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Canton school eyes \$1.1 million budget deficit

BY MATT LINDSEY
North Country This Week

CANTON — Canton Central School may raise taxes by 6.5% as the district faces a \$1.1 million budget gap.

If approved by voters, the proposed \$42,699,343 budget would result in a \$258,000 jump in the tax levy, bringing the total amount to be raised from taxes to \$11,820,319.

Governor Kathy Hochul's executive budget plan includes proposed huge cuts in Foundation Aids to schools.

Foundation Aid for Canton was reduced \$600,000 for the 2024-2025 school year, according to Superintendent Susan Todd.

Canton's calculated tax cap is 8.92% this year, Todd said "However the board felt it would be difficult to ask the district taxpayers for that amount of a tax increase."

Board members settled on a 6.5% increase following debate at a Feb. 15 budget workshop. They discussed balancing the needs of students, while being fiscally responsible to taxpayers, Todd said.

The tax rate for 2024-25 would rise to \$25.55 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

For a homeowner with an assessment of \$175,000 that would be an increase of \$272.94 in taxes. When including STAR reductions they would pay about \$226.15 more per year.

Senior homeowners with advance star would pay about \$145.98 more per year.

"Even if state legislators are successful in pushing back on the Governor's plan, Canton will still find itself with several hard decisions to make prior to finalizing its budget for the 2024-2025 school year," Todd said.

Estimated total expenses for the next school year for Canton Central are \$42,699,343. This estimate includes cuts in three teaching staff members: two elementary and one middle.

"The district will continue to brainstorm how to reduce expenses while still maintaining a high-quality educational program for the students at Canton Central School," the super said.

Canton expects \$35,060,413 in revenue; \$5,500,000 in estimated applied fund balance, \$981,915 in estimated reserves; which leaves a \$1,157,015 gap.

Canton isn't alone, many districts are facing deficits after the governor announced changes in the school aid formula.



T&R Liquors | Courtesy

T&R Liquors in the SeaComm Plaza in Potsdam would be one of the stores potentially affected by Albany legislation that would legalize wine sales in large grocery chains.

Proposed wine sale law could hurt local liquor stores

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — While a State Senate bill to establish supermarket wine licenses is making its way through the Senate committee process in Albany, local liquor store owners who rely on wine sales fear passage of the law would put them out of business.

Senate Bill S6786 sponsored by State Sen. Liz Krueger, (D, WF) 28th Senate District, would allow major supermarket chains like Wegmans, Hannafords, Price Chopper and Walmart to sell wine off their shelves.

However, wine makes up a large portion of liquor store business for what are often small mom and pop shops across the state and St. Lawrence County.

The bill is co-sponsored by a small group of down-

state Democrat Senators.

A similar bill is being pushed in the house.

The bill, if made law, would allow grocery stores of more than 5,000 feet and those that already sell beer to sell wine, effectively benefiting big box chain stores only by allowing them entry and potential dominance in the lucrative New York State wine industry. And, those stores have the ability to purchase huge amounts of product from suppliers.

That, in turn, could lead to suppliers raising the minimum purchase amount, and therefore the upfront cost, to a level that smaller liquor stores can't afford. Such a law would effectively box out small shops from the enormous box wine market, and bottle markets as well.

Read more of the details on the legislation at

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More than 100 newspapers call on lawmakers to invest in local journalism

A coalition of more than 100 newspapers is calling on state lawmakers to pass legislation that could keep doors open in struggling newsrooms across the state.

North Country This Week is among the founding members of the Empire State Local News Coalition, a joint advocacy effort to advance legislation that would deliver long-term sustainability to local news organizations

The coalition is launching at a watershed moment for the journalism industry — and democracy.

Since 2005, more than 3,000 newspapers have shuttered across the country, according to research at Northwestern University. That has resulted in thousands of layoffs and communities losing essential platforms for reporting on local government.

New York State experienced a 40% decrease in newspapers between 2004 and 2019, according to University of North Carolina research, and the number of journalists has halved.

"Democracy places a responsi-

bility on citizens to be informed so they can effectively participate in the electoral process and in local government. A trusted local news source is essential for that to happen," said Bill Shumway, editor & publisher of North Country This Week / NorthCountryNow.com.

"This legislation would ensure we can continue covering local government meetings as part of our comprehensive coverage of six village and town boards,

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Potsdam Central School | Courtesy

100 days of school

Students in kindergarten at Potsdam Central celebrated the 100th day of school with their teacher Luke King.



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Board adopts amended zoning law despite potential inconsistencies

BY PAUL MITCHELL
North Country This Week

CANTON – A four-year endeavor came to a close Wednesday night when members of the Canton Town Board unanimously adopted an amended chapter of the Canton Town Code.

The vote was taken after brief comments delivered during a public hearing that preceded Wednesday's monthly board meeting.

The consensus of town leaders was that the new zoning code is not perfect and basically cannot please everyone, but needed to be adopted despite any inconsistencies and to accommodate the town planning board.

"We have been working on this for a long time. This is the fourth public hearing. This board has listened and done its due diligence," stated Town Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley.

Councilman Randy Brown agreed, noting there has been a lot of discussion involving a lot of people.

"We have to vote on this. The ZBA will have to pick up issues

we haven't thought about," said Brown.

"We have accomplished what we feel is a very good zoning law that makes a lot of sense," echoed Councilman Robert Santamoore.

"Some things are vague and that's true but how do we quantify it," said Councilman John Taillon.

Deputy Town Supervisor James T. Smith, who has been involved in amending the town code law since Day One, said the new code will not please everyone.

"It's been a long process. There are things that I'm not excited about and some things I'm excited about," said Smith. "Not everyone will be happy but we are leaving the planning board in limbo. We are not trying to shove anything down people's throats."

Smith also applauded the work of Monica Ryan, a planner from River Street Planning and Development, who guided the town board throughout the entire process.

"This is hard and not easy and will not please everybody. We made the adjustments with integrity along the way," stated Ashley

before the roll call vote.

The town will now file the amended town code law with the Department of State for their approval.

The proposal still posed concerns for Debra Bridges, who owns the Maple Ridge Kennels on Rt. 68 with her husband Styles, saying the language pertaining to kennels and animal shelters remains "vague and unenforceable."

"If this section is in place the town is at risk for legal issues," said Bridges who encouraged the town board to utilize the expertise of Jeffrey Beri, owner of No Dogs Left Behind, to formulate an appropriate code law.

"He is an outstanding dog handler who would be glad to work with the town in any way," she noted.

Bridges said the proposal needs to eliminate subsections F-J.

F. All animal waste shall be regularly cleaned up and properly disposed of. The applicant shall submit evidence that waste can be properly handled and that adequate sewage facilities exist or will

'This is hard and not easy and will not please everybody. We made the adjustments with integrity along the way.'

Mary Ann Ashley
Canton Town Supervisor

be provided for the use. No excrement, manure or other odor or dust producing substance shall be stored or disposed of within 200 feet of any water well, waterway, stream, pond, ditch or lake.

G. The applicant shall demonstrate a working plan to prevent or alleviate significant noise impacts from animals boarded on the site. Noise generated shall not be excessive or persistently occurring

or continue to such a degree or extent that it unreasonably interferes with the peace, comfort or convenience of the neighbors.

H. Outdoor running areas shall be fenced in a manner that restricts access and provides for a full enclosure.

I. The owner/operator of the kennel or shelter shall be responsible for exercising suitable control over the animals and shall not allow a nuisance condition to be created in terms of excessive noise or odor.

J. The Planning Board may, as part of Special Use Permit review, limit the number of dogs that may be kenneled or sheltered to mitigate potential adverse impacts related to noise, waste or odor upon evaluation of the applicant's plans and site characteristics in the context of their surroundings.

Concerns were also expressed by the owner of the Canton Animal Clinic.

Janes Road resident Margaret Mauch introduced the letter on behalf of clinic owner Amy Thompson, DVM.

"As a resident and business owner in Canton I am concerned about the proposed definition of a Veterinary hospital/clinic. I do not believe there needs to be exclusions of the other animal related services that many clinics provide to support their clients. In addition, I own a Veterinary Clinic and already provide in house cremation services. Will this new definition affect my ability to provide this service?" the letter reads.

"NY State Department of Education defines a Veterinary Clinic as "A veterinary facility is any fixed or mobile establishment, veterinary hospital, animal hospital, clinic or premises where veterinary medicine is practiced."

"I am concerned this will hinder future expansion of my clinic for services my clients and the town need. I understand my concerns arrive in the 11th hour but hope a thought is placed on them."

Also addressing the town board Wednesday night was Lawrence Seeger, County Rt. 35, Canton. Seeger spoke in favor of Beri and his No Dogs Left Behind business.

"A small group of "NIMBY" [Not in My Backyard] activists are apparently resorting to any means necessary to keep Jeff Beri and his No Dogs Left Behind enterprise from operating in the Town of Canton. Their coordinated effort to generate multiple specious complaints of intolerable dog barking can only logically be viewed as intentionally exaggerated. Most of my neighbors agree that no nuisance noise emanates from dogs at Mr. Beri's business. This is not a residential issue. Farm machinery operating, cows bellowing and family dogs barking are common in our rural environment. The homes of all the complainants are at least a thousand feet from the tall double boarded kennels," Seeger read from his letter submitted for the record to the board.

"The suitability of Mr. Beri's enterprise to operate in the Town of Canton should have already been determined based upon the town code as it exists now. It is unconscionable to require him to wait two years or more for the town to modify its code in accordance with a revised state regulation. The citizens of Canton should be enthusiastically behind Mr. Beri's laudable goal of humane treatment and rescue of dogs in peril. I request that you settle this issue in his favor without delay," said Seeger.

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Pearl Street in Canton closed as SLC Public Safety Complex project begins

Complex renovations close street

BY PAUL MITCHELL
North Country This Week

CANTON – A portion of Pearl Street in Canton is now closed to vehicular traffic as St. Lawrence County embarks on a \$7 million renovation project at the county’s Public Safety Complex on Court St.

The project, which includes a new 911 center, is expected to take approximately one year to complete. The section of Pearl Street closed to traffic stretches from Court Street to the Pearl Street entrance to Community Bank, N.A.

The Canton Village Board agreed to allow the Pearl Street closure at its monthly meeting in December with the stipulation the county replaces storm drains at the Court and Pearl Street area.

“I am excited for the transformation of the Public Safety Complex to begin and cannot wait to tour the facility once complete. A tremendous amount of planning has gone into this project and with the help of our local workforce, I believe this project will benefit our county for many years moving forward,” stated St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators Chair David Forsythe in a press release.

Buildings and Grounds Committee Chair Larry Denesha, Legislator District 6, expressed a similar sentiment.

“After many months of meetings with architects and affected stakeholders, the long-awaited renovations to the St. Lawrence County Public Safety Complex is scheduled to begin,” stated Denesha. “When the Project is complete we will have a state-of-the-art complex to better serve all residents in St. Lawrence County, when the need arises.”

The county’s emergency services director alluded to the importance of the project and its new 911 center.

“The 911 Center is a vital part of any emergency response and this space is in operation 24/7/365 days a year. During the renovations, the Emergency Services Dispatcher Staff will be working out of the County Back-Up 911 Center in Massena,” said Matt Denner.

“Throughout the various phases of moving operations and relocating to work in the back-up location, we never missed a call. I am proud of the Staff for demonstrating professionalism and adaptability thus far, and for everyone involved with planning this project,” Denner added.

Denner also noted the project may disrupt traffic patterns at the Court Street and Judson Street intersection and could cause delays.

Inquiries may be directed to the County Administrator’s Office at 315.379.2276 or the Village of Canton at 315.386.2871, ext. 1.

The county awarded multiple contracts valued at nearly \$5 million at a special meeting on Dec. 18.

Local contractors were the recipients of the county contracts.

Northern Tier Contracting, Gouverneur, has been named the general contractor for the project on a contract not to exceed \$2,072,200.

Plumbing services will be handled by ENI Mechanical out of Gouverneur with a contract not to exceed \$899,500.

The mechanical contractor will be Northern Mechanical, Inc., Norfolk, on a contract not to exceed \$1,269,000.

Electrical services will be handled by Colton’s S&L Electric, Inc. with a contract not to exceed \$676,000.

Legislators say the decision came after “a comprehensive planning and competitive RFP process” and a “thorough bid process” that includ-

ed 14 bidders.

More than 75% of bidders were from St. Lawrence County, officials say.

The complex is currently occupied by the Sheriff’s Office road patrol and civil enforcement divisions, Emergency Services (PSAP), Planning and Conflict Defender, along with New York State Police, who lease space on the first floor.

PCS investigating after teacher allegedly used racial slur

BY MATT LINDSEY
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — A Potsdam Central School is investigating an incident in which a substitute teacher allegedly used a racial slur in front of high school students.

Superintendent Jerry Griffin told North Country This Week that a substitute teacher used “the N-word while telling a story of some kind” to students.

“When something like this happens, we try to get as much factual information as possible and then take swift action, which includes my communication with parents and staff members,” Griffin said. “The bottom line is we want to offer a place where students, staff, and parents feel safe in every way possible. When things like this happen, it’s unfortunate, so we act on it quickly and try to learn from the experience moving forward.”

Parents were notified of the incident via email yesterday.

“I am writing to inform you about a regrettable incident involving a substitute teacher in our school district yesterday. It has come to our attention that during class, this

substitute teacher used a racial slur in front of students,” Superintendent Griffin said in the statement. “I want to express my deepest apologies to all affected by this incident.”

He said the person was removed from their substitute teacher list and that the district is investigating the matter to try and prevent incidents like this from happening again.

“While we are not perfect, we hold ourselves to high standards of respect, inclusivity, and professionalism as a school district. Using such language is completely unacceptable and does not align with our values or the safe learning environment we strive to provide for our students,” the Griffin said.

Support services are being offered for those in need. Parents can contact their child’s building principal if they feel they would benefit from additional support.

“It is essential that all members of our school community feel valued, respected, and supported,” Griffin said. “We are committed to fostering an environment where diversity is celebrated, and everyone feels safe and included. We understand how incidents like this can impact students, families, and staff.”

BRIEFLY

DWI, fleeing accident

PARISHVILLE -- A Hopkinton man was charged with aggravated driving while intoxicated after allegedly fleeing the scene of a property-damage accident, according to St. Lawrence County sheriff’s dep-

uties. Paul Merrill, 45, was charged with aggravated DWI, failure to keep right and leaving the scene of a property-damage accident, deputies said. The accident took place on Allens Falls Road on Feb. 7, officers said. Merrill reportedly has a blood-alcohol content (BAC) of .20%.



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New GM named at Potsdam food co-op

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM -- The Potsdam Food Co-op board has appointed an acting general manager to take over from the former manager who died last month.

Jessie LaRose was appointed to the post, effective Monday, Feb. 5. LaRose will take over the spot after former general manager Mark Regni passed away in late January from cancer.

Regni was appointed just last fall to the post. He learned in Decem-

ber that he had metastatic cancer in his spine, a message from the board said, announcing his passing a month later.

LaRose brings some experience to the table, having served as interim general manager from March-September 2023 prior to Regni's appointment.

"In cooperation with the Board of Directors, I (Jessie LaRose) have accepted the position of Acting General Manager," LaRose states in a message to the co-op membership from the board.

"I look forward to serving the

Co-op in this capacity and I ask for your continued support and patronage. The Co-op has come a long way thanks to the hard work of many, but we still have a lot of work ahead of us. I have always believed in the Co-op's mission and values and I am committed to being the best leader I can be, to both the Owners and Staff," LaRose said.

LaRose will help see the store through a major expansion at its Elm Street location, funded by \$1.659 million in state Downtown Revitalization Initiative funding.

Documents say student tossed lit matches to start fire

NORFOLK -- According to town court documents, the student charged with arson following the fire on Feb. 10 at Van Housen Hall on the SUNY Potsdam Campus, was reportedly throwing lit matches at a spit cup when the blaze started.

Phonta Z. Johnson Jr. of Buffalo, a transfer student to SUNY Potsdam, was arraigned Tuesday, Feb. 13 in Norfolk Town Court on charges of second and fourth degree arson in connection with the incident and was held at St. Lawrence County jail on \$25,000 bail.

Over 60 students who resided in the dorm were displaced from the

fire, with a few closest to Johnson's room, Room 304, having to be relocated for the semester.

According to court documents, Johnson was reportedly in his room lighting matches and throwing them in a spit cup around 6:16 p.m., when one of the matches apparently caused "incendiary materials located under his bed to ignite and start a fire in the room.

The blaze caused significant damage to room 304 and several dorm rooms next door, the court said.

Five fire departments responded to the fire which was reported out around 8 p.m.

Deputies seize fentanyl, meth in Canton

CANTON -- Two St. Lawrence County men were charged with felonies related to drugs, according to St. Lawrence County sheriff's deputies.

Trevor J. Secore, 30, North Lawrence, was charged with criminal tampering, felony, after allegedly throwing two glass smoking devices into a snowbank during a traffic stop

investigation, officers said.

Police also charged 37-year old Stephen S. Grant II, Massena, was charged with fourth-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance: Stimulants, felony; tampering with physical evidence, felony.

He was also charged with seventh-degree criminal possession of

a controlled substance, criminal use of drug paraphernalia, third-degree aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and failure to keep right, deputies said.

He was allegedly in possession of 150 Fentanyl packets, 4.1 grams of methamphetamine and other items commonly used with narcotics.

State of emergency due to migrant influx extended

CANTON -- St. Lawrence County has extended the county's ongoing state of emergency again, running until March 6, 2024.

County officials will reassess again prior to its expiration to potentially extend the state of emergency again, officials say.

Officials first issued the state of emergency last May due to the massive influx of migrants to the state of New York.

Officials say the possibility of migrants illegally crossing the northern border coupled with New York City and state representatives pushing to house migrants in the county could lead to "catastrophic results."

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.

Local officials have also voiced numerous concerns, saying municipalities are unable to properly care for everyone in need currently while noting an influx of migrants would exacerbate the existing situation.

Most recently, Massena faced two potential influxes with the owner of the Quality Inn Hotel attempting to persuade New York City officials to send migrants to Massena, along with Massena International Airport being considered for housing migrants as part of a list by the Department of Homeland Security.

Those incidents, which occurred last summer and early fall, put many local officials on notice.

In Massena, Village Mayor Greg Paquin told residents that housing migrants in the hotel "would never happen."

"I think if you ask everyone if we had the resources, my god, yeah, we'd do it with open arms. We don't and I think what a lot of people forget is we do have migrants in this community. They come across the northern border. If you don't think we do, you're turning a blind eye. They're already here. This county has over 200 people that are homeless, and we struggle even to help them. I'm very confident that the state government's aware of that," Mayor Greg Paquin said previously.

Paquin also pointed to the village code, saying that if the state did attempt to house migrants at the hotel, it would be in direct violation of village code.

Boarding houses are not allowed under village code, Paquin said.

"If they house them here, that would make the hotel a boarding house. That is not allowable under our code, so unless the state wants to override our code, it's just not going to happen," Paquin said.

As for the airport, city officials first spoke about the possibility of placing migrants at that location in September, raising concerns in the community.

News of the possible plan broke on Aug. 29 with a CBS News story that included a list of 11 sites in consideration to house migrants who illegally entered the country and are now housed in New York City. The list was provided to city officials by the Department of Homeland Security. No official action has yet been taken.

At the time, Town Supervisor Sue Bellow said the town was left completely in the dark and had zero communication with the state regarding the situation.

No further attempts have been made by the state to house migrants in the county, however New York City Mayor Eric Adams said at a recent press conference that he would continue to explore options to move migrants upstate for housing.



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CIRCULATION AUDIT BY



Canton town, village boards continue municipal building strategy

BY PAUL MITCHELL
North Country This Week

CANTON – Town and village officials continue to explore options for a new or renovated Canton Municipal Building. At a recent joint meeting, Deputy Mayor Anna Sorensen reported that the joint building committee has met on numerous occasions with a focus on storage use. She said the committee has met with town, village and court clerks with the premise that storage space can be reduced substantially

that could reduce construction costs. According to meeting minutes, Sorensen also stated that the building committee has been working with a group of Clarkson University students who have been tasked to come up with a plan, basic layout and suggestions on a new municipal building. These students are immersed in a capstone class, she noted, meaning the group will be working specifically on the next steps of refining the plans and providing the committee with new ideas.

Sorensen also pointed out that a declining equalization rate is impacting what the village can potentially borrow for a municipal building project. Town Councilman John Taillon said the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC) will be represented at the next building committee meeting to discuss possible funding sources for such a project. In April 2023, both boards were introduced to a design by BCA Architects and Engineers, Watertown, for a new building at a cost

of more than \$25 million. Both boards agreed the price tag was too expensive. During public comment, Canton resident Toby Irven informed elected leaders that the Capital Resource Corporation could provide some resource for funding for a new municipal building and that the corporation “stands ready to engage with the town and village.” In other matters at the Feb. 7 joint meeting, Town Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley updated both boards on the Comprehensive Plan oversight initiative shared by

both boards. Ashley said a kickoff meeting was held Nov. 28 and the next steps will see Jackie Hakes, director of planning services for M.J. Engineering, sending additional information to department heads seeking recommendations on priorities for 2024 and 2025. In March 2023, the two boards agreed to split the cost of \$8,900 to M.J. Engineering to assist in keeping the Canton Comprehensive Plan on track.

OBITUARIES

Anita Elizabeth O’Neill, 78 Massena

MASSENA -- A private memorial service will be held for Anita Elizabeth O’Neill, age 78, at Phillips Memorial Home in Massena with Rev. Mark Reilly presiding at the convenience of the family. There will be no public calling hours per her wishes. Entombment will take place in Oswegatchie Memorial Park in Ogdensburg, NY. Anita passed away at home on Saturday, February 10, 2024. Surviving Anita are her loving siblings; Jimmy Elman of Texas, Jerry and Gail Elman of Massena, NY, Mary Fuller and companion, Kenneth Ghostlaw of Massena, NY, Martin and Sandra Elman of Rockdale, TX, along with several nieces, nephews and her loving companion, Duane Pelkey of Massena, NY. In addition to her parents, Anita was predeceased by her husband, Bernard O’Neill in 2010 and sister-in-law, Janet Elman and a brother-in-law, Ike Fuller in 2021. Anita was born to the late Martin and Ruth (O’Leary) Elman on May 2, 1945, in Massena, NY.

She attended Massena School graduating. She was married to her husband, Bernard O’Neill on June 26, 1976, at Sacred Heart Church in Massena, NY. Anita was employed with the Massena Central School District as bus driver, retiring after nearly 34 years of service. In her spare time, Anita enjoyed doing puzzles, loved to craft and play scratch offs. She also enjoyed the time spent with friends during morning coffee at McDonald’s and loved her animals. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be shared with American Heart Association; 7272 Greenville Ave., Dallas, TX 75231. Family and friends are welcome to share memories, photos and condolences online by visiting www.PhillipsMemorial.com.

Anita O’Neill



Jeannette M. Shinnock, 86 Massena

MASSENA -- A Mass of Christian burial will be held for Jeannette M. Shinnock, privately, per her wishes at the convenience of the family with Rev. Mark Reilly presiding. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery, Massena in the spring. There will be no public calling hours or services. Jeannette passed away peacefully at her home surrounded by her loving and devoted husband and children under the care of Hospice late Tuesday evening, February 13, 2024. Jeannette is survived by her husband, Richard G. Shinnock, of 67 years, and their caring daughters; Glenda MacPherson, Karla Flynn and Serena and husband, Stephen Krywanczyk all of Massena, NY. Jeannette is also survived by her five grandchildren; Ashley Flynn of Riverton, UT, Eric MacPherson, Lindsay MacPherson and companion, Seth Blair, Aaron Krywanczyk, and Allie Krywanczyk all of Massena, NY with three great-grandchildren; Whitney and Brody Flynn-Contreras and Gavin Blair. She leaves also one brother, Leroy and wife Caroline Peets of Newton Falls, NY, a sister-in-law, Carol Peets of Citrus Spring, FL, along with several nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, her brothers, Leonard Peete, and Raymond Peets, predeceased her along with a granddaughter, Kristina Marie “Kristie” Flynn in 2021. Jeannette was born to the late Joseph and Anna (Deneault) Peets in Tupper Lake, NY on March 15, 1937. She attended schools in Tupper Lake, graduating from Holy Ghost Academy. She worked at Tupper Lake National Bank and later at JJ Newberry’s Store where she met and soon married her loving husband Richard G. Shinnock at Saint Alphonsus Church in Tupper Lake, NY on September 16, 1956, to the

Jeannette Shinnock



late Rev. Msgr. D. J. Brault. Jeannette was a faithful communicant of Sacred Heart Church in Massena, and enjoyed spending time celebrating family events and holidays at the family home. She was very proud of her family and enjoyed spending quality time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a Massena Raiders fan and could be found traveling with the Massena Hockey traveling teams with her husband as a big supporter in her younger years. She loved taking rides to the Adirondacks especially in the fall sharing stories of her life there, during her childhood and teenage years along with times spent with her husband when first married. In lieu of flowers, those who would like to share memorial contributions in her memory may do so with Hospice and Palliative Care of St. Lawrence Valley, 6805 US-11, Potsdam, New York, 13676. Family, friends and relatives are welcome to share memorial trees, photos and condolence online by visiting www.PhillipsMemorial.com.

Edwina M. Dale, 94 formerly of Massena

MASSENA -- Edwina M. Dale, age 94 of Chandler, AZ and formerly of Massena, NY, passed away on Wednesday, January 31, 2023, at The Gardens at Ocotillo Nursing Home. There will be no calling hours. Burial will be held in Calvary Cemetery, Massena in the spring. Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Phillips Memorial Home in Massena. Edwina was born on August 11, 1929, in Massena, the daughter of Napoleon and Corine (Rouselle) Carriere. After high school graduation, she married Robert E. Frace on August 3, 1953, he predeceased her on July 28, 1959. She later married Robert Dale on October 30, 1970. He predeceased her on March 25, 2004. Edwina was employed as a Systems Assistant working at Kodak. Edwina is survived by a sister, Arlene Ouimet, of North Hampton, NH, and a niece, Cynthia Hammer-sley of Chandler, AZ. During her retirement years,

Edwina shared her computer expertise freely with her retirement community. She taught classes for many years at the Far Horizons community in Tucson AZ and was always available to help other seniors adapt to the computer age. Edwina was deeply devoted to her Catholic faith and made many contributions over the years to Catholic charities. Edwina was also known for her enthusiastic patriotism and support for veterans’ causes. She has requested any memorial contributions be made to The Wounded Warrior Project at <https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org/> Family and friends are encouraged to share condolences and memories online by visiting, www.PhillipsMemorial.com.

Edwina Dale



LOUISVILLE -- A private prayer service for Joyce M. Legault of Wildard Road Louisville, NY, will take place on Sunday, February 18, 2024, at the Phillips Memorial Home, Massena with Rev. Mark Reilly presiding. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place at St. Lawrence Church in the spring with burial to take place in the parish Cemetery. The family has entrusted arrangements to the care and guidance of the Phillips Memorial Home, located at 64 Andrews Street in Massena, NY. Joyce passed away unexpectedly at home on Wednesday, February 14, 2024. Joyce is survived by her three children, Randy Legault of Zephyrhills FL, Larry Legault and Molly Griffin of Louisville, NY and Michael and Tracie Legault of Louisville, NY; six grandchildren, Amanda, Kimberly and Buddy Kemison, Samantha Joy, Michelle and Katelyn Legault; eight great-grandchildren along with a son-in-law, Jim Dupris of Massena; five sisters-in-law, sev-

Joyce M. Legault, 89 Louisville

eral nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, Joyce was predeceased by her loving husband, Raymond A. Legault in 2017, a son, Arthur in infancy, a daughter, Sharon Legault in 2010, daughter, Sandy Dupris in 2021, her siblings; two sisters, Elma Wilkins and Barb Girard, three brothers, Bob, Carl and Dick Girard. Joyce was born to the late Elie and Evelyn (Rouselle) Girard on August 17, 1934, in Roosevelttown, NY. She attended Massena schools graduating from Massena High School. Shortly after graduating, Joyce began her career working at ALCOA in the office as a clerk. She then meant her husband Raymond A. Legault, and on May 4, 1957, they were married by the late Rev. Nugent

Joyce Legault



at St. Lawrence Church in Louisville, NY. They began their family and she worked at Ames Department Store for nearly 20 years, then went to work for SEARS as a sales associate retiring after 9 years in the service department. She enjoyed time spent with family and friends and loved to play BINGO and watching Westerns Shows on television. Joyce was also a communicant of St. Lawrence Church. Was a past member of the Altar and Rosary Society with St. Lawrence Church in Louisville, NY. Memorial contributions in her memory may be shared with Louisville Volunteer Fire Dept. P.O. Box 22, Massena, New York 13662 and Louisville Helping Hands 14810 State Highway 37, Massena, New York 13662. Friends and family are encouraged to share memorial trees, memories, photos and condolence online by visiting www.PhillipsMemorial.com.

RECENT DEATHS

PATRICIA REIF, 77, Norwood, Feb. 9.
BARBARA J. CROSS, 84, formerly of DeKalb, Feb. 11. Arrangements with Todd County Funeral Home, Elkton, KY.
FRANK JOY, 70, formerly of Norfolk, Feb. 13.

TERESA BROTHERS, 59, Hermon, Feb. 14. Arrangements with O’Leary Funeral Home, Canton.
BERTON M. HANCE, 81, Canton. Arrangements with O’Leary Funeral Home, Canton.
OBITUARIES AND death notices are posted as soon as they are available at

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ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT FOR 2023

Village of Norwood, Municipal Water, PO Box 182, Norwood, NY 13668

(Public Water Supply ID#4404393)

INTRODUCTION

To comply with State regulations, the Village of Norwood annually issues a report describing the quality of your drinking water. The purpose of this report is to raise your understanding of drinking water and awareness of the need to protect our drinking water sources. Last year your tap water met all State drinking water health standards. We are proud to report that our system has never violated a maximum contaminant level or any other water quality standard. This report provides an overview of last year's water quality. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to State standards.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your drinking water, please contact Michael Smith, Chief Operator at 353-9902 OR Dan McGregor, Public Works Superintendent at 353-6667. We want you to be informed about your drinking water. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled village board meetings held at the Norwood Municipal Building on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:00 PM.

WHERE DOES OUR WATER COME FROM?

In general, the sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activities. Contaminants that may be present in source water include microbial contaminants, inorganic contaminants, pesticides and herbicides, organic chemical contaminants, and radioactive contaminants. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink the State and EPA prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The State Health Department's and the FDA's regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Our water system presently serves approximately 1,563 people, with approximately 650 service connections. Our water source is groundwater extracted from one of three wells. Well #2 is 268 feet deep, and well #4 is 275 feet deep, well #5 is 265 feet deep. The wells are located at the dead end of Sports Avenue. Prior to distribution, the well water is chlorinated at well house #1. Additionally, fluoride is added to the water at the well house, along with phosphates for iron treatment.

The NYS Department of Health has completed a "Source Water Assessment" for this system, based on available

information. Possible and actual threats to this drinking water source were evaluated. The State source water assessment includes a susceptibility rating based on the risk posed by each potential source of contamination and how easily contaminants can move through the subsurface to the wells. **The susceptibility rating is an estimate of the potential for contamination of the source water; it does N.O.T. mean that the water delivered to consumers is or will become contaminated.** See the section, "Are there contaminants in our drinking water?" for a list of the contaminants that have been detected, if any. The source water assessments provide resource managers with additional information for protecting waters into the future.

The "Source Water Assessment" on the Village wells did not identify any significant sources of contamination. However, the wells draw from fractured bedrock, and the overlying soils are not known to provide adequate protection from potential contamination, and are therefore susceptible to potential sources of contamination. Continued vigilance, in compliance with water quality protection and pollution prevention programs, as well as continued monitoring and enforcement, will help to continue to protect groundwater quality. Please note that our water is disinfected to ensure that the finished water delivered into your home meets New York State's drinking water standards for microbial contamination. The county and state health departments will use this information to direct future source water protection activities. These may include water quality monitoring, resource management, and planning and education programs. A copy of the assessment can be obtained by contacting us as noted below.

ARE THERE CONTAMINANTS IN OUR DRINKING WATER?

As the State regulations require, we routinely test your drinking water for numerous contaminants. These contaminants include total coliform, inorganic compounds, nitrate, lead and copper, volatile organic compounds, total trihalomethanes, and synthetic organic compounds. The table presented below depicts which compounds were detected in your drinking water. The State allows us to test for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data, though representative, is more than one year old.

It should be noted that all drinking water, including bottled water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Hotline (800-426-4791) or the local NYS Dept. of Health in canton (315-386-1040).

| Table of Detected Contaminants | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Contaminant | Violation Yes/No | Date of Sample | Level Detected <small>Average Max Range 90%=0.55</small> | Unit of Measurement | MCLG | Regulatory Limit (MCL, TT, or AL) | Likely Source of Contamination |
| COPPER | NO | 8/15/23 | Range 0.12 to 0.63 | Mg/L | 1.3 | 2.2 AL = 1 | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives |
| LEAD (Lead Results) | NO | 8/15/23 | Range <.001 to .0036 | Mg/L | 0.00 | 3 | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits |
| FLUORIDE | NO | 12/30/20 | 0.62 | Mg/L | N/A | AL = 0.01 | Erosion of natural deposits; water additives that promote strong teeth |
| SODIUM (*below) | NO | 9/18/23 | 21.0 | Mg/L | *see health note | 5 *see health note | Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories. Naturally occurring; road salt; water softeners; animal waste |
| Organic Chemicals (Combined results from Wells 2, 3, and 4) | | | | | | | |
| BARIUM | NO | 01/21/21 | 38.8 | Ug/L | 2000 | 2000 UG/1 | Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits |
| Disinfection Byproducts (Combined results from Wells 2, 4, 5) | | | | | | | |
| Total Trihalomethanes ¹ (TTHMS) | NO | 9/18/23 | 21.2 | Ug/1 | N/A | MCL=80.0 | By-product of drinking water Chlorination |
| Total Haloacetic Acids ² (HAASS) | NO | 11/02/20 | 4.45 | Ug/1 | N/A | MCL=60.0 | By-product of drinking water Chlorination |
| Inorganic Chemicals | | | | | | | |

1 Disinfection by-products test results include: Stage 2 bromodichloromethane, bromoform, chloroform, and dibromochloromethane.
2 Disinfection by-products tests results include: dibromoacetic acid, dichloroacetic acid, monobromoacetic acid, monochloroacetic acid, and trichloroacetic acid, and trichloroacetic acid. 3 Sodium result is a composite of wells #2, 4, & 5.

Definitions:
Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible.
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Milligrams per liter (mg/L): Corresponds to one part of liquid in one million parts of liquid (parts per million - ppm).
Micrograms per liter (ug/l): Corresponds to one part of liquid in one billion parts of liquid (parts per billion - ppb).
Picocuries per liter (pCi/L): A measure of the radioactivity in water.
90th percentile Value: The values reported for lead and copper represents the 90th percentile. A percentile is a value on a scale of 100 that indicates the percent of distribution that is equal to or greater than 90% of the lead and copper values detected at your water system.

Health Notes:
 • MCLs (see definition above) are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for any regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every single day for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having health affected.
 • Water containing more than 20 mg/1 of sodium should not be used for drinking by people on severely restricted sodium diets. Water containing more than 270 mg/1 of sodium should not be used for drinking by people on moderately restricted sodium diets.

WHAT DOES THIS INFORMATION MEAN?

As you can see by the table, our system had no violations. We have learned through our testing that some contaminants have been detected; however, these contaminants were detected well below the level allowed by the State of New York. During last year our system was in compliance with applicable State drinking water operating, monitoring and reporting requirements. Your water has been determined to be SAFE for drinking.

DO I NEED TO TAKE SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS?

Although our drinking water met or exceeded state and federal regulations, some people may be more vulnerable to disease causing microorganisms or pathogens in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons, such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice from their health care provider about their drinking water. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium, Giardia and other microbial pathogens are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

FLUORIDE ADDITION

Our system is one of the many drinking water systems in New York State that provides drinking water with a controlled, low level of fluoride for consumer dental health protection. According to the United States Center for Disease Control, fluoride is very effective in preventing cavities when present in drinking water at an optimal range. To ensure that the fluoride supplement in your water provides optimal dental protection, the State Department of Health requires that we monitor fluoride levels on a daily basis. During 2023 monitoring showed fluoride levels in your water were 0.62 avg. for the year 2021. None of the monitoring results showed fluoride at levels that approach the 2.2 mg/1 MCL for fluoride.

WHY SAVE WATER AND HOW TO AVOID WASTING IT

Although our system has an adequate amount of water to meet present and future demands, there are a num-

ber of reasons why it is important to conserve water.

- Saving water saves energy and some of the costs associated with both of these necessities of life
- Saving water reduces the cost of energy required to pump water and the need to construct costly new wells, pumping systems, and water towers
- Saving water lessens the strain on the water system during a dry spell or drought, helping to avoid severe water use restrictions so that essential fire fighting needs are met.

You can play a role in conserving water by becoming conscious of the amount of water your household is using, and by looking for ways to use less whenever you can. It is not hard to conserve water. Conservation tips include:

- Automatic dishwashers use 15 gallons for every cycle, regardless of how many dishes are loaded, so get a run for your money and load it to capacity.
- Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth.
- Check every faucet in your home for leaks. Just a slow drip can waste 15-20 gallons a day. Fix it and you could save almost 6,000 gallons per year.

CLOSING

Thank you for allowing us to continue to provide your family with quality drinking water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. The costs of these improvements may be reflected in the rate structure. Rate adjustments may be necessary in order to address these improvements. We ask that all of you help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of the community. Please call if you have questions.

Michael Smith, Chief Operator
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WINE...

<https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2023/S6786>

What it means locally

Tracey Wilson, who owns T&R Wines & Liquors at 145 Market St. in the SeaComm Plaza with her husband Ron, says the bill would make business unsustainable for some stores.

"It will change the whole scheme of things," Wilson said.

"It will be grocery stores only, and only certain lines, not the great selection that we have," she said. "But for little stores, they can't compete."

The buying power of large grocery chains to control the minimum purchase, which could block small liquor stores from ultimately selling wine, would make it difficult for local shops to stay viable.

Wilson said wine sales make up a large portion of liquor store business. T&R does about 40 percent of its business in wine sales, she said.

Jordan Hennessy, T&R manager who plans to eventually buy the store, agreed.

"It definitely could hurt us in that way," Hennessy said.

"And, a lot of the NY wineries are openly against it," Wilson said.

It's not just about the bottom line either for the local stores.

In T&R's case, the store and the Wilsons have donated to countless local jamborees, fundraisers and local non profits like Renewal House and others in its 24 years in business. The store, like many North Country spirits shops, has a role in the community beyond just being a business selling a product. If T&R and other local shops are put out of business by the legislative action in Albany, that would go away.

"We put a lot back into the community," she said.

And, the store, like many others in the North Country, provides local jobs, often for students. In T&R's case, the store employs 12 people besides the two owners to stay open 7 days a week.

"One of our biggest worries in my head is that we are going to lose our bread and butter in the wine," Hennessy said.

"Companies [wine suppliers] will raise their minimum purchase levels. We don't have the spending power," he said.

"This is a very slippery slope," said Hennessy.

Wilson said once the grocery store law is passed, the next step could be direct to consumer sales through Amazon.

"New York State is so unfriendly towards business," Wilson said.

If the legislation passes eventually, things would change for the store.

"We very quickly would lose half our employees," she said.

"We will still be here. We will still be open, but it will definitely hurt us. And then there are the smaller stores that aren't going to survive," she said.

At the state level

Wilson said the Wegman's company, which runs a group of high-end grocery stores downstate, has been pushing for grocery store wine sales for years. In Wegman's case, the company often opens separate wine and liquor stores adjacent to its large groceries to get around the current law, said Wilson. Wegman's and other large grocery companies bring a lot of lobby power to Albany.

The local shop is being proactive and trying to generate grassroots support to kill the bill.

Wilson said she has contacted the local state representatives in the Assembly and Senate. "The ones we have say they are bored with us," the owner said.

"And, we're part of a lobby group for liquor stores across the state," Hennessy added.

Local residents and customers can help support the effort to kill the grocery store wine sales legislation by signing onto an auto generated letter to the region's state representatives at SaveNYWine.com .

NEWS...

the Ogdensburg City Council and the St. Lawrence County Legislature. Healthy communities need an unbiased news organization to connect, enrich and inform citizens."

Other founding members of the Empire State Local News Coalition from northern and central New York include Ogden Newspapers, owner of the Adirondack Daily Enterprise, Saranac Lake, and the Lake Placid News; Johnson Newspapers, owner of Watertown Daily Times and three St. Lawrence County weeklies; Daily Gazette Inc.,

owner of the Schenectady Gazette, Amsterdam Recorder and Gloversville Leader-Herald; Sentinel Media, owner of the Rome Daily Sentinel and Utica Daily Sentinel; and Capital Region Independent Media, owner of seven Albany area weeklies.

There is a growing number of New York State communities with little to no access to local newspaper coverage: 13 counties are down to just one newspaper and Orleans County is the first with no local newspaper at all.

The decline of local journalism is a threat to the health of our democracy, coalition members emphasize.

If newspapers continue to shutter, communities across the state risk being effectively disenfranchised, losing the ability to shape policy conversations and hold officials accountable, coalition members say.

"All New Yorkers deserve to have their voices heard, and hometown

newspapers are key to that mission. We urge government officials and local stakeholders to rally behind us, safeguarding democracy and bolstering the future of local journalism in New York," said founding member Zachary Richner, director of Long Island-based Richner Communications.

The Empire State Local News Coalition is championing legislation that ensures local papers will survive through the 21st century and beyond. Key priorities include:

- The Local Journalism Sustainability Act (S.625B/A2958C): Sponsored by Sen. Hoylman-Sigal, provides tax credits to local news outlets for the employment of local news journalists. The bill ensures New York's journalists and supporting workers will have job stability while paving the way for more hiring opportunities and an expanded workforce in the future.

- This proposal would incentivize local businesses to advertise in local

media, driving revenue for hometown papers, while connecting businesses with their customers.

A 2022 analysis found approximately 354 newsrooms in New York State would benefit from the local journalism payroll tax credit.

"Professionally-reported, fact-checked local news forges community, keeps elected officials in check, and strengthens democracy. This important legislation would help fortify our business and allow us to keep reinvesting in high-quality local journalists," said Adam Stone, publisher at Examiner Media in Westchester.

"Independent local newspapers serve as the vital threads weaving together stories of triumphs and challenges, keeping us connected to our neighborhoods and shared experiences," said Bradley Waters, president and publisher, Sentinel Media Co.

The coalition's website is at SaveNYLocalNews.com .

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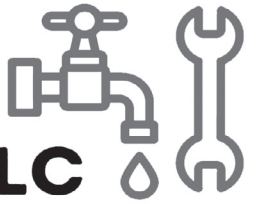


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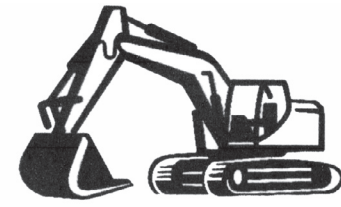
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Reps call for electric bus mandate delay

North Country representatives joined fellow Republicans in Albany Monday to call for an end to the electric school bus mandate, which they say is too much too fast.

Assemblyman Scott Gray was critical of the move to mandate schools to purchase electric buses beginning in 2027, which he said would result in billions of dollars in cost increases for school budgets.

Assembly members introduced legislation (A 8447) to delay the mandate to 2045, which would also call upon the Commissioner of Education to complete a cost-benefit analysis for each district as well.

Gray said the concerns regarding the switch to electric buses are shared statewide, with local school administrators and transportation experts all saying the switch is not realistic.

"We should not expect school districts to meet a goal they are not prepared to carry out. This is not feasible for school districts or taxpayers and we know that because we've talked to them," Gray said.

Gray also spoke to the cost of the switch, something many north country schools cannot afford. Governor Hochul has also proposed cutting millions of dollars in foundation aid to north country school districts, money that is earmarked to pay for salaries, emergency proj-

ects and repairs, as well as advancing educational opportunities for students.

"The cost of all-electric school buses is astronomical at nearly \$1.8 billion each year, with an additional \$3.4 billion to implement the infrastructure necessary to house and charge these buses. The kicker is the state is only funding the cost of 3,000 of the 45,000 buses that would be needed statewide to fulfill this mandate. New York state should be leading, not forcing other entities to lead the way. We need to work with school districts to reach sustainability goals and make the transition to all-electric. The voters are rejecting this mandate as we've already witnessed, so how can we expect them to accomplish this task," said Gray.

Senator Dan Stec also called on Hochul to reverse course on the electric bus mandate, offering an alternative to distinguish the feasibility of a statewide transition.

Stec suggested a pilot program be implemented to evaluate how effective the performance of such buses are in New York's urban, rural and suburban areas.

"The electric bus mandate for our schools is expensive and unfeasible. A diesel-powered school bus has an average cost of \$150,000. An electric bus is two-to-three times that

price, not even factoring in charging infrastructure, meaning replacing and maintaining a fleet of electric buses will cost school districts millions of dollars," said Stec.

"Studies show electric buses have an average range of about 150 miles at 70 degrees. When it's 20, the range is 85-90 miles. For context, I was recently speaking with the superintendent at the Massena School District and each of their buses drives 70 miles per day. For the Saranac Lake School District, the largest school district geographically speaking, their fleet of 16 buses drive an average of 100 miles each day."

Stec specifically cited Massena and Potsdam as two districts of concern given the extreme low temperatures the north country sees in the winter, coupled with the wide ranging rural districts students live in.

"Given the unreliability of charging electric vehicles in extreme cold and the long distances buses have to travel to pick up students in these rural districts, you're asking schools to spend a lot of money for a significantly less efficient mode of transportation," he added.

Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush also spoke against the measure, saying the extreme costs associated with purchasing each bus was prohibitive to the process and is not feasible.



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Lunch ladies

Eating lunch at the Colton Community Church during Colton Winterfest Feb. 10 were, from left, Pat Winters, Joanne Fisher, Lois Wickwire and Elin Coleman.

Town works on promo video

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — The town of Potsdam will be contracting with a media firm to create promotional video spots to post on the municipal website.

The town board approved the contract, as well as several other resolutions, at its regular meeting Feb. 6.

At the meeting, the board authorized Town Supervisor Marty Miller to execute a contract between the Town of Potsdam and CGI Digital to produce community showcase videos promoting Potsdam, at no cost to the Town of Potsdam per the terms of the agreement.

The firm will create four one-minute videos that the town can then post on its webpage.

"What I like about it is that we can work with them to craft it the way we want it, if we want it to be more about education, if we want it to be about healthy living, if we want it to be about economic development," Town Supervisor Marty Miller told the board at the Feb. 6 meeting.

Miller said CGI Digital sells advertising spots to local businesses to create revenue to pay for the

project. "That's how it's beneficial to them," Miller said. "It costs us zero."

Other resolutions

The board also approved a resolution which temporarily closes all paved highways this spring in the Town of Potsdam to all vehicles having a gross weight in excess of five tons total. The roads will be restricted upon posting of signs announcing the weight limit and remain closed until removal of the signs.

Town board members also voted to authorize Town Clerk Cindy Golliber to advertise for bids to purchase a 2019 or newer 1500 4x4, gas engine pick-up truck.

Bids were to be accepted at the Town Clerk's Office, until Feb. 15 and opened at that time for review.

Miller was also authorized by the board to execute a contract between the Town of Potsdam and the St. Lawrence County Arts Council for support of the Ives Park Concert Series (August 2024) in the amount of \$2,500, with funds to be paid from the Recreation A7140.4 account.

Finally, the board agreed to hire Karen McAllister, former deputy clerk, to work as a fill-in deputy clerk for \$25 per hour from Feb. 20 to 21.

St. Law. Health providing virtual urgent care

POTSDAM — St. Lawrence Health (SLH) will offer "Virtual Urgent Care" appointments to patients beginning Monday, Feb. 19.

"We want to make it as convenient as possible for our patients to receive the care they need, when they need it," noted SLH Emergency Department Service Line Director Justin MacKinnon, MD. "This twenty-first century form of health care is about receiving Urgent Care your way. For some patients that

may be an in-person visit to our Potsdam or Canton Urgent Care centers, and for others it might be remaining at home for a virtual appointment."

SLH will provide Virtual Urgent Care from 7 am to 10 pm; new Potsdam Urgent Care, 49 Lawrence Ave, hours are 8 am to 7 pm; and new hours for Canton Urgent Care, 80 East Main St. are 9 am - 6 pm.

To schedule a Virtual Urgent Care appointment, existing SLH

patients who have a MyCare account can register through their portal, and all other patients can register without an account.

To make a Virtual Urgent Care appointment, visit <https://www.stlawrencehealthsystem.org/services/urgent-care>. As patients proceed through a few questions and get to the "Put Me In Line" option, they will be informed as to what the estimated wait time is for the next available provider.

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Canton CARES deadline nears

BY PAUL MITCHELL
North Country This Week

CANTON — Small business owners looking for funding to offset pandemic-related shortfalls have until March 5 to submit the proper paperwork with the Office of Economic Development.

Director of Economic Development Leigh Rodriguez reported Tuesday that a limited amount of funding is still available through the Canton CARES Small Business Grant Program (CCSBGP).

"The Village of Canton wishes to notify local businesses that a limited amount of funding is still available. Applications will continue to be accepted on a rolling basis until funds are expended," stated Rodriguez who serves as program manager

The CCSBGP has been established to provide grants to microenterprises and small businesses with less than 25 employees in the Village that have been impacted by the pandemic. All types of microenterprises and small businesses within the Village of Can-

ton are eligible for consideration, with the exception of not-for-profits. Businesses must commit to demonstrating job retention or creation with at least 51% of jobs taken by or made available to low-moderate income persons. A microenterprise owner can also qualify by meeting the definition of a low-moderate income person.

"All applicants must demonstrate how the proposed use of funds will enable the business to prepare for, prevent, or respond to impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic," Rodriguez said.

Prospective applicants should contact the Office of Economic Development (OED) for application information. The OED will screen applicants for program eligibility, and provide materials to those interested.

For more information, contact Rodriguez at (315) 386-2871 #5, or lrodriguez@cantontny.gov for more information.

Applications must be submitted no later than Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 4 p.m.

Town, village officials to Polar Plunge

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

HANNAWA FALLS -- The town of Potsdam and the Clarkson Student Occupational Therapy Department will host the second annual Postwood Polar Plunge on March 9 at 10 a.m. at Postwood Park Beach.

The town board authorized Town Supervisor Marty Miller to sign a contract with Clarkson to hold the event at the town-owned park again this year.

"We are working with the students to coordinate all the different aspects of the event, including warming tents, porta-potties, sign-ups, coordinating with the rescue

squad etc.," Town Councilwoman Allyssa Hardiman, who sits on the town recreation committee, reported to the board at their Feb. 6 meeting.

"Marty (Miller, town supervisor), Alex Wilke (village mayor) and myself are all going to jump into the water, so that will be a lot of fun. Lynn (Hall, town councilwoman) is also going to be there, so if anyone else wants to come jump in," Hardiman said.

"I'm going to be out of town that weekend," quipped town clerk Cindy Golliber.

There is a \$10 minimum donation cost to make the plunge. Pledges are welcome. All proceeds will be

donated to The Renewal House.

All participants must sign a waiver and check in with the event coordinator prior to plunging.

Plungers must have weather-appropriate clothes that can be easily donned after exiting the water.

Those taking the plunge are advised to wear warm baggy clothes until they are within seconds, not minutes, of entering the water.

No alcohol or marijuana will be allowed in the park area.

For more information on the event, email Meredith Miller at millermg@clarkson.edu.

Other Postwood news

In other developments concerning Postwood Park, where the town runs its summer recreation and swim program, Hardiman told the board that there were several improvement goals the recreation committee would like to see done at the park in the future, including campsites. However, she said they think that the main focus this year should be construction of a new pavilion there.

She said a separate town account for donations for the pavilion project could be set up so the town could save money given by supporters to the endeavor.

Hardiman said a community coloring book mural, funded by a future grant, is also being planned at the park.

Town Clerk Cindy Golliber suggested the town also plan to install wheelchair accessible ramps at the beach into the water. Golliber said such a move might help the town secure grants for other related park improvements.

80s murder mystery dinner slated

CANTON -- A murder mystery dinner party called "I Love the 80s To Death: A Rocking' Radical Night of Mystery," will be held March 2 at 6 p.m. at The White Silo at The Saphead Complex, 5355 CR 27.

It's the 80's again, and all of the big names are here for a big concert. Tensions run rampant as backstage secrets spill out into the spotlight with like, totally tragic results. This isn't an episode of Miami Vice. This is like...murder. It's up to you to bust it like a ghost, for sure.

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Tickets are limited to the first 100 mystery solvers.

Tickets for buffet and events cost \$80/PP or \$140/couple and can be purchased in person by stopping by the Saphead Complex Fridays from 2-6 p.m.

Online ticket purchases can be made through Venmo at TheWhiteSilo@Saphead.

Or email jbell@tacvet.com or call (315) 276-6130.

'A Night in Hollywood' Gala benefit planned by SLC Arts

CANTON -- The St. Lawrence County Arts Council will host "A Night in Hollywood" Gala benefit at St. Lawrence University's Eben Holden Hall on Saturday, March 9.

Celebrate the Golden Age of Hollywood as the organization honors prominent local artists in the film and performing arts fields.

Tickets are \$100 per person and include dinner and a show, featur-

ing a performance by a local dance troupe.

Visit <https://slcartscouncil.org/gala/> to purchase tickets by Feb. 23.

Cash bar for attendees 21 years of age and older.

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Open house planned at Grace House

CANTON – Grace House, a non-profit residence for women seeking to recover from addiction, marks its fifth anniversary with an open house for the public on Feb. 25 from 1-3 p.m. at the home, 11 E. Main St.

The event, which will offer light refreshments, is aimed at acquainting residents of the North Country and elsewhere with a program supported in part by 15 area churches. Grace House opened in 2019 and has since admitted 82 women, aged 21 to

62, who might otherwise have been homeless and unable to address such issues as alcohol or drug abuse, said Executive Director Carolyn White.

The women, the vast majority of whom are from the North Country, are provided with a structured environment, including curfew and abstinence from alcohol and drugs, and offered material and support aid – including counseling, educational and medical services – according to need and available volunteer and financial resources.

At a time when rates of addiction and overdose in Northern New York far exceeds those in other parts of the state, the oversight and care freely offered at Grace House are crucial to the mission of helping to reconstruct the women's family, including young children, and helping to transition residents into the full life of the community, White said.

Grace House is reliant on volunteers, including White and a board of directors. The program, after a 30-day probationary period, encourages residents to go to school, get jobs or work with a volunteer organization in Canton. The residence is overseen by an in-house supervisor skilled in providing transitional living services.

For more information, to volunteer or make a tax-deductible donation, visit at www.gracehousecantony.org or contact White by email, rhernandez2@twcnr.com, or text, 315-261-3330.

Parking for the Feb. 25 event is on the street or in the parking lot of neighboring Grace Episcopal Church on East Main.



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63 at Elks hockey shoot

Wyatt Collins, Hannawa Falls, was among 63 participants at the annual Elks Lodge Hockey Shoot at Pine St. Arena Feb. 19. First place winners in the girls' and boys' divisions: Ages 5 & under - Gracie Hagggett, Chase Gaebel, Ages 6 & 7 - Amelia Knowlton, Lukle Buchanan, Ages 8 & 9 - Harper LaFay, Nolan Archer, Ages 10 & 11 - Eloise Butlin, Cameron Whiteford, Ages 12 & 13 - Xavier Clookey.

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Bottle drive

POTSDAM -- The Potsdam Dance Company Performance Team Fundraising Committee is holding a bottle drive to support their award-winning dance team as they prepare to travel to two competitions this April.

Donations can be dropped off at Griff's Beverage Center or you can email performanceteam23@gmail.com to arrange for pick up through the end of February.

You can also contact a Performance Team parent to schedule a pick up.

Shanghai Circus to perform

OGDENSBURG - Over 40 acrobats will showcase a dramatic interpretation of classic Chinese dance and performance art when the Grand Shanghai Circus arrives Feb. 24 for the next Ogdensburg Grand Performance event.

The 4 p.m. staging is billed as the Grand Shanghai Circus but is headquartered nationally out of Branson, Missouri at the Mickey Gilley Theater and features dozens of the best circus performers from around the world, including Russia, Europe, China and other parts of Asia.

Ogdensburg Command Performances Administrator Sally F. Palao says the 4 p.m. stage time is deliberate to accommodate families of all ages.

Mrs. Palao said some of the stunts the audience may witness include foot juggling, yo-yo tricks, chair balancing, acrobatics numbers, and dramatic interpretations of traditional stories.

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28th annual Canton Winterfest Feb. 23 - Mar. 3

Sled hockey, cornhole, acting workshops, wine tastings and more coming to Canton

BY PAUL MITCHELL
North Country This Week

CANTON – The 28th edition of Canton Winterfest slated Feb. 23 to March 3 will feature acting workshops from the Grasse River Players, a sled hockey tournament, cornhole tournaments, wine and spirits tastings, a host of high school and college sporting events and much more.

“One of the first big things happening this year is the continuing tradition of Canton Winterfest and I encourage you to get to as many as you can,” said Katie Berry, Canton Coordinator & Communications Specialist for the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce.

Berry urged everyone to peruse the complete schedule of events on pages 15 and 16 and business discounts on page 12.

Additional Canton Winterfest information and late updates are available on the Winterfest Page on Visit-STLC.com.

Berry was recently hired to coordinate Canton and Canton area events and activities.

“I am excited to have joined the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce. As a North Country native, I am passionate about building community and supporting small businesses. Having recently graduated from Clarkson University and worked with the Clarkson marketing department and the Potsdam

Chamber of Commerce, I am looking forward to contributing to this wonderful community and promoting all it has to offer,” Berry said.

A Business After Hours on Tuesday, Feb. 27, is a good way to learn more about Canton Winterfest while making new acquaintances and business connections. The event will be at the Best Western University Inn at 5 p.m.

People interested in attending are asked to visit the Business After Hours webpage at www.slcchamber.org to register.

Winterfest highlights include an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast and cardboard sled races on Saturday, Feb. 24, acting classes presented by Grasse River Players on Feb. 24 and March 2, and free community skating on Friday Feb. 23, Sunday Feb. 25, Tuesday, Feb. 27, Thursday, Feb. 29 and Sunday March 3.

Other events include a Bridal Expo at the Best Western University Inn on Sunday, March 3 and the Little River Winterfest at Little River Community School on Saturday, March 2.

On March 2 at 2 p.m. a ‘Slice of Theatre/Slice of Pizza’ will be held at Sergi’s Restaurant with Grasse River Players presenting scenes and songs for a 50th anniversary event. Tickets are available at showtix4u.com/event-details/80559 and at the door.

For more info, call (315) 386-4000 x6, email Katie@slcchamber.org or stop by the County Chamber office at 101 Main St.



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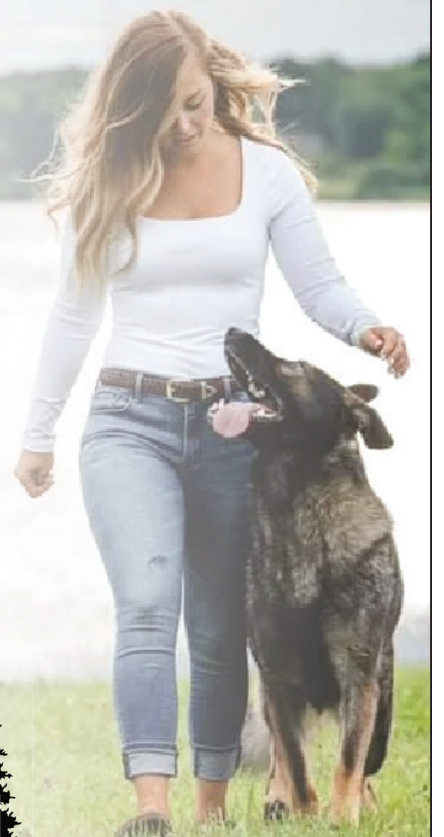
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 - Nature's Storehouse, 21 Main St. — Get an extra punch on your soup card when you buy a small soup.
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Grasse River Players is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. In this photo from ten years ago cast members who performed in the Melodrama at Edwards Opera House included, in front sitting, director Elaine Kuracina; middle from left, Karen Wells, Esther Katz, Carole Berard, Jennifer Blewett, locomotive, Jeannie Blake, Morgan Hastings, Tedra Cobb, Krista Freego, Ansel Shipley, Sarah Sanger, Barbara Burdick, Libby Brandt; and backrow, from left, Scott Shipley and Michael Terrell.

Grasse River Players are alive and well

CANTON – A damsel in distress. Boo. Hiss. ‘To be or not to be’ from Shakespeare. There’s no business like....community theatre!

This year Grasse River Players (GRP) celebrates their 50th year. This homegrown band of theatre performers continue to bring community theatre to the North Country and beyond.

GRP actors, singers and theatre technicians started out doing summer musicals in conjunction with a summer stagecraft class at St Lawrence University. The players branched out using many of the venues available in this region of NY – Pickens Hall, Edwards Opera House, Russell Theatre, Churches, SLU Stages, Canton High School Auditorium and the Remington Museum. They have also guested in Clinton, NY performing the medieval Shepherds Play and Saratoga Springs Arts Center with American Muse by GRP member Elaine Kuracina.

Murder mystery dinner theatre is offered at a variety of restaurants. Melodramas (where the audience boos and hisses) were done at the Edwards Opera House. For 10 years, GRP partnered with the Colton Historical Society and the Colton/Pierrepont Central School to present summer musicals. Memorable productions include WORKING – done in the old Colton Fire House and SPARKLEY CLEAN FUNERAL SINGERS - done during Covid as a live drive-in musical in the AmVets parking lot just outside of Colton.

GRP is a platform to create childrens’ drama workshops and write new plays like SPIRIT WHISPERS ON THE GRASSE about the residents of Canton’s County Home.

For Canton Winterfest, events will include a microphone workshop SOUND YOUR BEST. James Wildman, professional theatre sound engineer, will give participants the chance to try different mics and learn which is best for their voice. This free event will be Feb 24, 2pm Canton Library Paige Room. Free.

On March 2, at 2pm at Sergi’s in Canton, GRP will present SLICE OF THEATRE/SLICE OF PIZZA - scenes and songs from past productions and new works. Admission \$20 gives you the entertainment and a slice of pizza. Tickets at the door and advance tickets at showtix4u.com/event-details/80559 or by calling 315-268-9517.

There is a display of GRP scrapbook history at the Canton Museum, Main St., Linda Caserly, curator.

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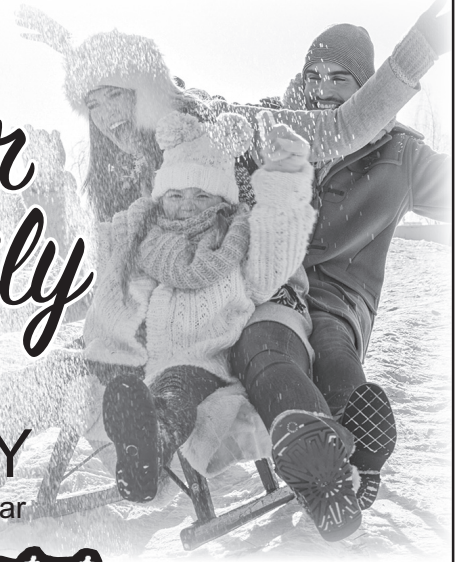
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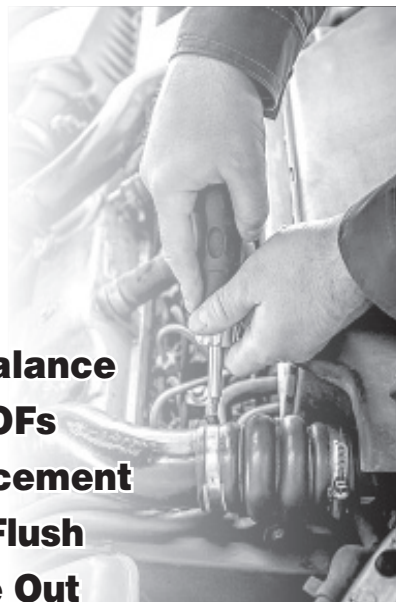
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Cardboard sled race returns

Winterfest Cardboard Sled Races, hosted by Nature Up North, return to the SUNY Canton Sledding Hill on Saturday, Feb. 24. Registration is from 10 - 10:30 a.m. for individuals or teams; the parade of sleds and sled judging will take place at 10:30 a.m. Approved materials are cardboard, duct tape, recycled plastic bags, paint, and glue. Age divisions include Youth (12 and under), Open (13 and up), Family (multi-ages) and College. Above, Camron Reynolds, Rensselaer Falls, in his cardboard army tank, won the award for the most creative sled at the 5th annual Nature Up North Cardboard Sled Races held last year at SUNY Canton.

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FRIDAY, FEB. 23

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- 4 - 7 pm — Wine & Spirits Tasting, Riverside Liquor and Wine, 33 Riverside Dr.
- 7 pm — St. Lawrence University Men's Hockey vs Colgate University at Appleton Arena
- 3 pm — St. Lawrence University Men's Lacrosse vs SUNY Potsdam at Appleton Arena
- St. Lawrence University Men's & Women's Track and Field hosts Liberty League Championships



- supports Norwood American Legion Post 68.
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MONDAY, FEB. 26

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TUESDAY, FEB. 27

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- 1 pm — St. Lawrence University Men's La-

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- Annual Mountain Warrior Sled Hockey Tourney at SUNY Canton

SATURDAY, MAR. 2

- 10 - 4 pm — Special Saturday Open Hours at Riverside Farm Market, 18 Riverside Dr.
- 10 - 11:30 am — Multi-Age Acting Class for Kids, Canton Unitarian Universalist Church; costumes and props will be available to get in character and practice your best acting skills.
- Noon — BYOP Cornhole Tournament at 216 Rensselaer St., Rensselaer Falls, sponsored by Seaway Honey Holes.
- 1 - 4 pm — Little River Winterfest, Little River Community School, 1227 County Rt. 25; free fun for the whole family with live music, snow castles, petting miniature donkeys, colored snow, indoor craft projects, chess, face

painting, and more. Hot cider and cookies will be served.

- 1 - 4 pm — Wine & Spirits Tasting, Riverside Liquor and Wine, 33 Riverside Dr.
- 2 - 3:30 pm — A Slice of Theatre With a Slice of Pizza, hosted by Grasse River Players, Sergi's Italian Restaurant, 31 Main St.; scenes and songs featuring North Country talent from the past 50 years of GRP productions... with a piece of pizza! Tickets are \$20.
- 2 p.m. — St. Lawrence University Women's Tennis vs Ithaca College
- Annual Mountain Warrior Sled Hockey Tourney at SUNY Canton

SUNDAY, MAR. 3

- 11 am - 2 pm — Annual Bridal Expo at Best Western University Inn, 90 E. Main St.; from fashion and music to catering and decor visit with top wedding professionals all under one roof!
- 1:30 - 2:25 pm — Free Open Skate courtesy of Grasse River Real Estate, Canton Recreational Pavillion Ice Rink
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FRIDAY, FEB. 23

Blood drive

POTSDAM - The Red Cross will host a blood drive Feb. 23 from 12:30-5 p.m. at New Hope Community Church, 33 Grant St. RedCrossBlood.org .

Canton Winterfest

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Andrew LaMora

DEKALB JUNCTION -- Come on down to the Olde DeKalb Hotel for live music event featuring Andrew LaMora 8 to 11 p.m. There will be great food, cold beer, and lots of fun to be had. You don't want to miss it. For more questions, call (315) 302-4200. This event shared by the DeKalb Revitalization Committee. Please contact us at info@IBelieveinDeKalb.com for corrections and/or additions. 8:00 p.m., - a.m., Friday, February 23, 2024. Olde DeKalb Hotel 4348 US Highway 11, DE KALB JUNCTION, New York.

SATURDAY, FEB. 24

Pancake breakfast

CANTON -- The Canton United Methodist Church, 41 Court St., will host an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 24 from 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

The breakfast includes: pancakes, donut holes, bacon, scrambled eggs, sausage, and toast. The cost is \$8 per person. All are welcome to attend.

Author series

POTSDAM -- The North Country Children's Museum is hosting a Children's Book Author Series throughout the 2024 calendar year. In this series, a local children's book author or illustrator will read their story to visitors with time for questions. Following the book reading, museum educators will lead a related, hands-on STEAM activity for participating children. Jean Williams-Bergen, author of "Hog in a Hatchback," will begin the series on Saturday, Feb. 24 from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. After listening to the story of Melvin the Pig, children can create a mask and participate in a role play activity. This program will be held in the Children's Museum's newly renovated classroom.

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Cardboard Sled Race

CANTON -Nature Up North's 6th Annual Cardboard Sled Race is planned for Saturday, Feb. 24, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., at the SUNY Canton Sledding Hill, 34 Cornell Dr. With the race just around the corner, racers can start building their sled using cardboard, duct tape, and recyclable plastic bags. Nature Up North will also have sleds for participants to borrow if sledders just want to take some runs down the hill.

Free mic workshop

CANTON - The Grasse River Players (GRP), celebrating its 50th year, will present a free microphone workshop Sound Your Best, with James Wildman, professional theatre sound engineer, during Canton Winterfest on Feb. 24, 2 p.m., at Canton Library Paige Room.

Free tax prep

POTSDAM - A Super Saturday tax preparation event will be held Feb. 24 from 12:30-5 p.m., at SeaComm's Potsdam branch, 6 Sisson St. These tax preparation events provide the opportunity for low and moderate-income working individuals and families to have their income

tax returns prepared free of charge. Eligibility is generally limited to taxpayers with an income under \$63,398. IRS-trained volunteers will be on hand to prepare returns for qualified individuals. Appointments for Super Saturday are required, as walk-ins will not be allowed. To make an appointment or for more information, call toll free 1-800-764-0566. Information is also available on the SeaComm website, www.seacomm.org and on the SeaComm Facebook page.

Grand Shanghai Circus

OGDENSBURG -- The Grand Shanghai Circus, amazing acrobats performing dare-devil acts, will perform a show Feb. 24 at 4 p.m. for the Ogdensburg Command Performance Series at OFA Auditorium, 1100 State St. Tickets: \$19-\$43. 315-393-2625. ILoveTheatre.org .

Cornhole tournament

CANTON -- American Legion Post 68 will host an indoor cornhole tournament on Feb. 24 from 12-6 p.m. at Saphead Distillery, 5355 County Route 27. Registration costs \$50 per team. To pre-register, email nyal68@hotmail.com. Prizes include \$1,000 for first place, \$200 for second place and \$100 for third place.

Squirrel, rabbit hunt

OGDENSBURG - The Squirrel and Rabbit SMACK DOWN Fundraiser to benefit Wounded Warrior Outdoor Adventure will be held Feb. 24. Hunting is from sunrise to 3 p.m. on the day of the event. Cost to participate is \$20 per hunter. Hunters can sign up at Howie's Bar, 809 New York Ave., 315-393-3669. Weigh-in will be at Howie's at 4 p.m. 1st Place - 4 Heaviest Squirrels Trophy and \$100, or 4 Heaviest Rabbits Trophy and \$100. 2nd Place - 4 Heaviest Squirrels Trophy and \$30, or 4 Heaviest Rabbits Trophy and \$30. Trophy for the largest squirrel will be awarded. All hunters must follow NYS hunting laws and carry a valid NYS hunting license. Hunters will receive one door prize ticket for every rabbit/squirrel they enter. Free wild game dinner provided, door prizes, 50-50 raffle.

SUNDAY, FEB. 25

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Grace House open house

CANTON - Grace House, a non-profit residence for women seeking to recover from addiction, marks its fifth anniversary with an open house for the public on Feb. 25 from 1-3 p.m. at the home, 11 E. Main St. The event, which will offer light refreshments, is aimed at acquainting residents of the North Country and elsewhere with a program supported in part by 15 area churches. Park on the street or in the parking lot of neighboring Grace

Episcopal Church on East Main. Info: www.gracehousecantony.org, rhernandez2@tcwncy.rr.com, 315-261-3330.

MONDAY, FEB. 26

Blood drive

CANTON - The Red Cross will host a blood drive Feb. 26 from 1-6 p.m. at Sullivan Student Center, 90 Park St. RedCrossBlood.org .

Blood drive

PARISHVILLE - The Red Cross will host a blood drive Feb. 26 from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at Parishville-Hopkinton Central School, 12 CR 47. RedCrossBlood.org .

Cinema 10 screens Origin

POTSDAM - Cinema 10 continues the Spring 2024 season on Monday, Feb. 26 with a screening of Origin, a 2023 US film directed by Ava DuVernay at 7:15pm at the Roxy. Origin tells the true story of author Isabel Wilkerson as she embarks on the creation of her seminal book, Caste. Origin runs 135 minutes and is rated PG-13 for disturbing material including racism and violence, language, and smoking. General Admission is \$6.50 for individuals and \$55 for season tickets. Students and senior citizens tickets are \$5.50 for individual and \$45 for season tickets. Season tickets are sharable.

Community Chess

CANTON -- Canton Winterfest continues with Community Chess at First Baptist Church, 5 E. Main St., from 7 - 9 p.m.

Housing authority

POTSDAM - The Village of Potsdam Housing Authority board meeting will be Monday February 26, 2024, at 3:30pm at Midtown Apartments.

TUESDAY, FEB. 27

Arts and Crafts Club

POTSDAM -- Potsdam's Arts & Crafts Club with Marie will be held Tuesday, Feb. 27, from 3:30-4:40 p.m. in the Potsdam Public Library classroom. The club meets the last Tuesday of every month. Art supplies will be provided.

Blood drive

STAR LAKE - The Red Cross will host a blood drive Feb. 27 from 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the American Legion Mervin Eno Post 1539, 264 Benson Mines Golf Course Road, P.O. Box 137.

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Hubbard's General Store and Post Office at Pierrepont circa 1882. The older gentleman on the porch is Philo Leonard. In the buggy are Lansing Gleason and Irving Leonard. The boys in the photo are Hubbards. (Photo courtesy of St. Lawrence County Historical Association.)

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New evening book club

POTSDAM -- The community is invited to join a new evening book club, starting with a meet and greet on Tuesday, Feb. 27, at the Potsdam Public Library. "Whether you're an avid reader, or just starting your literary journey, this is the perfect opportunity to connect with fellow book enthusiasts. We'll be discussing books that captivate us and finding schedules that suit everyone. Come share your favorite reads and discover new ones in a welcoming and friendly atmosphere. Let's create a community of book lovers," said library staff.

Science Café on Aerosols

POTSDAM -- The next Clarkson University Science Caf? will be 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. 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. Info: <https://www.clarkson.edu/science-cafe>, sciencecafe@clarkson.edu.

Sensory Issues

MADRID -- "Understanding Sensory Issues in Children and Adolescents," will be discussed at the Hepburn Library of Madrid on Tuesday, Feb. 27, from 5-6 p.m. Presenter Taylor McClear is an occupational therapist with the Children and Adolescent Mental Health Unit at Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center. This event is open to all, and there is no charge.

**THURSDAY, FEB. 29
Cabin Fever Reliever**

POTSDAM -- A Cabin Fever Reliever Dinner, hosted by Canton Rotary Club, will be held Thursday, Feb. 29 at 6 p.m. at the 1844 House, 6885 U.S. Route 11, to benefit the Canton Church and Community Program. Dinner costs \$75. Menu items include soup or salad, an entrée choice of dijon salmon, airline chicken, ribeye steak with demi-glaze or vegetarian seasonal risotto, served with mashed potatoes and vegetables. Dessert will be mousse or pie. Pre-order by Feb. 22 by calling Jeanne Tyo-Martin at 315-379-1520 or texting Kathy Mullaney at 315-244-9803. Take out is available.

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Free karate classes start

CANTON - All area youth, college students, and adults of all ages are invited to attend two weeks of free traditional karate lessons, self-defense seminars, and fitness classes at the Canton Pavilion starting Feb. 29. Classes will be held Thursdays, Feb. 29, and March 7-14 from 6-7 p.m. as part of Canton Recreation programming. Topics practiced during each class address practical methods for becoming safer in personal daily routines as well as in travels. The upcoming traditional martial arts programs are instructed by certified, adult Black Belts of American Kang Duk Won Karate. For more information, try a class workout, or contact Frank Palumbo (Director), 315-854-6880.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 1
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Dirty Red Bandana

POTSDAM -- The band Dirty Red Bandana will perform at McDuff's Pub, 59 Market St., on Friday, March 1 starting at 7:30 p.m. The band with Mike Joyce, guitar and vocals; Geoffrey VanderWoude, guitar; Mike Tissaw, bass; and Phil Neisser on drums, will perform all the rock tunes you know and love. McDuff's kitchen will be open from 4 to 9 for dinner. Each of the first 30 people to arrive will be given a red banana.

**SAT., MARCH 2
80s murder mystery**

CANTON - A murder mystery dinner party called "I Love the 80s To Death: A Rocking' Radical Night of Mystery," will be held March 2 at 6 p.m. at The White Silo at The Saphead Complex, 5355 CR 27. It's the 80's again, and all of the big names are here for a big concert.

Tensions run rampant as backstage secrets spill out into the spotlight with like, totally tragic results. This isn't an episode of Miami Vice. This is like... murder. Peg your jeans, slouch your socks, flash some neon, put on way too much eyeliner and get that hair up. No time to be Too Shy. You are a Smooth Operator, and you know to listen to those Careless Whispers. It's time to put on your Sunglasses at Night and Relax. Tickets are limited to the first 100 mystery solvers. Tickets for buffet and events cost \$80/PP or \$140/couple and can be purchased in person by stopping by the Saphead Complex Fridays from 2-6 p.m. Online ticket purchases can be made through Venmo at TheWhiteSilo@Saphead. Or email jbell@tacvet.com or call (315) 276-6130.

Canton Winterfest

CANTON -- Canton Winterfest continues with these events: 10-4 pm -- Special Saturday Open Hours at Riverside Farm Market, 18 Riverside Dr.; 10-11:30 am -- Multi-Age Acting Class for Kids, Canton Unitarian Universalist Church; costumes and props will be available to get in character and practice your best acting skills; Noon -- BYOP Cornhole Tournament at 216 Rensselaer St., Rensselaer Falls, sponsored by Seaway Honey Holes; 1-4 pm -- Little River Winterfest, Little River

Community School, 1227 County Rt. 25; free fun for the whole family with live music, snow castles, petting miniature donkeys, colored snow, indoor craft projects, chess, face painting, and more. Hot cider and cookies will be served; 1-4 pm -- Wine & Spirits Tasting, Riverside Liquor and Wine, 33 Riverside Dr.; 2-3:30 pm -- A Slice of Theatre With a Slice of Pizza, hosted by Grasse River Players, Sergi's Italian Restaurant, 31 Main St.; scenes and songs featuring North Country talent from the past 50 years of GRP productions... with a piece of pizza! Tickets are \$20; 2 p.m. -- St. Lawrence University Women's Tennis vs Ithaca College o Annual Mountain Warrior Sled Hockey Tourney at SUNY Canton.

Little River Winterfest

CANTON - Little River Community School's Winterfest will be Saturday, March 2 from 1-4 p.m. There will be free fun for the whole family with live music, snow castles, petting miniature donkeys, colored snow, indoor craft projects, chess, face painting, and much more. Hot cider and cookies will be served. Winterfest will go on rain or shine, snow or no. Little River is located five miles south of Canton at 1227 CR 25, on the Canton-Russell Road. Call the school at 315-379-9474 for information or visit the website at www.littleriverschool.org.

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ACROSS

1 "Kapow!"
4 React in horror
8 Pitcher Nolan
12 Flamenco cheer
13 Genesis shepherd
14 Spanish greeting
15 Squealer
16 Drive- -- window
17 "-- the picture!"
18 2014 biopic about actress Kelly
21 Rowing tool
22 Expert
23 Japanese verse
26 Glutton
27 Ultramodernist
30 Rhine feeder
31 Golf prop
32 Basketball tactic
33 Tibetan beast
34 4, on a phone
35 Dollar divisions
36 Observe
37 Texter's chuckle
38 Where something is created
45 QB Tony
46 Ocho --,

DOWN

1 McEnroe's rival
2 Winged
3 Transcending (Pref.)
4 Fancy cake
5 Loathe
6 Lowly worker
7 Fruit-filled dessert
8 Horned beast
9 Meditative practice
10 Mr. Guinness
11 Post-WWII alliance
19 Pepsi rival
20 URL ending
23 Stable diet?
24 Small battery
25 Annoy
26 JFK Library architect
27 Convent resident
28 Tolkien creature
29 Approves
31 Math statement
32 Sub shop
34 "My word!"
35 Waist-cinching garment
36 Tea biscuit
37 Unfettered
38 Baby carriage
39 "Damn Yankees" role
40 Latin 101 word
41 Blaze
42 Periodontist's concern
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 - MYTHOLOGY: What is the name of the maze that confined the Minotaur?
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Village of Canton looking to identify lead pipes in households

CANTON – Does your residence contain lead pipes? The Village of Canton wants to know.

The Village of Canton Water Department is conducting an inventory of lead service lines throughout the Village as part of a NYSDOH regulation. The village needs to have 100% of its service lines inventoried by November 2024.

To assist, homeowners can use this guide to identify the type of water service line that comes into your home.

Step-by-Step Instructions:

Water service lines are typically found in the basement. Look for a pipe that comes through the outside wall of your home or floor of your basement. It may have a meter or shut-off valve.

Carefully scratch the pipe (like you would a lottery ticket) with a key or a coin. Do not use a knife or other sharp tool.

Place a magnet on the pipe.

Copper Pipe: Magnet will not stick; scratched area is copper in color.

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Lead Pipe: Magnet will not stick. Scratched area is shiny silver.

Once you have determined what type of service line that you have, you can email the Water Department at servicelineinventory@cantonny.us. Please include the property address of the service line.

If you are not sure or are unable to, you can also help by just sending a picture of where your service line comes into your house. Many times, the village can identify the type of pipe just by seeing it in a picture.

If you are not sure of where your service line comes into your house, cannot identify what kind of service line you have, or would rather just have us come to you, village workers will be more than happy to visit you

in person at a time that is convenient for you.

If you have any questions you can

email us at servicelineinventory@cantonny.us or call us at (315) 379-1519.

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Not only are propane-powered furnaces more efficient than other energy sources, but they can also provide a lot of comfort. They heat air to 115-125 F, making the indoor air feel consistently warmer than other options. Heat from air source heat pumps often supply temperatures lower than 100 F and are more affected by outdoor temperatures.

A propane-powered furnace has a 50% longer lifespan than an electric heat pump, reducing its overall lifetime costs to a homeowner. Energy Star-qualified propane furnaces can save up to \$75 in energy costs each year and are 15% more efficient than standard propane models. In addition, propane-powered residential furnaces emit up to 50% fewer greenhouse gas emissions than

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Many homeowners appreciate the versatility of propane boilers, which offer high-level performance and space savings while also providing heat, hot water and even snow melt capabilities. This versatility also extends to the type of heating delivery system propane boilers serve, including hydronic baseboard systems, in-floor hydronic systems or even forced-air systems, in which hot water from the boiler (instead of a furnace) acts as the heat source.

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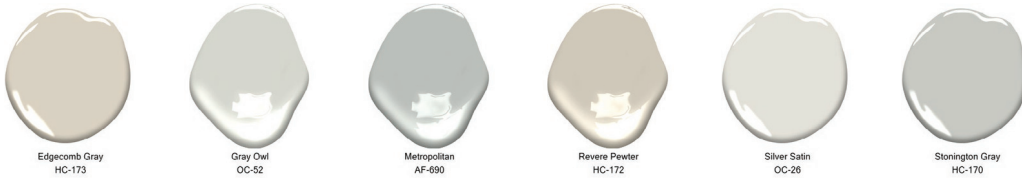
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Ram roams in Potsdam

Willie the Ram enjoys the unexpected thaw at Frog Acre Farms in Potsdam.

Tips for buying a generator

Widespread power outages are one of the byproducts of mega-storms, but it doesn't take a once-in-a-century flood to cause them. Blackouts happen regularly due to more "mundane" causes, like power grid glitches, ice storms or high winds, even lightning in a garden-variety thunderstorm taking out a power pole. And you're left in the dark. Depending on the severity of the outage, that darkness could last awhile.

When the power goes out in your home, so does the heat. And the internet. And the electricity needed to keep food at a safe temperature in the refrigerator. All of your "smart" electronics and appliances that talk to each other (and to you) go silent.

Here's what you need to know before buying a generator.

A standby generator is different than a portable generator. Most people are familiar with the type of bulky generators their fathers kept in the garage, noisy contraptions that needed to be hooked up to cough to life when the power went out. You could run the refrigerator or a space heater, but not both. We've come a long way since then. A standby generator is a back-up electrical system that kicks in automatically when the power goes out. These sleek, permanently installed units are a bit like having a power plant on reserve. Some models are able to power the electricity to

your entire home. The switchover from the power grid to your generator is completely automatic and usually so seamless, homeowners don't even notice a disruption.

The type of home matters. A condo or apartment, even if you own it, isn't conducive to having a generator. If you live in a townhome complex, consult your community's by-laws before purchasing a generator. Typically, single-family and fixed mobile homes are qualified for generator installation.

Research any necessary permits before you install. Typically, your generator will be installed alongside your home's exterior in a discrete area, but it is still considered a modification to your home's appearance. This means you'll likely require approval, and perhaps permits, prior to installation if you live in a community regulated by an HOA or other governing board.

Consider your home's power needs ... and your own. Do you want to power your entire home during an outage, or can you get by with only select appliances or systems running? Analyze your home's electrical load and your power priorities. This will help you determine potential generator models to choose from. Some are equipped to power your entire home, while others are better for powering the necessities.



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Think Snow – Gardens and Forests Need It

BY PAUL HETZLER
The Meandering Naturalist

In her poem “It Sifts from Leaden Sieves,” Emily Dickinson lauds the sublime beauty of snow – gossamer flakes that garnish a forest, wispy grains that infiltrate nooks and crannies, and wind-sculpted rings of snow around fence posts. Given that the poet lived in a time before cars and stayed in her bedroom for 20 years, she never had to shovel snow, trudge through it, or drive in it. One is less apt to admire “alabaster wool” when the plow wings a mountain of it onto the driveway you just shoveled.

Snow does a lot more than make skiers happy and pedestrians and commuters miserable. In northern latitudes, ecosystems have evolved with winter snow cover, and need it to stay healthy. This is in large part because snow carries with it trace elements crucial to plant life. More importantly, snow contains plant-available forms of nitrogen, a nutrient often in short supply. When snow releases a whole winter’s worth of nutrients in the spring, it can make a difference to trees and crops. This is why snow has been called “the poor person’s fertilizer.”

Since air is 78 percent nitrogen (N), you’d think plants would have all they need. But atmospheric nitrogen, N₂, is a stable, inert molecule that plants are unable to absorb. Lightning can zap nitrogen gas and change it to a plant-friendly form, but this accounts for very little of a plant’s nutrient budget.

The majority of nitrogen used by plants is made by soil bacteria that break apart the N-N bond of gaseous nitrogen, converting it to water-soluble forms that plants can slurp up. Ironically, the process of breaking N₂ is called nitrogen fixing. It’s where the saying, “if it needs breaking, fix it” comes from. OK, maybe that’s not a real saying.

Snow is a better fertilizer today than it was years ago. There’s a great outfit called the National Atmospheric Deposition Program (NADP), which measures stuff that falls out of the sky that isn’t some form of water. According to the NADP, the vast majority of today’s snow-borne nitrogen is from pollution.

Coal-burning power plants and motor vehicles spew out various nitrous oxides, which are not great for us to breathe, but when they get washed into the soil, they act as nitrate fertilizers. Ammonia, another type of plant-available nitrogen, escapes from manure piles and lagoons, as well as from commercial urea-based fertilizers.

So how much fertilizer is in the snowdrifts blanketing the Northeast

and Great Lakes regions these days? Because we’re the “beneficiaries” of pollution that drifts from industrialized areas west of us, we get more nitrogen in our snow than the rest of the country. If historical averages can be trusted (let’s pretend they can), we get somewhere around 5.5 kilograms of N per acre. Depending on the crop, a farmer may apply on the order of 70 kg of nitrogen per acre, so 5.5 kg is small potatoes. But it’s not chopped liver, either, which is high in nitrogen but not an ideal soil amendment.

Snow-based nitrogen can be a significant boon to ecosystems on marginal soils. In a year with abundant snowfall, maple-sugar bushes, timber lands and pastures benefit from “poor person’s fertilizer.” Snow brings a fair bit of sulfur, an essential plant nutrient. It can make soils more acidic, too, so let’s call it a mixed blessing.

We depend on the moisture from snow as well. In most years, the snow melts gradually, with nearly all the moisture going into the soil. This gentle percolation is in contrast to summer rains, a percentage of which – sometimes a large portion – runs off and doesn’t benefit the soil.

When topsoil is saturated, or as agronomists say, “at field capacity,” excess water seeps down through the soil profile. Eventually it becomes groundwater, raising the water table and recharging our aquifers. Most water wells in the Northeast tap into unconfined aquifers. Water that goes into the ground in a given location is the water that comes out of the well there. Such aquifers depend on snowmelt, as well as prolonged heavy rains of spring and fall, for recharge.

Unfortunately, this historical pattern may not last. In spite of record cold out West in January 2024, winters are getting warmer and shorter, thanks to climate change. Winter is actually heating up faster than any other season. Without a significant snow pack, the groundwater recharge we always get in the spring will diminish. And when some of winter’s precipitation falls as rain, nutrients will run off while plants are dormant, and thus be lost to those ecosystems.

Those who work in field and forest should take heart at the mounting snowbanks, not despair of them. Now if you’ll excuse me, I’m headed to the garden with the rototiller to till the snow. I’m pretty sure I have some seed packets of Iceberg Lettuce, Snow Peas, and Mixed Frozen Vegetables around here somewhere.

Paul Hetzler, a former Cornell Cooperative Extension educator, writes about nature for The Saturday Evening Post.

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With the right preparation, you can improve your basement or other floor over a weekend. Your resurfaced floor will be ready for applying tile or carpet — or leave just as it is, for lightly trafficked areas. It can even be used for areas like patios if the temperature is not below freezing. This has big impact, making your property more livable and boosting its value.

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Then, use a level to determine how much slope you have. You can apply up to 5/8 of an inch of lift but not

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Performs a variety of fully skilled tasks and duties associated with Water Quality Management functions such as the treatment, operation, maintenance and repair of water and wastewater facilities. The Water Quality Supervisor Trainee's primary responsibility is to support Water Quality Management with the day-to-day operations of the water and/or wastewater facilities in accordance with the Authority's contractual obligations, and with federal and state regulations and guidelines. The Water Quality Supervisor Trainee's secondary responsibilities are to perform operator functions and be in the weekend and on-call rotation.

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Ogdensburg Housing Authority

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Ogdensburg Housing Authority (OHA) located in Ogdensburg, NY is seeking an experienced professional for the position of Executive Director. The Executive Director reports to the OHA Board of Commissioners for all the OHA's operations.

Qualified applicants must possess a bachelor's degree plus five years of property management in subsidized housing / public housing preferred, or an equivalent combination. A good understanding of subsidized housing / public housing, including applicable HUD regulations, Fair Housing Laws, federal and NYS tenancy law, policies, procedures etc. Experience in administrative, supervisory, finance, facilities, project management and contract negotiations are necessary.

Public Housing Management (PHM) Certification required, or to be obtained within one year of employment. Additional industry certifications are a plus. Grant writing and grant submission is a plus.

Salary is based upon experience and education. The salary range is \$85,000 to \$95,000. The position is open until filled.

A position description may be obtained by email request to cheryld@ogdensburgha.com.

Please Submit a cover letter and resume along with a list of at least (5) professional references with contact information to:
M. Penny Sharrow, Board Chair
c/o Ogdensburg Housing Authority
1101 Jay Street
Ogdensburg, NY 13669

Resumes must be received or postmarked prior to March 8, 2024.



Morristown Central School
408 Gouverneur Street
Morristown, NY 13664

COME JOIN OUR MCS FAMILY!

WE CURRENTLY HAVE THE FOLLOWING JOB OPENINGS:

- Secondary Special Education Teacher
- Substitute Bus Driver
- Substitute School Nurse (R.N.)

Positions will remain open until filled.

To apply, please visit www.GreenRockets.org
(under the District & Human Resources tabs)



Child Care Professionals Needed

Infant Head of Group
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Preschool Head of Group

Full time positions. Requirements:
Associates Degree in Early Childhood or Infant/Toddler CDA and 2 years experience working with infants.

\$16.00/Hour. Paid holidays, sick, personal & vacation time. Sign on Bonus of \$1,000 upon completion of probation period.

Full and Part Time Teacher Assistants

Requirements:
High School diploma and 2 years experience working with children.

\$15.00/Hour. Paid holidays, sick, personal & vacation time. Sign on Bonus of \$500 upon completion of probation period for full time.

Employment is subject to background checks.
Email resume and two professional references to:
cantondaycare@twcny.rr.com

Questions, call Nancy Fox, Executive Director • 315-379-1829.



Diocesan Coordinator
Office of Parish Audit & Financial Support Services

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Ogdensburg is seeking a Diocesan Coordinator – Office of Parish Audit & Financial Support Services.


This position provides support in the financial operation of parishes, schools and related entities in the diocese including technical support in the use of QuickBooks and standard accounting practices.

This position also oversees the process by which reviews of parish fiscal operations are conducted and reviews annual submission of Parish Financial Reports to assure financial statements are in balance and in accordance with diocesan accounting regulations.

A Bachelor's Degree in accounting with two years audit experience is preferred. Knowledge in QuickBooks accounting software is required. Candidates should possess excellent verbal and written communication skills, have the ability to work independently and manage/establish priorities for several projects at the same time. Travel throughout the diocese is necessary on occasion.

Salary: \$47,537 - \$58,794. Submit letter of interest, resume and three professional references to: **Human Resources Office, Diocese of Ogdensburg, P.O. Box 369, Ogdensburg, NY 13669** or e-mail to: ksnover@rcdony.org.

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.



Canton Central School
is accepting applications for the following anticipated positions:

School Year 2024-25 Tenure Track Positions

- 7-12 French Teacher
- 7-12 Spanish Teacher
- Special Education Teacher, Students with Disabilities certification in Grades 5-9

Applications are due by 4:00 PM Friday, March 15, 2024.
NYS Certification is required.

• For Immediate Hire •

- 3 Hour Food Service Worker
- Full Time RN • Substitute RN
- Substitute Food Service Workers

Applications can be found at www.ccsdk12.org/employment.
Please include a cover letter, resume, transcripts, copies of certifications/licensures, and three letters of reference with your application.

Canton Central School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer



Office Assistant/ Office Assistant Keyboarding

SUNY Canton is seeking applicants for the position(s) of Office Assistant and Office Assistant Keyboarding. There are multiple openings across campus in various departments.

Office Assistants 1 perform entry-level clerical and office support work, including processing transactions and maintaining records in a variety of organizational settings. Any given assignment may encompass a broad or narrow range of activities. Office Assistant 1 is a non-supervisory class found at nearly all State agencies.

Office Assistants 2 either supervise two or more Office Assistants 1 or other lower-level staff; and/or directly perform the more difficult or complicated clerical processing and office support work for which substantive knowledge of the program area is required.

This title is part of the New York Hiring for Emergency Limited Placement Statewide Program (NY HELPS).

For the duration of the NY HELPS Program, this title may be filled via a non-competitive appointment, which means no examination is required but all candidates must meet the minimum qualifications of the title for which they apply. At this time, agencies may recruit and hire employees by making temporary appointments. In May 2024, if a temporary NY HELPS employee is satisfactorily performing in the position, the appointment will be changed from temporary pending Civil Service Commission Action to permanent non-competitive and the official probationary period will begin.

At a future date (within one year of permanent appointment), it is expected employees hired under NY HELPS will have their non-competitive employment status converted to competitive status, without having to compete in an examination. Employees will then be afforded with all the same rights and privileges of competitive class employees of New York State. While serving permanently in a NY HELPS title, employees may take part in any promotion examination for which they are qualified.

HOW TO APPLY:

External candidates who would like to apply should submit an application to Human Resources at hr@canton.edu on or before the announced deadline.

External Candidates, with State service who currently hold Office Assistant titles at another state facility, should submit a completed classified service employment application form and summary of related work experience and submit to hr@canton.edu.

Internal Candidates should submit an application for promotion or reassignment to the Director of Human Resources at hr@canton.edu on or before the announced deadline.

The best qualified candidates will be invited for a personal interview.

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



POTSDAM CHAMBER
OF COMMERCE

Executive Director

The Potsdam Chamber of Commerce is a 501(c)(6) non-profit organization seeking an Executive Director to advance its mission to support business members and economic growth in the greater Potsdam area.

The Director is responsible for all administrative and management functions, following the bylaws and policy guidelines of the organization. The Director executes the mission of the organization by planning, directing, and overseeing all activities of the Chamber. Other key duties include fundraising, marketing, event planning, and community outreach. The position reports directly to the Chamber's Board of Directors. This position is 30 hours per week with evening and weekend hours as required. Compensation is based on experience.

For a full description, visit: <https://www.potsdamchamber.com/>
Please send resumes to: Potsdam Chamber of Commerce
6 Market Street, Potsdam, NY 13676
or by email to: director@potsdamchamber.com

Healey Medical Practice

is seeking candidates for 2 positions:

Full-Time LPN

Full-Time Medical Assistant

Interested candidates should forward letter of interest and resume to:

Christine LaQuier, Practice Manager
at christinel@healeymedicalpractice.com

Healey Medical Practice PLLC
FAMILY PRACTICE



Assistant Director of Campus Activities & Residential Engagement (temporary position)

St. Lawrence University invites applications for the position of Assistant Director of Campus Activities & Residential Engagement. The salary for this position is \$4,871.58 per month. This is a full-time, temporary position. The anticipated duration of employment is approximately 3 months, concluding on May 24, 2024.

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

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

St. Lawrence University is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



HEUVELTON Central School District

is accepting applications for the
following position:

2024-25 TENURE TRACK POSITION

(1) Secondary Math Teacher

Deadline: Wednesday, March 6

NYS certification required.

Applications available to submit online at
<https://www.heuvelton.k12.ny.us/>

Direct Inquiries to:

Tessa Herron, District Clerk

therron@heuvelton.k12.ny.us or 315-344-2414 x28891

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We are a structural and miscellaneous steel fabrication company with a large design build presence in New England looking to fill an open Civil Engineer position in our Plattsburgh office.

Currently seeking applicants with a Civil Engineering degree with a focus in Structural Engineering. The position could be either full or part time, depending on the applicant. Structural steel design experience is preferred. Structural steel connection design is preferred but not required. Licensed Professional or Structural Engineers are preferred but not required. Daily tasks would include creation of analysis models, documentation of plans and details, and review of connection designs.

Full time benefits are available, and include vacation time, sick time, health insurance, life insurance, 401k and profit sharing. Pay based on experience in the salary range of \$52,000 - \$65,000 per year. Come be a part of a strong growing company!

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instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov.

John C. Parcell IV, CPA & Associates are seeking a full-time or part-time bookkeeper. Responsibilities include clerical as well as

bookkeeping tasks associated with payroll, accounts payable, billing, reconciliations, and the preparation of federal and state reports. Bookkeeping and QuickBooks experience is preferred, but not required. Training available as necessary. Pay is commensurate with pay. If interested, please direct inquiries and resumes to ryan@parcellcpa.com.

SUNY Potsdam is accepting on-line applications for an Academic Advisor for our Bridges program. Bridges is a special admissions program designed to assist enrolled students in making a successful academic transition to SUNY Potsdam. Bridges provides admission to the College to students who fall slightly below the published academic standards for regular admission but who demonstrate potential for success. The Bridges Advisor is a member of an integrated team providing individual academic and personal support to a group of students as they transition to SUNY Potsdam. The advisor provides comprehensive advisement support services to students, tracks their degree progress, conducts outreach to faculty and staff, tracks student data, supports special programming, and participates in program assessment and evaluation. To review the complete job description and/or apply, visit <https://employment.potsdam.edu>, job posting No. U-00554. Position is open until filled. EOE

Potsdam Co-op hiring Part-Time Cashier. 20-29 hours/week starting at \$15/hour. Applications available in store or online at www.potsdamcoop.com/employment.

The School of Education and Professional Studies at SUNY Potsdam is accepting on-line applications for a full-time (10 month) Director for the Rebecca V. Sheard Literacy Center. Reporting directly to the Dean, the successful candidate will be responsible for providing administrative oversight for the Literacy Center, the Thomas E. O'Shaughnessy Assistive Technology Center, and the Math and Science Center; provide oversight of the Center's after-school programs; lead the Center's administrative assessment efforts; administer the Center's budget; and support the Center's fundraising efforts and donor relations. This is an on-campus position and incumbent may also be required to work evenings and/or weekends, specifically in support of the Center's community-based programming. Required qualifications: Master's degree from an accredited institution, experience working in PK-12 settings, experience working with and/or teaching post-secondary students, and demonstrated competence in educational technologies. Application review begins March 15, 2024. To review complete job description and/or apply visit employment.potsdam.edu, job posting No. 00551. Please take special notice of Instructions to Applicants within the posting. Position is open until filled. EOE

SUNY Potsdam is accepting on-line applications for a full-time Academic Program Coordinator to support our prison education program located at Riverview Correctional Facility in Ogdensburg, NY. This program currently serves 60 full-time students in the facility and provides a full range of courses toward fulfillment of a Sociology degree over three terms (spring, summer, fall) each year. The college is committed to equity, including people of diverse experiences, and providing re-entry support for students to transition to the Potsdam campus to complete their program upon release. Required qualifications include a bachelor's degree and 3 years of relevant experience (examples: case management working with marginalized people, working with students in a post-secondary institution, advocacy with groups marginalized by systems of oppression). To review the complete job description and/or apply, visit employment.potsdam.edu, job posting No. 00550. Please take special note of: Instructions to Applicants within the application. Position is open until filled. EOE

The Center for School Partnerships and Teacher Certification in the School of Education and Professional Studies at SUNY Potsdam is accepting on-line applications for an Assistant Director to coordinate and support teacher education candidates beginning with onboarding through program completion and certification. To review the complete job description and/or apply, visit employment.potsdam.edu, job posting No. 00548. For full consideration, please submit your application by February 23, 2024. Position is open until filled. EOE

Medical Director: This Medical Director will join an engaged and cohesive medical staff, supported by a strong and thoughtful leadership team in the delivery of patient-centered care by evidence-based standards. As the Medical Director you will provide oversight of medical programs operations by ensuring a high quality of healthcare is delivered through the entire life span. Provides strategic plan and guidance and constantly monitors fiscal responsibility of medical operations. Status: Full-Time, Exempt. Salary: \$92,414.40 - \$245,044.80 (Negotiable) Deadline: March 6, 2024. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov.

Family Practice Physician: Under the direction of the Medical Director or designee, provides primary medical care to patients



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As a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)!
Salary range: \$52,009* to \$56,146* (includes Geographic Pay of \$4,000)

As a Registered Nurse 1 – Part-Time or Full-Time!
Salary Range: \$89,685-\$97,912
Posted Hiring Salary includes the sum of the statutory hiring rate for PS&T Grade 18 (\$69,686), and Geographic Pay Differential (\$20,000); Geographic Pay Differential is added to the job rate (\$77,912) for the PS&T Grade 18; Additional Compensation may apply based on shift assignment.

These positions may be eligible for Loan Forgiveness via the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program

For more information:
 Sunmount DDSOO NYS Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)
 Office of Human Resources:
 518-359-4150
 or Sunmount.Careers@opwdd.ny.gov
 Sunmount DDSO, 2445 State Route 30, Tupper Lake, NY 12986

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of all ages and genders throughout all stages of life. Status: Full-Time, Exempt. Salary: \$92,414.00 - \$245,044.80 Deadline: March 6, 2024. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at www.srmt-nsn.gov.

NORTH COAST Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapy PLLC is seeking part-time/full-time Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Special Education Teacher and Speech Therapists to provide services to children in St. Lawrence County in home and school settings. We offer competitive rates and benefits. Interested applicants can email their resume to office@northcoasttherapypllc.com

Experienced bookkeeper for Maxfield's, Mama Lucia & Cactus Grill. Mon - Fri. 9 am - 3 pm, Proficiency in Excel & Quickbooks. Hazen Enterprises, Potsdam. Email resume to Lawrencehazen@gmail.com. EOE

Daytime Cleaner for Potsdam restaurant. call Larry 315 212 2707. EOE

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

Madrid-Waddington Central School



is accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year

1.0 FTE Special Education Teacher (anticipated at Elementary level) with NYS certification in Special Education.

Application with list of required documents is available online at www.mwcsk12.org or call **315-322-5746, Ext. 35221**.

Mail applications:
Eric Burke, Superintendent
Madrid-Waddington Central School
PO Box 67, Madrid, NY 13660

Application Deadline is **Friday, March 1, 2024**.
 MWCS is an affirmative action, EOE.



Northeast Migrant Education Program

Temporary • Full-time Migrant Educator (Teacher's Assistant)

The Research Foundation (RF) for SUNY, a private, not-for-profit Corporation, is seeking a temporary, full-time, Migrant Educator (Teacher's Assistant) for the St. Lawrence County region, Northeast Migrant Education Program. Selected candidate will provide quality small group or one-on-one tutoring, including advocacy for eligible students and their families.

An associate degree in education or equivalent combination of education and experience; experience implementing instructional programs with children and/or young adults in a classroom setting; and strong communication and record keeping skills required. NYS Teacher Certification or Teacher Assistant Certification and teaching experience preferred. \$18.00-\$21.00/hour and paid mileage.

Excellent benefits including health, dental, vision, and life insurance for working over 18.75 hours per week. Cell phone w/voicemail, e-mail, dependable car, and valid driver's license required. Renewal of appointment is subject to RF policies/procedures, sponsor guidelines, and availability of annual funding.

Send Research Foundation employment application, cover letter, resume, and reference letters to Laura Burnett, NMEP, SUNY Potsdam, 282 Van Housen Hall Ext., Potsdam, NY 13676, or upload to <https://webspace.potsdam.edu/NMEP>. Please direct questions to Lisa Colby at colbylm@potsdam.edu. Application review begins immediately and continues until position is filled. RF is an AA/EOE.



Assistant Director of Marketing and Content Strategy

The Assistant Director of Marketing and Content Strategy will be responsible for managing the University's social media channels and developing compelling written and visual content for a variety of audiences. This position will require some work outside of regular business hours. Annual salary \$58,459.

Hybrid Work Statement

This position is based on our campus in Canton, N.Y., and is eligible for a hybrid work schedule with some work-from-home flexibility.

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

All offers of employment are contingent upon the finalist successfully passing a background (including criminal records) check. St. Lawrence University is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



Morristown Central School

408 Gouverneur Street
 Morristown, NY 13664

Speech-Language Pathologist/Speech Therapist

Come Join our Morristown Central School Team!

Responsibilities:

- Assessing, diagnosing, screening, and treating language, speech, communication, and swallowing disorders in children.
- Developing individual educational plans for students.
- Educating patients and their families on speech disorders and details of therapy.
- Providing augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) systems for individuals with severe expressive and/or language comprehension disorders, such as autism spectrum disorder or progressive neurological disorders.
- Working collaboratively with professionals from many other disciplines.
- Provide speech and language improvement services to general education students.
- Provide language enrichment services to general education students.

Requirements:

- Master's degree in speech therapy or speech-language pathology.
- Relevant license and certification.
- Sound understanding of speech-related disorders and treatments.
- Familiarity with database management software.
- Excellent relationship-building skills.
- Resourcefulness and strong problem-solving skills.

To Apply: Visit www.greenrockets.org (Click the District and Human Resources tabs). Complete the BOCES Common Application. Submit a letter of interest, three (3) letters of recommendation, copies of college transcripts, and a copy of certification(s).

Position will remain open until filled.



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Franklin-Essex Hamilton BOCES (EO/AE) is currently accepting applications for the following positions for the 2023-24 School Year:

(2) Teaching Assistants

Located at Chateaugay Central School

Salary: \$23,468 (2023-24 Base Salary) Consideration for additional salary may be granted based upon education and experience

Application Deadline: Until Filled

Applications can be found at: www.fehb.org/careers

Queries should be directed to:

Brittany Susice - Administrative Assistant

Franklin-Essex-Hamilton BOCES
 PO Box 28, Malone, NY 12953
 (518) 483-6420, Ext 1012 • Email: bsusice@feh.org

EOE



General Engineer (Electrical) Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Massena, NY

View complete posting on www.USAJOBS.gov (search on Massena, NY).

Closing date is 08/12/2024

(early consideration after 30 days from opening date of 2/13/2024)

For guidance please watch 'How to Apply for Federal Jobs', among other informational videos, on www.youtube.com/user/usajobsapp. For additional questions email U.S. Department of Transportation's Automated Staffing Office -TRANSJOBS@dot.gov.



St. Lawrence County
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, INC.

HEAD START has the current openings:

Administrative Office:

Health/Disabilities Coordinator: Canton Administrative Office. Bachelors in Community Health or a RN. The position is full time, 35 hours per week, 43 weeks/year following the school calendar. The salary is \$19.01 per hour.

Gouverneur Center:

Temporary Teacher: Bachelor's degree in early childhood or related field preferred (24 credit hours of early childhood). Supervisory experience is a plus. Salary range is \$17.95 to \$19.01 per hour.

Assistant Teacher (1): Person must have a minimum of a CDA (Child Development Accreditation), or a written plan of study. Early childhood experience preferred. The salary range is \$15.00 to \$15.84 per hour.

Bus Driver (1): Responsibilities include safe transporting of preschool children to/from the Head Start Center. Position requires a clean NYS Driver's License. Must be at least 21 years of age. Candidates must have a minimum of a Class C CDL, with an "S" and "P" endorsement license. Follow NYS Article 19A regulations. The salary is \$16.02 per

Massena Center:

Teacher (1): Bachelor's degree in early childhood or related field preferred (24 credit hours of early childhood). Supervisory experience is a plus. Salary range is \$17.95 to \$19.01 per hour.

Assistant Teacher (1): Person must have a minimum of a CDA (Child Development Accreditation), or a written plan of study. Early childhood experience preferred. The salary range is \$15.00 to \$15.84 per hour.

Classroom Aide / Bus Monitor (1): Person must have a minimum of a high school diploma or its equivalent. BOCES Certificate of Early Childhood, CDA, or substantial experience in early childhood daycare preferred. The salary is \$15.00 per hour.

Part Time Cook: This is a 28 hour position. Knowledge of nutritional needs of young children and Department of Health regulations preferred. The salary is \$15.00 per hour.

Bus Drivers (1): Responsibilities include safe transporting of preschool children to/from the Head Start Center. Position requires a clean NYS Driver's License. Must be at least 21 years of age. Candidates must have a minimum of a Class C CDL, with an "S" and "P" endorsement license. Follow NYS Article 19A regulations. The salary is \$16.02 per.

Norwood Center:

Classroom Aide (1): Person must have a minimum of a high school diploma or its equivalent. BOCES Certificate of Early Childhood, CDA, or substantial experience in early childhood daycare preferred. The salary is \$15.00 per hour.

Parishville Center:

Bus Monitor: Person must have a minimum of a high school diploma or its equivalent. Person should enjoy working with preschool aged children. The salary is \$15.00 per hour.

Floating Aide for Canton, Gouverneur, Ogdensburg and Potsdam Centers (1):

Classroom Aide (1): Person must have a minimum of a high school diploma or its equivalent. BOCES Certificate of Early Childhood, CDA, or substantial experience in early childhood daycare preferred. The salary is \$15.00 per hour.

Home Based:

Home Based Visitors (4) for various areas in St. Lawrence County: Must be at least 21 years of age and have a valid clean NYS Driver's license. CDA credential, Early Childhood Education or plan of study required. Experience with preschool children preferred. Position includes weekly home visits with families. An agency vehicle is provided. The salary range is \$15.84 to \$16.90 per hour.

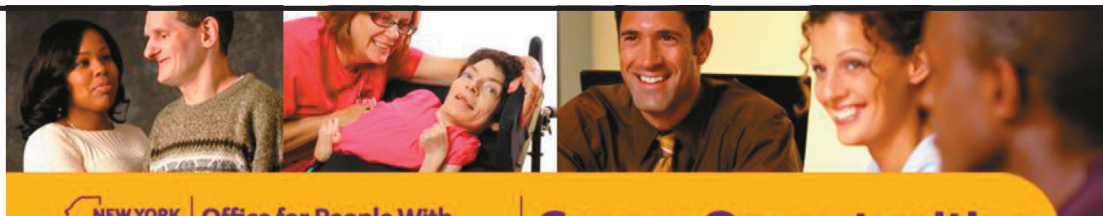
Health Professional for Canton/Ogdensburg Home Based (1): Experience in the Medical Field. Medical Professional, CNA, Home Health Aides, etc. Experience with young children a plus. The salary ranges from \$15.84 to \$16.90 per hour.

Job Descriptions are available on our website at www.slccdp.org

Substitutes in all positions are needed.
Positions follow the BOCES schedule/holidays.

Send letter of interest, resume and three current, signed and dated written letters of reference to Head Start, One Commerce Lane, Canton, NY 13617. Deadline is until the positions are filled. Head Start is an EOE.

Call 315-386-8574 ext.: 111, 114 or 119 for further information.



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As a Direct Support Assistant
Salary Range: \$45,457-\$49,405

As a Developmental Disabilities Secure Care Treatment Aide
Salary Range: \$56,623 - \$64,693

The Sunmount Developmental Disabilities State Operations Office (DDS00) is seeking DSAs and DDSCTAs.

Minimum Qualifications: A High School Diploma or GED and a valid Driver's License.

As a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)

Salary range: \$52,009* to \$56,146* (* Includes Geographic Pay of \$4,000)

The Sunmount Developmental Disabilities State Operations Office (DDS00) is seeking LPNs.

Minimum Qualifications: Must have a current license and registration to practice in New York State, or a limited permit to practice in NYS, or an application on file for a limited permit to practice in NYS.

For more information:

Sunmount DDS00 NYS Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)
Office of Human Resources:
518-359-4150

or Sunmount_Careers@opwdd.ny.gov

Sunmount DDS0, 2445 State Route 30, Tupper Lake, NY 12986

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The Norwood-Norfolk Central School District

is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2024-2025 school year:

- (1) Health Teacher • (1) Elementary Teacher
- (1) Spanish Teacher
- (1) ELA (English) Teacher • (1) Math AIS Teacher

Applications can be downloaded from the school website (www.nncsk12.org) or obtained in the District Office at NNCS.

Please include a cover letter, resumé, copy of certification, transcripts, and letters of reference with professional application.

Deadline to apply is February 28, 2024. NNCS is an EEO Employer. NYS Education Department fingerprint clearance is required for all appointments.



Bookstore Director

St. Lawrence University invites applications for the position of **Bookstore Director**. The Director is responsible for all the operations of the university bookstore, which in addition to course materials and educational supplies offers a wide variety of trade books, clothing, electronics, software, sundries, and gifts. In addition, the Director is responsible for managing the relationships with on-campus stakeholders, vendors, and contractors.

Annual salary \$68,000 - \$71,000. The actual rate will be determined based on experience and other factors permitted by law. To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, as well as application instructions please visit: <http://employment.stlawu.edu>.

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