and other competitions held throughout the course of the year. In many cases, those competitions are used as fundraisers to assist families and organizations in need.

“Protecting wildlife is critical to fostering the integrity and resilience of our environment and

our outdoor recreation economy,” Hochul said in the statement.

“This legislation establishes strong safeguards for our state’s precious wildlife species and protects our important fishing and hunting traditions.”

In the release, state officials cited wildlife such as coyotes, crows, squirrels and rabbits as species that are killed in large numbers as parts of the competitions that are now outlawed. Competitions excluded from the legislation include contests related to the hunting of white-tailed deer, turkeys, bears and fishing competitions.

Hochul said those competitions are being excluded due to the “careful regulations by the state.”



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St. Lawrence County to get 2nd Family Court justice

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

CANTON -- St. Lawrence County will have a second Family Court justice following elections in 2024 after Governor Kathy Hochul signed legislation to add 21 justices throughout various courts across the state.

The move to add another justice is one the county has long explored, according to County Attorney Steve Button.

“When assessing the number of cases St. Lawrence currently has and after conversations with the Office of Court Administration it became apparent that St. Lawrence County has twice as many cases as the next closest court within the judicial district,” Button said.

That backlog has caused a number of problems in recent years with multiple parties arguing that the process to be heard in court is taking far too long.

County officials were joined by state representatives in recent years to request the addition of a second justice but it was just last week that the Governor signed legislation to add the position.

Button said adding a second justice to Family Court will provide relief and will hopefully speed up many cases but that relief is still some ways off.

“This will alleviate the significant delays in these sensitive matters and we are pleased to see this come to fruition,” Button said.

Button said the position is expected to be on the ballot in 2024 with the elected justice slated to take the seat in 2025.

Among other issues that need to be addressed, Button said a new court room will need to be addressed as there is not currently enough space to accommodate the two justices.

In addition, staff will also need to be hired, office spaces will need to be added and various administrative duties will need to be addressed.

“Obviously these are good problems to have and we are happy this is finally coming to fruition for the county. This will be a big step forward for the Family Court System,” Button said.

EMPLOYMENT See more on B4-B8



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Man runs border on Christmas Day

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- A Canadian citizen attempted to unlawfully enter the United States through the Massena Port of Entry before eventually being detained just inside the village of Massena.

According to a U.S. Customs and Border Protection spokesperson, the incident occurred on Christmas Day.

"On December 25, 2023, at approximately 10:46 a.m., a vehicle driven by a Canadian citizen attempted to unlawfully enter the United States via the Massena Port of Entry. During this attempt, the driver lost control and rolled their vehicle. U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Officers responded to the scene. The scene was secured and the driver was taken to Massena Memorial Hospital for treatment," the official said in a

statement.

CBP officials did not confirm any further details regarding the pursuit of the individual or whether they were attempting to smuggle contraband or illegal migrants into the United States.

However, a video uploaded to Facebook at 11:08 a.m. on Dec. 25 appears to show the aftermath of the incident. The video can be viewed at www.facebook.com/ernie.kingjr.88/videos/737190104580381

In the video, officers can be seen detaining the driver after the vehicle overturned at the corner of East Orvis Street and Alcoa Road.

Massena village police confirmed the location of the arrest and time from the video were accurate.

In the video, smoke can be seen coming from the overturned vehicle with what appears to be multiple punctured tires as well.

The suspect then appears to resist arrest while multiple officers attempt to handcuff them.

The video has been viewed over 79,000 as of press time.

Massena police say they were not involved in any pursuit of the vehicle but did assist on scene as CBP officers detained the individual.

St. Regis Mohawk Tribal police confirmed they were not involved in any pursuit or arrest related to the incident.

It is unclear if the individual is still detained by CBP in the United States or if they have been sent back to Canada.

An attempt to clarify the detainment status of the individual with CBP officials went unanswered as of press time.

A request for comment from State police was not immediately returned as of press time.

BOCES cites pandemic for negative audit

CANTON — St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES was heavily criticized in a recent state audit, but BOCES officials say the pandemic and a major capital project contributed to the issues.

The audit objective was to determine whether BOCES properly monitored and accounted for Information Technology (IT) assets, according to the New York State Comptroller's Office.

"The key findings reported that BOCES officials did not properly monitor and account for IT assets," the comptroller's office said. "As a result, officials cannot ensure that assets are in BOCES' possession and protected against loss or unauthorized use."

The audit was for July 1, 2021 through Feb. 24, 2023.

The report says officials did not maintain accurate and up-to-date inventory records, affix identifica-

tion tags to all assets, periodically conduct physical inventories, and ensure sensitive data was erased before assets with hard drives were disposed of.

The comptroller's office said 69 out of 140 recorded IT assets could not be located. The assets cost \$128,102 and included computers, projectors, interactive displays and cameras. Also, 30 out of 95 assets on hand were not listed in the inventory records.

Also, none of the 39 IT assets (totaling \$50,018) purchased and placed in service during the 2022-23 school year were added to the inventory records.

District officials recognize the importance of monitoring and accounting for information technology assets, BOCES Superintendent Thomas R. Burns said. "During the COVID-19 pandemic, the BOCES prioritized supporting our compo-

nent districts and their needs."

BOCES helped 18 school districts shift to remote learning after schools were shut down, as well as assisted with getting meals to students in the early days of the pandemic.

Burns also cited staffing shortages, added work related to COVID-19 and a capital project that contributed to the negative findings.

BOCES has started implementing audit recommendations, the super said.

He said a physical inventory audit of all three BOCES centers was completed this past summer and the inventory software is being reconciled to the physical audit. Additional staff training was also noted.

The key recommendations from the audit were to establish written procedures to ensure accurate and up-to-date inventory records are

offices said.

Police said they charged 38-year old Gabriel J. Lafleur with third-degree burglary and third-degree criminal mischief.

Lafleur allegedly broke into the humane society and damaged property inside. He was cited and released, police said.



Kathy Connelly | Submitted

Moon over South Colton

The moon over South Colton from the Little John Road on a recent winter night.

Man accused of burglary at Potsdam Humane Society

POTSDAM — A Potsdam man was charged with burglary after Potsdam police responded to a burglar alarm at Potsdam Humane Society, 17 Madrid Ave., according to village police.

Police responded early Jan. 1 to the animal shelter and reportedly saw a man leaving the area with two dogs,

Felony cocaine arrest in Potsdam

POTSDAM — A Potsdam man faces a felony drug charge after being stopped for an open container violation Dec. 30 on Market Street, according to village police.

David E. Clemons, 61, was charged with third-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance: Narcotic with intent to sell,

felony, and open container, officers said.

He was allegedly found in possession of cocaine, officers said.

Clemons was arraigned in Norfolk court and remanded to county jail with an appearance ticket returnable to Potsdam court Jan. 3, police said.

OBITUARIES

John E. "Jack" Barto, 74

Massena

MASSENA -- John E. "Jack" Barto, age 74, passed away Thursday, December 28, 2023, at UVM Medical Center in Burlington, VT, surrounded by his loving and devoted family.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Phillips Memorial Home, 64 Andrews St. Massena.

Friends and family may call on Wednesday, January 3, 2024, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm until the time of services with Rev. Judy Van Kenne at 5:00 pm.

Burial with full military honors will take place on Thursday, January 4, 2024, in Pine Grove Cemetery, Norfolk at 12:00 pm.

Jack was born in Olean, NY the son of Frederick and Esther (Johnson) Barto.

He graduated in 1968 he entered the US Army in 1969 and was honorably discharged in 1972.

He married Susan Servis on May 24, 1969, at The Church of the Nativity in Cornwall, Ontario Canada.

Jack was employed at Massena Electric Department as a lineman. He enjoyed spending time outdoors, ice fishing, hunting and visiting his hunting camp Diamond Sportsman's Club in South Colton,



John Barto

NY.
Jack is survived by his mother Susan, their two children, John G. of Brasher, and Rene Barto of Massena, five grandchildren, Johnathan; Rachael, Owen, Arianna and Aiden, two great-grandchildren, Brantly Barto, and Easton McDonald. His siblings; Gene and Connie Barto of Massena; Linda Barto of Colchester, VT, along with several nieces and nephews.

Jack was predeceased by his father Frederick E. Barto

Memorial contribution may be shared with the Disabled Veterans of America; 130 S Elmwood Ave., #620, Buffalo, New York 14202 and the American Heart Association; 2 Clinton Square, Syracuse, New York, 13202.

Online condolences, pictures and memories may be shared with the family by visiting www.PhillipsMemorial.com.

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OBITUARIES

Allan George McIntosh, 97

Waddington

WADDINGTON -- Allan George McIntosh of Waddington passed away on Christmas Eve (December 24, 2023) at Canton-Potsdam Hospital at the age of 97, surrounded by loving family and holding the hand of his wife of 74 years. As she put it, "He did it his way."

Allan was born April 9, 1926, in Norwood, New York, the fourth of five children of Arthur G. and Sara Grant McIntosh.

He was a child of the Depression, and from his parents, he inherited the indomitable work ethic he would maintain throughout his life.

At a young age, he and his brothers were entrusted with running the family farm while his father traveled out of the area on WPA jobs.

After attending school in Norwood and elsewhere, he graduated from Madrid High School in 1942 at the age of 16.

Allan and the other men and women of the Class of '42 produced their school's first-ever yearbook and planned its first senior trip—to New York City, where he saw Jack Dempsey and viewed a demonstration at the NBC studios of a fancy new technology called television.

On January 26, 1944, at the age of 17, he rode the train to Watertown and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps.

He served in the Pacific Theater of Operations of World War II and was honorably discharged on July 11, 1946, in Quantico, Virginia. The Marine Corps took him from his unelectrified farm to places like Tijuana, San Francisco, and Guam, experiences that helped shape him tremendously.

After the war, he returned to work at ALCOA, where he was employed as a millwright until 1958.

He then began work at the St.

Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation in Massena; in 1970, he was appointed Chief of Maintenance. Allan was recognized by the United States Secretary of Transportation for his "uncommon ability" and "truly outstanding" initiative, as well as for the respect he inspired in those

Allan McIntosh

who worked with him. This will come as a surprise to nobody who knew him. He retired in March of 1985.

He enjoyed nearly four decades of rich and active retirement, traveling with his wife and remaining a steadfast fixture in the lives of his children and grandchildren. One of the great pleasures of his life was time spent outdoors, whether hunting, fishing or simply tending his garden. He loved and was beloved by animals, from the cow dogs of his boyhood to his many "grand-dogs".

Allan was a 68-year member and Past Master of Waddington Masonic Lodge, F. & A. M.; former member of Norwood Lodge and Syracuse Consistory, 32°; member of Waddington Legion Post No. 420; and retired member, and former Assistant Chief, of Waddington Volunteer Fire Department, where he also made many memories as part of the department's racing team.

Allan first danced with Leonore "Lee" McMillan at the Waddington Town Hall in 1946, shortly after returning from the Marine Corps. As he described it, nearly eight decades later, "something just

clicked," and they were married three years later, on September 17, 1949, by Rev. William Wood in the Norwood Methodist manse. The couple settled in Waddington, where they raised three children.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Lee; two daughters, Hollis (Donald) Hughes of Waddington and Sandra (Joseph) Ruddy of Norfolk; and one son, David A. McIntosh of Waddington. He is also survived by three granddaughters, Melissa Hughes Madlin, Waddington, Elizabeth Ruddy, Los Angeles, and Eve Ruddy, Potsdam; three grandsons, Jonathan Hughes, Waddington, Derek McIntosh, Denver, and Mark Ruddy, Potsdam; one great-grandson, Tanner Smith, Waddington; and several beloved nieces and nephews, including Dianne Meyer, Massena, and Michael McIntosh, Waddington.

He was predeceased by his parents; a grandson, Jared McIntosh; his brothers, Donald, Ronald, and Jerrold McIntosh; and his sister, Elinor Nichols.

He will be remembered and missed for many qualities, including his intelligence, integrity, dignity, humor, and, most especially, his strength and his gentleness.

In accordance with his wishes, there will be no funeral or calling hours. His remains will be interred in New Brookside Cemetery, Waddington, at the convenience of the family. The Phillips Memorial Home, Waddington, is handling the arrangements for the McIntosh family.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Waddington Volunteer Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 331, Waddington, New York 13694.

Friends and family are encouraged to share memories, photos, and condolences online, by visiting

Once researched thoroughly there was no project he would not tackle.

His charisma and quick wit were developed during his work with the public, and in his words, "Thirty Years Behind Bars", the title of the book he did not get to write.

Danny's spontaneous business ventures were a wonder to all. From tending bar at the Village Inn, to "Twin Maples Farm" beef cattle, to "Hemlock Farms" registered Berkshires, to "Highland Charters" fishing captain, along with his garlic, and maple syrup enterprise, and lastly "The Guy On the Beach", saltwater fishing lures made to order.

He will be missed...

Family and friends are encouraged to share photos, memories of Danny, and online condolences, by visiting www.PhillipsMemorial.com.

**Daniel Cecot****Daniel J. "Danny" Cecot, 67**

Louisville

ROOSEVELT, NY -- Daniel J. "Danny" Cecot, age 67, passed away on Sunday, December 24, 2023, at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester, NY, after a long illness.

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

Friends and family may call on Friday, January 5, 2024, from 3 PM to 6 PM and Saturday, January 6, 2024, from 12 PM until the time of the service at 2 PM at the Phillips Memorial Home, Massena, with Reverend Judy Van Kernen officiating.

Danny was born in Massena, the son of the late Mabel (Mahoney) and Andrew Cecot on May 20, 1956.

On March 14, 1980, he married Christine "Chris" Dywan.

Danny is survived by his loving wife of 43 years; three sons, Joseph of Woodland Hills, CA, wife, Rebecca, son, Graham, and daughter,

Rose, Joshua of Corpus Christi, TX, wife, Marilyn, son, Maverick, and daughter, Avery, and Jacob of Massena, NY. Two sisters, Catherine "Cathy" Cecot of Punta Gorda, FL, and Shawna Cecot of Naples, FL, and partner, Kathy Green.

Danny was passionate about his family, friends, and animals.

He enjoyed cooking, fishing, hunting, horseback riding, motorcycling, skiing, farming, camping, boating and wood lot management.

He was a builder with a creative eye as seen in his cordwood-constructed home, lovingly built with help from his children, family, and friends.

Canton.

ALAN MASON, 75, Gouverneur, Dec. 28. Arrangements with French Funeral Home, Gouverneur.

WELDON NOBLE SR., 90, DeKalb Junction, Dec. 29. Arrangements with Allen-Denesha Funeral Home, DeKalb Junction.

DEBORAH DAROU, 65, Canton, Dec. 30. Arrangements with O'Leary Funeral Home, Canton.

JOHN BARTLETT, 81, Norwood, Dec. 30. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Norwood.

DEBRA BENNETT, 64, DeKalb Junction, Dec. 28. Arrangements with O'Leary Funeral Home,

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Susan L. Dresye, 67

Canton

CANTON -- The family of Susan L. Dresye, age 67, are saddened to announce her passing after a brief illness at the Carthage Area Hospital on Friday, December 8, 2023.

The family has entrusted the arrangements to the care and direction of the Phillips Memorial Home in Massena, NY.

Sue was born to the late Gerald J. and Veronica (Parker) Dresye in Potsdam, NY on July 27, 1956.

She attended Holy Family and graduated from Massena Central in 1974. She continued her education at SUNY Potsdam.

She began her career at Courier Freeman Newspaper in Potsdam, NY. She then began at SUNY Potsdam and retired as a Librarian Clerk in August of 2023 after 45 years of service to the state.

She's involved in Girl Scouts and played the French horn in Roethel's Marching Band. She also served as an editor for, The Quarterly, distributed through the St. Lawrence County Historical Association. Sue enjoyed playing the piano and was an avid photographer.

She also served as a communicant of St. Mary's Church in Potsdam, NY, and enjoyed the company of her family and her feline companion "Mr. Fluffy".

She is survived by her niece, Kimberley and husband, Thomas MacComber of Massena, NY; and nephew, Gregory Wise of Canton, NY; along with a great-niece, Evelyn MaComber; a brother-in-law, Herbert E. Wise of Canton, NY, as well as many cousins and extended family.

In addition to her parents, Sue was predeceased by her sister, Sharon D. Wise in July of 2023. Those wishing to share memorial contributions may do so in her memory to the Potsdam Humane Society; 17 Madrid Ave, Potsdam, New York, 13676.

As per the family's wishes, there will be no public calling hours or funeral services. A graveside service in Forest Cemetery in St. Regis Falls, NY will take place at the convenience of the family at a later date. Family and friends are welcome to share memories, photos, and condolence online, by visiting www.PhillipsMemorial.com.

Eugene Carl Ford, 72

Madrid

MADRID -- Mr. Eugene Carl Ford, 72, of Madrid, NY, died on Monday, December 18, 2023, at his winter home in Zephyrhills, FL.

Gene was born on March 26, 1951, to Carl Orris Ford and Dorothy (MacDonald) Ford of Madrid, NY. Gene graduated from Madrid-Waddington High School in 1969. He served our country in the US Air Force from the years of 1971 to 1978.

He married Linda (Boyea) Ford in 1981. Gene was a USPS Postal worker in Potsdam, NY for 25+ years. Gene was an avid sportsman, hunter, and proud veteran.

He enjoyed many sports including hockey, bowling, softball, and golf.

Mostly, he loved his family and friends. He offered many stories with great laughter and a big smile.

Survivors include wife, Linda Ford; daughter, Emily (Tony) DiNardo, son, Zachary (Tiffany) Ford; grandchildren, Allison and Michael DiNardo and Levi Clark; brother, Vernon (Dee) Ford; nephews, Carl (Crystal) Ford and Todd (Aubrey) Ford.

A memorial and burial will be held in the Spring of 2024.

Linda L. Willmart, 74

Potsdam

POTSDAM -- Linda L. Willmart, age 74, of Potsdam, New York passed away on Sunday, December 24, 2023, at the Canton Potsdam Hospital.

Surviving are her husband Roger; 2 sons, Kevin (Jackie) Potsdam and Brian of Parishville; and grandchildren, Hunter, Dan, and Allyson.

Linda is predeceased by her parents, Stella (Richards) and Edward LaPage; brothers Richard and Edward LaPage, and sisters, Joan Mallette and Liz Lanning.

Linda enjoyed doing puzzles, visiting with friends, going to the casino, being with family, and riding motorcycles.

The family has entrusted arrangements to the care and direction of the Garner Funeral Service in Potsdam.

The family would like to thank

the Potsdam Hospital staff for the excellent care and compassion Linda received.

**Linda Willmart**

Donations in Linda's memory can be made to St. Lawrence County Meals on Wheels. Contact Danielle Durant at 315-386-4730.

Condolences for the Willmart family can be shared at www.garnerfh.com.

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North Country Children's Museum | Courtesy

Renovations at museum

Concrete trucks pour cement for North Country Children's Museum's new entryway recently. Building renovation is full steam ahead on Raymond Street in Potsdam. The museum is still open for play throughout the construction. Regular hours are Wednesday through Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

SLC receives over \$350,000 from opioid settlement

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI

North Country This Week

modification by legislators during the Dec. 11 services committee meeting.

"The Opioid Settlement Fund is designed to create a lasting impact and emphasis on supporting agencies, programs and organizations that demonstrate a commitment to serving individuals and families affected by the opioid epidemic," legislators said.

The Community Services Board approved using OASAS settlement funding for new and existing pass-through agencies "for harm reduction, treatment, housing, prevention and transportation."

Officials say the Opioid Settlement State Funding will follow the calendar year and can be rolled over to subsequent years, if needed.

The budget modification for \$356,000 will increase appropriations \$150,000 for SEACAP OSF payments, \$56,000 for Public Health OSF payments and \$150,000 for MILC OSF payments.

Legislators also approved a budget modification to accept \$29,549 for the Community Services Department for funding received from the state Office of Mental Health.

Those funds are 100% pass through funds for contract agencies and Community Services, officials say.

The funds will increase appropriations \$2,800 for the CRV NCTLS Advances account and \$26,749 for the OFS United Helpers Advances account.

Trustees meeting moved to Jan. 16

POTSDAM — The Village of Potsdam Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for Jan. 2, 2024 was been canceled.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 16 at 6 p.m.



Jen Thomas | Submitted

Holiday on ice in Canton

Emily Kotz and Emma Wright skate to "Here Comes Santa Claus" at the St. Lawrence Figure Skating Club's Holiday Show. They were among over 30 figure skaters who performed at SUNY Canton recently.

Local dog breeders offering free Thai Ridgeback puppy

By ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — Local breeders of rare Thai Ridgeback dogs are offering one puppy from their recent litters for a free adoption.

Troger's Thai Ridgebacks, owned by Tracy and Roger Johnson and based in Hopkinton, is one of only a few breeders of the rare breed which dates back 3000-4000 years and is one of only three genetically pure breeds left in the world.

The Johnsons, both former health-care professionals at St. Lawrence Health, were both dog people, Tracy Johnson told North Country This Week, having had dogs all of their lives. The couple said they began to learn about preservation breeding of rare dogs and began researching the Thai Ridgebacks in the early 2000s.

She said they acquired their first female Thai Ridgeback in March 2021 from the top breeder on the West Coast.

"And we just fell in love with her. She just stole our hearts," Tracy Johnson said.

The couple decided to become breeders, retired from healthcare and purchased a 30-acre property in Hopkinton and outfitted it with insulated kennels. They flew their breeding male in from Poland and started Troger's Ridgebacks.

Johnson said the breed is a primitive breed that can survive on its own without humans. "So socialization and training is key," she said.

The Johnson's dogs have their kennel space but also live in their home and interact with them.

Person in trunk leads to DWI

POTSDAM — A Massena man was charged with driving while intoxicated after police allegedly observed a person in the trunk area of the vehicle, according to village police.

Police said they charged 38-year old Jordan M. Beard with first-offense DWI on Market Street at 12:38 a.m. on Dec. 30.

"They are very attentive to their home family. They don't bark unless they hear something," she said.

Johnson said the dogs in Thailand were originally bred and raised to fight in packs and protect their household from cobras.

The Johnsons are working to become established as a non-profit preservation breeder and set up a website.

A single Thai Ridgeback sells for \$3,000, but the Johnson's recently had two litters of the dogs, 9 males and 8 females and want to offer a free adoption to a local person or family until Jan. 14.

Those interested can visit the adoption application page at <http://tinyurl.com/5hcxf3a> and fill out the form for consideration.

Tracy Johnson said the couple is looking for a local person "who needs them just as much as the dog needs that companionship."

"So we are looking for that touching story," she said.

Troger's is also offering their dogs for a reduced price of \$2,000 per dog for local residents, she said.

Those interested in the breed should do their research before option to adopt a puppy, due to the breed's need for socialization and training due to their intense nature and high prey drive.

All of the Troger's dogs are AKC Registered Foundation Stock, vet certified, confirmed with a good health certificate, first puppy vaccines and dewormed, and with an optional microchip.

More info: trogersthairidgebacks@gmail.com or 401-280-0327.

Thousands of dollars for SLC youth sports

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

CANTON — The St. Lawrence County Youth Bureau is taking multiple steps to support local youth sports and community organizations, including financial investments for community programs.

Legislators approved half a dozen resolutions and a budget modification during the Dec. 11 operations committee meeting to support the efforts.

The Youth Bureau submitted a Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) Signature Page, which is required by the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS), that certifies approval of the grant contracts for the Youth Development Plan.

By doing so, the county is eligible for reimbursement from New York State, officials say.

Back in May, legislators approved a resolution to sign contracts with various youth organizations but staffing issues prevented Claxton Hepburn from executing the Thriving Families Program this year.

Modifications included amending Claxton Hepburn Thriving Families from an originally awarded total of \$4,100 to \$0, amending SLC Arts Council-Rising Teens from \$6,000 to \$7,500, Town of Stockholm Recreation from \$3,000 to \$4,500, Ogdensburg Command Performance from \$2,145 to \$2,545, Canton Free Library from \$4,000 to \$4,200, PAL of Massena from \$4,500 to \$5,000, Girls on the Run from \$5,000 to \$1,800, Parishville Recreation from \$3,000 to \$4,800

and Potsdam Recreation from \$4,000 to \$5,400.

Legislators also approved signing a resolution to accept \$500 from the National Youth Leadership Council to offset office expenses for the Youth Bureau.

In other action, legislators also signed off on grant funding for the Youth Bureau totaling \$52,517 to support youth sports in the county.

Those funds are allocated to the county through OCFS and are eligible for reimbursement through the state.

With the funds, six youth team sport programs will receive funding.

Canton Minor Hockey will receive \$7,313, Massena Recreation-Lacrosse will receive \$2,204, Norwood-Norfolk youth Baseball Inc. will receive \$7,400, Potsdam Youth Baseball and Softball Association will receive \$6,300, the Town of Hammond will receive \$17,000 and Tri-Town Minor Hockey/North Country River Rats will receive \$12,300.

In another resolution, \$10,344 will be distributed among four entities.

Canton Recreation will receive \$4,510, the Village of Hammond will receive \$1,634 for the fireman's field house, Hermon DeKalb will receive \$1,600 and Massena Minor Hockey will receive \$2,600.

Those funds are allocated to the county in 2024 for youth sports and education funding infrastructure needs.

An additional resolution was approved to distribute \$106,456 as

part of the Youth Development Program in 2024.

The Village of Massena Therapeutic will receive \$2,445, SLC Arts Council-Rising Teens will receive \$8,000, Town of Stockholm Recreation will receive \$4,500, Ogdensburg Command Performance will receive \$3,500, NCCM STEAM Programs for Youth will receive \$4,000, Canton Free Library will receive \$4,200, PAL of Massena will receive \$6,000, Hepburn Library of Waddington will receive \$6,700, Ogdensburg Boys & Girls Club will receive \$10,000, Claxton Hepburn Thriving Families will receive \$4,100 and Gouverneur Recreation will receive \$11,200.

In another resolution, legislators approved distributing \$37,541 in Youth Sports Educational Funding.

Girls on the Run will receive \$5,000, the Town of Clifton will receive \$7,400, Hermon DeKalb Pee Wee will receive \$7,341, Parishville Recreation will receive \$4,800, Louisville Recreation will receive \$3,000, Town of Fowler Recreation will receive \$4,000 and Potsdam Recreation will receive \$6,000.

An additional budget modification was also approved to increase appropriations for Youth Development Program accounts after the Youth Bureau received a \$3,000 grant from OCFS.

Those funds will be used for Youth Development Programs.

All resolutions approved during the meeting will now move to the full board for final approval during the full board meeting in January.

New provost named at Clarkson University

POTSDAM — Professor and Associate Provost Christopher Robinson has been named Provost of Clarkson University. Robinson has been serving as interim Provost since July 1, officials said.

"We are thrilled to have Chris Robinson take on the permanent role of Provost here at Clarkson," said Clarkson University President Marc P. Christensen, Ph.D., P.E. "In his role as interim provost over the last several months, Chris has demonstrated his capacity to navigate complex and challenging sets of circumstances. It is clear to me that he has the disposition, wisdom, and skills to be an exceptional Provost for where we are now and into the future."

Robinson holds a Ph.D. in Political Science from the State University of New York at Albany and is highly published in the area of political theory. He has been a Fulbright U.S. Scholar, which he pursued at Sogang University in Seoul, South Korea where he engaged in research and courses in human rights and environmental political theory.

Robinson's research includes completing a book on contemporary

political theory as a series of responses to political trauma and ecological catastrophe. He is also studying the politics of sustainable development and formulating a position dubbed

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NorthCountryNow.com is always adapting

Thanks for sticking with us, it's been a long journey

Well over a decade ago now, I left my first newspaper job to deliver pizzas. Although I had a degree in journalism and about four years under my belt at the Ogdensburg Journal, changes at the company led me to seek greener pastures.

While my professors have served me well, it's true that there is nothing quite like learning on the job. I was fortunate enough to learn from Jim Reagan, Chuck Kelly and Ryne Martin and worked with a dozen other reporters and editors in St. Lawrence County, but in truth I made more money delivering pizzas.

Editor's Notebook



Jimmy Lawton

I believe it was around 2012 when I read that NorthCountryNow.com was looking for an editorial assistant and I decided to apply.

At the time there was only one edition of the paper. The paper featured one or two "bylined" stories a week. There was a big emphasis on events listing and dutiful postings of community organization's work. The website was largely an aggregate site, that is to say it was mostly links to other websites.

In truth, the drudgery of working as an editorial assistant was a bit mind-numbing compared to my previous journalism experience, which had me battling with state officials, local municipal leaders and covering a barrage of meetings that were sometimes heated. I'd often be assigned to cover interesting community groups and organization events I'd never known existed.

In time, then News Editor Craig Freilich convinced my publisher Bill Shumway that I needed to be writing

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Olde Tyme Christmas a success in Colton

On behalf of the Colton Historical Society, I wish to thank the following people for helping to make our "Olde Tyme Christmas in Colton" exhibit event at the museum a success.

First, I would like to thank Mary Long Aiken, Pat & Terri Burdick, Linda Coleman, Dennis Eickhoff, Joann Ferris, Lorraine Gowing, Cyndy Hennessy, Mary LaLumiere, Mary Rutley, Sara Trimm, Barbara Watson and Mary Jane Watson for the loaning of items for our exhibit.

Also to be thanked is Nancy Klein for working the children's craft table.

Thank you to all those who supplied cookies and drinks at the open house.

Thank you to the Goldenaires who provided music for our open house.

I would also like to thank the members of the Colton Fire Department who took the time to make sure that Santa would arrive for the children who were waiting in front of the library and to Bruce

original content, rather than entering data.

It wasn't long after that I began writing more and more news stories. Soon we added another body to the newsroom. Over the next few years, we grew the small operation into a news organization that was covering meetings and writing original stories. We launched a Massena-Ogdensburg Edition of the paper in 2013.

We added to the advertising and news staff and slowly became the dominant news source in the area. Our website now featured only a few links and was full of original content, local events and press releases.

We eventually out-grew the small office on Depot Street in Potsdam and moved to a new location on Clarkson Avenue. We continued to grow our news staff.

Our model was succeeding in an industry that was seeing massive problems nationwide. Across the country, newspapers were folding or being purchased by hedge funds and gutted.

Of course, then the pandemic struck. Most non-digital industries took a major hit due to forced closures and regulations as to their ability to advertise.

My publisher worked to find new revenues. We launched "Spotlight" pages. We created a paid edition of our paper to allow us to collect revenue by running legal notices, which also allowed the majority of county residents to have access to notices placed by local governments.

We also joined the many other papers across the nation in attempting to capitalize on online revenue to keep things afloat. We asked the community to help us fund the website through subscriptions. We hoped our product was strong enough to garner that support.

We tried to keep the cost as low as possible – the goal was to provide news coverage to the public at a cost

While social media often brings out the harshest criticism, we've also received a host of compliments.

of less than 1 cup of coffee per week.

Fortunately, many of you answered that call and that's what has allowed us to retain our newsroom.

It's appreciated. Many local news organizations throughout the nation have not been so fortunate.

Now one of the biggest questions we've been asked since we launched the new site last week is why did we do it. The answer is simple really. It's because we had to. The Drupal software version our old website was built on was no longer going to be supported.

We looked at a variety of options to update the website and found Creative Circle Media Solutions which was based in the United States and focused specifically on building websites for newspapers, a rare find in this day and age.

For two years, we worked hard to limit the changes on the website while also modernizing our offerings. Driving our web designers insane, we tried to keep our NorthCountryNow.com feel while incorporating the changes.

We know change is difficult. It's been tough on our end as well. While social media often brings out the harshest criticism, we've also received a host of compliments. We expected as much as there are things we like and dislike about the new site as well.

Somewhere in all this mess I was named News Editor. It's been quite the journey.

At the end of the day I chose this career because I believe in the fourth estate. Informing citizens is important and celebrating the achievements of people in our area is important.

The new changes to the website should allow us to do a better job in many areas. We have an improved events calendar, we have the ability to display photos better, we have a website that is responsive to the type of device that's being used and we have many back end improvements which we hope translates to more time for reporting.

The truth is that this organiza-

tion has been in a state of constant change since before I started here and it's remained that way ever since.

It's what's allowed us to succeed and we'll need to continue to change to meet the demands of the industry, which is struggling nationwide.

For those of you that have supported North Country This Week over the years, we can't thank you enough. Your subscriptions and readership keeps our newsroom running.

Thanks for sticking with us.

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



NCNow Survey: Are you making a New Year's resolution in 2024?

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION: Are you making a New Year's resolution for 2024?

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: Governor Kathy Hochul has signed legislation that largely outlaws some hunting and fishing competitions in an effort to curb 'the wasteful taking of certain wildlife.' In a press release issued by the governor's office,

Hochul said the legislation targets contests, competitions, derbies and tournaments held for prize money or entertainment. The new regulations will go into effect in November 2024. **Do you support a new law banning some hunting and fishing competitions in New York State?**

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Ames who made sure Santa would be seen.

I also want to thank the Community Church choir who provided Christmas Carols on the library steps waiting for Santa to arrive.

It is so nice when a small town can come together and pull off such an event.

My biggest surprise was receiving the Virginia Smith Community Citizenship Award for the year

2023.

The museum is now closed until next Summer when a new exhibit featuring the settlements of Stark, Hollywood and Sevey will be unveiled. We will be looking for items for display representing those three locations.

Again, I would like to thank our community for all the support this past year.

Dennis Eickhoff
Colton Town Historian

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Silver medalist visits local skaters

The Norfolk-Norwood Figure Skating Club hosted 1992 Olympic Silver Medalist, Paul Wylie, at the Dominic Zappia Arena Dec. 20. Senior skaters were able to receive a lesson, get autographs and take photos with the Olympian.

Rabbit, squirrel hunt planned in Norfolk

NORFOLK – The 1st Annual Rabbit Derby & 1st Annual Squirrel Hunt will be held at Norfolk Rod & Gun Club, Norfolk Club, 53 Cemetery Rd., off Plumbrook Road on Saturday, Jan. 6.

Prizes will be awarded in an Adult & Junior (ages 12-15) category

for both Rabbits & Squirrels (can be any species of rabbit or squirrel).

Registrants must present one of either species by 4 p.m. at the Clubhouse to be eligible for 3 top prizes drawn from entries.

Pre-register until Jan. 5 at 4 p.m. at Merriman's Lumber, Norwood;

Al Smith's Superette, Norfolk and Evans & White Ace Hardware, Potsdam.

Registration will be Jan. 6 from 7-10 a.m. at the Clubhouse.

Registration will be \$20 for rabbits & \$10 for squirrels.



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Free skate draws hundreds in Potsdam

The Raquette River Lions Club has sponsored five days of free ice skating during the holiday break at Potsdam's Sandstone Arena for over 25 years. Exact numbers for this year are not available, but over 100 skaters were on the ice on December 27, with other days having similar attendance.

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Maple Run in Canton

CANTON – Registration is Open for The Maple Run Half Marathon and 5K in Canton. Established in 2017 to celebrate the advent of spring and support youth running programs. The Maple Run offers a variety of participation options

including the Saturday, April 13 in-person event and a unique hybrid half marathon. Register at themaplerun.com. Follow them on Facebook at The Maple Run Half Marathon and 5K, Canton NY or connect by email at themaplerun-canton@gmail.com for the most up to date information about the run. Registration closes on April 9.



Falls Fest Flannel Fling set for Jan. 27

RENSSELAER FALLS — As winter is about to blanket The Falls in a serene snowscape, the Falls Festival Committee is thrilled to announce the upcoming Falls Fest Flannel Fling, set to take place on Jan. 27 from 7 p.m. to midnight at the Rensselaer Falls Fire Hall.

In a heartfelt letter to local business partners, Co-Chair Michael Hammond extended an invitation for businesses to be part of the festive celebration.

"As we gear up for our Falls Fest

Flannel Fling, we invite you to contribute to the joy by participating in our hourly giveaways during the event," expressed Hammond. The Falls Festival Committee brings a frosty twist to this call for support by unveiling a matching donation initiative for local sponsors. "Whether it's a half dozen cinnamon rolls, a pizza, or a monetary contribution, your generosity will be highlighted across social media, North Country Now, and the radio," emphasized Hammond.

The Falls Fest Flannel Fling promises to be the ultimate winter escape, said Hammond. The Common Revolution Band will set the stage for revelry, and a Charcuterie Board Buffet, featuring Bella-Brook's Winery delights, will keep the spirits high.

Adding to the excitement, a Photo Booth will capture the evening's best moments, and a 50/50 drawing and hourly giveaways will offer attendees a chance to win big. Tickets, \$30 each, are now on sale. Contact Bri Backus or Michael Hammond for purchases.

"Dress cozy, unleash the fun, and support The Falls Festival - 2024. This year's Flannel Fling promises an even more epic winter celebration than last year's NYE event!" exclaimed Hammond.

Businesses wanting to participate can contact Michael Hammond at 315-276-0189 or via email at rfmayorhammond@gmail.com.

BRIEFLY

Tai-chi for adults

POTSDAM — Tai-chi for adults will begin on Tuesday, Jan. 9, at Trinity Church on Fall Island, 8 Maple St. The classes will be held each Tuesday for eight weeks from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The cost is \$64 for all eight sessions. Makes are required. Info: 315-268-0297.

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Noon Year's Eve at museum

Attendees celebrate at the Noon Year's Eve countdown event held Dec. 31 at the North Country Children's Museum with making festive hats, tossing up balloons, drinking sparkling white grape juice, and a ball drop at 12 p.m.



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FRIDAY, JAN. 5

Backwater Duo

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Art program

OGDENSBURG -- The Remington Museum will offer its Consider This program on Friday, Jan 5 at noon. This on-site program takes place in person at the Museum and offers guided exploration of Frederic Remington's ca. 1904 oil painting Russian Infantry Going to the Front, which is on loan to the Museum for its centennial exhibition. Docent Luanne Herzog will guide the discussion. Read more about this great program. Call (315) 393-2425 or email Laura Desmond to sign up. Sponsored by The Enchanted Edible Forest at Cross Island Farms.

SATURDAY, JAN. 6

Rabbit derby

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Used book sale

BRASHER FALLS -- Friends of the Badenhausen Public Library will hold a used book sale on Saturday, Jan. 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Badenhausen Library, 897 Main St. Featured this month will be self-help books. Book prices are as follows: Adult hardcover \$2, adult paperback \$1, children's hardcover \$1, and children's paperback and board books 2/\$1. Funds raised will benefit the Badenhausen Public Library. Friends of the Badenhausen Public Library will hold book sales on the first Saturday of each month as an on-going fundraiser. 9:00 a.m. - 1 p.m., Saturday, January 6, 2024. Badenhausen Public Library 897 Main St. , Brasher Falls, NY.

Yoga flow class

CANTON - A new in-person Saturday morning yoga flow class will be held at the Canton Yoga Loft, 21 Miner St., on Saturday, Jan. 6, 9-10 a.m. All levels of experience are welcome. \$15 per class. Lori Dye & Amanda Goldstein will be teaching in January. 9:00 a.m., - 10 a.m., Saturday, January 6, 2024. \$15. 21 Miner St., Canton, NY.

SUNDAY, JAN. 7

Hike at Lampson Falls

CLARE - Nature Up North will host a First Week Hike starting at the Lampson Falls trailhead in Clare on Sunday, Jan. 7 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. The hike is fun and easy. Snowshoes will be available for use depending on conditions.

Fiddlers jam

POTSDAM -- The North Country Fiddlers is inviting acoustic players of all kinds and listeners to its January Jam on Sunday, Jan. 7, from 2-4 p.m. at the Potsdam Public Library. The event will

start with a workshop, followed by a few familiar jam favorites and then some round robin at a quicker pace.

MONDAY, JAN. 8

Italian Night dinner

PARISHVILLE - Italian Night dinner will be hosted by the Parishville Amvets Ladies Auxiliary 265 on Monday, Jan. 8, 4:30-6:30 p.m. at Fireman's Field, 25 Rutman Rd. Spaghetti with meatballs, lasagna, tossed salad, bread and butter, beverage and dessert. \$12 per person. Eat in or take out Call 315-261-4642 for take out. 4:30 p.m., - 6:30 p.m., Monday, January 8, 2024. \$12. Fireman's Field 25 Rutman Rd., Parishville, NY.

WEDS., JAN. 10

Food bingo

ST. REGIS FALLS -- 18 games of bingo to benefit The St. Regis Falls Adult Center. Doors open at 5. Games start at 6. Refreshments to purchase, including hot dogs and FF. 5:00 p.m., - a.m., Wednesday, January 10, 2024. \$2.00 ENTRY

CARD PACKET, 6 special games. Carole Raymonda, mrsray13@gmail.com, 5185216515. St. Regis Falls Adult Center 26 North River Road, St. Regis Falls.

Class of 1974 to meet

NORFOLK -- Members of the NNCS Class of 1974 are encouraged to attend a meeting to begin plans for their 50th class reunion. The meeting will be held at Breiggs Winery, Norfolk, on Wednesday, January 10, at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 10, 2024. Deborah, dmorgan9@twcny.rr.com, 3152449144.

Work-based webinar

CANTON - The St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce is offering a lunch and learn webinar, "Work-Based Learning," on Wednesday, Jan. 10 from 12-1 p.m. via zoom. Presenters will be Bianca Christian and Lori Sheffield from the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Career and Technical Education Program. Sign up for this webinar at www.visitstlc.com/calendar or contact Laura Pearson at 315-393-3620 or Laura@slccchamber.org. . Wednesday, January 10, 2024. , ,

THURS., JAN. 11

BOCES board meets

CANTON - The St. Lawrence-Lewis Board

Did you know
we have...



Jen Thomas photo, courtesy of SLFSC

St. Lawrence Figure Skating Club's Holiday Show collected toy donations and \$386 for the Canton Bear Pack program at Canton Central School.

Skating club collects toy donations

CANTON — Over thirty skaters performed at St. Lawrence Figure Skating Club's Holiday Show held at SUNY Canton on Dec. 17.

"It was our largest holiday show to date. Thanks to all the skaters and their families for kicking us into the

holiday spirit!" said SLFSC organizers.

Donations of toys were collected and over \$380 cash was donated that went to support the Canton Bear Packs program at Canton Central School, organizers said.

of Cooperative Educational Services will hold a regular board meeting Thursday, Jan. 11, at the Educational Services Center, 40 W. Main St., beginning at 6 p.m. Board member James Lattimer will be joining via zoom from Florida.

Yoga Nidra in Potsdam

POTSDAM --A guided Yoga Nidra with an hour of gentle movement leading to a meditation with Kathy Wilcox will be held at Potsdam Public Library Jan. 11 at 6 p.m. Wear comfortable clothing, bring a blanket, pillow, and yoga mat if you have one. Class is limited to 12 people.

FRIDAY, JAN. 12

Jazz night

CANTON - The Unitarian Universalist Church in Canton serving North Country is hosting Winter Jazz Nights with a Coffee Bar on Friday's, Jan. 12, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The group called, 4 All You Know, is local musicians John Danis on an electric wind instrument and vocals, the Rev. James Galasinski on bass, Steve Manders on drums, and Tim Savage on piano. The coffee bar will include caf? americano, espresso, decaf coffee, various teas and herbals, and hot chocolate. All jazz and coffee

bar nights are free and open to the public and welcoming to all. Attendees may bring a non-perishable food item to support the Church and Community Program.

Music workshop

POTSDAM - The New Horizons Bands of Northern NY will sponsor an afternoon of music making on Friday, Jan. 12. Open to Seniors age 55+ as well as New Horizons Band members, the workshop is entitled "Beats, Buckets and Boomwhackers." Dr. Caron Collins, retired Crane School of Music Professor, will lead participants through various types of drumming and focus on the techniques of listening, call response and improvisation. The workshop will be held on Friday, Jan. 12 (snow date Jan. 19) from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at New Hope Community Church, 33 Grant St. Admission is free for New Horizons members and \$10 for non-members. To register, email Diane Mathie at NewHorizonsNNY@gmail.com or call Kathy Calzagno at 315-344-7518. 1:00 p.m., - 2:30 p.m., Friday, January 12, 2024. Free for New Horizons members, \$10 for non-members. Diane Mathie at NewHorizonsNNY@gmail.com. New Hope Community Church 33 Grant St., Potsdam, NY.

Yoga in the Dark

CANTON -- The Canton Yoga Loft invites you to attend a unique yoga experience "Yoga in the Dark!" taught by Lori Dye on Friday, Jan. 12, 6-7 p.m., at 21 Miner St. Yoga flow experience enhanced by aromatherapy & a sound ceremony from the Amazon rainforest. All levels welcome, register at www.yoga-loft.org.

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JANUARY 5 -11

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January 29 @ 7 PM

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February 24 @ 4 PM

The Amazing Acrobats of Shanghai honor the essence of the old historic Shanghai Culture and transport you to current Shanghai through the excellent skills of dynamic artists that include dare-devil acts with a harmonious combination of the performing arts. By combining stage LED technological innovations & exceptional artistic performance the Grand Shanghai Circus will deliver a higher level of dazzling entertainment that includes breathtaking acrobatics, colorful dance, comedy, mystifying magic, and numerous aerial feats of strength.

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March 23 @ 4 PM

Based on the true story of Patsy Cline's friendship with Houston housewife Louise Seger, complete with true emotion, down home country humor & 27 songs which include many of Patsy's unforgettable hits such as *Crazy*, *Fall to Pieces*, and *Sweet Dreams*. The two women struck up a friendship in 1961 that lasted until Cline's untimely death in a plane crash in 1963. A Letter of Love to the music of Miss Patsy Cline.

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Rehearsals underway for Community Band concert

POTSDAM—Rehearsals are well underway for the Potsdam Community Band's winter concert, to be held Sunday, Jan. 21 at 3 p.m. in Hosmer Concert Hall at SUNY Potsdam's Crane School of Music.

Admission is free.

The winter 2024 PCB session boasts over 70 musicians from teens to those in their 80s, spanning a wide range of musical backgrounds and abilities.

Band rehearsals are being held Monday nights in December through mid-January.

Like the members of the band, the range of music covered by PCB is highly varied; from traditional concert marches to classic and contemporary literature written specifically for wind band; from orchestral transcriptions to jazz, folk and rock favorites; from show tunes to music from TV and the movies.

There is always "something for everyone" at a Potsdam Commu-

nity Band concert, say organizers.

PCB performances are always free and open to the public, but donations to the "donation tuba" from those who enjoy the concerts are always appreciated.

Potsdam Community Band welcomes everyone who can play a traditional band instrument at a high school level or above to join its ranks.

The band plays two to three concerts during its summer session each year, and a concert in January.

Prospective new members are encouraged to email potsdam-communityband@gmail.com to get on our band email list.

More information on PCB's upcoming performance will be released closer to the Jan. 21 concert date.

For more information about Potsdam Community Band, visit the website at www.potsdam-band.com.

Teen book boxes, crochet, true crime club at library

NORWOOD -- Teen book boxes each month, Crochet Circle, True Crime Book Club, gentle yoga and Story Time are among the January's offerings at the Norwood Public Library.

Teens at the Norwood Public Library are able to have a book box filled with library books, snacks and surprises each month. Registration for February book boxes is Jan. 2-18. Teens can pick up a survey at the library.

Library staff will elect books to suit each teen's tastes, based on their survey.

The library books and boxes will be returned, but the snacks and surprises are for the teens to keep each month. This program

is sponsored by The Friends of the Norwood Public Library.

Crochet Circle is back at the library, starting Saturday, Jan. 20, at 11 a.m. Join volunteer Brittany Ashley for crocheting and conversation. All skill levels are welcome.

True Crime Book Club will meet Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 7 p.m. The month's book is 'Genealogy of Murder: Four Generations, Three Families, One Fateful Night' by Lisa Welkin.

Gentle Yoga with Kathy Wilcox will be held Jan. 16 at 6 p.m. Call 315-353-6692 to register.

Library Hoots Storytime meets Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

Badenhausen Library hosting used book sale

BRASHER FALLS --Friends of the Badenhausen Public Library will hold a used book sale on Saturday, Jan. 6 from 9 a.m. to 1

Frosty Fest returning to Ives Park

POTSDAM -- Frosty Fest is returning to Ives Park again this year on Saturday, Jan. 27, at Ives Park, starting at 11 a.m.

Come build a snow person or creature in the park. Bring items from home to make your snow creation special. There will be prizes, treats, and a campfire

Free registration will open at 11 a.m. Judging begins at 12:30 p.m., and awards will be announced in the Ives Park Gazebo at 1 p.m..

There will also be a Winter Story Walk by the Potsdam Public Library If there is no snow Jan. 27, the event will take place Saturday, Feb. 3, with the same schedule. The free event is hosted by the North Country Children's Museum and St. Lawrence Arts Council.

p.m. at the Badenhausen Library, 897 Main St.

Featured this month will be self-help books.

Book prices are as follows: Adult hardcover \$2, adult paperback \$1, children's hardcover \$1, and children's paperback and board books 2/\$1.

Funds raised will benefit the Badenhausen Public Library.

Friends of the Badenhausen Public Library will hold book sales on the first Saturday of each month as an on-going fundraiser.

COLTON FIRE DISTRICT 2024 MEETING NOTICE

The organizational meeting of the Colton Fire District will be held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 6:00pm at the Colton Fire Station. The regular January meeting will follow.

Thereafter, the 2024 monthly meetings of the Colton Fire District will be held at 6:00pm at the Colton Fire Station on the following dates:

February 13
March 12
April 9
May 14
June 11
July 9
August 13
September 10
October 15 (3rd Tuesday)
November 12
December 10
MJ Watson, Secretary

New Horizons Bands to offer music workshop

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for non-members.

To register, email Diane Mathie at [NewHorizonsNNY@gmail.com](mailto>NewHorizonsNNY@gmail.com) or call Kathy Calcagno at 315-344-7518.

The New Horizons Band of Northern NY has over 50 musicians from all around St. Lawrence County.

The organization provides older adults with opportunities to learn a musical instrument (or become re-acquainted with an instrument of their youth) and play in a band with other fun loving seniors.

New Horizons Concert and Swing Bands meet weekly in Potsdam.

For more information on how you can join, email [NewHorizonsNNY@gmail.com](mailto>NewHorizonsNNY@gmail.com).

1st Annual Rabbit Derby and Squirrel Hunt slated

NORFOLK — The 1st Annual Rabbit Derby & 1st Annual Squirrel Hunt will be held at Norfolk Rod & Gun Club, Norfolk Club, 53 Cemetery Rd., off Plum Brook Road on Saturday, Jan. 6.

Prizes will be awarded in an Adult & Junior (ages 12-15) category for both Rabbits & Squirrels (can be any species of rabbit or squirrel).

Registrants must present one of either species by 4 p.m. at the Clubhouse to be eligible for 3 top prizes

drawn from entries .

Pre-register until Jan. 5 at 4 p.m. at Merriman's Lumber, Norwood; Al Smith's Superette, Norfolk and Evans & White Ace Hardware, Potsdam.

Registration will be Jan. 6 from 7-10 a.m. at the Clubhouse.

Registration will be \$20 for rabbits & \$10 for squirrels.

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North Country

MASSENA PUBLIC NOTICE	
VILLAGE OF MASSENA PLANNING BOARD 2024 MEETING SCHEDULE	
January 10	July 10
January 25	July 24
February 14	August 14
February 28	August 28
March 13	September 11
March 27	September 25
April 10	October 9
April 24	October 23
May 8	November 6*
May 22	November 20*
June 12	December 4*
June 26	December 18*

(*Please note change in November and December due to holidays, 1st and 3rd Wednesday those months)

*** Please note *** The board is scheduled to meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each Month. Meetings are scheduled at 5:00 P.M. If you do not receive an agenda before the meeting date, there will not be a meeting.

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

Sealed bids will be received at the St. Lawrence County Purchasing Office, where they will be opened and read aloud for;

Bid # (2023-33) St. Lawrence County Public Safety Complex Renovations – Low Voltage Work

Bid Opening Date: January 30, 2024 @ 3:00 PM

Notice to Bidders: Qualified bidders may submit bids for project as described in this ad notice. Submit bids according to the instructions to Bidders.

Project Identification: (2023-33) St. Lawrence County Public Safety Complex

Renovations – Low Voltage Work

Project Location: 49-1/2 Court Street, Canton, NY 13617, United States

Owner: St. Lawrence County

Owners Representative: Ruth Doyle

Architect: Beardsley Architects +Engineers

Architects Representative: Michael Reynolds, RA

Project Description: See section 00 21 13 Instructions to Bidders

Construction Contract: Bids will be received for the following work:

A single contract for Low Voltage Work incorporating the following scope:

a. Modifying and expanding an Addressable Fire Alarm System

b. Provide a new Access Control System

c. Provide a new Intrusion Alarm System

d. Provide a new Video Surveillance System

e. Provide a new Video Wall System

f. Provide a new Information Technology Cabling System

Bid Submittal and Opening: Owner will receive sealed lump sum bids until the bid time and date at the location given below. Owner will consider bids prepared in compliance with the Instructions to Bidders issued by Owner, and delivered as follows;

a. Bid Date: January 30, 2024

b. Bid Time: 3:00 PM local time

c. Location: St. Lawrence County Purchasing Office, 48 Court Street, Canton, NY 13617

Bids will be thereafter publicly opened and read aloud.

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

Pre-Bid Meeting: A mandatory Pre-bid Meeting will be held: See Document 002513 "Pre-bid Meetings"

Documents: Bid documents will be provided in electronic format (PDF) by St. Lawrence County. Contact the St. Lawrence County Purchasing Department at 315-379-2207. Bidders may distribute these documents to sub-contractors and suppliers as they see fit.

Time of Completion: Successful bidders shall begin the work on receipt of the Notice to Proceed and shall complete the work within the Contract Time.

Bidder's Qualification: Bidders must be properly licensed under the laws governing their respective trades and be able to obtain insurance and bonds required for the work. A performance bond, separate Labor and Material payment bond, and insurance in a form acceptable to Owner will be required of the successful bidder. See section 00 21 13 Instruction to Bidders for additional qualification requirements.

Notification: This advertisement for bids document is issued by St. Lawrence County.

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MASSENA PUBLIC NOTICE VILLAGE OF MASSENA ZONING BOARD 2024 MEETING SCHEDULE

January 1 – No Meeting	July 1
January 15	July 15
February 5	August 5
February 19	August 19
March 4	Sept 2 - No Meeting
March 18	September 16
April 1	October 7
April 15	October 21
May 6	November 4
May 20	November 18
June 3	December 2
June 17	December 16

*** Please note*** The Board is scheduled to meet the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. Meetings are scheduled at 5:15 P.M. If you do not receive an agenda before the meeting date, there will not be a meeting.

MORRISTOWN NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING AND REGISTRATION OF VOTERS OF THE MORRISTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE MORRISTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that pursuant to a Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the District on December 19, 2023, a special meeting of the qualified voters of said School District will be held at the Main Lobby of the Main School Building located at 408 Gouverneur Street, Morristown, New York, on February 13, 2024, from Noon to 8:00 p.m., prevailing time, for the purpose of voting on the following proposition:

PROPOSITION

Shall the Board of Education undertake a capital improvement project consisting of the reconstruction and renovation of, and the construction of improvements, additions and upgrades to the District's main school building, transportation building, and the sites thereof, the purchase of original furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required in connection with the purposes for which such buildings, facilities and sites are used, all to include site, access, parking, athletic field and playfield improvements, demolition, utility, mechanical, plumbing and electrical improvements as well as payment of professional fees and all other necessary costs incidental to such work (the "Project") at a total maximum estimated cost of \$16,951,375 and to pay for the Project by (i) spending \$3,000,000 on deposit in the District's existing Capital Reserve Fund approved by the voters in May of 2021, (ii) by expending \$500,000 of available funds, and (iii) by the levy of a tax which is hereby voted in the amount of \$13,451,375, subject to available State aid or to any other revenues available for such purpose, which tax shall be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education and in anticipation of the collection of such tax, bonds and notes of the District are hereby authorized to be issued at one time, or from time to time, in the principal amount not to exceed \$13,451,375, and a tax is hereby voted to pay the principal and interest on said obligations when due?

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that qualified voters of the District may obtain applications for an absentee ballot or an early voting ballot from the office of the Clerk of the District. Completed applications for an absentee ballot or an early voting ballot must be received by the District Clerk at least seven days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. A listing of all persons to whom an absentee or early voting ballot is issued will be available for inspection by any qualified voter in the office of the Clerk of the District during regular office hours until the day of the election.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that military ballots may be applied for by qualified voters by requesting an application from the District Clerk at 315-375-8814, ext. 21001, or sbasford@mcs12.org. Completed applications for military ballots must be received by the Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 19, 2024. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail. An individual will qualify as a military voter if he or she (1) is a qualified voter of the State of New York, who is in actual military service, and by reason of such military service is absent from the District on the day of the election, or is a voter who is discharged from military service within 30 days of an election; or (2) a spouse, parent, child, or dependent of such service member who is a qualified voter and is absent due to accompanying or being with the military service member.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Board of Education of the Morristown Central School District has previously complied with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (the "SEQRA Act"), Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, as amended, and the Regulations of the Department of Environmental Conservation thereunder (the "Regulations"). No further action under the SEQRA Act and Regulations is required.

DATED: December 19, 2023

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Stacey L. Basford, District Clerk
Morristown Central School District

LOUISVILLE PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

THAT the Town of Louisville will hold a public meeting to award the bid for the Louisville Water Treatment Plant upgrades (20-0086) at the Thomas J Carroll Louisville Municipal Building located at 14810 State Highway 37 at 6:00pm on January 26, 2024.

12/28/2023
Joanne Cameron
Louisville Town Clerk

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of CS NY Miner Holdco, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 12/22/23. Office location: St. Lawrence County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Corporate Creations Network Inc., 600 Mamaroneck Ave. #400, Harrison, NY 10528. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of Mapleview Land Company, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-11-09.

Office location: Saint Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to: Mapleview Land Company, LLC: 307 Jones Road Madrid NY 13660. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF MEETING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Stockholm Town Board will hold their Annual Organizational meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 5:30 P.M. at the Municipal Building, Winthrop.

The regular meeting will immediately follow at 6:00 P.M. These meetings are open to the public.

Heather Kish
Stockholm Town Clerk

DATED: December 21, 2023

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of Sleeping Fox LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-10-06. Office location: Saint Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Austin Bailey: PO Box 751 Canton NY 13617. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of BIGAREL WILDEWOOD, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-12-06. Office location: Saint Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to THE LLC: 56 BIRCHWOOD DRIVE GOVERNEUR NY 13642. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

Joanne Cameron
Louisville Town Clerk
12/28/2023

HOPKINTON NOTICE OF MEETING SPECIAL MEETING

The Town Board of the Town of Hopkinton will hold a **Special Meeting** on **Monday, January 15, 2024** at **6:00 p.m.** at the Hopkinton Town Hall. This meeting will be to open received bids for the **Town of Hopkinton Town Hall Renovation Project**, and any other business that comes before the board. The public is encouraged to attend.

DATED: January 5, 2024
Richard L Powers
Town Clerk

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of Camp HodgePodge LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-11-08. Office location: Saint Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Janet M. Hodge c/o Camp HodgePodge LLC: 406 Benjamin Drive Chambersburg PA 17201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

LOUISVILLE PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town Board of the Town of Louisville, County of St. Lawrence, New York, on the 27 th day of December, 2023 adopted a resolution pursuant to the Local Finance Law of the State of New York a summary of which is as follows:

To issue its serial bonds or statutory installment bonds in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,869,686.00 for the purpose of paying the costs of the Town of Louisville's upgrades and improvements to its water treatment plant, including improvements to the existing filtration equipment, that services all water districts within the Town , pursuant to the Preliminary Engineering Report dated July 2021, revised through November, 2023, of Capital Consultants Architecture and

Engineering on file with Town Clerk of the Town of Louisville which plans are available for public inspection, the total cost of which is not to exceed the sum of \$2,869,686.00. A complete copy of such resolution is filed at the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Louisville, St. Lawrence County, New

York and is available for public inspection during regular business hours. The validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such

obligations were authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Town of Louisville, County of St. Lawrence, New York

is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication if this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the constitution.

PLEASE TAKE

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Dated: December 28,

2023

Richard L Powers

Collector of Taxes for

the Town of Hopkinton

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TAX COLLECTOR'S
NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE,

that the undersigned, the collector of taxes of the Town of Oswegatchie, has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes for the Town of Oswegatchie for the fiscal year **January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024**.

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Friday, except holidays.

Dated: December 28,

2023

Vicki L. Thornhill,

Collector of Taxes

Town of Oswegatchie

December 29, 2023

LOUISVILLE PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT

PLEASE

TAKE NOTICE, that the Louisville Tax

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the tax roll and

warrant for the

collection of taxes for

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for the fiscal year

January 1, 2024 to

December 31, 2024.

PLEASE

TAKE FURTHER

NOTICE, that the

Louisville Tax

Collector will receive

the taxes listed on

said roll at the town

office located at

14810 State Highway

37, Town of Louisville,

St. Lawrence County,

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through Friday.

PLEASE

TAKE FURTHER

NOTICE, that the

Louisville Tax

Collector without

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This law will address

alternates for the Zoning

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2024 in the Colton Town

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NOTABLE

SUNY Canton's Aksel Seitilli, Ph.D., P.E., an assistant professor who teaches in the Civil and Environmental Engineering Technology program, is creating solutions to mitigate surface depressions caused by traffic. The Virginia Transportation Research Council recently recognized Seitilli as part of a team of authors with the Jack H. Dillard Best Paper Award for 'Simple and Practical Tests for Rutting Evaluation of Asphalt Mixtures in the Balanced Mix Design Process.'

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Parishville Neighborhood Center donation

The Parishville Neighborhood Center received donations from local organizations to make sure that the kids and families in the community had a Christmas to remember. The AmVets Post 265 Ladies Auxiliary and Red Knights NY 35 Chapter collected food, winter clothing and gifts for those in need this holiday season. Pictured are Angela Foster, Post 265 Ladies Chair of Child Welfare; Calvin Thomas, president Red Knights NY 35 Chapter and Sandra Huckle, director of Parishville Neighborhood Center.

Colton Historical Society Memory Tree names

COLTON – The following names appeared on the 2023 Colton Historical Society Memory Tree:

R. Charles & Nancy McCarthy by Sean McCarthy; Lawrence, Judy, Frank & Mary Lenney, Julia Sullivan by Patsy Lenny Holland; Evelyn, Michael, Marlene, Lawrence "Smiley" Charlotte and Francis Regan, Elizabeth Regan Morrow, Bill, Gladys, Willis, Judy, George & Steve Coleman and Jamie Scovil by Dennis Eickhoff & Linda Coleman; "Aunt" Betty Smith, Eleanora Hennessy, Crystal Smith & Kristie Dow by Julie Hennessy; Francis, Vivian & Doris Boyd, Hazel Sullivan, Jennie James, Belva Seymour, Harley & Rachel Mullen, Helen Campbell, Allie Perkins Harden, John Richard Watson, Roy & Alice by Ed & Roxy Boyd, John & Margaret Thomas, Patricia Thomas Jones, Mark Jones, Kendra Sr Jones & Marion Thomas Lape by Kevin Jones; Jay Walter, Mary & Albert Gonyea, Jane McEwen, Elizabeth Brown Hawley, All Loved Ones by Cora Walter; Cedric & Myrtle Phillips by Tammy Ann Baker; Tim Hennessy, Mike Hawley, George Seaver, Jerry Wilson, Evelyn Riehl, Paul Watson, Ken Marden by Cyndy Hennessy, Grace, Emmett & Connie Connelly, Mary Hassett Congdon, Irma Hassett, The Farns Family by Jim & Kay Hassett; Grace, Emmett & Connie Connelly, Cecile & Ross Cunningham

ham, June, Ronnie, and Joe & Dick Cunningham by Bev & Bob Connally.

Also, Bernard Buckley, Cora & Jim Pearl, Robin Buckley, Bonnie Paige Trott, Art & Bertha Flanders, Vince & Luella Wells by Nora Buckley; Gary Avery, Rudy C. McCarthy by Nancy Avery; Tom, Betty & John Frank by Beth Frank O'Hara; Ted Fisher by Nancy Fisher; Grandma Evelyn Regan, Grandma Erma Holland, Uncle Donnie Holland, Mildred White, Michael, Marlene, April, & Uncle Smiley Regan; Aunt Betty Morrow, Pamela & Michael Durant by Missy & Tony Weaver; Cindy Erwin and James Cayey by a friend; Cara & Erwin Garlough, Gladys & Raymond Garlough, Virginia Smith, Asa & Gloria Garlough, Jean & Belva Hawley, Rachael & Ken Morrow, Morris & Flora Hawley, Llewellyn & Mary Watson, John Watson and Asa & Maude Hawley by Barbara Watson; Jerry, Madeline & Roni Martin, Edith & Kenneth Martin by Madeline Martin; Joan & Mark Whyte, and Audrey Harcourt by Norman Whyte; Laurine Garner by Gretchen Williams; Mary Phelix Matthie and Roger L. Matthie by Kevin Phelix-Bromley and Anita Deon, Michele & Billy Plantz & Fay Burnham by Stacey Coleman; Kate, Bob & Peggy Klein by Norman Whyte, Lillian Hoyt by Annette Green & Peter Hoyt; Shelia & Gene

Sunderland by Jeannie Sunderland Whaley; Jane & Hollis Schwartz, Dr. Will Schwartz, Phil & Ada Potter by Sara Schwartz Rockhold; Maurice & Esther Buckley, David Buckley, Betty Buckley Tucker, Alice Buckley Matott, John & Dickie Buckley by Deborah A. Norman; Daniel Decker by Barbara Decker; James & Margaret Long, Merton Scovil & Dale Collins by Mary Long Aiken; Lawrence "Smiley" Regan, John & Lorraine Litten, Brenda Litten Miller, Marshall "Mud" & Laura "Midge" Sevey, Al & Bea Litten, and Mike & Pamela Durant by Sandy Litten Regan; Willie Grimmke by Joanne Fisher, Charles Delosh by Roxanne LeClaire; Mark & Patricia Thomas Jones by Brian Jones; Floyd & Jane Fallon by Marie Fallon Smith; Dennis & Susan Dwyer, Nancy Stephenson, Grandma El Hennessy, Grandpa Thom Hennessy by Sue Dwyer; Lyle & Marion Lalone by Betty Riggs; Melita Caster by Jennifer Moseley; Gormand, Liz & Larry Ford, Mary Watson & Rod Thomas by Ron & Sharon Gotham; Roz & Peg Fallon by Jean Fallon; Anna & Charles Birckhead by Bill & Lyn Swafford; Ann & Francis O'Gorman, Honoring Cyndy's Birthday by Leahy & Ellen O'Gorman; Dale Robar, Selena Swinyer & Ed Gardner by Sandra Robar; Betty Butterfield by Tonya Scarson.

SUNY Potsdam prof releases new novel

POTSDAM – Professor Dr. James J. Donahue, assistant chair of SUNY Potsdam's Department of English and Communication, is set to release a new book, "Indigenous Comics and Graphic Novels: Studies in Genre."

The title will be published by the University Press of Mississippi and is available for pre-order in hardcover or paperback now. An eBook edition is also available.

In recent years, studios like Marvel and DC have seen enormous success transforming comics into major motion pictures. At the same time, bookstores such as Barnes &

Noble in the U.S. and Indigo in Canada have made more room for comic books and graphic novels on their shelves. Yet despite the sustained popular appeal and the heightened availability of these media, Indigenous artists continue to find their work given little attention by mainstream publishers, booksellers, production houses and academics. Nevertheless, Indigenous artists are increasingly turning to graphic narratives, with publishers like Native Realities LLC and Highwater Press carving out ever more space for Indigenous creators.

In "Indigenous Comics and Graphic Novels: Studies in Genre," Donahue aims to interrogate and unravel the disparities of representation in the fields of comics studies and comics publishing. Donahue documents and analyzes the works of several Indigenous artists, including Theo Tso, Todd Houseman and Arigon Starr. Through topically arranged chapters, the faculty member explores a wide array of content produced by Indigenous creators, from superhero and science fiction comics to graphic novels and experimental narratives.

NNY Philanthropy Council offers grants to non-profits

WATERTOWN — The Northern New York Community Foundation's Youth Philanthropy Council welcomes grant requests from nonprofit organizations of all types for programs, projects, or initiatives that strengthen the quality of life in Jefferson, Lewis, and St. Lawrence counties.

The council will evaluate each proposal for a share of up to \$20,000 in available grant funding.

For consideration, completed grant applications must be submitted no later than Friday, Jan. 12, 2024.

Council members will notify finalists selected to present proposals. The Council will recommend grants for funding to the Community Foundation's board of directors.

This past round, the Youth Philanthropy Council awarded seven grants totaling \$20,000 in support to non-profit organizations that serve tri-county residents.

"This is one of the most impactful things our donors make possible. So many life lessons are

instilled in these young leaders, and these are experiences that will follow them for a lifetime," said Rande S. Richardson, Community Foundation executive director.

"The students benefit most fully when the community actively participates, especially through the submission of grant applications that provide the framework for thoughtful discussion among council members. We hope this year we have the most varied requests yet."

The Youth Philanthropy Council grant application may be completed online through the Foundation's Grant Lifecycle Manager (GLM) portal at bit.ly/grant-portal. All 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations are invited to apply.

Organizations should register as a user in GLM before applying. Nonprofits already registered with a GLM account should use existing login information to access and start the application.

Contact Kraig Everard, Community Foundation director of stewardship and programs, kraig@nnycf.org, or 315-782-7110, with questions or to learn more.

KUDOS

Memory tree

WEST STOCKHOLM – The final names from the West Stockholm Memory Tree are as follows: From Barbara Pelsue for Bonnie Munson, Art & Irene Thompson, Kay Crayford, Leon Martin, and Dean and Cadey Wheat of Edwards. The Dean's List recognizes full-time undergraduate students who were registered for at least 12 computable credit hours and who earned a term grade point average of 3.6 or higher.

Elmira College dean's list

Several North Country students have been named to the Dean's



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ELECTIONS...

administration by avoiding the need for elections to be held every single year."

State officials say the move will ensure higher voter turnout for local elections "when most voters are already planning to participate in an election."

State officials say the move to include all elections in even-numbered years will also assist voters and employers alike, making it easier to play for time off and travel to polling sites.

"Democracy works best when all eligible voters can participate, and this new law advances New York State toward that goal. Other states and jurisdictions around the country have made similar common-sense adjustments to their election calendars and have subsequently seen significant increases in voter participation in local elections," state officials wrote in a statement.

Congresswoman Elise Stefanik doesn't see it that way though.

According to the Congresswoman, Hochul has "destroyed" local elections in a "blatant power grab."

"On the Friday before Christmas, our corrupt Governor Kathy Hochul signed a radical Far Left bill to change longstanding election law to nationalize our local elections. As if trying to gerrymander the state and federal lines illegally wasn't enough, now the corrupt Albany Democrats and Kathy Hochul have destroyed our local Upstate New York elections by nationalizing them. It is clear they will stop at nothing to rig elections in their favor; New Yorkers of all parties oppose this blatant power grab, and trying to hide it during Christmas weekend is disgraceful. In 2024, Republicans will crush New York Democrats at the ballot box and put a stop to Albany Democrats' radical Socialist agenda," Stefanik said.

Assemblyman Scott Gray said the legislation being touted as a savings of taxpayers' money is "factually incorrect."

"As it is currently structured, the bill will not result in any identifiable savings. Instead, it will disrupt the cycle by stranding constitutionally elected officials in odd-year cycles. Therefore, it will require a constitutional amendment - a process that involves consecutive legislative votes in sequential sessions. This legislation essentially operates in reverse order and does not lead to any

'If this legislation aims to streamline elections, save money, or increase voter participation, it raises the question: why are the elections of New York City being excluded?'

Scott Gray
Assemblyman

monetary savings," Gray said.

Gray also noted that the legislation excludes New York City elections.

"If this legislation aims to streamline elections, save money, or increase voter participation, it raises the question: why are the elections of New York City being excluded," Gray asked.

"The idea that the bill will double voter turnout is another myth. While the bill moves local elections to a traditionally higher turnout cycle, it does not guarantee an increase in voter participation," Gray said.

Gray also spoke to the loss of focus on local elections with local issues being relegated to the background while federal and state issues take center stage in the election cycle.

"It will increase ballot length and make it harder for local issues to be heard in an election cycle. My office has heard opposition from local elected officials of both parties," Gray said.

Gray concluded his statement, calling into question the timing of the announcement.

"The timing and method of the bill's signing late on the Friday of a holiday weekend suggests all that needs to be said about transparency in Albany."

CASCADE...

properties in Massena and Norfork, saying properties in New York State are undervalued and rents are high providing high cap rates.

"My personal reason was to pay it back for all the welfare cheese and peanut butter my family had

while growing up. I ended up in the local area looking at islands in Black Lake for my collection but came out of retirement to invest in the Massena, Norfork, and Canton areas," said Verkade.

Looking at the motel that features 20 apartments, he said "various county professions have stated a need for the space as a boutique short term rental open to supporting visitors and residents in a basic vision."

The Cascade Inn and its motel has been closed since December 2021 following the death of owner Gary Barcomb on Nov. 12, 2021. For months, the property has been posted by Palmer Realty was sold the diner and motel to High Cap NY LLC.

Verkade said he and workers were in Canton recently cleaning up both the interior and exterior, noting the diner area is "show ready."

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diner or bar, can contact Verkade at (916) 752-9096.

He said the company is engaged in the initial permitting process and before the property comes alive village code requirements, and Department of Health regulations must be met.

The Cascade Inn is located on the Grasse River at the intersection of Main and Gouverneur Streets.

SLH...

Canton-Potsdam Hospital and several properties on that block and the construction of a \$70 million four-story bed tower at the hospital are just a few of the major changes for the regional healthcare provider.

The bed tower project, once complete, will add a 121,000-square-foot expansion to the Canton-Potsdam Hospital building.

The tower will give the facility a major facelift and create needed space for patient care at the hospital. It will also provide a modern elite building to accommodate future workforce development and residency training.

The first floor of the new tower will be dedicated to the hospital's new emergency department and will provide up to 28 treatment areas.

The tower will add 60 new single occupancy rooms, and the fourth floor will be a dedicated OB wing.

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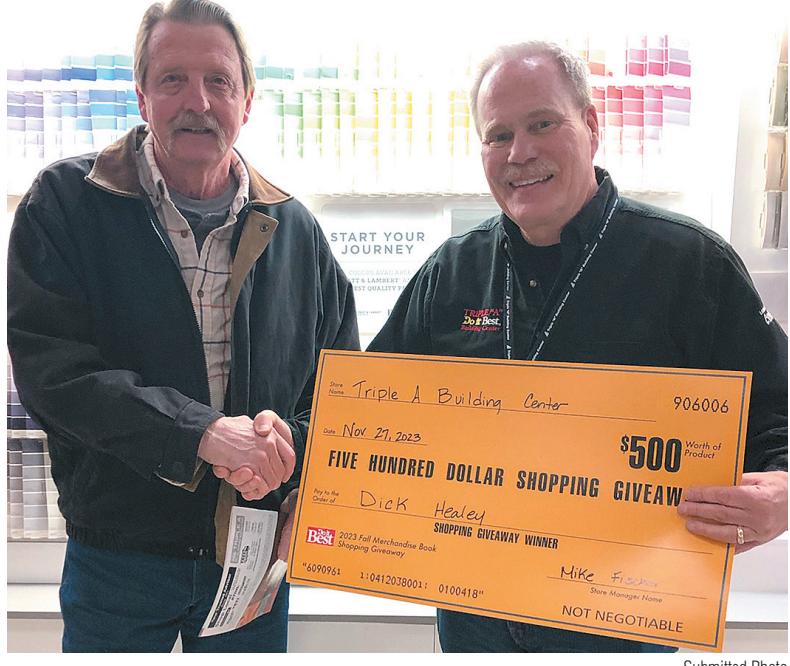
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\$500 shopping spree winner

Robert Ashley, owner/CEO of Triple A Building Center, Do It Best Hardware, presents a Fall Catalog Contest \$500 Fall 2023 shopping spree check to Dick Healey of Canton. David Charleson, Canton, was also a Canton store winner. Potsdam store winners were Alex White, Potsdam, and Jeff Miles of Norwood. Massena location winners were Glen Lashomb, Winthrop, and Andrea Masson of Massena.

SLC Public Transit record

St. Lawrence County Public Transit ([slcnypublictransit.com](#)), operated by The Arc Jefferson – St. Lawrence, has set a new record with over 100,000 rides logged in 2023, surpassing last year's total ridership of 97,740. St. Lawrence County (SLC) Public Transit works in partnership with the Volunteer Transportation Center who coordinates the County's First Mile Last Mile program, and provides Mobility Management services.

All three programs are overseen by the St. Lawrence County Planning Office. The increase in ridership is attributed to updated routes and additional stops on routes 67, 68 and 71.

"The entire Public Transit team strives to make the service efficient and sustainable to support people to comfortably reach their destinations," stated Lynn Pietroski, Chief Executive Officer of The Arc Jefferson – St. Lawrence.

The St. Lawrence County Public Transit routes with the highest ridership through October 2023 include:

Route 68 with 29% of the Ridership

Route 67 with 17% of the Ridership

Route 69 with 8% of the Ridership

Routes 12 and 61, Both with 7% of the Ridership

While all routes are open to the public, students at Clarkson, SUNY Potsdam, and SUNY Canton make up a little over 50% of the ridership on the College Connector routes, which include 67, 68, and 69. Students at the three colleges ride all SLC Public Transit routes for free with their student IDs, thanks to partnerships with those universities.

St. Lawrence County's Public Transit System provides transportation throughout most towns in the County on Monday to Friday. Buses are wheelchair accessible, bicycle racks are available, and there is free Wi-Fi service on many routes. Passengers who are not within walking distance of a Transit stop may access Volunteer Transportation Center's First Mile Last Mile service to get a ride to their nearest bus stop. Customers needing this service may call Public Transit at 315-386-2600 on weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Find us on Facebook @SLCPublicTransit for additional information.

Literally years in the making, NorthCountryNow.com has launched a new website aimed at improving delivery of news, advertising and events to viewers and subscribers.

Work on the upgraded site began two years ago and involved thousands of hours of time by the staff of North Country This Week / North Country Now and Creative Circle Media Services of Rhode Island. Creative Circle has helped redesign more than 350 web sites and 650 publications.

The new NorthCountryNow.com is designed to be more user-friendly, with larger typefaces for stories, more photos and better display.

"We are pleased to provide St. Lawrence County with a cutting-edge local news website," said Publisher Bill Shumway. "We hope area residents appreciate the cleaner appearance and new features."

In addition to a fresher appearance, the new site is capable of offering new features now and in the future and even allows users to

post and promote their own events.

Viewers can now click on the North Country This Week logo at the top of all pages to view current and past issues. After selecting an issue, in the upper right, viewers can click the "TV screen" icon to view in full screen and the double arrow icon just to the right to choose a variety of viewing options. Viewers on phones will appreciate being able to now enlarge the page, a feature that was not previously available.

A new day-by-day calendar is featured in the third column of the homepage on desktop and accessed by the "Calendar" button in the blue toolbar on phones. The calendar can be displayed by a specific day or the entire calendar can be viewed at any time. Organizations are now also able to submit information about their upcoming events at any time after setting up an account.

Although the appearance has changed, viewers and subscribers will find the local content they've come to enjoy remains.

"Although there are always some growing pains, I believe the new website will allow us to better dis-

play our work and improve the user experience," News Editor Jimmy Lawton said. "We're able to display high-quality photos and we've added an events calendar that's displayed on our homepage."

Five full-time editors and reporters keep NorthCountryNow.com updated with news about St. Lawrence County government, police, fire, community events, obituaries and other issues 365 days a year from 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. The site relies on both advertising and subscriptions to provide the financial resources necessary to provide comprehensive local news service.

"We hope area residents appreciate the valuable local news service provided by North Country Now," said Shumway. "Your support is essential for us to continue providing the important service."

To ensure full access to all stories, viewers can subscribe for about the cost of a cup of coffee a week.

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Clarkson awarded \$412,500 grant to expand First Responder training programs

POTSDAM – Clarkson University has been awarded \$412,500 from the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) that will support the education necessary to address the EMS healthcare crisis in the North Country.

The 2023 Catalyst grant award funding will be used to develop a high fidelity training center for Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) and Paramedic education. The training center will allow Clarkson to train 300 EMTs and 60 paramedics over the next three years to fill open EMT and paramedic positions in the North Country.

Using this funding to develop dedicated EMS simulation laboratories to train EMT and paramedic students and provide advanced training for certified professionals will increase the number of full time EMS providers in St. Law-

rence County, which will result in a decreased Emergency Medical Services (EMS) response time and decreased call turnover in the county.

Clarkson's existing programs, which include EMT and Continuing Medical Education (CME), have provided educational training for 136 new EMTs and 321 certified EMS providers in the past 12

Unemployment rate climbs slightly

The unemployment rate in St. Lawrence County currently stands at 4.2%, without seasonal adjustment, 0.1 percent lower than the New York state seasonally adjusted rate.

According to a state Department of Labor report issued this week, the county's unemployment rate increased 0.4 percent when comparing November 2022 to November

months, with the largest impacts in St. Lawrence, Franklin, and Jefferson counties.

Learn more about Clarkson's Paramedic Program by visiting [clarkson.edu/academics/schools-colleges/health/ems-education-department/paramedic-program](#).

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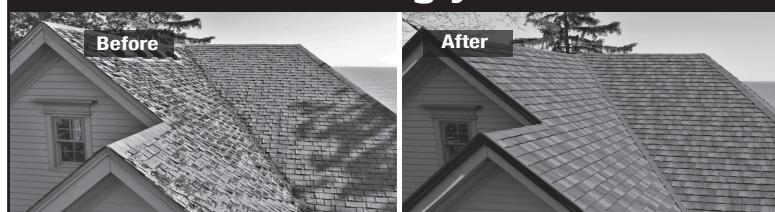
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- LEGAL: What kind of legislative body is bicameral?
- FOOD & DRINK: What is the main ingredient in guacamole?
- LITERATURE: In "The Night Before Christmas" poem, how many reindeer does Santa Claus have?
- CHEMISTRY: Which chemical element's symbol is C?
- HISTORY: Who is the first female chancellor of Germany?
- MUSIC: Which female French singer had a hit song with "La Vie en Rose"?
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Neighborhood centers install 'Naloxboxes'

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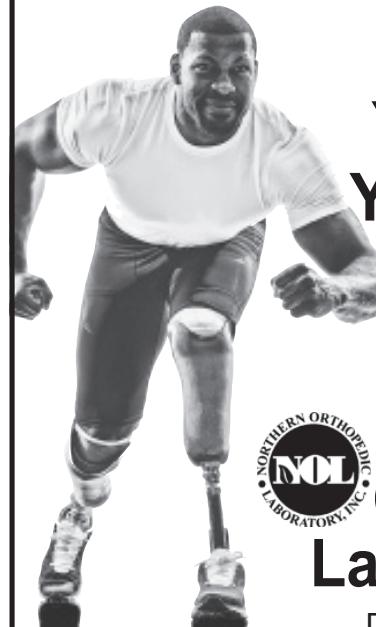
Boxes were placed in the Neighborhood Centers in Potsdam, Canton, Parishville, Pierrepont, Colton, and Massena.

These installations will provide each community with safe access to eight doses of Narcan, a life-saving medication for opioid emergencies.

NAHEC points to a Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP) grant for the opportunity to extend these services across St. Lawrence County Schools.

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With a combination of education and helpful guidance, Samaritan Healthy Lifestyles can support each individual as they make changes that, little by little, can lead to big results

**'Weight loss success
can be as simple as
having the right tools.
With this segment of our
Healthy Lifestyles
program, we try to
provide as many tools as
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of each enrollee.**

Teresa Intorcia
Registered Dietitian Nutritionist

- diabetes
- Celiac disease
- eating disorders
- heart disease
- lipid/cholesterol
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- tube-feeding
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"With this segment of our Healthy Lifestyles program, we try to provide as many tools as possible, all to help with the individualized needs of each enrollee."

Led by a team of nutrition and weight loss professionals, enrollees can learn how to:

- develop healthy eating habits
- make a menu within a budget
- shop smart at the supermarket
- get energized with exercise
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Interested applicants should contact

Ruth Fishbeck, CEO,
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First Presbyterian Church CHURCH CHOIR DIRECTOR / ORGANIST

Position Summary:
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If interested please contact the church office at clergyopc@gmail.com for a complete job description and application for more information.

Deadline for applications is
January 17, 2024.

of evidence-based prevention programs. Review of applications and interviews begin immediately, until position is filled. For complete details, visit: www.MassenaPAL.com/careers_EOE

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Potsdam Specialty Paper, Inc. is looking for a Compliance Manager to handle Environmental and Quality. Duties not limited to: Solicit necessary information on raw materials and respond to customer product stewardship inquiries. Acquire environ-

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Cornell Cooperative Extension St. Lawrence County After School Educator 21st Century Program

Deadline to Apply: January 17, 2023

POSITION SUMMARY:

This position will serve as an After-School Program Educator for Cornell Cooperative Extension Association of St. Lawrence County in support of the 21st Century After School Program, and will provide comprehensive 4-H youth development opportunities for youth in grades K-8 in the Parishville- Hopkinton Central School District, Edwards-Knox Central School District, Hermon-Dekalb Central School District or Colton-Pierrepont Central School District. This position will provide established guidance and direction for program participants and after-school activities, including club and life skills, as well as assisting the collaborating teachers during the academic study portion of the program. This position will provide instruction utilizing established 4-H curriculum in the areas of, but not limited to: STEAM, environmental science, natural resources, community service, life skills development, and agriculture. This position will utilize existing program resources and materials in program work, assist in the creation of program lesson plans, utilize a variety of delivery methods and assist in delivering established innovative educational programs as assigned.

Required Qualifications:

- Associate's Degree in child development, recreation, related field or equivalent education (GED/High School Diploma and 2 year transferrable/program experience).
- Experience relevant to the role of the position.
- Valid NYS Driver's License and the ability to meet travel requirements associated with this position.
- Ability to meet acceptable background check standards (DMV and criminal background checks).
- Ability to meet all School Age Child Care (SACC) and Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) licensing requirements (i.e. Tuberculosis Test, physical exam, training requirements).
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POSITION SUMMARY:

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REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Specify required minimum equivalency for education, experience, skills, information systems knowledge, etc.
- Associate's Degree or equivalent education (GED/High School Diploma and 1 year transferable/program experience).
 - Experience is relevant to the role of the position.
 - Ability to meet travel requirements associated with this position, including valid NYS driver's license.
 - Ability to meet acceptable background check standards (DMV and criminal background checks).
 - Ability to meet all School Age Child Care (SACC) and Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) licensing requirements (i.e. Tuberculosis Test, physical exam, background check, and training requirements).
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Must be employed by NYS for at least
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- (1) Library Media Specialist
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Salary range \$57-\$60/hr. Paid CME and competitive benefits. Send resume to Ruth Fishbeck, CEO, Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley, PO Box 510, Potsdam NY 13676. Email: rfishbeck@hospiceslv.org.

**BRUSHTON-MOIRA CENTRAL SCHOOL
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

Brushton-Moira Central School District (EO/AAE) is currently accepting applications for the 2023-24 School Year for the following positions:

- (2) School Counselor or School Psychologist
- 7.75-hour Bus Driver/Monitor/Laborer
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- 8-hour Cleaner/ Food Service Helper

Applications can be found at

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Individuals should submit a letter of intent, resume, application, transcripts and certification (if applicable), and 3 letters of recommendation to:

Brushton-Moira Central School, Attn: District Office,
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To review job requirements and essential functions of the job, required and preferred qualifications, and/or apply visit
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Position is open until filled. EOE



Alumni Events Coordinator

College Advancement is accepting on-line applications for an **Alumni Events Coordinator (Staff Associate)** to join a team of dedicated professionals tasked with engaging members of the SUNY Potsdam family. This 10-month position is responsible for coordinating all regional, local, and virtual alumni events, including management of regional alumni volunteers, planning and implementation of the College's annual Reunion celebration, and electronic communications to alumni which includes social media, email, and website updates.

The successful candidate will bring exceptional interpersonal, organizational, and writing skills; flexibility, professionalism, and capability to manage multiple events, projects, and deadlines.

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