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'Not all heroes wear capes, but this one was wearing a mask,' said photographer Sara Lynch of Potsdam. She said this anonymous person was riding around on a tractor in the village on Sunday, Jan. 14, helping clear peoples' driveways after a storm. 'Their effort was greatly appreciated,' she said.

Potsdam sets stage for new year

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM -- The Potsdam town board has approved several annual appointments, set salaries, designated its official newspapers and took care of other yearly policy measures.

The board convened for its annual reorganizational meeting Jan. 9 and passed a number of house-keeping resolutions.

Newly elected Town Supervisor Marty Miller

made the following appointments at the meeting:

- Supervisor's bookkeeper, Morgan Simons
- Confidential secretary, Chastity Baxter
- Board audit committees, council members Allyssa Hardiman and Dave Sanford, and Lynn Hall and Christine Paige
- Climate Smart Committee, council members Hall and Paige
- Discrimination/Harassment Committee –

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Pinckney set to fill vacancy on Canton Board of Trustees

BY PAUL MITCHELL
North Country This Week

CANTON – The vacant seat on the Canton Village Board will be filled Wednesday night.

Village leaders will welcome Jonathan Pinckney to the board table at its monthly meeting.

Mayor Michael Dalton confirmed the appointment, saying Pinckney will bring a youthful and positive approach to village government.

"I wanted someone younger who can bring a different perspective to the board and Jon fills in what I was looking for," stated Dalton. "He is a businessman who has done a lot of things for the community."

He's excited to get involved and learn. I am pleased to have him and I'm looking for good things from him."

Pinckney, 28, said he is excited to be a village trustee and continue to strive to improve the quality of life in his hometown.

"I am honored to accept this appointment to the Village Board from Mayor Dalton and am looking forward to bringing a younger dynamic to the board of trustees," Pinckney said. "Born and raised in Canton, being an active member of the community has always been a way of life for me."

Pinckney, a Republican, recently relocated to Canton from the Syracuse area. He has been an active member of the Canton Fire Department and long-time advocate for the Boy Scouts of America. He is also a past

chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeal for the Town of Canton.

"My public service and business experience will be beneficial in making the right decisions for the current and future citizens of Canton," he remarked.

"I have always been a lifelong learner and will always do my best to educate myself on crucial topics that arise. I look forward to serving out this term and thank you to the board and community for their support."

Pinckney is filling the board vacancy left by Klaus Proemm who stepped down Nov. 30, 2023. Proemm had two years remaining in his current term. Pinckney, if interested in staying on the board, will have to run in this November's election, according to the St. Lawrence County Board of Elections.



Jonathan Pinckney

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Town seeks more intervenor funding to address solar project issues

BY PAUL MITCHELL

North Country This Week

CANTON – The Town of Canton is seeking additional intervenor funds for work associated with the application process of EDF Renewables' 240-megawatt solar project on the Rich Road.

At Wednesday night's monthly meeting, town leaders agreed to seek more intervenor funds disbursed by the New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES).

The town and village each received \$90,000 in intervenor funds in June.

The town's solar attorney, William Buchan, encouraged the board to apply for the intervenor money.

"There is flexibility in how the funds are allocated and there's still additional funds available," said Buchan. "I would certainly support a request for additional funds, either now or in the future. From my standpoint, it's a good

idea."

He said that once ORES approves the complete EDF Renewables application and a draft permit is published, a 60-day municipal compliance time clock starts.

The 60-day window will give the town and Buchan time to draft a statement to determine items in the proposed permitting would be allowed under the existing town regulations.

"There is a fair amount of work to be done," said Buchan, alluding mainly to the solar project's battery storage facility. "We as a community have much different views on the risks of battery storage than the state's viewpoint. The governor has already said in public they are safe."

"We have to look at the state's position before we advocate. I am doing my best to produce documents in my quarterly reports," said Buchan, reiterating the intervenor funds. "I think we can shake loose some of the funds ORES has

promised."

Town Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley said the original \$90,000 in intervenor funds is being used to pay Buchan, town attorney Eric Gustafson, and the town's consulting firm Barton and Loguidice.

EDF Renewables recently received word that the New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES) has issued a notice of completion to EDF Renewables' Rich Road project application.

With that, according to the town's solar attorney William M. Buchan, changes to the proposed zoning law will not apply to EDF.

The zoning law, that still needs to be passed by the town board, includes wording to regulate battery storage facilities, which is part of EDF's Rich Road project.

"We intend to fully participate in the ORES permitting process as it moves forward. As the permit application is considered by ORES, we will continue to advocate the interests of the Canton community and to contribute to

the creation of a complete record before the permitting authority," said Buchan.

Addressing the town board earlier this month, Buchan voiced his displeasure with the state's stance of battery storage safety.

Buchan also noted that the village has focused efforts on issues of responding to a potential battery storage fire, including input from area fire departments and first responders.

"The group had a meeting and circulated a letter to determine what are our concerns about battery storage. I would sum that up as: I hope that doesn't burn. If it does, there is nothing that can be done about it," said Buchan. "What about the smoke? What about the water? What about the waste that comes off the fire?"

"The state has apparently determined that the fire and the fumes and the smoke are not an issue. That the batteries are safe and unlikely to burn in the first place. That our fire departments are

perfectly adequate to respond. I've already drafted a letter point by point saying that we disagree with all of those determinations, and we would like to study the issues ourselves. What happens to the water when pouring it on the fire? And isn't there better battery technology out there than something that's going to burn uncontrollably for days."

"My own personal belief and hope is that the transportation sector will generate better battery technology and before this is said and done, there will be a permit condition that says you have to use the best available technology to store your energy, whatever that may be. That's essentially what I believe we should be advocating. Whether or not we'll be successful at that."

"The hill just got a lot steeper when the State has come out and pronounced it safe. So, it's disappointing that that would happen, but I can't say that I am surprised," Buchan remarked.

Canton police seek help to locate missing teen

CANTON – Canton police are asking the public to search their property and surveillance cameras for any information that may help police find an individual last seen in the Village of Canton on Wednesday night, Jan. 10.

The Canton Police Department is asking the public for assistance. Abiu Valasquez was last seen Wednesday evening at approximately 9:30 pm in the Village.

Police said Valasquez is not wanted in connection with any criminal matter, he is simply missing and he might be in danger due to the recent snow and cold temperatures.

Valasquez was believed to last be seen on several surveillance cameras walking on Riverside Drive and he may have continued walking out of the village onto County Route 27 towards Morley.

Law enforcement, including the Canton Police Department, The St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Department, the NYS DEC, the NYS State Forest Rangers, the New York State Police, the St. Lawrence County Probation Department, Canton Fire Department and the Parishville Fire Department have been and continue to check the riverbanks, fields, wooded areas, back yards, etc., as well as going door to door at various village and town of Canton residences.

He was last seen wearing a brown coat/hoodie, a gray T-shirt and blue jeans. He is 5'7" tall and weighs 150 lbs.

Police are asking the public to check their own property, including outbuildings, under porches and decks and especially personally owned surveillance cameras for anything that might be helpful.

If anything is located, immediately contact the Canton Police Department at (315) 386-4561 or call 911.

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This tree near Canal and Market streets in Potsdam was knocked down during last night's wind storm. The winter storm knocked out power to over 10,000 homes, canceled and delayed school for many districts and caused trees, limbs and other unsecured objects to be blown all over. .

Paul Mitchell | NCTW

Wind storm knocks out power for 10,000 in SLC

More than 10,000 residents lost power last week following a wintry wind storm that toppled trees, ripped shingles off roofs and caused a number of accidents in St. Lawrence County.

Power outages were reported in every community in the county, as well as nearby counties.

The storm, which began Jan. 9, included high winds and snow.

The hardest hit area appeared to be the center portion of the county with river towns not receiving quite as much damage from the storm, but powerlines, trees and limbs were down in nearly all parts of the county, according to reports.

State police reports show they were busy assisting people with

disabled vehicles and accidents Tuesday evening and early Wednesday morning. There were also reports of attempts to locate people.

During the storm witnesses reported seeing multiple down trees on back roads as well as damaged roofs and lawn furniture and debris blown about.

People started losing power late Tuesday evening and into the morning hours as winds intensified.

Many fire departments reported being out clearing trees, and assisting local residents in a variety of ways following calls to the station.

A quick melt left a number of people with flooded basements as well.

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DEC responds to diesel fuel spill at Stewart's

POTSDAM -- A diesel fuel spill last Thursday (Jan. 4) at the Maple Street Stewart's Shop did not make it into the river, DEC said.

The spill occurred after an unattended fuel pump hose apparently fell out of a vehicle being refilled,

According to Nance Arquett, DEC public information officer, the spill was about 15 gallons of diesel. Arquett said DEC Environ-

mental Conservation Police Officers (ECOs) and Spills Response Experts responded to the spill.

The estimated 15 gallons of diesel fuel was released from the unattended pump, spread onto the pavement, and ran into two nearby storm drains.

The diesel did not make it across the street to the outlet into the Raquette River, DEC reported.

Diesel was contained on pavement and in the storm drains and there is no anticipated impact to public health or the environment, DEC said.

Village DPW crews were requested at the scene to provide sand which was used to create a berm in an attempt to contain the fuel, Village Administrator Greg Thompson said.

Silas Wright House closed through Feb. 29

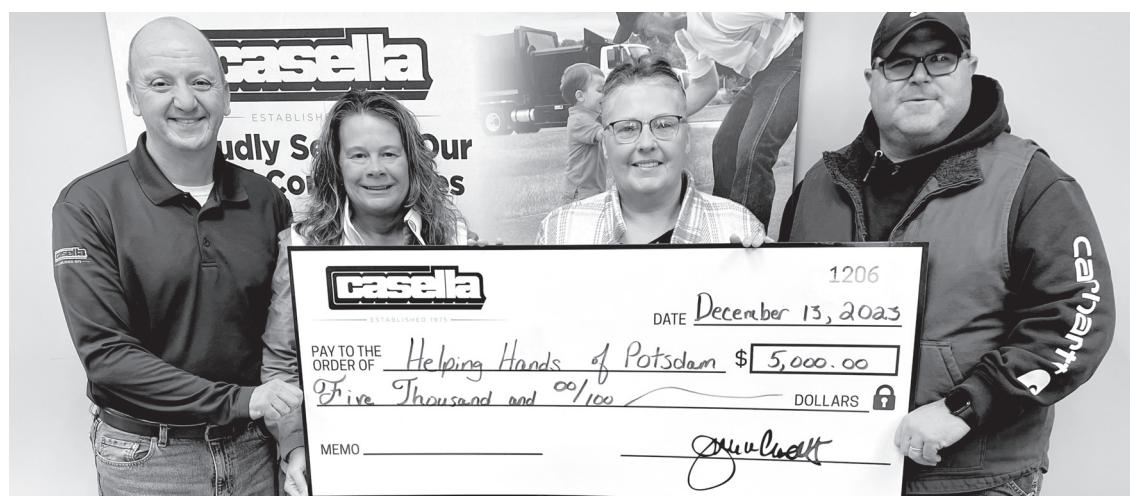
CANTON – The Silas Wright House, Museum, and Research Room will remain closed through Feb. 29 but will be available by appointment Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

To schedule an appointment for a museum visit or research, please contact carlene@slcha.org or call

(315) 386-8133.

On March 1, SLCHA will resume regular business hours of Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There is a \$5 suggested donation.



Pictured: Casella Market Area Manager, Bill Meyers; Casella Territory Sales Representative, Helen Sullivan; Helping Hands Executive Director, Tamie Sauve; Helping Hands Golf Tournament Committee Member, Kevin Talcott

Casella Named Premier Sponsor Golf Event

Helping Hands of Potsdam reports that Casella Waste Systems, Inc. will be the premier sponsor for the Cindy Talcott Memorial Golf Tournament slated for July 20, 2024. Casella's contribution of \$5000 sets the bar in support of Helping Hands' most important annual fundraiser.

"Casella is honored to continue its partnership with Helping Hands and couldn't be more excited to make this donation in support of its annual fundraiser," said Market Manager Bill Meyers. "Helping Hands provides critical services of need in supporting the people within our communities who need them the most. We look forward to the upcoming Golf Tournament and, most importantly, our continued relationship with Helping Hands into the future."

Casella has a long-standing history of providing ongoing support and services to non-profits in the North Country through philanthropic endeavors and in-kind service donations. Helping Hands said the company provides waste removal services routinely at no cost, making a huge impact on the organization's bottom line.

ABOUT HELPING HANDS

Helping Hands, located at the corner of Church Street and Route 56 in Hannawa Falls, provides assistance to many in our region. Through the work of Helping Hands, friends and neighbors in our community gain access to food, heat, furniture, utilities, guidance, and prayer.

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SLC Legislature designates NCTW as official newspaper for local law notices

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

CANTON -- North Country This Week has been designated an official newspaper by the St. Lawrence County Legislature for the purpose of publishing local law notices and other matters required by law to be published.

County legislators approved the resolution during the Jan. 2 meeting.

OBITUARIES

Kathleen Hubbard, 76

Potsdam

POTSDAM -- Kathleen Hubbard, 76, of Potsdam, NY died peacefully on January 5, 2024, with her husband and daughter by her side at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, MA from complications of congestive heart failure.

Entering this world on March 11, 1947, and originally from Baldwin, NY, Kathy was born the youngest of three children to James and Catherine Boyd.

After graduating from Baldwin High School in 1965, she attended college at the Crane School of Music.

She met her future husband at a summer resort in the Catskills and married in 1968.

In 1972, she and her family settled in Potsdam where she was hired as the grade 7-12 general and choral music teacher at Madrid-Waddington Central School until her retirement in 2006.

During that time, Kathy touched the lives of countless students through her dedication, enthusiasm, and love for teaching and learning. Alumni and colleagues



Kathleen Hubbard

will recall "Stardust", the pop/jazz choral group she founded, student-led guitar classes, and the major role she played in facilitating yearly productions of high school musicals.

She was very involved with New York State United Teachers (NYSUT) and served as president of the dis-

trict's organization for many years.

During her time working, she attended St. Lawrence University and earned a degree in educational administration in 1994.

Driven by a desire to keep teaching after public school retirement, she was employed at the Crane School of Music as an adjunct faculty member of the music education department until 2017.

Kathy was an artist in every sense of the word and loved to learn. She fondly recalled her time

under New York State law, the county is required to designate at least two newspapers for publishing such notices, officials say.

Legislators also designated Johnson Newspapers and the Gouverneur Tribune Press as official newspapers.

Under state law, the designation is to take into consideration two major political parties.

This is the third year in a row NCTW has been designated an

official newspaper, after legislators moved to a model to designate all three papers for both political parties.

Under the old model, the Republicans simply rotated between all of the papers in the county on an annual basis, while the Democrats always kept the Watertown Daily Times.

In 2022, legislators scrapped the rotation model.

The issue was tabled multiple

times but moved forward Feb. 7, 2022 when now Chairman David Forsythe first proposed a resolution to designate three official newspapers, two for Republicans and one for Democrats.

With the amendment, North Country This Week and the Gouverneur Tribune were originally to be designated the Republican papers, while the Johnson Newspapers Company, which publishes the

Watertown Daily Times, Courier Observer and Ogdensburg Journal, keeps the Democratic designation.

After the amendment was proposed, Legislator Nicole Terminelli asked if both parties could just designate all three papers as official newspapers to depoliticize the process, to which County Attorney Steve Button said they could.

Legislator Jim Reagan, who is a former managing editor of the Ogdensburg Journal, said at the time he was pleased with the outcome as he had been pushing for a change that better served the public interest for months.

"Our interest as county legislators ought to be getting our advertising in front of as many sets of eyes as we can," he said in 2022.

Reagan said the new designation ensured near total coverage of the county and helps the county achieve its goal of transparency.

"By supporting Mr. Forsythe's resolution we'll be doing a service to everyone in the county," he previously said.

Gun charge in Potsdam

POTSDAM -- Two Vermont residents were charged with felony weapon possession Thursday following a traffic stop on Maple Street, according to St. Lawrence County sheriff's deputies.

Deputies said they charged Hans C. Gill, 36, and Tiffany L. Mills, 30, both of Enosburg, Vermont, with second-degree criminal possession of a weapon.

A hand search of the vehicle reportedly turned up a loaded Glock 48 handgun.

Neither subject was legally permitted to possess a firearm in NYS, officers said.

Both were released on their own recognizance, deputies said.

Janet A. Reynolds, 93

Massena

MASSENA -- Janet A. Reynolds, age 93, passed away on Thursday, January 11, 2024, at Groton Community Health Care Center in Groton, NY.

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

There will be no public calling hours.

Graveside services will take place in Ogdensburg Cemetery at the convenience of the family in the spring.

Janet was born on November 28, 1930, in Alburgh, VT, the daughter of the late Lyndhurst and Helen (Fiftey) Oliver.

She was employed at Bell Telephone Company as a switchboard operator, prior to becoming a full-time loving housewife and mother.

Janet is survived by her two sons, Rick and wife, Sharon of Massena, NY and Bill and wife, Ann of Cortland, NY, along with her three granddaughters; Tara, Leslie and Emily, great-grandchildren; Ava, Lukas and Rebel.

In addition to her parents Janet was predeceased by her husband Chester Reynolds and a sister Joyce Bernier.

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

RECENT DEATHS

LESLIE HAGGETT, 76, Norwood. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Norwood.

JUDE FOLK, 77, Rensselaer Falls, Jan. 4. Arrangements with O'Leary Funeral Home, Canton.

KATHLEEN HUBBARD, 76, Potsdam, Jan. 5.

CHRISTINA DENT, 56, Canton, Jan. 6. Arrangements with O'Leary Funeral Service, Canton.

DIANA CASWELL, 72, Canton, Jan. 9. Arrangements with Lawrence Funeral Home, Canton.

THOMAS FRANK, SR., 74, Canton, Jan. 10. Arrangements with Lawrence Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Canton.

JANE CLAFFEY, 88, Lake Placid, Jan. 11. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Norwood.

JANET REYNOLDS, 93, Massena,

na, Jan. 11. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

JACKIE TRACY, 68, West Stockholm, Jan. 13. Arrangements with Donaldson-Seymour Home, Potsdam.

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Senators Stec and Walczyk call on state to address northern border crisis

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- Illegal border crossings rose over 550% in the Swanton Sector, which encompasses the entire north country, and state representatives want Governor Kathy Hochul to provide more resources to stem the tide.

North Border Crossings

According to U.S. Border Patrol officials, Border Patrol agents apprehended 1,850 subjects from 43 different countries in October and November 2023 alone. Those figures surpassed the number of apprehensions in fiscal year 2021 and 2022 combined, officials say.

In total, migrants from 79 different countries were caught in the Swanton Sector in 2023, officials say.

Though the numbers are nowhere near those seen on the southern border, Senators Dan Stec, Joe Griffio and Mark Walczyk submitted a letter to Hochul to request state resources to combat the rising numbers.

The three senators raised a number of concerns regarding the number of migrants entering the country illegally from Canada, saying policies need to be addressed.

"We are not insensitive to people fleeing oppression and seeking a better life elsewhere and recognize that federal immigration policies need to be addressed, strengthened and revised to ensure that those entering our country do so legally and properly," the senators wrote.

"However, we believe that it is imperative that New York take whatever actions are necessary to ensure that its residents, families and communities are protected and that its border is secure."

The senators spoke to the issues agents are having on the northern border, which encompasses roughly 295 miles across New Hampshire, Vermont and New York, saying there were more migrants caught crossing in 2023 than there had been in the previous 10 years combined.

Border protection is largely a federal issue, however the senators requested assistance from state law enforcement in the letter.

"Reports such as this highlight the need for further action from your administration, and we ask that you examine and consider all options that may currently be available to address this issue. This can include additional funding for increased state and local law enforcement patrols along the border as has been done recently in New Hampshire and further collaboration with local, state and federal partners," they wrote.

St. Lawrence County Responds

In St. Lawrence County, legislators have continued to extend a state of emergency revolving around the migrant crisis.

The extension now means the state of emergency will run until at least February 4, at which time county officials will once again assess the ongoing situation and decide whether to extend the state of emergency for an additional 30 days.

County officials have said in the past that the state of emergency was put in place to address concerns surrounding the ongoing migrant crisis in the state.

St. Lawrence County shares 75 miles with Canada, which some officials say poses a risk of migrants crossing to seek shelter in the state.

County officials say St. Lawrence County consistently ranks in the state's top ten most impoverished counties in the state, saying the county is "ill-equipped" to meet the potential needs of migrants.

Massena Hotel Considered

Much of the attention on the border crisis revolves around the thousands of migrants apprehended

every day on the southern border but with Texas Governor Greg Abbott bussing migrants into New York City every day, state officials are looking for solutions. To date, well over 110,000 migrants have been shipped to New York City, despite city and state officials saying there are nowhere near enough resources to care for them.

New York City Mayor Eric Adams has made numerous requests to Hochul in the last year, including permission to send migrants to upstate communities.

That move prompted over 20 counties to pass resolutions that would make it illegal for private business owners like hotel and motel owners to house the migrants in exchange for financial assistance from the state. In response, lawsuits have been filed to contest the county restrictions, many of which are still playing out in court.

One such instance arose in Massena, when Gary Melius, owner of the Quality Inn Hotel in downtown Massena, attempted to lobby state officials and New York City Mayor Eric Adams to house migrants at the struggling hotel.

There was only one catch. Melius was behind on his tax payments and owed over \$385,000 to the county. Though that was averted, the back taxes were paid by the lien holder, according to St. Lawrence County Attorney Steve Button.

Local officials in Massena shot down the idea of housing migrants at the hotel, citing code regulations that would disallow the property from even being considered.

Massena Mayor Greg Paquin and Town Supervisor Sue Bellor both spoke to the situation, saying the state had "not done their research" and should go back to the drawing board.

"We would all be setup for failure. The migrants and village both would be set up for failure and I think the state knows that," Paquin said.

Bellor also spoke to the situation previously, saying the extensive needs of the migrants make it nearly impossible to care for them properly in Massena.

"While I understand that the migrants are in a challenging situation in the large cities, how will the situation be improved in a small village in a small town without any municipal transportation and with limited healthcare," Bellor asked.

Massena Airport on DOH List

Just two weeks after that news broke, Massena was once again in the cross hairs of Adams and city officials.

Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas provided Adams with a list of 11 potential sites to house asylum seekers last August, a list that included Massena International Airport.

The inclusion of the airport drew the ire of local, state and federal representatives who called on the city to address the migrant crisis by other means.

Bellor previously told NCTW that town officials were completely in the dark when the news broke.

"We have not been communicated with in any way. We have yet to hear anything from state officials regarding the situation. It makes me wonder if they have done their due diligence and actually researched what the airport has to offer. There certainly are no living quarters or housing options there," Bellor said.

The move by Adams to circumvent Hochul and appeal directly to federal officials came into direct conflict with Hochul's approach of trying to contain migrants in the five boroughs of New York City.

"We cannot and will not force other parts of our state to shelter migrants," Hochul said late last year.

It remains to be seen whether the governor will take direct action on the migrant crisis, however state officials say Hochul will cover the topic in her third star of the state address on Jan. 9.

Potsdam village parking ban returns due to snow removal

POTSDAM -- With winter now in full swing, the Potsdam Village Police Department is reminding residents about snow removal operations in public lots.

Each lot has one day a week where parking is prohibited from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for snow removal and clean up, said a post on the police department's Facebook page.

Signs in each lot clearly state the days and times, which are:

Tuesday- Raymond Street Lot
Wednesday - Main Street Lot
Thursday - Island Street parking lot
and Munson Street parking lot
Snow removal operations began Jan. 9.

"Please help spread the word to allow our Public Works Department a chance to keep our lots clear and safe, and avoid unpleasant tickets and towing," the department's post said.



Greg Locke | Submitted

Buck stops here

This white-tailed deer is slowly turning all white during this weekend's snow storm.

Committee assignments okayed

BY PAUL MITCHELL
North Country This Week

CANTON – The 2024 committee assignments were finalized at the Canton Town Board's organizational meeting on Jan. 4.

The following council members will sit on the following committees:

Audit: Bob Santamoor and Jim Smith on odd months; John Taillon and Randy Brown on even months.

Broadband: John Taillon.

Municipal Building: Town Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley and John Taillon.

Code/Planning/Solar: Jim Smith and Bob Santamoor.

Economic Development (both town and village): Bob Santamoor and Randy Brown.

Highway: Jim Smith and John Taillon.

Insurance: Mary Ann Ashley and Bob Santamoor.

Justice: Randy Brown and John Taillon.

Negotiations: Mary Ann Ashley and Jim Smith.

Policy: Mary Ann Ashley and Bob Santamoor.

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Felony burglary in Hermon

HERMON — A Hermon man was charged with burglary stemming from a complaint made to state police last November.

Timothy D. Aguirre, 43, was charged with third-degree burglary, felony, at 11:25 a.m., on Wednesday, officers said.

He was released on his own recognizance, police said.

Troopers previously charged Nikole R. Bloodgood, 34, Hermon, with felony burglary on Jan. 6 stemming from the same incident.

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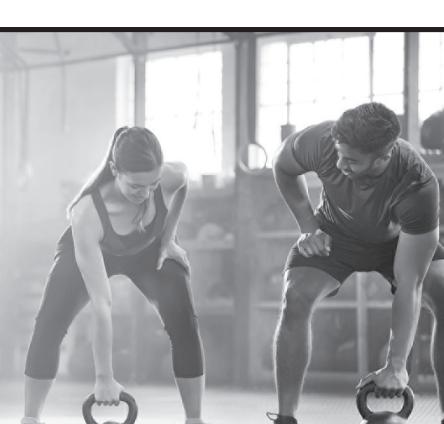
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Dawn Deon | Submitted

Tree topples in Hannawa Falls

Dawn M. Deon witnessed this storm damage around 10:20 p.m. Jan. 9 on State Highway 56 near Jake's on the Water in Hannawa Falls. National Grid reported more than 10,000 customers in St. Lawrence County lost due to high winds, combined with snow and rain, which also caused extensive damage throughout the county.

CDL training courses available

CANTON – CDL training courses for individuals employed at farms and ag businesses are now available thanks to federal funding.

Cornell Cooperative Extension of St Lawrence County recently received funding from the United States Department of Agriculture for a Rural Business Development Grant targeting workforce development training and education.

In partnership with the St Law-

rence County Industrial Development Agency, a CDL Training Program has been established that will sponsor 10 individuals from farms and ag businesses in St Lawrence County to complete an 8-to week CDL training course at SUNY Center for Renewable Energy and Sustainable Technologies.

For more info contact Kayla Gugin 315-379-9192 ext. 227.

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State reps react to State of the State address

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

While Democrats praised Governor Kathy Hochul following her State of the State address on Jan. 9, north country representatives were critical of numerous initiatives.

Senator Dan Stec was critical of the address, saying New Yorkers feel the state is heading in the wrong direction.

"Recent data indicated that we continue to lose residents to other states in record numbers. It's clear the status quo just isn't working and that a new direction is necessary. This year's State of the State Address was an opportunity for Governor Hochul to stake out a new course for New York, rein in the costly tax-and-spend policies that have caused our budget to escalate and businesses and families to leave. And while she acknowledged these issues, the overall vision she presented fails to meet the realities we face," Stec said.

Though Stec was critical of Hochul, he did note that he was encouraged by her approach to addressing literacy education across the state.

"Ensuring our children receive a quality education has always been a top priority of mine. I've heard regularly from our region's educators that an investment in literacy-building skills and development is essential. To that end, I'm encouraged by the governor's proposal to improve literacy in New York State and look forward to learning more about it in next week's budget proposal," he said.

Ultimately, Stec said the state needs to stem the tide of "outmigration."

"While the governor did acknowledge outmigration, her address did not provide the solutions necessary to reverse this trend and jumpstart our economy. Instead of outlining a plan to rein in our state's high tax-and-spend climate or create good-paying career opportunities for

our residents, the vision outlined by the governor in the State of the State address seem to only continue these negative trends," he said.

"But like they say, the devil is in the details. Next week is the governor's Executive Budget presentation. I look forward to seeing if and how these serious issues are addressed and how we can ensure the 2024 Legislative Session can best improve the lives of all New Yorkers," Stec concluded.

Assemblyman Scott Gray also offered some praise for Hochul, saying her ambitious plans to address crime were a step in the right direction.

"The governor has laid out an array of ambitious plans for the upcoming year. I support her eagerness to fight crime throughout the state, including retail theft, domestic violence, hate crimes and cutting down illicit activity regarding smoke shops. While addressing numerous vital areas, critical issues that affect all New Yorkers remain unaddressed, issues that have been sidelined for too long such as escalating spending, the migrant crisis and encroachment on local control with her housing plan and the proposal to shift local elections to even years," Gray said.

But Gray pointed to the growing state deficit as cause for concern as well.

"We are facing a nearly \$5 billion deficit so we need to be wary of promises and overspending that will end up emptying the pockets of every New Yorker. A primary objective should be reigning in excessive spending that deals with the budget gap, as the governor did not mention any measures to keep spending in check. We carry the responsibility not only to attend to the diverse needs of New Yorkers but also to address them in a prudent manner that ensures our state remains on a path toward economic prosperity while retaining its residents," he said.

Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush was more critical of Hochul, saying

her "talent for theatrics and giving all talk with no details" was "typical left-wing propaganda."

"Her inability to acknowledge the failed policies of Albany Democrats and attempting to champion expensive programs is reflective of her priorities. Ask yourself, why are we building million-dollar pools in New York City when hard-working families are struggling to keep the lights on? During the two years she and the Democrat Majority have been in office they did not create the 'healthier, safer and affordable New York' touted in her speech. They've created a culture of crime tolerance, overspending and false promises," said Blankenbush.

Congresswoman Elise Stefanik struck a similar tone, saying Hochul has left the state "in total disarray."

"Under her administration, New York State is seeing a mass exodus of residents who can no longer afford to call the Empire State their home. This past year, our state has endured record crime while seeing the indefensible decriminalization of crimes by Albany Democrats. New Yorkers have watched illegal immigrants be prioritized over American citizens, and their communities become unsafe overnight. While New Yorkers struggle to afford groceries due to Bidenflation, Kathy Hochul doubles down on their pain by committing to spending taxpayer dollars on ridiculous priorities like pools. Kathy Hochul's attack on our Second Amendment drove the country's oldest gun manufacturer out of our state, and her anti-business policies threaten to cost millions of New Yorkers their jobs. Corrupt Albany Democrats should be ashamed of the destruction of our state under their failed leadership. Thankfully, the New York Republican delegation in Congress is hard at work in congress, on behalf of hardworking New Yorkers and we will continue to do all we can to push back against the failed policies of Albany Democrats," Stefanik said in a statement.

Senior Citizen of the Year award nominees sought

The St. Lawrence County Office for the Aging is accepting nomi-

nations for the 2024 St. Lawrence County Senior Citizen of the Year Award.

If you know an exceptional senior giving back to his or her community, please nominate them.

For information and to receive nomination forms, please contact the Office for the Aging at (315) 386-4730 or visit our website: Office for the Aging | St. Lawrence County (stlawco.gov)

The deadline for nominations is Jan. 31.

The Office for the Aging pro-

vides service and advocacy for county residents 60 years and older. Programs and services include: Nutrition Centers and Home Delivered Meals; Home Care Services; Family Caregiver Support; Senior Community Service Employment Program; Medical Transportation; Legal Services; Health Insurance Information Counseling and Assistance. The Office's mission is to develop a service system specifically designed to best meet the social and human needs of the elderly.

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The benefits we expect may differ from the benefits we receive So long cigarettes, an update on not smoking

Months ago I wrote about my attempt to quit smoking cigarettes. It was near the end of summer and it was the most miserable of processes.

Bouts of anger, difficulty writing, near constant irritation, frequent confusion and a wide variety of anxiety and depression symptoms accompanied me on that journey.

Editor's Notebook

Jimmy Lawton



Fortunately, they've largely subsided.

During that time I was surprised to find that many of my friends and acquaintances had read that piece and had embarked on a similar journey themselves. It was not my intent to inspire nor persuade anyone to join me, but I'm hopeful that at least some are having luck on meeting their goals.

I'm glad to say that I've successfully kicked the habit, at least as much as any addict can say they have done so.

I didn't count the days nor do I care much about how much time has passed since my last cigarette,

but I know it's been months.

Despite the promises by doctors and the anti-tobacco gang, I can honestly say that tales of feeling better, healthier and saving tons of money have been greatly exaggerated in my experience.

I'll convey to you my honest report that I've seen no noticeable difference in my bank account and with the weight I've gained I feel more out of shape than I ever have. My body feels heavy and my ambitions toward physical activity have dwindled.

Frankly, I can't honestly say I've felt any benefits to my physical well-being, but I do know they exist.

I've seen what smoking can do to a person overtime and as a father I've come to recognize time as the most precious resource we have.

I hope my choice to quit does afford me more time with my family and friends in the long run.

My journey began with a pact made with my father, who has also quit smoking and I hope that choice keeps him with me longer as well.

Let me be clear though, that I'm not preaching to anyone here, I'm simply sharing my experience as there seemed to be enough interest in the subject to warrant an update.

Now that I've conveyed a rather bleak picture about my journey, I can say there have been unexpected benefits that I experienced, but did

not immediately recognize.

During the height of withdrawal symptoms I sought ways to busy my hands and my mind and in that time I did greatly improve my ability to play guitar. I've delved into a few more novels I'd have otherwise skipped and perhaps best of all I came to realize I had already gained back some of that most precious

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resource.

I've gained time with my kids that was once spent out on the porch and oftentimes interrupted play. This weekend we celebrated my son's 5th birthday with a road trip to a splash pad and arcade.

I did not have to stop multiple times to smoke on the way there.

I did not have to leave the hotel room to get a cigarette in before or after my meals and I didn't have to deal with cigarette withdrawals during my white-knuckled drive through a whiteout on the way home.

I am certain that my son's birth-

day trip was much better without cigarettes interrupting our fun or having an ill impact on my mood as cravings cycles rolled around.

As is often the case I've come to discover that the benefits we expect aren't always the ones we end up with, but that doesn't mean they aren't there.

So there you have it folks, that's where I'm at on my journey and I hope you're having at least as much success on yours.

Thanks for reading.

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Keep parking meters clear

If the village of Potsdam is going to be giving out parking tickets this winter, and expecting people to put money in the meters, then the least the village can do is clear the snow banks from around all the meters.

If the meters are not accessible for the average person, then how does someone who is disabled, on crutches, or otherwise struggling with walking, climb over the mounds of packed snow to get to the meters.

If the village is so intent on getting money from the parking meters, then the village needs to spend the money to keep the parking meters cleared of snow and ice throughout the winter season. It's the least the village can do to be decent to the people coming to town to shop, visit their favorite food places, and spend tax dollars that help the village.

If the village wants to discourage people from visiting Potsdam; giving parking tickets at inaccessible meters is the way to do it.

It's time to rethink the village's parking meter practices. You can do better, Potsdam.

Gerard Monnat
Stockholm

County snowmobilers thank landowners

I am writing to thank all the generous landowners that make snowmobiling in St Lawrence County feasible. Without landowners allowing the trails across their land, we would not have these great trails. Snowmobilers really get a chance to see the beauty of our area with

trails winding through woods and across open fields from the river valley to the Adirondacks.

The St Lawrence County Snowmobile Association Eight Clubs get permission from the landowners for the trails to cross their property, set up the trails with markers and maintain the trails with grooming. They put in a huge effort to keep the trails in good shape.

For me, I have been riding St Lawrence County Trails for 33 years and it is great to be able to hit the trails from home. We all see snowmobiles on trailers heading up north and it is great having the ability to ride right here in St Lawrence County and not having to trailer our sleds for hours to ride.

That is all because of landowners willing to let the trails cross their property and SLCSA Clubs doing the work of building and maintaining these trails. I think I can speak for all snowmobile riders to give a great big Thank You to the landowners.

Deb Christy

President, St Lawrence County Snowmobile Association

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Healthy food choices needed

A December 2023 article published in the Journal of Alzheimer's Disease titled Diet has a major impact on risk of Alzheimer's Disease states that in the U.S. "Alzheimer's disease rates are projected to increase 50% from 2018 levels by 2038." The authors attribute this significant rate increase to consumption of meats and ultra processed foods.

The article states that "meat raised risk of dementia the most." Meat consumption increased dementia risk factors such as saturated fat, inflammation, insulin resistance, and oxidative stress.

Ultra processed foods consumption is associated with increased risk of both obesity and diabetes, which are risk factors for Alzheimer's. Ultra processed foods tend to be less filling,

nutritionally inferior, high in calories, and low in fiber. They include artificial colors and preservatives, trans fats, sugar, refined grains, and partially hydrogenated vegetable oils.

Ultra processed foods include ice cream, breakfast cereals, processed meats, energy drinks, many ready-to-heat products, margarine, soda, fruit drinks, and mass-produced breads, buns, cakes and pastries, etc.

Foods "such as green leafy vegetables, colorful fruits and vegetables, legumes (like beans), nuts, omega-3 fatty acids, and whole grains" were protective against Alzheimer's. These foods are "all important sources of vitamins, minerals, fiber, and antioxidants, which are essential for optimal health."

Alzheimer's articles within the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine website state:

"The Chicago Health and Aging

Study reported that individuals with the most saturated fat in their diets had more than three times the risk of developing Alzheimer's disease when compared to those who generally avoided these fats."

Alzheimer's risk "is greater in people who consume high amounts of cholesterol, saturated fat, and excess calories and low amounts of fiber, vegetables and fruits. Sources of saturated fat and cholesterol include red meat, chicken, fish, dairy products, and eggs. Saturated fats are associated with the production of plaques within the brain." Michael Greger, M.D., FACLM stated that Alzheimer's is one of the leading causes of death in the United States and that up to half of these cases may have been preventable through lifestyle changes.

Peer reviewed literature suggests that consumption of animal products and ultra processed foods are associated with various cancers and increases in all-cause mortality.

Our local grocery stores are over-supplied with unhealthy animal products and ultra processed foods, and undersupplied with a variety of nutrient rich whole plant foods. Our local communities deserve healthy food choices at competitive prices.

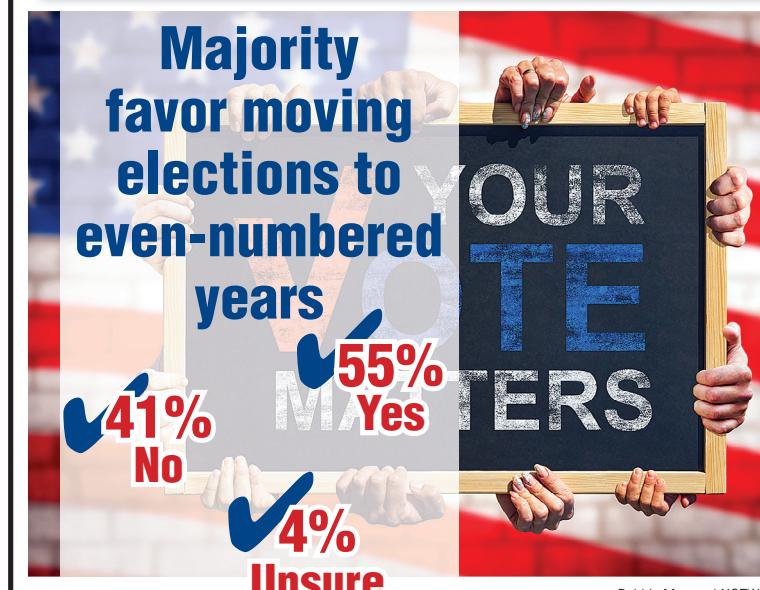
Randy Johnston
Potsdam

Keep in mind our children

I was in a hurry, rushing to a store in Hannawa Falls before I needed to get back to the office. Of course, a school bus filled with Kindergartners was just heading out the Back Hannawa Road, the very same route I was taking. "Damn!" I thought, knowing that ahead there were few opportunities to pass. "I don't have time for this!" But then, as the bus halted and the first little guy got off at his stop, his dad waiting to gather him in, I watched and began to smile, thinking, "Beautiful!" The bus continued on its way, making another 3 stops before turning onto a side road.

And at each of those stops, I saw some fresh-faced smiling tyke, bounding off of the bus, running towards a waiting parent's open arms. By the time I'd reached Hannawa Falls, I simply couldn't stop smiling.

Driving back, I reflected on my own experience as a father and how grateful I am for having had the opportunity to raise my own two sons. One is getting married very soon and I'm hopeful that he and his wife-to-be will be able to experience the awesome privilege that parenting can be. At times, it can be overwhelming and it is undoubtedly a lifetime commitment, but one hopefully filled with love, laughter and joy and yes, the occasional pain, sorrow and anger. But ultimately, we as parents are charged with the responsibility of caring for and guiding our children towards becoming loving, joyful, discerning and hopefully, compassionate and responsible adults, prepared to

NCNOW SURVEY

Debbie Morgan | NCTW

Last week's question:

Do you support moving a number of local elections to even-numbered years?

A NUMBER OF LOCAL elections will now be moving to even-numbered years after Governor Hochul signed legislation in hopes of boosting participation in those elections. The new law, which was signed around the Christmas holiday, moves the majority of town and county elections that were previously held during odd-numbered years to even-numbered 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 presiden-

tial election. That figure declined significantly in 2021, when local elections were held, to just 25%. Do you support moving a number of local elections to even-numbered years?

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: What inconveniences did you and your family experience during the wind storm?

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in mind: our children will be watching us and learning from us. What will we teach them as this year goes by: to fear and hate the "other," or to listen, hear and consider; to shout the "other" down, or to think carefully before speaking; to tell our children only what we want them to believe, or provide them with the tools needed to help them make their own way in today's increasingly complicated world. For the next 10 months and beyond, please, let's all keep in mind what a very, very wise man once said: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called the children of God."

Donald P.C. Borsh
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Kaet Moonberry | ACW photo submission

ACW's Executive Director Nathalie Thill stands on stage with all the storytellers at 2023's Howl Grand Slam at the Saranac Lake Town Hall.

Howl Grand Slam returns to SLU

CANTON -- The Adirondack Center for Writing (ACW) and North Country Public Radio (NCPR) will celebrate the end of the Howl Story Slam's seventh season with the Howl Grand Slam, held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 20, at St. Lawrence University.

The Howl Grand Slam brings together nine winning storytellers from 2023's Howl Story Slams to go head-to-head to be named the grand champion and receive a trophy. The lineup includes storytellers who were victorious in Plattsburgh, Morristown, Newcomb, Lake Placid, Brant Lake, Ticonderoga, Old Forge, Keene, Keeseville, Potsdam, Saratoga Springs and Tupper Lake. Admission is \$15 pre-sale and \$20 at the door. Tickets can be purchased now at adirondackcenterforwriting.org.

[org/event/the-howl-grand-slam-at-sl](http://adirondackcenterforwriting.org/event/the-howl-grand-slam-at-sl).

"The 2023 Howl season was exciting because we went to so many new communities—Morristown, Brant Lake, Ticonderoga, Keene—and each new venue was packed the same way it is at our mainstays like Tupper Lake, Lake Placid and Canton. It's thrilling to see storytellers who we met in bars in a very casual setting all have their stories honored on a stage as prestigious as the Gulick Theatre at St. Lawrence University," said Nathalie Thill, Executive Director at Adirondack Center for Writing.

The Grand Slam allows contestants to tell 8-minute stories, as opposed to the 5-minute limit of regular season story slams.

SEE HOWL ON XX.

Annual Frosty Fest Snowman Competition coming to Ives Park

POTSDAM — Come build a snow person or creature in Ives Park with your family or friends as a part of the fourth annual Frosty Fest Snowman Competition in Potsdam on January 27.

Free registration will open at 11:00 a.m. Judging begins at 12:30 p.m., and awards will be announced in the Ives Park Gazebo at 1:00 p.m.

Bring items from home to make your snow creation special.

Prizes will be awarded for Best in Show, People's Choice, Most Artistic, Most Comedic, and Most 'North Country.' There will be separate divisions for kids and adults.

The event will include free hot chocolate and cookies in the gazebo and s'mores around the campfire. Beverages will be donated by Jernia Coffeehouse.

A Winter Story Walk by the Potsdam Public Library will be offered for kids during the judging process.

Snow creatures will be lit up at night, so be sure to visit in the evening.

This event is sponsored by SLC Arts and the North Country Children's Museum, and by NCPR as a media sponsor.

If there is no snow, the event will be rescheduled for Saturday, Feb. 3, with the same schedule.



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Balsam Frosty creation, made by ADK Fragrance Farm, was one of many snow creations at the Frosty Fest Snowman competition last year.



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Exhibit reception

POTSDAM -- An opening reception for the 2024 Potsdam Town Hall Exhibit titled New Work for a New Year will be held Jan. 19 at 5 p.m. at the hall, 18 Elm St. The 2024 Potsdam Town Hall Exhibition Series is developed and curated by Sharon H.J. Cheng, an artist working with SLC Arts through the Creatives Rebuild New York grant program.

VFW fish fry

CANTON -- VFW Post 1231 Auxiliary, Gouverneur Street Canton, will host an in-house dining fish fry on Friday, January 19th from 4pm till 7pm. Price will be \$14.00 per dinner. Menu will consist of (breaded) deep fried fish or oven baked fish, macaroni & cheese or french-fries, coleslaw, roll, and dessert. Take outs will be available by calling Post @ 315-386-8953. Thank you for your continued support of our organization.

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Blood drive

NORTH LAWRENCE -- The American Red Cross is staging a blood drive on 1/20/2024, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Lawrence Christian Fellowship, 88 County Route 52. Info: RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS.

Celtic Dreams audition

POTSDAM -- North Country Crusaders will hold auditions Saturday, Jan. 20, 3-4:40 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church (in the Community Center in the back of the Church) at 42 Elm St., for their musical revue, "Celtic Dreams," with shows on March 16 and 17. Singers, dancers, and musicians are asked to prepare a piece they would like to perform. Recordings or sheet music for the piece being performed are encouraged to be brought to the auditions. Parking at the Church is to the left of the church off of Lawrence Avenue. For more information email northcountrycrusaders@gmail.com.

Exhibit opening

OGDENSBURG -- The Frederic Remington Art Museum announces the opening of its 40th annual Elementary Art Exhibit with a reception on Saturday, Jan. 20, from 2-4 p.m. The reception is free and all are welcome. The exhibition includes work by elementary students from schools throughout the North Country. The 40th Annual Elementary Art Exhibit will be on view in the Museum's Richard E. Winter Gallery through Feb. 24.

Food distribution

MASSENA -- A food distribution for St. Lawrence County residents is planned Saturday, Jan. 20 from 8:30-10 a.m. at St. Peter's Outreach Ministry, 128 Main St.

Howl Grand Slam

CANTON -- The Adirondack Center for Writing and St. Lawrence University will host the Howl Grand Slam at St. Lawrence University on Saturday, Jan 20 at 7-9 p.m. Winning storytellers from this year's slams will compete head-to-head, telling stories in line with this year's theme, Achilles Heel. Admission is a \$15 donation and can be purchased now at <http://tinyurl.com/4c34asx4>. Tickets at the door will be \$20.

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RFK Jr. campaign meet

GOUVERNEUR -- People for Kennedy volunteers will host a North Country meet and greet at Jumbo's Diner, 1 E. Main St., on Jan. 20 at 1 p.m. RFK Jr. is running as an Independent for President of the United States in 2024. The event is an opportunity for those who are interested in learning about the campaign as well as meeting some of the volunteers preparing to "put Bobby on the Ballot," giving New Yorkers a true third choice for President in 2024. Additional information regarding the event can be found at www.kennedy24.com.

Math competition

CANTON -- SUNY Canton will be hosting a Mathematical Association of America (MAA) American Mathematics Competition (AMC) 8 at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, in Dana Hall, Room 230. The competition provides an opportunity for middle school students to apply classroom skills to real-world problem-solving challenges in a low-stress and friendly environment. The AMC 8 is a 25-question, 40-minute, multiple-choice examination in middle school mathematics for students in grades 5-8 who are 14-and-a-half or younger (as of the end of January 2024). The material covered in the AMC 8 includes various topics from a typical middle school mathematics curriculum. Parents and guardians are encouraged to register their children for the AMC 8 through the MAA website prior to the event. For those looking to help prepare their child for the AMC 8 competition, SUNY Canton Professor Jiayuan Lin is offering a free review book. Lin teaches mathematics for the college's Canino School of Engineering Technology and is reachable by email at linj@canton.edu.

Mimosa & Make

POTSDAM -- SLC Arts is hosting the class Mimosa & Make: Intro to Watercolor on Saturday, Jan. 20 from 10

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Rock N' Skate

POTSDAM -- Rock N' Skate with the Potsdam Boys' Varsity Hockey team on Saturday, Jan. 20, at Pine St. Arena, starting at 3 p.m. The family fun event is a fundraiser for St. Lawrence Health Center for Cancer Care. Cost is \$5 per person. Skate rentals are available for \$3.

SUNDAY, JAN. 21**Adult Nordic Ski Lessons**

COLTON -- Adult Nordic Ski Lessons start Sunday, Jan. 21, at Higley Flow State Park, with a series of 4 consecutive Sunday lessons, 1:30 - 3 p.m. Learn to ski or improving your technique. The first lesson is free, with optional three additional lessons for \$30. Rental skis \$7 per adult. Experienced skiers are being sought to help hosts, Friends of Higley Flow State Park. Contact Danielle at nordicmasters@higleyfriends.org for more info, or to be added to mailing list. Info also on Friends of Higley Flow website higleyfriends.org or Friends of Higley FlowFacebook page.

Community Band concert

POTSDAM - Potsdam Community Band will host its winter concert "A Musical Melting Pot: American Band Music to Warm Your Winter," Sunday, Jan. 21 at 3 p.m. at SUNY Potsdam's Hosmer Concert Hall. Admission is free, but donations to the now-famous PCB "donation tuba" in the Hosmer Hall lobby are gratefully accepted. A wide variety of wind band literature is to be performed.

Jamboree for Evelyn

MASSENA -- A jamboree to raise money for Evelyn, a young child with cancer, will be held Jan. 21 at the American Legion Post 79. \$5 Entry Fee / \$8 A Couple Live entertainment: 12-1 p.m. Chris Cole 1-2 p.m. JR Murray Band 2-3 p.m. Loren Fountain & David Bish (From the

Dadbods) 3-4:30 p.m. Margarita Mike Trio 4:30-6 p.m. Plan B (host band) 6 p.m.-close DJ by Ben Gladding There will be food, silent auction, Chinese auction and a 50/50. To donate for the jamboree, contact Linda Rufa at l.rufa@yahoo.com. Organized by Linda Rufa, Betty Smith, Heidi Summers, Bonnie Jean LaPradd, Nicolea Rufa, Adeleina Rufa, Amanda Labier, Katrina Ward, Scott and June McWharf and Susan Sweeney Smith. 12:00 p.m., - 6 p.m., Sunday, January 21, 2024. \$5 Entry Fee / \$8 A Couple. Linda Rufa - l.rufa@yahoo.com.

Community Band concert

POTSDAM--The Potsdam Community Band's winter concert will 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. Donations to the "donation tuba" from those who enjoy the concert are always appreciated. Info: www.potsdamband.com. 3:00 p.m., - a.m., Sunday, January 21, 2024. Free. Hosmer Concert Hall SUNY Potsdam, Potsdam, NY.

MONDAY, JAN. 22**Blood drive**

POTSDAM -- The American Red Cross is staging blood drives on 1/22/2024, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Potsdam High School, 29 Leroy St.; and 1/29/2024: 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Clarkson University Student Center, 8 Clarkson Ave, Box 8715. Info: RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS.

Blood drive

MADRID -- The American Red Cross is staging a blood drive on 1/22/2024, 1-6 p.m., Madrid Community Center, 1833 State Highway 345. Info: RedCross-Blood.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS.

House authority meets

POTSDAM -- The Village of Potsdam Housing Authority board will meet Jan. 22 at 3:30 p.m. at Midtown Apartments.

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TUESDAY, JAN. 23**BOCES tour**

NORWOOD -- The St. Lawrence County Business Connections Committee is partnering with St. Lawrence-Lewis Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) for upcoming special informational programs and student-led tours on Tuesday, Jan. 23 from 8:30 to 11 a.m. in Norwood at Seaway Tech. To register for the Jan. 23 event, go to www.visitslc.org and look for the "Business Connections: Spotlight on Resources" link on the Calendar of Events section. Info: Laura@SLCChamber.org, (315) 393-3620.

Republican caucus

NORWOOD -- The Village of Norwood Republican Party Caucus will be Jan. 23 at 7 p.m. in the village municipal hall, 11 South Main St., to nominate candidates for village offices to be elected at the upcoming village general election on March 19. All duly enrolled members of the Republican Party in the village are eligible to participate. Offices appearing on the ballot including the village mayor and two trustee seats for four year terms and another trustee seat for a 2-year unexpired term.

Soft pastels

POTSDAM -- SLC arts will host the class Intro to Soft Pastels with Catherine LaPointe-Vollmer on Tuesday, Jan. 23 from 6-8 p.m. at 45 Market St. Register online at <https://slc-arts-council.myshopify.com/collections/classes>.

THURS., JAN. 25
Community supper

POTSDAM -- A free community supper will be held Thursday, Jan. 25 from 5-6:30 p.m. at Potsdam Presbyterian Church. The menu is baked ziti, cabbage salad, bread, and dessert. Dinners are sponsored by Potsdam Presbyterian Church and Potsdam Trinity Church. Donations are accepted but not expected.

Board & Card Games

CANTON -- Welcome game lovers! This monthly meetup offers the opportunity to get together, make new friends, and play a variety of contemporary and classic board and card games. We will focus on strategy, world-building, and educational-type games like Catan, Wingspan, or Uno, but all games and gamers are welcome! Featured games are designed to last 1-2 hours, but more than 1 game may be happening at once. All ages are welcome. 5:00 p.m., - 7 p.m., Thursday, January 25, 2024. Chuck Henry, chuck@mauvelincoln.org. Canton Unitarian Universalist Church 3 Main St, Canton, NY 13617, United States, Canton.

SAT., JAN. 27**Flannel Fling**

RENSSELAER FALLS -- The Falls Fest Flannel Fling will take place Jan. 27 from 7-12 p.m. at the Rensselaer Falls Fire Hall. Attendees can anticipate a night of music, savory delights, and captivating moments. The Common Revolution Band will set the stage for revelry, and a Charcuterie Board Buffet, featuring Bella-Brook's Winery delights, will be offered. There will be a Photo Booth, 50/50 raffle drawing, and hourly giveaways. Tickets: \$30 each.

Frosty Fest Competition

POTSDAM -- The fourth annual Frosty Fest Snowman Competition will be held Saturday, Jan. 27, at Ives Park. Come build a snow person or creature and bring items from home to make your snow creation special. Free registration starts at 11 a.m. Judging begins at 12:30 p.m. and awards are at 1 p.m. There will be prizes for Best in Show, People's Choice, Most Artistic, Most Comedic, and Most 'North Country,' with separate divisions for kids and adults. There will also be free treats and a campfire. If there is no snow on Jan. 27, the event will be rescheduled for Sat., Feb. 3.

Indoor rummage sale

NORFOLK - An indoor rummage sale will be held at Bregg Winery, 56 W. Main St., Norfolk, Saturday, Jan 27 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Proceeds of sale will be donated to the Norfolk Historical Association.

Ribbon cutting

RUSSELL -- There will be a ribbon cutting at the enRICH building at 18 Pestle Street in The Town of Russell on Jan. 27, at 1 p.m. The enRICH building is new and houses free items for anyone in any community to have for free. They accept items daily. enRICH stands for Russell Community Helpers. Call 315-212-8009 for more information.

HOWL . . .

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The other Howl Story Slam rules remain intact: stories must be true and no notes are allowed. Stories from the Grand Slam will also appear on the Howl podcast, produced and distributed by NCPR. The show's first season was the fastest-growing and most popular podcast in the station's history, with nearly 35,000 downloads to date. The Howl Podcast can be streamed on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, Google and Amazon.

"Howl Grand Slams are such special evenings," said NCPR Station Manager Mitch Teich. "Having so many people in one place to celebrate storytelling makes for a truly unique experience. In 2023, we launched The Howl Podcast which has become a sort of online extension of the story slams where folks can tune in from anywhere and hear some of the most entertaining and enlightening stories being told around the North Country."

For more information about ACW, visit adirondackcenterforwriting.org or follow @adkctr4writing on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

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Students at Colton-Pierrepont who participated in the local Toys for Tots drive.

Students join 'Toys for Tots' donation drive

COLTON — Fourth and eleventh graders at Colton-Pierrepont Central School were given the opportunity to purchase Toys for Tots this past holiday season.

Prior to the field trip to buy the toys, the Colts in Action (CIA) community group hosted a Penny

Harvest to raise money for the local community.

Students in these grade-levels collected the most money and were able to choose how it was spent.

This group traveled to Walmart and purchased nearly \$600 worth of toys for Toys for Tots.

A local community member, Tom Bronson also donated additional toys to add to the total.

Students met with Marine Corps recruiter Amanda Maiolo at Walmart, and finished the trip by bringing the toys to the Potsdam Police Station for distribution.

'Adirondack Science' camp open for winter break

POTSDAM -- The North Country Children's Museum is offering a February Break "Adirondack Science" Camp.

Camp runs from Monday, Feb 19 through Friday, Feb 23 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

In this camp, kids will explore

scientific fields through the lens of the Adirondack Park.

With local experts and hands-on activities, they'll dig into the geological origins of the Adirondack Mountains, experiment with concepts like human impact, sustainability, and invasive species, and

more.

For children in grades 1-5. Bring a bag lunch and a snack.

\$195 per child with a member discount 10%.

Register at <https://www.cognitiforms.com/northcountrychildrensmuseum1/februarybreakcamp2024>



Submitted

Seth Coates, a Potsdam Central sophomore, celebrates following his run.

Potsdam teen wins medals

POTSDAM - Seth Coates, a 16 year old sophomore at Potsdam High School, took home two medals during the recent North American Continental Cup luge races at Mount Van Hoevenberg in Lake Placid.

Coates won a bronze medal in one race and a gold medal in another. The Continental Cup races featured youth athletes (15-18 year olds) from USA, Canada, Puerto Rico, and Great Britain.

Asked how he got his start in the sport of luge, Coates explained "When we moved to Northern New York some friends who were involved in luge asked us if we wanted to try it. We of course said yes! I joined Adirondack Luge Club for a couple of years and then was selected to USA Luge's Development team in 2020."

For more info on USA Luge, visit www.usaluge.org.

Dozens named to Potsdam High School honor rolls

POTSDAM — The following students were named to honor roll, or high honor roll at Potsdam Senior High School:

High Honor Roll

Grade 9: Willow Acres, Amina Ait Maatallah, Christopher Allen, Gianna Britton, Lila Clark-Conts, Payton Cooper, Molly Corbett, Celeste Darie, Aaden Draper, Allyson Draper, Nolan Fink, Meredith Fiske, Draenen Flanagan, Owen Gates, Jacqueline Grainger, Cash Greene, Jackson Greer, Liam Hubbard, Lauren Kelly, Ryan Kirby, Elliott LaRose, Benjamin Lemieux, Olivia Leroux, Sophia Leroux, Brady Lindsey, Ziya Lu, Samuel Martin, Quinn McGaheran, Toby Miller, Malcolm Murphy, Ronin Nobles, Christian Normile, Jack Normile, Paul Olsen, Lara Panteleyeva, Trevor Patterson,

Jack Pitts, Anna Rossner, Edan Smith, Jilliana Sullivan, Ian Van-Wagner, Ryan Vile, Leland Wallace, and Ayden Weakfall.

Grade 10: Rylie Bicknell, Evan Bradley, Lauren Cameron, Keillor Dilger, Sarah El-Labban, Emily Ewy, Katherine Ewy, Adrian Fowler, Keira Hinckley, William Jones, Alison Kelson, Jasmine McKnight, Avery-Lin Seymour, Mary Steinrotter, and Bailey Vink.

Grade 11: Hayln Acres, Taha Ait Maatallah, Anant Bansal, Emilee Bartos, Parker Blanchard, Mackenzie Cardinal, Elif Cetinkaya, Anna Chapman, Patrick Corbett, Amber Corsslin, Madigan Debo, Saadhika Dhaniyala, Adalee DiMarco, Daly Duffy, Conner Farnsworth, Max Galluzzo, Alivia Gilson, Alexander Grant, Elizabeth Hudson, Mikenna Huntley, Ryleigh Johnson, Nathaniel Keleher, Jason Liang, Olivia Robert,

Parker Seitzer, Parker Snyder, Dayna Sullivan, William Sullivan, and Fletcher White.

Grade 12: Jaxon Bernard, Ella Blanchard, Lola Buckley, Amelia Crosslin, Lillian Dow, Emma Hubbard, Seamus Hudson, Mattie Lomoglio, Talia Mohideen, Viola Partridge, Ryan Russell, Julia Van-Wagner, Matthew Whispell, Nathan White, Hailey Williamson, and Steven Yoakum.

Honor Roll

Grade 9: Emma Barney, Ema Dedrick, Jackson Dinan, Kellan Frego, Logan Gates, Brittney Gibson, Michael Gilbo, Aubrey Jay, Cole Kerr, Rayan Khan, Mars Kie, Kacie Labarge, Owen Lovely, John Mahoney-Ruiz, Kayden McGaheran, Maxm Mitlin, Mea-May Morrow, Hailey Page, Everett Palmer, Emily

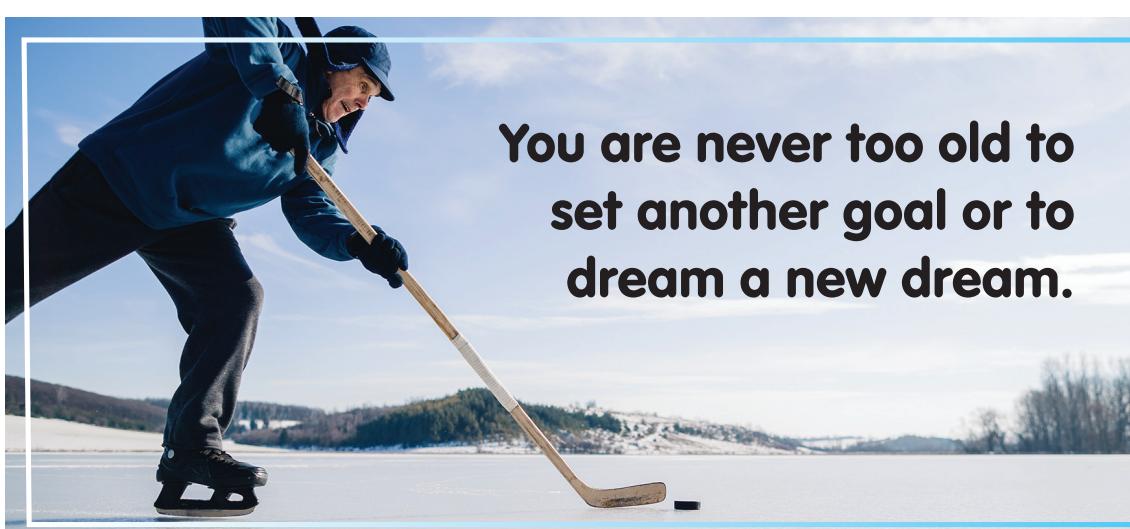
Premo, Emily Quinell, Paityn Remindtton, Erika Robinson, Nicholas Roda, Henry Sansone, Colden Schwartz, Kyle Shatraw, Oscar Shaw, Graham Shelly, Jaden Upton, Jack VanLeuven, Jacob Vendler, Honalee Vile, Azalya Weller, and Colden Wheeler.

Grade 10: Alivia Ashley, Isaac Atkinson, Ariana Baxter, Brandon Bernard, Bailee Bradley, Seth Coates, Carrera Deon, Carson Flenner, Ella Grewell, Jamarius Griffin, Zayan Hasan, Abigail Hayes, Aaylla Kandakatl, Shayne Kennedy, Matthew Kirby, Cooper LaRose, Ava Lucas, Memphis Lucas, Xaiden Morey, Olicia Robert, Charlie Teich, Tighe Weld, and Reagan White.

Grade 11: Miles Attemann, Jared Barley, Raine Beamis, Constantine Darie, Patrick Davis, Millicent Dean, Benjamin Draper, Ezriah Edwards, Carson Ells, Emma Fields, Jack

Gilbert, Maxwell Haggett, Dominick Jerome, Brandon Johnson, Patrick Kelly, Tayer LaBarge, Liam Langstaff, Kagan LaPage, Conner Leroux, Bryce Matthews, Cedric Mathis, Liam McCargar, Elena Mikhalaki, Kira Moniere, Kenadi Moore, Kiara Premo, Chase Rozler, Graham Rozler, Abigail Seitzer, Kaidence Sharlow, Shawn Thrana, Kathryn Todd, Lucy VanLeuven, and Coleman Warpula.

Grade 12: Juliannah Allen, Jadian Andrews, Abigail Atkinson, Bryan Bigwarfe, Trinidad Brothers, Hannah Charlesbois, John Duffy, Landen Emlaw, EmmaLee Farns, Jason Gilmour, Darian Grant, Nicholas Grewell, Bennett Hinckley, Brodey Hughes, Carter Jerome, Jack Joyce, Joan Kie, Tyler Martin, Owen Miller, Daphne Morrill, Teagan Saiff, Julia Sullivan, Jazmyn Villnave, and Bryce Yette.



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art exhibit**

OGDENSBURG — The Frederic Remington Art Museum announces the opening of its 40th annual Elementary Art Exhibit with a reception on Saturday, Jan. 20, from 2-4 p.m. The reception is free and all are welcome. The reception offers a chance to meet young artists—and some of their teachers—and is a great way to celebrate art education.

The exhibition includes work by elementary students from schools throughout the North Country.

The 40th Annual Elementary Art Exhibit will be on view in the Museum's Richard E. Winter Gallery through Feb. 24.

During the reception, admission to the Remington Museum is free, and the Museum will be open for visitors to explore, with dedicated staff and volunteer educators on hand for questions and answers.

Sketching materials will be available in the Museum galleries for artists of all ages. Light refreshments will be available in the Museum's Tiffany Room. In addition to free admission during the reception, the Museum will offer pay-what-you-can admission for the entire day on Jan. 20.



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Celebrating the first goal

The St. Lawrence University women celebrate their first goal, which came early in the second period in a 3-1 win over RPI on Saturday afternoon.

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Adult ski lessons offered

COLTON — Adult Nordic Ski Lessons start Sunday, January 21, at Higley Flow State Park.

If you want to learn to ski, or to enjoy the sport more by improving your technique, please join the lessons hosted by Friends of Higley Flow State Park.

Starting January 21, a series of 4 consecutive Sunday lessons are planned from 1:30 - 3 p.m.

The first lesson is free, and you can register for three additional lessons for \$30.

Lessons are based on a web-based program developed by Nordic Ski Lab in Calgary, Alberta, only with real, live, Higley skiers as coaches.

The final lesson will coincide with the Community Ski Challenge (February 9-11) and the miles we

ski will be recorded to help Higley participants virtually ski across New York State.

Rental skis are available at the Higley Flow State Park headquarters before the lesson for only \$7 per adult.

Experienced skiers who are willing to donate a couple of Sundays to help coach are needed. It is easy, fun, and rewarding to help others enjoy the sport we love so much.

If you are interested in pre-registering for lessons, helping coach, or just want more information, please contact Danielle at nordicmasters@higleyfriends.org to be added to the mailing list.

Visit Friends of Higley Flow website higleyfriends.org or Friends of Higley FlowFacebook page.

Register now for pageant

BRASHER FALLS — Tri-Town's Miss Winter Carnival Pageant 2024 is accepting registrations through February 2 for its 1950's themed pageant.

The pageant will be held Sunday, Feb. 18, at 1 p.m. at the Brasher Falls Elementary School.

Age divisions are: Baby Miss 0-23 months, Tiny Miss 2-3, Little

Miss 4-6, Junior Miss 7-9, Pre-teen Miss 10-12, Teen Miss 13-18+ and Boys.

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Skating Club competes

Several Potsdam Figure Skating Club members competed in the Massena Figure Skating Club's Learn to Skate Superhero Competition held recently. Among the Potsdam skaters, from left, were Elayne Howald, Anna Russell, and Emily Geidel all of Potsdam.

Black Lake Fishing Derby to cast off Jan. 27

HAMMOND -- The Black Lake Fishing Derby 2024 will be held Saturday, Jan 27, from 6 a.m.-4 p.m.

The fishing derby is on Black Lake only. The event is Catch and Release only.

To sign-up, pre-register online @ BLFGA.org ; Friday night 6-9 p.m. at the new clubhouse, or register on Derby Day at the weigh stations.

Cost is \$10 for kids 16 and under and \$20 for adults.

A \$100 cash giveaway will be awarded every hour, donated by the Black Lake Chamber of Commerce.

Weigh In Stations will be at Black Lake Marine & Roll-A-Way Bay.

Roll-a-way Bay prizes: \$500 adult pike, \$250 kids pike, \$150 adult panfish, \$100 kids panfish, \$100 walleye (bonus entry)

Black Lake Marine prizes: \$500 adult pike, \$250 kids pike, \$150 adult panfish, \$100 kids panfish, \$100 dogfish (bonus entry)

Fish must be legal length. Panfish include crappie, perch and bluegill.

Comedy show in Brasher Falls planned

BRASHER FALLS — A comedy show and dinner at Pike's Place will open the Tri-Town 50th Winter Carnival Weekend on Friday, Feb. 16, at Pike's Place.

Bryan Hatt and Patrick Haye will be entertainers for the night. Hatt has appeared on CBC, The Comedy Network and headlines comedy clubs from coast to coast.

Haye has performed in comedy clubs, such as Yuk Yuks, and festivals, including Just for Laughs.

Cocktails begin at 6 p.m. Crowning of the Winter Festival Royalty will be at 7 p.m., and dinner will follow from 7:15-8 p.m.

The comedy show will perform from 8:-9:30 p.m.

DJ Wendy Crump will be 9:30-11 p.m..

Cost is \$30 per person.

For more information contact Mallory at 1-315-250-6744

Dogfish and walleye are bonus fish, so you can enter one even if you've entered another fish.

Raffle tickers are being sold at Morristown Fuel & Echoes on the Lake.

Proceeds from the Derby go directly to promoting The Black Lake Fish & Game Association outdoor education programs for the community and kids. Last year tied the top year with approximately \$6900 in funds for the kids after expenses. This goes to sending kids to camp, holding hunter safety classes, reptile and bird shows, scholarship awards for graduating high school seniors, the kid's fishing day in the spring / summer, as well as other educational opportunities that arise during the course of the year.

The event is sponsored by the Black Lake Fish & Game Association.

1. Jan. 6, the 12th day of Christmas.
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3. An archipelago.
4. Paris, France.
5. A simulated court to give law students a chance to practice what they have learned.
6. Hester Prynne.
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9. Almost 71%
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Tastes & Treasures show set for Feb. 3

OGDENSBURG — The Frederic Remington Art Museum invites the public to its annual food, beverage, and artisanal goods show, newly renamed Tastes & Treasures, at the Museum on Saturday, Feb. 3, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission to the event is \$5 per person and children under 5 are free.

Local wineries, breweries, distilleries, bakers, soap makers, candy and food makers, and artisans will display their wares across the entire Museum. Guests will enjoy this wonderful opportunity to meet local vendors and purchase a wide variety of unique gifts of artwork, household items, and local culinary and beverage specialties in time for Valentine's Day.

"We enjoy opening the Museum up for fun events like this, especially during our long winter days," Executive Director Maggie McKenna states. "It is so important to our team at the Museum that we support our local businesses and makers by creating opportunities to sell regional products and showcase the treasures made in our region. We always want to encourage local shopping and engagement within our North Country community."

Vendors expected at the event this year will include: Coyote Moon Vineyards, Thousand Islands Winery, Olde Tyme Winery, Busted Grapes, Lakeland Winery, Otter Creek Winery, Busted Grapes, Bregg Winery, Lock 1 Distilling Company,

Township 7 Brewery, Newcombe's Maple Ridge, New York Honey and Maple Company, Bechaz Riverdale Cheese, North Country Creamery, Sticky Dicks Honey Products, The Sweet Retreat Bakery, Not Your Average Cookie, Cindy's Cake Shop, Endless Sweets, Cosimano & Ferrari Olive Oil Company, Tug Hill Artisan Roasters, Tastefully Simple/Color Street, The Cheese Board Company, Crafting Towards Dreams, River Rat Designs, Attagirl Soaps, The Dirty Business Bath Co., Sandy's Wreath Boutique, St. Lawrence Soap Co., Flambo Candle Co., Eye Candy Jewelry, Aries Moon Co., Art by Maria PP, Twila Basley Crochet, Schuler Woodworks and Tom's Got Wood.

Blood drives planned

The American Red Cross is staging several blood drives around St. Lawrence County.

The following opportunities are scheduled:

- Canton, 1/31/2024: 1-6 p.m., Best Western University Inn, 90 E Main St.
- Lisbon, 1/30/2024: 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Lisbon Central School, 6866 County Route 10
- Madrid, 1/22/2024: 1-6 p.m., Madrid Community Center, 1833 State Highway 345
- North Lawrence, 1/20/2024: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Lawrence Christian Fellowship, 88 County Route 52
- Ogdensburg, 1/24/2024: 10 a.m.-3 p.m., United Helpers RiverLedge, 8101 State Highway 68
- Potsdam, 1/22/2024: 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Potsdam High School, 29 Leroy St.; 1/29/2024: 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Clarkson University Student Center, 8 Clarkson Ave, Box 8715
- Winthrop, 1/26/2024: 12-4:30 p.m., Winthrop American Legion Post 514, 675 State Highway 11C.

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Spring season of Science Café kicks off Jan. 31 with sea kayak talk

POTSDAM -- The Spring 2024 season of the Clarkson University Science Café kicks off Wednesday, Jan. 31 at 7:15 p.m.

The informal talks about science and research topics with a local researcher or expert will be held in the Community Room at the Potsdam Civic Center, 2 Park St.

The following talks are planned:
 • Baffin Bay to the Beaufort Sea by Kayak, Wednesday, January 31, 7:15 p.m. Join Dr. Eileen Visser (Biology, SLU) as she describes the first single season human-powered traverse of the Canadian Arctic Archipelago. This elusive sea route was long impassable due to thick

year-round ice but climate change has opened the channels between high arctic islands, allowing their four-person team to cross the 1,800 mile Northwest Passage in 103 days. Dr. Visser will address changing conditions in the arctic and their implications, while focusing on the adventure of tackling sea ice, wind,

cold, and polar bears to experience this immersion in nature.

- Play with your Food and Learn: Farm to Fork Mathematics, Wednesday, February 7, 7:15 p.m. When you think about where your food comes from, how to prepare it, and why it tastes good, you probably don't think mathematics has much to do with it. Join mathematicians Drs. Joe Skufca and Katie Kavanagh (Clarkson University) in an exploration of agriculture processes, cooking techniques, and food pairings, and for a hands-on (and tasty!) insight to the ways in which mathematics plays a role in what we eat.

- The Wild World of Aerosols, Tuesday, Feb. 27, 7:15 p.m. Join us for an exciting evening with Dr. Andrea Ferro (Civil and Environmental Engineering, CU) as she discusses aerosols and their impact, including how the combustion aerosol released during the Canadian wildfires last summer influenced our air quality and visibility in Potsdam. Dr. Ferro will also discuss recent findings on respiratory aerosol emissions and the transport of bioaerosols, such as airborne viruses in indoor environments. Finally, she will provide a relatively simple method to assess your own exposure to aerosol sources using low-cost sensors.

- Cyclic Dinucleotide Signaling in Mammalian Cells, Wednesday, March 13, 7:15 p.m. Cyclic dinucleotides have emerged as widely used signaling molecules in bacteria. The cyclic dinucleotides expressed in microbial organisms can be recognized by STimulator of INterferon Genes (STING) of the innate immune system, and they trigger the inflammatory response. In 2013, researchers discovered human cGAS which could bind to cytosolic DNA and selectively catalyze the synthesis of cyclic dinucleotides. This cGAS-STING pathway is important for the innate immune response, and targeting proteins

along this pathway holds promise in the treatment of some specific diseases. Join us for an evening with Dr. Modi Wang (Chemistry & Biomolecular Science, CU) and to a discussion of her recent projects developing cGAS inhibitors and discovering new cyclic dinucleotides mediated pathways.

- The Power of Waste, Wednesday, April 3, 7:15 p.m. Municipal solid waste is full of energy that gets unleashed as powerful greenhouse gases, or captured and combusted as alternative renewable fuels. This has led to a growing interest in quantifying potential gas production, building gas to energy systems, studying fugitive emissions, developing incentives for gas capture and use, and diverting organics away from landfills. Join Dr. Lori Clark (Environmental Studies, SLU) for an exploration of the complexities of solid waste management in modern times, with an emphasis on landfill gas management. Lori has worked with the development of gas prediction models, landfill gas treatment systems, and local organics audits.

- Simple Insights from Complex Networks, Wednesday, April 17, 7:15 p.m. Are any two people in the world separated by a chain of just six acquaintances? Do your friends have more friends than yourself, or is it just a false impression? ... And why is it so difficult to arrest an epidemic by vaccinating only a fraction of the population? The network of social contacts is just one of the myriad complex networks present in our everyday life, including the Internet and the World Wide Web, networks of flight connections, the electricity power grid, neurons in the brain, and many more. Join Dr. Dani ben-Avraham (Physics, CU) for a tour of the young science of Complex Networks and some of the fascinating findings of the field.

Info: <https://www.clarkson.edu/science-cafe>, sciencecafe@clarkson.edu.

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SUNY hosts math competition

CANTON -- SUNY Canton will be hosting a Mathematical Association of America (MAA) American Mathematics Competition (AMC) 8 at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, in Dana Hall, Room 230.

The competition provides an opportunity for middle school students to apply classroom skills to real-world problem-solving challenges in a low-stress and friendly environment. Participants develop positive attitudes towards analytical thinking and mathematics, skills that can significantly contribute to their future careers.

The AMC 8 is a 25-question, 40-minute, multiple-choice examination in middle school mathematics for students in grades 5-8 who are 14-and-a-half or younger (as of the end of January 2024). Designed by the MAA, this competition aims to foster problem-solving and creative quantitative thinking skills among students in grades 5-8. It is the initial step in a series of international contests, including the one that determines the U.S. team for the International Math Olympiad.

The material covered in the AMC 8 includes various topics from a

typical middle school mathematics curriculum. These may include but are not limited to counting and probability, estimation, proportional reasoning, elementary geometry (including the Pythagorean Theorem), spatial visualization, everyday applications, and reading and interpreting graphs and tables.

The exam may also involve more advanced topics such as linear or quadratic functions and equations, coordinate geometry, and other concepts traditionally covered in a beginning algebra course.

Parents and guardians are encouraged to register their children for the AMC 8 through the MAA website prior to the event.

For those looking to help prepare their child for the AMC 8 competition, SUNY Canton Professor Jiayuan Lin is offering a free review book. Lin teaches mathematics for the college's Canino School of Engineering Technology and is reachable by email at linj@canton.edu.

The event is one of the initial community offerings orchestrated by SUNY Canton's new Center for Workforce, Community and Industry Partnerships.

Ribbon cutting in Russell

RUSSELL -- There will be a ribbon cutting at the enRICH building at 18 Pestle Street in The Town of Russell on Jan. 27, at 1 p.m.

The enRICH building is new and houses free items for anyone in any

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Groundhog Day

5K scheduled

CANTON -- The St. Lawrence County Public Health Department, in partnership with the Youth Bureau, will offer a Groundhog Day 5K(ish) event at participating local schools on Saturday, Feb. 3, from 9:10:30 a.m.

Three schools hosting this event are Heuvelton Central, Colton-Pierrepont Central, and Madrid-Waddington Central.

"Our organizations recognize that winter in the North Country is long and it can be easy to get stuck on the couch hiding from the cold. It is our goal to get community members up and moving, even if only for one day," said Jena Sloan, Public Health Specialist.

Walking loops will be mapped out in each school for participants to walk or run at their own pace. Individuals can choose how many laps they complete. For some, it could be a 5k, for others it could be a quarter mile or less.

Participants are encouraged to show their school spirit by wearing their school colors or consider wearing Groundhog Day themed attire. In lieu of paying a fee, attendees are asked to bring one canned or pantry item to donate to the school's food pantry.

Contact the Youth Bureau by emailing Alexa Chase at AChase@stlawco.gov or calling 315-379-9464 with any questions. Other schools are encouraged to participate and may contact us for information. The school with the highest amount of participation will receive an honorary trophy and featured in a press release.

Snowshoe hike slated

POTSDAM —A snowshoe hike for beginners to Lampson Falls, a 40 foot waterfall on the Grasse River, is being offered Saturday, Jan. 20, starting at 10 a.m. behind the Potsdam Public Library or at 11:00 at the trailhead.

Contact Dr. Blair Madore, of the ADK Mountain Club, for more information, and if you need snowshoe equipment, at 315-261-0751 or madorebf@potsdam.edu.

This is a joint Potsdam Public Library on the Outside event with Laurentian Chapter, Adirondack Mountain Club.

Notice of Availability - Draft Environmental Assessment: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the Village of Canton, on behalf of the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC), has completed a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) evaluating the potential environmental impacts of the Village of Canton's proposal to create a supplemental water source for the Village, including the construction of a water treatment and disinfection system building (the Proposed Action). NEPA requires that federal agencies consider the effects of a proposed action and any reasonable alternatives on the human environment. This Draft EA evaluates the potential impacts that would result from the implementation of the Proposed Action as compared to the No Action alternative.

Project Title: Construction of a Secondary Water Source

Project Proponent: NBRC

Project Location: Canton, New York

Purpose of the Proposed Action: The project aims to enhance Canton's water capacity to comply with New York State Sanitary Code Subpart 5-1, addressing insufficient capacity. This involves the establishment of a secondary water source and the construction of a water treatment and disinfection system building.

Project Description: The proposed project is located approximately 560 feet south of the NYS Route 11 Corridor behind the EJ Noble Medical Office building at 80 East Main Street, Canton, NY (44.595120 latitude, -75.153092 longitude). The site was selected based on a Hydrogeologic investigation that located a suitable water source on the site. The well was drilled and tested and found to be a suitable source. Test results were reviewed and approved by the New York State Department of Health. A 1,700-square-foot treatment building will be constructed adjacent to an existing 8" potable water production well. The treatment building will house a small lab area, a mechanical/HVAC room, and disinfection and filtration equipment. The project will add approximately 4,000 square feet of asphalt paved access road, 285 square feet of concrete sidewalk, 1,400 linear feet of water main, and 200 linear feet of gravity sanitary sewer. Site restoration in unpaved areas will include grading to proposed final grades and placement of topsoil seed and mulch. The duration of construction activities is expected to be from May 2024 through December 2024. Once completed, the supplemental water source treatment facility will have the capacity to produce approximately 200 gallons of water per minute (288,000 gallons of water per day) from the existing 8" drilled production well. It is anticipated that the Village will use this facility as an emergency water source. Thus, it will likely be utilized less than 2 hours per day during normal operations.

Request for the EA: The Draft EA is available upon request. Please send an email request to nepa@nbrc.gov. The Draft EA will be provided in electronic format unless a hard copy is specifically requested.

Public Comments: NBRC is accepting comments on this Draft EA from January 17, 2024 through the end of the day of February 2, 2024. Comments should be submitted by email to nepa@nbrc.gov or mailed to The Clark Group LLC, 137 Elm Street, Montpelier, VT 05602.

Date of Posting: January 17, 2024

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ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF SALE

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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

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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 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 sbsford@mcsk12.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

LISBON TAX COLLECTOR'S NOTICE

Please take notice, that the undersigned, the collector of taxes of the Town of Lisbon, has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes for the Town of Lisbon for the fiscal year January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. Please take further notice, that the undersigned will receive the taxes listed on said roll at her office located at 6963 CR 10 Town of Lisbon, St Lawrence County, New York, during usual business hours, 8:30am to 4pm on the following days: Monday-Friday. Please take further notice, that taxes may be paid to the undersigned without interest on or before the 31st day of January. Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one per cent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. The date of the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is June 1, 2024. Dated: December 28, 2023 Alberta Hyde, Collector of taxes for Town of Lisbon

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

585 HOCKEY DEVELOPMENT LLC Arts of Org. filed SSNY 11/8/23, St. Lawrence Co. SSNY design agent for process & shall mail to Zenbusiness Inc. 41 State St #112 Albany, NY 12207 General Purpose

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE

The Cranberry Lake Fire District of the Town of Clifton, County of Saint Lawrence, New York, will hold its regular meetings for the year 2024 on the Second Thursday of each month at 6:30 P.M. on such day at the Cranberry Lake Fire Hall, 7115 State Highway 3 Cranberry Lake, New York. All meetings of the Cranberry Lake Fire District are open to the public. This notice is being posted in accordance with the provisions of Section 94 of the Public Officers Law of the State of New York. By order of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Cranberry Lake Fire District; Susan Leroux, Secretary/Treasurer

LOUISVILLE PUBLIC NOTICE HELP WANTED

The Town of Louisville will be accepting applications to work in the Summer Recreation Program, as Youth Counselors. Candidates must be between the ages of 16 to 21 and preferably a resident of Louisville. Candidates must be highly motivated and willing to work with the community youth in a Summer Recreation Program. Responsibilities include overseeing, participating and interacting with the children. If you are interested in being considered for one of the positions, you can pick up an application at the Louisville Town Clerk's office, Monday thru Thursday 8:00 am to 3:00pm or download the application at louisvillenewyork.com. The deadline for submitting an application is March 11, 2024. If you have any questions please call the office at 764-7473. The Town of Louisville is an equal opportunity employer.

Date: 1/12/2024

Amy Ellsworth
Louisville Town Clerk

CANTON NOTICE OF TAX COLLECTION

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT

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

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the undersigned will receive the taxes listed on said roll at his/her office located at 60 Main Street, Town of Canton, St. Lawrence County, New York, during usual business hours i.e. 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM on the following days: Monday-Friday (except holidays).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that taxes may be paid to the undersigned without interest on or before the thirty first day of January. Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one per cent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. The date of the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is June 1, 2024.

Dated: January 2, 2024
Heidi L. Smith
Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Town of Canton

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

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of 81 Pierrepont Avenue LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-09-22. 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 Timothy J. Wagoner: 5 Market St Alexandria Bay NY 13607. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of 15 Lincoln Street LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 2023-09-22. 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 Timothy J. Wagoner: 5 Market St Alexandria Bay NY 13607. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

Dated: January 10, 2024
Richard L Powers
Town Clerk
Hopkinton, NY

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF TOWN BOARD MEETING

TOWN OF STOCKHOLM

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the monthly meetings of the Stockholm Town board will be held on the second Tuesday of each month, unless otherwise noted below; at 6:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building, Winthrop. The list of meetings for 2024 is as follows:

January 9, 2024
February 13, 2024
March 12, 2024
April 9, 2024
May 14, 2024
June 11, 2024
July 9, 2024
August 13, 2024
September 10, 2024
October 8, 2024
November 6, 2024
December 10, 2024

These meetings are open to the public.

January 12, 2024

Heather Kish, Town Clerk
Town of Stockholm

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.

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PARISHVILLE LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT

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

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the taxes may be paid to the undersigned without interest on or before the first day of February. Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one percent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. The date for the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is May 31, 2024.

Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one percent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. The date for the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is May 31, 2024.

These meetings are open to the public.

February 12, 2024 - 6 PM
March 18, 2024 - 6 PM
April 15, 2024 - 6 PM
May 20, 2024 - 7 PM
June 10, 2024 - 7 PM
July 15, 2024 - 7 PM
August 19, 2024 - 7 PM
Sept. 16, 2024 - 7 PM
October 21, 2024 - 7 PM
Nov. 18, 2024 - 7 PM
Dec. 16, 2024 - 7 PM

Dated: December 29, 2023
Connie Maguire Tax Collector
Town of Parishville

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- Negotiations/Personnel – Miller and Hall
- Recreation Committee – council members Hardiman and Paige
- Ad Hoc CCA Committee – council members Hardiman and Hall.

The board approved the following salaries for 2024 for town officials: Cindy Golibe, Tax Collector, \$5,625; Meghan teRiele, Deputy Clerk, \$46,500; Danielle Mitchell, Acting Assessor, \$53,800; Tina Miller, Assessor's Clerk, \$50,500; Jeffrey Murray, Code Enforcement Officer, \$52,000; Sherri Stone, Court Clerk, \$50,660; Peggy Brusso, Deputy Court Clerk, \$46,500; Morgan Simons, Supervisor's Bookkeeper, \$43,260; Chastity Baxter, Confidential Secretary, \$47,000; Steve Dilger, Custodian, \$42,000; Meghan teRiele, Historian, \$1,000; and Alan Huckle, Sub, Court Security, \$26/hour.

Salaries for elected officials were also approved with Miller's salary set at \$20,000, the deputy supervisor salary set at \$6,250, board members at \$5,250 each, Town Clerk Cindy Goliber set at \$60,000, highway superintendent John Keleher at \$85,000 and town justices James Mason and David Haggard each set at \$31,500.

Alan Daniel's was appointed to the zoning board of appeals for a four-year term from Jan. 1, 2024 to Dec. 31, 2028.

Larry Averill was appointed to the planning board for a four-year term from Jan. 1, 2024 to Dec. 31, 2028.

Donna Seymour was appointed to the ethics committee for a three-year term from Jan. 1, 2024 to Dec. 31, 2027.

The town board voted to set the salaries for the board of assessment review members at \$20.00/hr. for chairman, \$17.50/hr. for other members and \$20.00/hr. for the minute taker.

A stipend was also approved for

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planning and zoning board members at \$600 for each chairperson and \$300 for each member including the alternate, to be paid by vouchers in June and December.

The town board authorized Miller to sign the local health officer agreement with St. Lawrence County which appoints the county public health director as the town's local health director.

The board also approved resolutions allowing town officials and employees to attend a variety of conferences and seminars and set the mileage rate to the IRS rate of 67 cents per mile.

The town board approved resolutions establishing Community Bank as the municipalities bank and depository for several accounts and authorized several town officials as being able to handle and access those accounts.

Several contracts with local organizations and payments to those organizations were also approved. These included:

- Potsdam Humane Society - \$43,567 for dog control, and \$15,367 for professional services
- Senior citizens groups - Potsdam Active Senior Club, \$2,000; Sandstoner, \$2,000; and the Golden Agers \$1,000
- Chamber Of Commerce, \$6,000
- Norwood Village Green, \$5,000
- Veterans contracts -- Clark Robinson, \$500; American Legion, \$400; Amvets, \$500
- Fire contracts -- Potsdam Fire Dept., \$145,400; Norwood Fire Dept., \$90,000; Hannawa Falls Fire, \$8,000; West Potsdam Fire, \$120,000
- Potsdam Rescue Squad, \$34,452

- Museum contracts -- Norwood Museum, \$6,200; Potsdam Museum, \$18,000

- Recreation Contracts, Norwood Rec., \$18,000; Crary Mills Playground, \$700

- Pinto, Mucenski, Hooper, Vanhouse & Co., \$16,250 for the town audit and annual report.

- Clear Data, \$16,428 for IT services.

North Country This Week and the Watertown Times were both designated as the town's official newspapers.

The town board also approved a resolution to bond for a public official's liability policy with The Hartford Insurance company, and approved petty cash amounts for the town clerk and justice court.

Finally the following meeting dates were set for 2024: Jan. 9, Feb. 6, March 13, April 9, May 14, Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 7 and Dec. 10 at 6:30 p.m.; and June 11, July 9 and Aug. 13 at 5:30 p.m.

KENNEL...

bothered by the barking or dogs and others are bothered," said Clark. "The concern me and my family have is the noise."

Similar concerns were expressed at an October public hearing on the proposed town code law.

Clark also alluded to a study conducted by St. Lawrence University Professor of Physics Brian Watson at both her property and her neighbor's Ruta Ozols on July 27.

His findings were presented in August to the Canton Town Planning Board.

"The problem was that the families of Leslie and Ruta are being very disturbed by the noise from the kennel while their neighbors further down Meade Road asserted that they could not hear the barking noise. These neighbors could not understand how Leslie and Ruta could possibly be annoyed by the barking noise. How could this be?"

"The Clark and Ozols homes sit atop a prominent hill. From their properties the kennel is easily visible. It is in a direct line of sight. While the outdoor portion of the kennel appears to be surrounded by

'We are in the process of selling Maple Ridge. In this process, there have been no less than 30 complaints about noise from two or three people. We have been there for 50 years and because of a couple of people, they are trying to shut down a business.'

Styles Bridges

Kennel owner

Use permit and review," Mauch concluded.

Another resident to speak was Joel Howie, owner of Canton Apples, Rt. 310, who pointed to conflicting zoning regulations for cideries. He said a chart of permitted uses in R/A zones for cideries is not allowed but further down in the local does allow cideries with stipulations.

Town Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley said comments voiced will be brought back to committee for review with no action taken Wednesday night.

This proposed local zoning law, once adopted, will repeal and replace the existing Zoning Law and Zoning Map of Chapter 70 of the Town of Canton code.

The town board has determined that this local law would have no significant environmental impacts pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act.

The objectives of this Zoning Law, according to the 164-page document, are to support the goals and objectives of the Town Comprehensive

Plan and other adopted planning and community development initiatives, protect the open and natural character of the land, provide for planned growth of agricultural, residential, community services, commercial and industrial use of the land consistent with the economic and social needs of the community and its development policies, preserve the Town's natural resources and habitats and encourage the use of renewable energy systems, and promote the health, safety and general welfare of the Town consistent with the objectives of New York State Town Law § 261 through 265 and Article 2, 10 of the General Municipal Rule Law.

A complete copy of the proposed local law is available for public inspection at the Town Clerk's office on the town's website.

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Outreach efforts involve direct calls, site visits, advertisements, trade show participation, and a variety of business-to-business sponsored activities such as Business Resource Mixers, and other cosponsored events with the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce.

As an example, in 2023 business connection activities included tours of the SUNY Canton Canino School of Engineering as well as events at the three BOCES Tech Centers.

The IDA sponsors and participates in these events to connect businesses with skilled workers to help both the employers and local job seekers.

The IDA and New York Power Authority hosted the business-to-business "Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership" networking and business development program, a spin-off from a program initiated at the University of Buffalo. SUNY Canton is the local sponsor for this affiliation. Seven small business leaders from throughout the county completed the 20-week session in June 2023.

In 2022, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators allocated American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds in the amount of \$3,387,000 to be administered by the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency to assist businesses, organizations, and individuals impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic through several program categories.

As of the end of 2023, over \$2.2 million has been awarded throughout St. Lawrence County through these programs.



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Artist's rendering of planned Massena Green Hydrogen Project.

Building on the success of the CDL-A training program at the SUNY Canton CREST Center, other training programs were formed utilizing ARPA funds. Heavy Equipment Operator and Health Care Skills Development programs were developed in partnership with St. Lawrence Lewis BOCES and the Family Childcare Training Program, which started in 2022, continued 2023, helping to develop greater access to quality childcare throughout the county.

Project activity for the IDA, and its affiliated development entities, including the St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency, continued in 2023 with projects at Atlantic Testing Laboratories in Canton, Lead Foot Trucking in Norwood, and Northeastern Sign Corporation in South Colton.

Air Products, a manufacturer of industrial gases and chemicals, announced plans to open a new liquid hydrogen manufacturing facility in Massena. The facility will require an investment of over \$400 million, a major milestone in further establishing St. Lawrence County and New York State as leaders in the clean energy sector.

The company proposes to create 90 full-time jobs within its first three years of operation.

To utilize grant funding provided as part of the successful Downtown Revitalization Initiative award in Massena, the IDA and the Village of Massena signed a Memorandum of Agreement for the redevelopment of the former Massena School of Business into a community space, while maintaining the historic

Main Street facade of the building.

The IDA will provide bridge financing for the project and is partnering with the Development Authority of the North Country on the oversight and grant administration for the demolition and redevelopment of the property.

With assistance from the IDA, the New York State Energy Research & Development Authority, through its Build Ready Solar Program, is supporting the development of a 12-megawatt solar project on 111.5 acres of a 1,000 acre parcel of underutilized property at the former Benson Mines in the Town of Clifton.

An additional seven community-scale solar development projects were also approved for Payment In Lieu of Tax (PILOT) assistance by the IDA throughout the county.

Improvements and repairs were approved as part of Phase III renovations at the 100 Paterson Street Building in Ogdensburg, formerly the Newell manufacturing building. The newly rehabilitated facility houses U.S. manufacturing operations for Canexsys Network Systems and provides additional warehousing services for Corning's Canton Plant.

Discussions continue with other prospects to utilize the remaining space in the building.

The IDA Local Development Corporation and St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency also approved \$100,000 in awards for the 2023 River Valley Community Development and Environmental Improvement Program.

The program has provided over \$4.3 million in funding over the past thirteen years for a variety of projects throughout St. Lawrence County.

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

Fighting cancer and benefiting St. Lawrence County

CANTON -- The St. Lawrence County Cancer Fund has existed in our community since 1979.

We are an all volunteer group that prides itself on the fact that all funds raised remain here in St. Lawrence County to help our friends and neighbors.

Our mission is and always will be to be dedicated to the local fight against cancer.

Our focus is to raise awareness and funds for hospitals, cancer treatment centers and organizations in St. Lawrence County which works to provide education, early detection and screening, treatment and financial sup-

port for individuals battling cancer in our community.

Through an application process, local groups are encouraged to apply for grants distributed by the St. Lawrence County Cancer Fund. This past year we gave out over \$60,000 to our local community.

Long-time recipients of funding include the Cancer Treatment Center at Canton-Potsdam Hospital, Richard E. Winter Cancer Treatment Center at Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center, Ryan's Wish, Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley, and the Gouverneur Hospital Cancer Care Center. New recipients this year were

Compassionate Care Foundation and Jerry's Run for a Cause.

As an illness, cancer does not discriminate against who it touches even in the times of a pandemic.

Support for the programming and services provided by these organizations during this time are more important now, than ever before.

Each year, community members who have been impacted by cancer gather at the annual SLCCF/Edward I. Moses Walk/Run for Life, the Cancer Fund's primary fundraiser.

This year, the event will be held on April

28 starting at 9 a.m. in Canton, Potsdam and Ogdensburg. To get a registration form, donate, or to learn more about our group and any future activities visit www.walkrunforlife.com.

A mix of cancer survivors and their supporters, families remembering those who fought a courageous battle and hopeful community members join together to ensure support for important programs stays local to support our friends and neighbors.

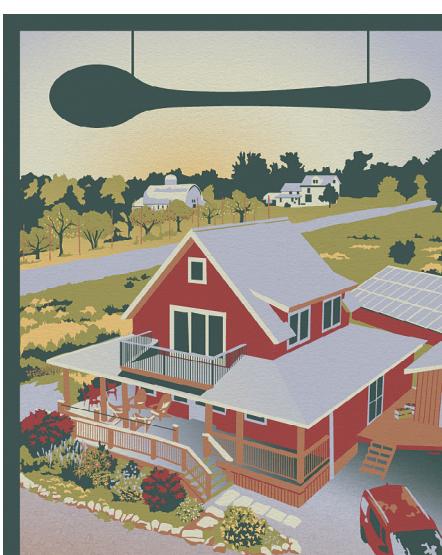
Community members interested in joining our committee are always welcome. Please visit the website and fill out a contact form.



SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, April 28, 2024

NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!
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This view shows the new bridge going out to the point on the St. Lawrence River that was part of the rail car ferry in days gone by.

Fort history celebrated in 2023

OGDENSBURG — The year 2023 gave the Fort de La Présentation Association an opportunity to celebrate more of the history of the Fort property. The progress we have made was due to a large degree due to the cooperation of our supporters. We thank you.

This year, we dedicated the original site of Fort de La Présentation as the Newell Family Archaeological Park to recognize the family's generosity to our organization and the wider community. The Daughters of the American Colonists placed a historical marker acknowledging Fort de La Présentation's importance to the colonial history of North America and the United States.

The site will continue to contribute to our knowledge of life in the 18th – 19th centuries in the St. Lawrence Valley.

On the day of the dedication, we were invited to take part in a demonstration using ground penetrating radar, to give us a vision of the discovery potential of the original location of Fort de La Présentation. The Association was able to complete the installation of the bridge giving the public, ultimately, access to the port of the rail car ferry which operated from the mid-1800s to 1972.

The ability to transfer freight via rail to Canada helped to make the rail system, once existing on the fort property, to assist the economic growth of the region and expand the markets for New York State products. From the tip of

Lookout Point, an uninterrupted 180-degree view of the St. will be available for the Lawrence River.

This was the culmination of a three-year project with Clarkson University engineering students and our landscape designer, Andy Rymph of LaBella Associates.

Final landscaping will be completed on Lookout Point in the Spring with partial funding from the Badenhauser Legacy Fund.

There have been upgrades to the Masonic memorial area. The memorial, which was dedicated in 2018, was in memory of all Masons who answered their nation's call. Its origin was, that there was a Masonic Lodge at Fort Oswegatchie, while the British held the property during the Revolutionary War.

The Association set a record of visitors to the Abbe Piquet Walking Trail. In analyzing the sign-in sheets at the trail entrance, we recorded visitors from 22 states and five foreign countries. The total number registered was 529 individuals. Other improvements of the Walking Trail are three dog stations for depositing dog droppings. These help the fort volunteers keep the property clean and welcoming for everyone. Finally, the association would like to take this time to say thanks to our volunteers and supporters.

We could not make the association property what it is without you. Please visit www.fort1749.org, to keep apprised of our events

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AS WE LOOK AHEAD TO 2024...

Carthage Area Hospital (CAH), Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center (CHMC), the North Country Orthopaedic Group (NCOG), and Meadowbrook Terrace Assisted Living Facility, united under the North Star Health Alliance (NSHA), are on the cusp of an exciting phase of change and development.

This period is marked by our collective dedication to a shared mission:

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St. Lawrence sets its sights even higher in 2024

After an exciting 2023, St. Lawrence has much to look forward to in the weeks and months ahead, including the growth and development of its new Center for the Environment, major renovations to benefit current and future students, increased investment in student support programs, new academic opportunities, and a once-in-a-lifetime cosmic event over campus.

Growing the New Center for the Environment

St. Lawrence punctuated the end of 2023 with one of its most exciting announcements of the year—it had already raised \$2.5 million for its brand-new Center for the Environment (CFE). The CFE unifies the University's existing programs and ties them to innovative new initiatives, including funding for environmental research and innovation on campus, green internships, and environmental scholarships.

CFE programming is for all students, regardless of their major, and will help them develop the environmental leadership, critical thinking, and communication skills they'll need to make an impact in a rapidly changing world.

Elevating Our Campus Spaces

2023 was a year for major renovations at St. Lawrence. In June, the University celebrated the groundbreaking of the Appleton Arena George W. Karpus '68 Athletic Center.

Named to honor the generosity of its lead donor, the Appleton renovations and expansions will strengthen the St. Lawrence experience for all student-athletes, with a special emphasis on Division III athletics.

As part of the renovations, the University will revamp the existing DIII strength and conditioning space in the Stafford Fitness Center, allowing open access to a larger fitness area for all students, faculty, and staff.

Across campus, construction is already well underway on a \$30 million facilities enhancement project to enhance the spaces that students use most. Updates began immediately after Commencement in May and include lighting, flooring, and furnishings in first-year residence halls, Dean-Eaton, the Student Center, and Owen D. Young Library.

Supporting First-Generation Students

In 2023, St. Lawrence doubled down on its commitment to first-generation students. During an induction ceremony in April, 46 students, 16 faculty and staff, and two alumni became members of Alpha Alpha Alpha (Tri-Alpha), the national honor society recognizing first-generation students for academic excellence.

St. Lawrence's chapter of Tri-Alpha is part of the University's First-Gen Initiative, which aims to help first-gen-



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The University celebrated first-generation students, faculty and alumni at its first-ever induction ceremony for the Tri-Alpha first-generation student honor society.

eration students navigate the complexities of college life with specialized support and mentoring

St. Lawrence Ranked Among the Nation's Best Colleges

It was another successful year in the rankings for St. Lawrence, with recognition in best colleges reports from both U.S. News and World Report and The Princeton Review.

Notably, U.S. News ranked St. Lawrence 59th among over 200 liberal arts colleges, putting it in the top 30% of its peer group. Elsewhere, the New York Times once again included the University on its College Access Index.

According to their measurements, it is the sixth most economically diverse liberal arts college in New York State and the 20th among national liberal arts colleges.

Students Explore 6 New Majors

On their applications for admission, nearly 12% of the Class of 2027 indicated at least one of St. Lawrence's six new majors as their primary area of academic interest.

This class will be one of the first to take full advantage of the new programming, which includes biomedical sciences, data science, digital media and film, finance, pre-health chemistry, and public health.

A Record Number of Gilman Scholars

St. Lawrence students broke a school record when 15 were awarded Gilman Scholarships to support their off-campus study experiences. The awards, which totaled \$3,000 to \$5,000 per student, will support opportunities like research



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Reunion weekend in June marked the groundbreaking of the Appleton Arena George W. Karpus '68 Athletic Center at St. Lawrence University.

and internships for students studying in Austria, Australia, Costa Rica, Kenya, London, New Zealand, Spain, and Thailand.

Kickstarting Careers On and Off Campus

This year, St. Lawrence students traveled to meet up with alumni in Burlington, Vermont, Washington, D.C., and San Francisco. They got a first-hand look into careers in advocacy, finance, entrepreneurship, media, and so much more.

Connections made on these trips often lead to later opportunities. For example, of the 15 students who participated in the Washington, D.C. trip, nearly a third secured summer internships. SLU Connect 2024 kicked off with three days of networking and career exploration in New York City, including a visit to the set of CBS This Morning.

A Legacy of Empowering North Country Students

At St. Lawrence, a world of opportunities awaits North Country students—from our six new majors to our Center for the Environment to career networking trips in cities like Boston and Washington, D.C. We award over \$500,000 in tuition assistance to North Country students each year through the Augsburg/North Country Scholarship, which is exclusive to students from our region.

Future members of the Class of 2029—it's never too early to learn more about starting your journey at St. Lawrence. Visit: stlawu.edu/admissions.

Community Friendship Volunteer Program provides a helping hand

The Community Friendship Volunteer Program (CFVP) is volunteer-based and originally developed to provide friendship and a helping hand to older residents in northern Franklin County, but has recently been expanded into St. Lawrence County to meet the needs of the older residents there.

CFVP promotes the building of age-friend-

ly communities and improves the quality of life for older residents across the North Country.

CFVP is unlike any other program found in the North Country region; it addresses very important unmet needs and is 100% non-income based. CFVP cares about individuals, not just for the individual.



Participants attending a recent "Discovering Your Inner Artist Series – Felting Class" offered by the Community Friendship Volunteer Program.

Many older residents become isolated and lose touch with their communities and, unfortunately, do not have the supports they need to carry out daily activities.

The Community Friendship Volunteer Program will change this by improving the lives of individuals within Northern Franklin and St. Lawrence Counties through equity in aging. Volunteers with the program serve as advocates for seniors and help them stay connected to the communities they call home.

They provide services such as friendly home visits, phone conversations, assistance with errands, and transport to medical appointments and events.

The program directors coordinate volunteers and place them with people according to their needs and interests.

Volunteers can be of any age, and there is flexibility in the frequency of volunteering. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Meghan Conklin, Director of Com-

munity Programs, at (315) 379-8346, or by email at mconklin@chenorthcountry.org.

If you, or someone you know, could benefit from the assistance of a volunteer, you can also contact Meghan or complete the referral form on our website – www.chenorthcountry.org/cfvp.

The Community Friendship Volunteer Program is a service of Community Health Center of the North Country (CHCNC).

Their model of care is based not only on clinical needs, but on social needs as well, and is why the Community Friendship Volunteer Program is mission critical in building the healthiest communities possible for older residents.

CHCNC operates health centers open to all residents across the North Country in Canton, Gouverneur, Malone, and Ogdensburg. They also have an Optometry Center in Watertown. More information is available at www.chenorthcountry.org



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New Initiatives:

- Green Innovation Grants
- Environmental Scholars Program
- Green Internships
- Environmental Fellows Program



St. Lawrence Health offers specialty care at over 40 practices, facilities

St. Lawrence Health (SLH), an affiliate of Rochester Regional Health, is comprised of three hospitals -- Canton-Potsdam Hospital (CPH) with its Level III Trauma Center, Gouverneur Hospital (GH), and Massena Hospital (MH).

It offers specialty care across more than 40 outpatient practices and primary care facilities in Brasher Falls, Canton, Colton, DeKalb Junction, Edwards, Gouverneur, Louisville, Massena, Norfolk, and Potsdam.

St. Lawrence Health employs 2,104 staff, including 216 full-time medical providers.

Throughout 2023, SLH recruited more than 20 new providers among the specialty fields of anesthesiology, dermatology, emergency medicine, general surgery, hospital medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, oncology, orthopedic surgery, pain management, psychiatry, primary care, and psychiatry.

In January 2023, the steel framework of the future four-story Regional Care Pavilion at CPH began taking shape as the first beam was lifted into place.

The Pavilion will house an expanded emergency department with 28 treatment rooms, four flex exam rooms, four resuscitation and trauma rooms, and central clinical station; 60 private, single occupancy inpatient rooms with family accommodations; a new registration and reception area, gift

shop, and coffee kiosk.

SLH anticipates a fall 2024 grand opening.

SLH formalized its acquisition and assumed ownership of Seaway Valley Ambulance (SVA) in Massena.

As one piece of SLH's larger Rural Health Strategy, expansion of the ambulance service will help ensure residents of the North Country have critical access to healthcare, including transporting patients between hospitals locally and across the State.

St. Lawrence Health celebrated its first two graduating classes from RRH's Isabel Graham Hart School of Practical Nursing (IGH) in Potsdam.

Established to afford local education for individuals wanting to advance their careers and help resolve ongoing nursing shortages, the School enables SLH team members and area residents to grow into a professional development career track to become a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN).

The school produced 10 new LPNs into the field in 2023, with 6 students currently enrolled and working toward a spring 2024 graduation.

Patients of SLH are now afforded access to state-of-the-art, minimally invasive robotic surgery through da Vinci Xi.

The da Vinci Xi System's immersive



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CPH's Surgical Services department received a new da Vinci Xi Robotic Surgical System in March 2023. Members of the robotics surgical team are shown with the System, from left, Senior Director of Surgical Services Jeffrey Eckdahl, RN, CSSM; Director of Robotic Surgery and General Surgeon Michael Oakley, MD, FACS; and registered nurses Kyle Weems, Kaylin Switzer, and Kristie Peretta.

3D-HD vision system provides surgeons with a highly magnified view and offers patients smaller incisions, less scarring, a decrease in length of stay in the hospital, and a significantly shortened recovery time.

Through the hard work and long hours of the negotiating team, SLH's three hospitals reached an unprecedented five-year contract with their represented nurses.

Serving the North Country for eight-plus years, SLH's Clinical and Rural Health Research team, including Rheumatologist and contributing author of ACTIV-1 manuscript Eyal Kedar, MD, was recognized by The Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) for their work and participation in the ACTIV-1 clinical trial.

Colgate-Palmolive Hospital received certification as a Primary Stroke Center, affirming the Hospital's readiness to handle a full range of stroke-related medical conditions.

A combination of the right equipment, personnel, and training certification affords North Country residents specialized and timely care locally, resulting in faster treatment for stroke patients, minimizing the potential for brain damage and disability.

Additionally, CPH recognized Mike and Nancy Griffin with a Community Service Award for the vast multitude of ways they support our communities.

Gouverneur Hospital installed state-of-the-art patient monitors in its medical-surgical patient rooms.

The newly integrated monitoring technologies provide noninvasive and continuous measurements that automate and streamline the flow of patient data to improve clinical efficiency.

Additionally, GH recognized the Gouverneur Police Department with a Community Service Award for its exceptional service in preserving and protecting the citizenry and property of the residents of Gouverneur.

Massena Hospital achieved a LeapFrog Safety Grade A score, after being reviewed among 30 national performance measures.

An A grade is the highest accomplishment possible and reinforces team members' commitment to keeping patients safe from preventable harm and medical errors.

Closing 2023, MH completed its \$1.2M Wound Care construction project. The service is expected to open in spring 2024.

Additionally, MH recognized the Massena Free Clinic with a Community Service Award for the endless ways it enhances healthcare throughout the region.

began the public phase of the Great Care, Right Here Fundraising Campaign with a Kick-Off Gala that raised more than \$155,000 to support the priorities of the Campaign.

Proceeds from the event will support the construction of the Regional Care Pavilion, the establishment of the Family Medicine Rural Residency Program, and scholarships to support employees pursuing further education.

In addition to significant support from individuals, nearly \$13.5M in grant funding was approved, including two NYS DOH Statewide Facility Transformation Grants; \$7M is earmarked for an Obstetrics Expansion project to help alleviate barriers in accessing healthcare services for pregnant and postpartum women; and an additional \$3 million in grant funding was realized for the construction of a Rural Family Medicine Residency facility.

The three-year Rural Family Medicine Residency Program will prepare residents with training and experience required of primary care providers and ultimately help address the shortage of providers in rural healthcare settings.

Grant funding of \$750,000 over the course of five years was awarded to partner with NYS Department of Health and the North Country Prenatal and Perinatal Council on a Universal Maternal Health Light Touch Program, and to assist in the reduction of maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity.

As part of SLH's rural health strategy, CPH is developing a Maternal Outreach Program to assist the un- and under-insured Medicaid population that will address barriers to care, including behavioral healthcare.

Funding will support patient navigation, telehealth resources, and new mom education.

Additionally \$1.5M in funding from NYS OASAS was realized to stand up a Comprehensive Low-Threshold Buprenorphine Services program to help in addressing the opioid epidemic and enhance access to those needing help for substance use disorders.

"Steadfast in our vision for a Rural Health Center of Excellence, our team of professionals remain hyper-focused on continually improving how quality care is accessed and delivered, especially within our unique and challenging rural environment. We are devoted to being of service and offering the essential care our communities need and deserve," noted SLH President Donna McGregor.

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Big Spoon Kitchen is now in its seventh year!

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We have options for vegans, GF, and lactose free. Gift certificates and freezer meal options are always available online.

Last summer, we launched our purple Spoon Bus to bring you our food on wheels at local events and the Farmers' Markets. We plan to be spotted around the Canton-Potsdam area again this summer!

We are also proud to work with BOCES and Cornell Cooperative Extension on a Farm-to-School program in which we offer minimally processed local apples, salsa mix, butternut squash, carrots, corn, beans, and slaw mix to eighteen area schools to use in their school lunches.

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Deep Root Center celebrates its 10th birthday in January

Deep Root Center (DRC) just celebrated its 10th birthday at the beginning of January.

With two drop-in learning resource centers in Canton and Massena that offer an alternative to school for youth ages 5-19, they continued to thrive this past year — serving over 40 student members.

The foundational belief at DRC is that all young people deserve a safe, non-coercive, educational environment — where they feel like they are part of a community with people who care about them as individuals.

DRC supports each student member to follow their interests and aspirations at their own pace.

DRC is a place where they can rediscover and embrace their natural playfulness, curiosity, and creativity.

They are free to explore all the possibilities and rekindle their love of learning and belief in themselves.

Deep Root Center also provides a Consultation Service for families who wish to homeschoo at home.

The demand for this service has grown year — so much so that they have developed a free booklet entitled "A Guide for What to Expect When Your Child is fully in Charge of Their Education."

It can be found on the Deep Root Center website: www.deeprootcenter.org/guide---what-to-expect.html

As their reputation for providing a supportive, educational alternative to anyone who needs them grows, the DRC staff and board look forward to expanding into other communities in the North Country within the next few years.

Families interested in learning more are encouraged to visit www.deeprootcenter.org or contact Maria at maria@deeprootcenter.org.

Art Gallery & Supply sells everything an artist needs

LOUISVILLE -- St. Lawrence Art Gallery & Supply at 14500 State Highway 37 offers space for local artists to sell their work, as well as selling all sorts of art supplies and creative gifts.

The store, opened by Bob Girard and Greg Wiley during the pandemic, includes basically anything an artist could need.

Aside from taking in submissions from local artists to exhibit their work and sell it, the store offers classes, contests and artist showcases.

The Gallery & Supply is always looking for more artists to display their work at the shop.

Anything handcrafted made locally is welcome to be sold in the store.

The store carries art supplies and a large range of canvases for oil, watercolor, and acrylic paints, as well as a large selection kids crafting supplies, kits, and paint-by-numbers. The store also sells handcrafted frames and mats, and also does custom framing.

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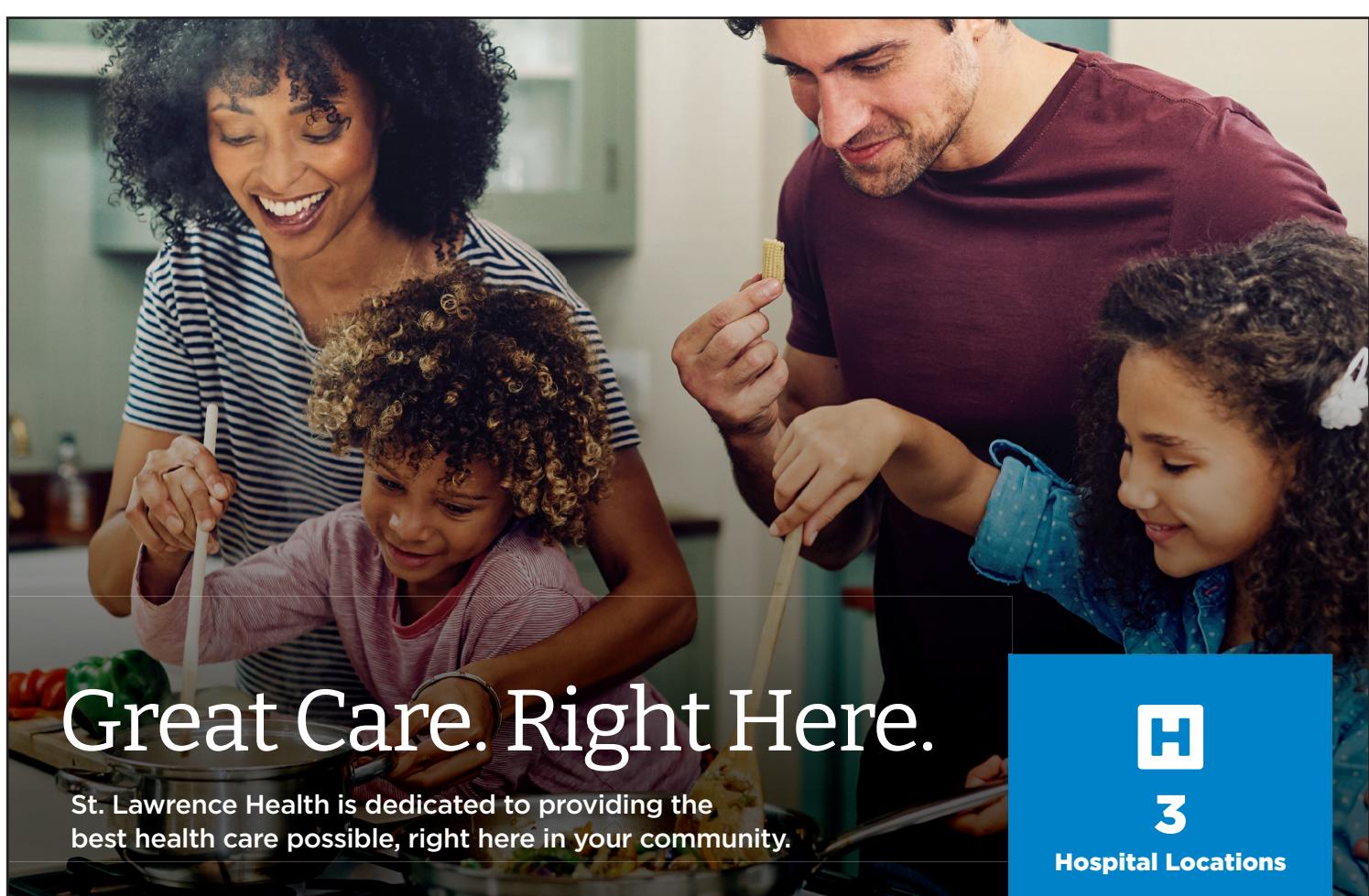


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Village Green Series presents international performers

Founded in 1974, the Norwood Village Green Concert Series is unique including international performers among the concerts presented each year.

In 2024, countries to be represented include China, Korea, Chile, Bangladesh, and India.

Over the years, the series has presented groups from New Zealand, Russia, Albania, Denmark, Scotland, Ireland, Northern Ireland, Mali, Burkina Faso, Uganda, Colombia,

Peru, Honduras, Brazil, Venezuela, Mexico, the Dominican Republic, Canada, the Mohawk Nation, Spain, Cuba, and beyond.

Also unique to the series are the many forms of dance, children's programming, magic shows, puppetry, and many other arts genres presented. It is the most diverse outdoor concert series in Northern New York State.

With the addition of its 2024 performers,

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the Norwood Village Green Concert Series has presented 31 Grammy recipients, 4 National Heritage Medalists and most recently a Kennedy Center many other prestigious award recipients over the years.

2024 International Performers

International performers to be presented in 2024 include Chinese classical hammered dulcimer player Chao Tian, Korean Gayageum virtuoso artist and composer accompanied by multi-award-winning Korean Pansori singer Kim Yulhee and percussionist You Byungwook, Pasquala Ilabaca and Fauna performing original and folk-rock music of the Andes and Chile, and Shimul Zaman and Clove and Chai of Bangladesh.

2024 Grammy Award Recipients and Nominees

Grammy Award winners will include Jay Ashby (5), Cathy Fink and Marcy Marxer (2) and Michael Cleveland (1 and nominated for his 2nd).

He is also a National Heritage Medalist recipient. Grammy nominee Kim Nazarian

will perform with the All Star Big Band under the direction of Wally Siebel.

She will be joined by her husband Jay Ashby and their son Ian Ashby.

The 2024 Schedule

For a complete schedule of 17 Norwood Village Green Concert Series events for 2024, links to performer's web sites and much more information peruse the series website: nvgs.org.

The Norwood Village Green Concert Series is a not-for profit founded to impact our home communities via inspiring and spirit-uplifting public outdoor performances as represented in its 2024 schedule.

Additionally the series will complete the construction of the handicap-all purpose ramp the Liotta Band shell on the Norwood Village Green and continue its transition of administrative leadership during 2024.

Major Supporters

The Norwood Village Green Concert Series and its audience enjoy major support from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the NYS Legislature and the Office of the Governor.

Also lending major support and funding for the region's biggest annual concert series

are the National Endowment for the Arts Via the Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation, IberMusica National Grid, the Corning Incorporated Foundation, the Northern New York Community Foundation, the Sweetgrass Foundation, and the family of Harriet (Mickey) Liotta, series co-founder.

Its workers are supported by meals from Subway.

It is also supported by a wide array of local business, organizations, and individuals as well as the Town of Potsdam and the Village of Norwood.

How to donate to the 2024 Norwood Village Green Series

All donations are needed and are tax deductible.

At this time, only donations by check are acceptable. Make check payable to Norwood Village Green Concert Series and mail to Norwood Village Green Concert Series, 3 Bicknell St., Norwood, NY 13668.

For further information contact Joseph M. Liotta at 315-261-2866 or liotta@northnet.org, visit nvgs.org or the Norwood Village Green Concert Series page on Facebook.



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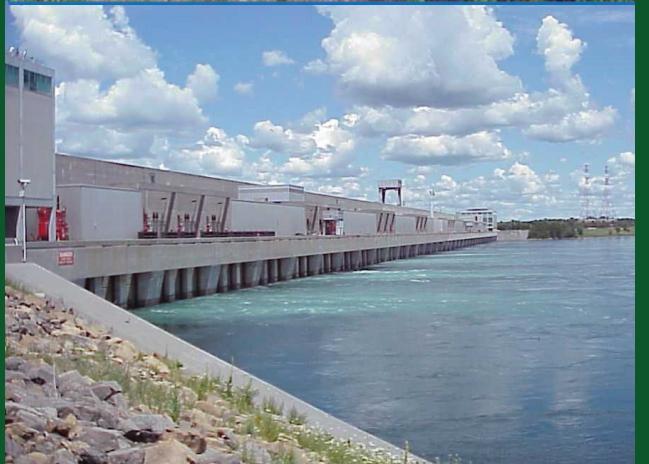




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Rich Duvall, Chief Executive Officer of Carthage Area Hospital and Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center says both facilities are on the cusp of an exciting change.

Keeping Healthcare Local: Carthage Area Hospital and Claxton-Hepburn

BY RICH DUVALL

Chief Executive Officer, Carthage Area Hospital
and Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center

As we look ahead to 2024, Carthage Area Hospital (CAH), Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center (CHMC), the North Country Orthopaedic Group (NCOG), and Meadowbrook Terrace Assisted Living Facility, united under the North Star Health Alliance (NSHA), are on the cusp of an exciting phase of change and development.

This period is marked by our collective dedication to a shared mission: providing quality driven, patient centered healthcare right here in the North Country.

North Star Health Alliance

The NSHA embodies a collaborative partnership aimed at keeping healthcare accessible within the local communities of northern New York.

NSHA's collective efforts are aimed at ensuring local hospitals achieve economic sustainability, while preserving

their independence within the community.

Working together, members of NSHA provide convenient access to healthcare services within the local community.

Critical Access Transition

CHMC is making significant progress as we transition from a sole community hospital to a critical access hospital and a stand-alone behavioral health hospital.

As we move forward, our plans include the creation of a 25-bed Critical Access Hospital along with a 10-bed observation unit.

Additionally, our facilities will include a stand-alone specialized 40-bed inpatient behavioral health hospital to deliver much needed services to individuals of all ages, including children, adolescents, and adults.

A cornerstone of this initiative, the Elizabeth May Duvall Child & Adolescent Behavioral Health Unit opened in April 2022, is the North Country's only facility for acute inpatient mental health care for children and adolescents, reflecting our dedication to meeting our community's specific health-care needs.

New Providers

Despite our recent challenges navigating the cyber attack and economic inflation, our organization continues to grow and enhance our services.

We're thrilled to share the news of welcoming a number of new healthcare providers, expanding the scope of our healthcare services.

Dr. David Harvey Antecol, MD, FACC, FAHA, FRCP(C), has become a valuable addition to our Claxton-Hepburn team, and Dr. Mirza M. Ashraf, MD, F.A.C.C., F.C.C., has joined the Carthage Area Hospital team. These highly regarded cardiologists bring extensive experience to benefit our community in the North Country region. Furthermore, we are pleased to introduce Dr. Daniel Kyung as the new Medical Director of the Richard E. Winter Cancer Center. Dr. Kyung, a renowned oncologist, brings expertise in areas such as thoracic cancers, gastrointestinal cancers, genitourinary cancers, head and neck cancers, breast cancers, and blood cancers. His addition to our team reinforces our commitment to providing comprehensive and specialized care in oncology.

Service Expansion and Accreditation

We're excited to announce our new Wound Care Center in Watertown, complementing the Rev. Thomas T. Patterson Wound Healing Center in Ogdensburg, marking a key advancement in our wound care services throughout the North Country.

The new center is equipped to tackle various health issues like diabetes, circulatory problems, and burns. Additionally, the Rev. Thomas T. Patterson Wound Healing Center has recently earned the distinction of being the only hyperbaric medicine program in the region accredited by the Undersea & Hyperbaric Medical Society. This recent reaccreditation serves as a testament to our dedication to healthcare excellence, even in challenging times.

Additionally, we are excited to embark on significant technological upgrades in both our imaging and cancer centers throughout all of our hospitals. This initiative represents our commitment to providing cutting-edge care and ensuring that our patients benefit from the latest advancements in medical technology.

Looking Ahead

As we move forward into 2024 and beyond, the communities in the North Country can have confidence in the unwavering commitment of Carthage Area Hospital, Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center, and the North Country Orthopaedic Group, along with the North Star Health Alliance, to provide consistent and dedicated care.

Whether it is a swift trip to the emergency room, the convenience of using our walk-in clinics or mobile units, support treatment at the Richard E. Winter Cancer Center, or spending time with family at Meadowbrook Terrace Assisted Living, our pledge is unchanging.

We are committed to enhancing your life through compassionate, comprehensive healthcare, serving as your trusted neighborhood healthcare system.

As we move into the new year, we want to express our profound gratitude to our dedicated team – our employees, medical staff, foundation members, auxiliary team, and board of directors. Your unwavering commitment, along with the strong support from our community, is the driving force behind our ability to provide exceptional patient-centered healthcare services right here in your hometown.

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2024 SEASON SCHEDULE

ALL CONCERTS BEGIN AT 7 P.M. EXCEPT AS NOTED

THURSDAY, JULY 18

String Solstice

Local musicians Mike Welsh, Jennifer Hubbard Kessler, Chip Lamson, Chris Hosmer, and Larry Baycura offer a unique blend of contemporary folk-like song.

SUNDAY, JULY 21

Pasquala Ilabaca and Fauna

This Santiago band performs original and folk-rock music of the Andes and Chile. There will be a participatory demonstration of Chilean rhythms at 5 pm.

THURSDAY, JULY 25

Norwoodstock with Northbound

A Star-studded cast of several dozen local musicians performing for the benefit of the Norwood-Norfolk-Raymondville Outreach Program. Northbound will be the house band.

SUNDAY, JULY 28

Jordon Davidson and Toni Zyglado

Maria Tartaglia and Jeffrey Hinkle

A Vocal concert with music from Broadway to Contemporary gems.

THURSDAY, AUG. 1

Shimul Zaman and Clove and Chai of Bangladesh

Music from India and Bangladesh led by Norwood resident and Bangladesh native Shimul Zaman and friends.

SUNDAY, AUG. 4

The Dave North Trio Music

From the English and Irish pub scene. Diane Murray Warburton, a native of Norwood, is part of the group.

THURSDAY, AUG. 8

The Brass Firemen

Norwood's own Fire Department Band.

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SeaComm completes 60th year

MASSENA – As SeaComm completes its 60th year of service, the focus remains to optimize the financial well-being of its members while contributing to the communities in which it serves.

In this respect, 2023 was a significant year for continued success. "The heart of why we exist comes from us serving and improving the overall financial lives of our membership," says Scott A. Wilson, President and Chief Executive Officer. "We are committed to being there, when our members need us most."

Throughout the year, SeaComm continued to concentrate on strengthening its current offerings to improve member experience.

Several improvements and upgrades were made to the mobile app, SeaComm's audio response system (SMARTLine) and its eZCard alert system.

"Our focus continues to be on enhancing our product and service offerings to meet the needs of our membership," said Wilson.

SeaComm continues to provide its members with access to additional services, including the Loan Engine pre-approval program, free online bill pay, and Benefits Plus® checking, which provides members with discounts and saving in retail and travel, as well as offering identity theft protection and much more.

SeaComm's Pay-It-Forward Program carried out random acts of kindness, impacting over 4,800 individuals.

Delivery of floral arrangements and puzzles to nursing home residents; surprising restaurant patrons with free breakfast; paying for orders at local coffee shops and purchasing school supplies for students in need, are just a few of the events fulfilled.

For its community engagement, SeaComm was awarded the 2023 Silver MAC Award from the Marketing Association of Credit Unions, the Diamond Award from CUNA Marketing and Business Development Council, and the First Place Dora Maxwell Award for Social Responsibility.

In an effort to further support the service communities, SeaComm staff members participated in the "Do Some Good" Program, which allows them to volunteer for a charity or cause of their choice during work hours.

Some of the local charities selected were Hospice of the North Country, United Way of Northern New York and Helping Hands of Potsdam. During the year, more than \$428,000 in donations and sponsorships were given, including donations to the foundations of Samaritan Medical Center and St. Lawrence Health; The Malone Recreation Foundation; Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley; Veteran's Memorial Park in Massena and Jefferson Community College.

In 2023, SeaComm was Great Place to Work Certified™, as elected by its employees. The prestigious award is based entirely on what current employees say about their working experience. Following an 82-question survey process, 90% of employees said it's a great place to work. "It is gratifying to be named as a Great Place to Work on a national level," said Wilson. "We have a talented, smart, hard-working staff, which takes great pride in their work of serving our members."

BauerFinancial, Inc., an independent rating company analyzing the performance of U.S. banks and credit unions, has awarded SeaComm the Superior Five-Stars.

The star ratings classify each credit union based upon a complex formula which factors in relevant data including, but not limited to: capital, historical trends, loan delinquencies, differences in book and market values of the investment portfolio, profitability, repossessed assets, reserves, charge-offs, regulatory compliance and asset quality.

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

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

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Alexis Chapman

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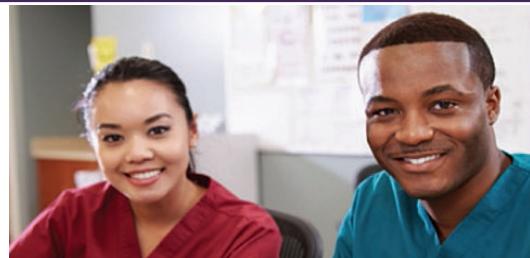


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Sunmount DDSO NYS Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)

Office of Human Resources:

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or Sunmount.Careers@opwdd.ny.gov

Sunmount DDSO, 2445 State Route 30, Tupper Lake, NY 12986

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The St. Lawrence County Information Technology Department is in search of an Office Manager. The starting salary is \$47,372 with excellent benefits. For more information please visit <https://stlaw-portal.mycivilservice.com>. Applications will be accepted until 01/19/24. Please send applications to: Human Resources Office, 48 Court Street, Canton, NY 13617. Applications can be obtained from the St. Lawrence County Human Resource's webpage: <https://stlaw>

co.gov/Departments/HumanResources or by contacting Human Resources (315)379-2210. AA/EEO



HERMON-DEKALB CENTRAL SCHOOL is accepting applications for 7-12 Tenure

Track Special Education Teacher. Applications are available at <http://www.hdcsk12.org> or at HDCS. Please send letter of interest, application, resume, letters of recommendation and official transcripts to: Mark White, Superintendent, Hermon-DeKalb Central School District, 709 East DeKalb Road, DeKalb Junction, NY 13630. The Hermon-DeKalb Central School District offers employment and educational opportunities without regard to sex, race, color, national



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University Events Director (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary Guidelines: Provide vision, solicit input, initiate, plan, direct/coordinate and execute the set-up of high-quality University-wide ceremonies and student recruitment events in close coordination with the Offices of the President, Marketing & External Relations, and Undergraduate Admissions. Collaborate extensively with faculty and staff providing academic and educational content consistent with the University mission and goals as well as communicating and implementing logistical needs across multiple departments and external vendors to facilitate successful events to meet standards and needs. This position will be required to reserve appropriate event spaces, ensure patron safety, and procure the required reports needed for documentation or required announcements pertaining to the events. This position will also need to be available and able to execute the events on various assigned weekends throughout the year independently with overnight travel to the Capital Region Campus in Albany, NY, as needed.

Minimum qualifications: Bachelor's degree, with 3 to 5 years professional experience. Candidate will have had two or more years working in a public facing position serving a wide array of people from different backgrounds and ages in a professional setting.

Range: \$60,000-\$74,000 based on experience

Department of Physical Therapy: Chair and Program Director (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary Guidelines: The program director demonstrates the academic and professional qualifications and relevant experience in higher education requisite for providing effective leadership for the program, the program faculty, and the students.

Minimum qualifications: Physical therapist who holds (or eligible) an active, unrestricted PT license in New York; earned academic doctoral degree; holds or would be eligible for the rank of associate professor, professor, clinical associate professor, or clinical professor; minimum of six years of full-time higher education experience, with a minimum of three years of full-time experience as a core faculty member in a CAPTE accredited entry-level physical therapist education program.

Range: \$120,000- \$147,000 based on experience

Instructor/Assistant Director of Applied Projects and Instructional Support (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary Guidelines: The Assistant Director will manage the overall operations of recruiting/admissions processes, student mentoring and academic achievement support. In addition, the Assistant Director will manage all aspects of the applied practical work of graduate students which include support for the research, consulting and outreach activities of our program. In its capacity as the Assistant Director of Instructional Support, the employee will be called upon to execute various aspects of instructional support for the MSADS curriculum: recitation sessions, labs, etc..

Minimum qualifications: A Master's degree in Applied Data Science or compatible field is required. At least two years of experience in designing, developing and executing data science technologies, solutions and methodologies. Two years of responsibility in instructional development, delivery and support. Management experience is required.

Range: \$65,000- \$75,000 based on experience

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DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: The work involves responsibility for administering and enforcing the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building code or a local fire and/or building code if approved by the State Fire Prevention and Building Code Council. Under general supervision, provides for the coordination of all activities relevant to ensuring compliance with the appropriate laws, codes, rules and regulations.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Either:

- A) Possession of a Bachelor's Degree in Architecture, Civil Engineering, Civil Engineering Technology, Construction Technology or Fire Protection and Safety; OR
- B) Possession of an Associate's Degree in Architecture, Civil Engineering, Civil Engineering Technology, Construction Technology or Fire Protection and Safety and one (1) year of full-time paid experience in building or fire prevention inspection, building construction work or in a building trade; OR
- C) Currently possesses a New York State Department of State Code Enforcement Certification as mandated in the State of New York Title 19 NYSCRR Part 434.5 (Certification of Code Enforcement Personnel) and has completed any necessary In-service Code Enforcement Personnel Training to maintain proper certification; (Candidates stating they possess the NYS Department of State Code Enforcement Certification will be required to provide proof of such certification and that the certification is currently in compliance with the regulations set forth under the State of New York Title 19 NYSCRR Part 434.5 (Certification of Code Enforcement Personnel) OR

- D) Three (3) years of full-time paid experience as described in (B) above.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Pursuant to the Department of State Division of Building Standards & Codes in the State of New York the incumbent must:

- Complete Basic Training requirements within eighteen (18) months of appointment.
- Obtain certification after completing the required Courses 9A16, 9B16, 9C16, 9D16, 9E16 and 9F16.
- Maintain the required yearly in-service training (24 hours annually) and any required advanced in-service training.

This is a non-competitive appointment and St. Lawrence County will qualify before hiring for this part time job that will pay from a range of \$10,575 - \$12,000 commensurate with experience. The applicant must pass drug/alcohol screening.

Application Deadline: **Monday January 22, 2024 at 4pm.**

Job application is available by contacting the Town Clerk's office.

Send letter of interest, completed application, resume and letters of recommendation and copy of certification to:

Town Clerk Jeannine Brouse, 60 Main Street, Massena, NY 13662

Cornell Cooperative Extension St. Lawrence County After School Educator

Deadline to Apply: January 17, 2023

POSITION SUMMARY:

This 10-month position will serve as an Afterschool Program Educator for Cornell Cooperative Extension of St. Lawrence County and will provide comprehensive 4-H youth development opportunities for youth in grades K-5 at the Extension Learning Farm of St. Lawrence County. This position will provide established guidance and direction for program participants and after-school activities, including club and life skills, as well as assisting youth during the academic study portion of the program. This position will provide instruction utilizing established 4-H curriculum in the areas of agriculture, environmental science and natural resources, science, technology engineering, and math (STEM). 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:

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).
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- Ability to meet acceptable background check standards (After-School Checks – Grant Based).
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- Ability to work flexible hours which may include evenings and/or weekends, as appropriate.

[https://stlawrence.cce.cornell.edu/administration/employment-opportunities](http://stlawrence.cce.cornell.edu/administration/employment-opportunities)

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filled. Applications and qualifications may be obtained from the County's Website at: [https://stlaw-portal.mycivilservice.com/](http://stlaw-portal.mycivilservice.com/) or by calling 315-379-2210. AA/EEO.

Cook needed at Potsdam Sergi's. Call Lisa after 3 pm at 315 265 3420.

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HOUSEKEEPER. 1 day a week. General cleaning, tidying up. No cleaning services please. Experience helpful but not required. Potsdam village. 315-244-0912

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by: **January 24, 2024 or until positions are filled**



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Public Health Director

St. Lawrence County is seeking an exemplary candidate to lead the Department of Public Health with a \$8.4M Budget and talented staff of over 35 employees. The Public Health Director is responsible to the Board of Health for the implementation and enforcement of the State and County Sanitary Code and other public health programs, and is responsible to the County Administrator for the implementation of the financial, personnel, and administrative policies. The ideal candidate will bring knowledge and experience in exemplary public health practice, outstanding leadership, effective communication, and administrative skills. General Supervision is exercised over programs of the Health Department such as the Clinic functions, Emergency Preparedness, Maternal Child Health, Early Intervention, Lead Poisoning Prevention, Pre-School Transportation, Preventive Health, and Communicable Disease control, Immunizations, and general health promotion and education. Work location is in person.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Master's Degree in Public Health or related field*, and two (2) years of administrative experience in a health related organization or government agency. Experience should demonstrate effective knowledge and communication skills to administer public health programs, manage staff and budget, establish and implement policy and goals, and compliance with legal requirements.

NOTE: *Related field includes; health administration, nursing, environmental health or community health education. Appointment to the Director Position is subject to approval of New York State Commissioner of Health.

SALARY RANGE: \$102,890 to \$127,809 w/excellent benefits package that includes health, vision, dental insurances, health buy out option, life insurance, flexible spending account, NYS Retirement, Deferred Compensation, and paid accruals for sick, vacation, personal, and compensatory.

Send a letter of interest and resume to:

Ruth Doyle, County Administrator

48 Court Street, Canton, NY 13617

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Applications are due by January 22, 2024

Please submit applications available at
<http://www.maloneschools.org> to:

Please submit applications to:

Heather Hardy, Human Resources Assistant

Malone Central School District, PO Box 847, Malone, NY 12953

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Network Infrastructure & Media Technician

The Computing & Technology Services Department at SUNY Potsdam is seeking a Network Infrastructure & Media Technician (Instructional Support Associate – budget title), to join a team of technical support professionals to provide support and maintenance to campus network infrastructure and telecommunications infrastructure, A/V classroom technology, and occasional event support.

To review complete job description: the job requirements & essential functions of the job, required and preferred qualifications, and submit resume, cover letter, application, and references apply on-line at
employment.potsdam.edu, job posting number U-00533.

Position is open until filled.

EOE

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).
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- (A) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered technical school or community college with an Associate's Degree or certificate in automotive equipment technology or mechanics; OR
- (B) Graduation from a high school, technical or vocational program in motor equipment mechanics and two (2) years of full-time paid experience in an automotive repair shop performing repair and maintenance of motor equipment under the supervision or direction of a higher -level mechanic; **- OR -**

(C) Four (4) years of full-time paid experience in an automotive repair shop performing repair and maintenance of motor equipment under the supervision or direction of a journey level mechanic in a commercial, industrial or facilities operations setting.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION:

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2. Possession of a Motor Vehicle Inspector's Certificate issued by the State Department of Motor Vehicles or eligibility to obtain if required by the employing agency.

Civil Service applications are available at the Department of Public Works, City Clerk's Office at City Hall or at www.ogdensburg.org. Completed applications must be returned to the **Department of Public Works, 901 Champlain Street, Ogdensburg, NY 13669** by Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 3 pm.

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- Resume'
- Letters of Recommendation (three)
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- Original College Transcripts(s)

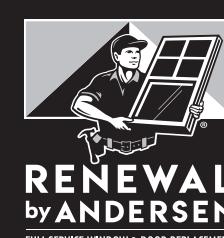
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