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Over the past decade Ogdensburg Airport has seen substantial improvements including an expansion of the runway.

## OBPA awards \$19 million bid for airport improvement project

**BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI**  
North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG – Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority has awarded a \$19 million bid for a massive airport project that was awarded \$18 million in funding in December.

Renovations will be completed by Murnane Building Contractors, who are based in Plattsburgh, for the terminal renovations, as well as the pole canopy project.

It was the only bid received.

Cost for the terminal work will be \$19,224,292, while the canopy project will be \$350,000 for a total cost not to exceed \$19,574,292, accord-

ing to Lawrence.

Construction is expected to begin at the end of March or "in the first couple weeks of April," he said.

The project should be completed in May 2025, with outdoor work expected to be wrapped up by November, Lawrence said.

Murnane Building Contractors have done work at the airport before, including terminal renovations in 2015 and 2016, along with general aviation work in 2008 and 2009, according to OBPA Chairman Sam Burns.

Lawrence told board members the work will be completed in phases "to keep the airport operating" while the renovations are

completed.

This will be the third terminal project Murnane Building Contractors has completed at the Ogdensburg International Airport.

Governor Kathy Hochul said the improvements will attract new travelers to the area and fuel economic growth throughout the North Country.

She said the project has been awarded \$18 million from the Governor's \$230 million Upstate Airport Economic Development and Revitalization Competition, will expand the check-in, ticketing and baggage drop off areas; construct a

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## Netflix doc highlights Ivy Ridge atrocities

**BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI**  
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OGDENSBURG -- A three-part documentary series that details numerous allegations of abuse of teenage girls at the Academy at Ivy Ridge in Ogdensburg is now available on Netflix.

"The Program" details years of abuse towards teenage girls at the Academy at Ivy Ridge and how the "school" tricked parents into sending their children there.

The Academy of Ivy Ridge was an independent, privately owned and operated board school that was owned by the Jason G. Finlinson Corporation and the Joseph and Alyn Mitchell Corporation.

Opened in 2001, the school was originally affiliated with World Wide Association of Specialty Programs and Schools (WWASPS) but withdrew from the organization in 2005 due to negative media attention.

Despite the idyllic setting, it was alleged that students on the lower levels were not allowed to look out windows and were

required to be "promoted" to upper level status in order to earn the privilege to look outside and be occasionally taken outside to play during a monthly upper level activity.

According to various reports, in 2005, students began a riot that led to four dozen expulsions and 12 arrests, with numerous officers from the Sheriff's Office, State Police, Ogdensburg PD and U.S. Border Patrol being brought in to end the riot.

At least 30 runaways were captured, it is alleged.

Allegations began to surface shortly after regarding poor living conditions, unauthorized medical procedures, physiological torture, sexual abuse and physical abuse, according to reports.

The documentary also includes clips of violent restraint tactics being used against students.

Ivy Ridge closed in March 2009 to "restructure" and was eventually sold to a Delaware based corporation in April 2009

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## Massena library transitioning to school district library

**BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI**  
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- The Massena Public Library will again attempt to transition to a school district library.

According to Town Board Member Adrian Taraska, a vote was held recently to move forward with the transition.

"They voted to change the public library's name to Henry H. Warren Memorial Library for the proposition instead of Massena Public Library, which it is now," Taraska said.

According to Taraska, the library would need to raise \$679,990 sepa-

rate and apart from school district appropriations.

According to the current town budget, the library is funded by the town to the tune of \$504,133 this year. An additional \$9,000 comes from the town of Louisville to cover the library's operating costs.

But the transition is not a sure thing as the move would be finalized through permissive referendum.

"If that goes through, basically the town does not have to fund the library or appoint their trustees. Anybody who lives in the Massena Central School District, whether they own a business or home, will have an extra line for what they call

a school library tax. It's a separate line item (on their tax bill)," Town Supervisor Sue Bellor told board members at a recent meeting.

If the vote were successful, residents that live within the Massena Central School District would all be responsible for paying for the library's expenses through school taxes.

Along with Massena, the district also encompasses parts of Brasher, Louisville and Norfolk.

A petition is currently circulating that must be submitted to the school district, which will then trigger a vote this spring.

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Massena Public Library | Courtesy

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## Admits to stolen valor

MASSENA -- A former Massena man has pled guilty to a stolen valor offense and unlawfully forging military discharge paperwork.

Randall J. Montour, 45, now a resident of Cornwall, Ontario, pled guilty in federal court on Feb. 29 to violating the Stolen Valor Act of 2013 and falsifying his military discharge certificate.

According to a press release from the U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of New York, Montour falsified his DD-214 discharge paperwork to show an honorable discharge and numerous decorations, medals, badges, citations or campaign ribbons.

Montour admitted to falsifying his discharge paperwork to note that he was awarded a Purple Heart during his service time as well.

The Purple Heart is awarded in the name of the president to soldiers wounded or killed while serving in the United States military.

Prior to the Purple Heart, service members wounded or killed while serving were awarded the Badge of Military Merit, which was introduced by General George Washington in 1782. The Purple Heart is the oldest military award still given to U.S. service members.

According to the U.S. Attorney's Office, Montour's military records show he did not receive any citations and received a bad-conduct discharge from the Air Force in 2001. Montour was only awarded the Air Force Training Ribbon during his service and never received a Purple Heart, according to the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Montour also admitted to using his altered DD-214 to purchase Purple Heart Recipient license plates from the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, which he used on his vehicle, the U.S. Attorney's Office said.

Montour is set to be sentenced June 27, 2024 and faces up to one year in jail, a fine of up to \$100,000 and a term of supervised release of up to one year.

The United States Marshals Service investigated the case with assistance from the United States Air Force Office of Special Investigations (OSI), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles. Assistant U.S. Attorney Douglas G. Collyer is prosecuting the case.



Photo submitted by Nancy Rowland

## Storm damage in Massena

This photo of storm damage from strong winds on Feb. 28 and 29 in Massena was submitted by Nancy Rowland.

## CBP officers discover 3D printed firearm parts at Massena Port of Entry

MASSENA – U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers at the Massena Port of Entry discovered 3D printed gun parts on a traveler making entry back into the United States.

Last night, CBP officers at the Massena Port of Entry encountered a passenger vehicle occupied by a 21-year-old male who presented a Native Tribal document, as proof of identity.

The traveler was referred for secondary inspection, and upon exiting the vehicle, CBP officers discovered a 3D printed lower receiver of a handgun. A subsequent personal search of the passenger led to the discovery of three metal pieces that fit into the receiver.

"Our CBP Officers screen all travelers entering the United States and continue to get outstanding results from our collaboration with local law enforcement," said Port Director Robert Dwyer. "This encounter

highlights removing key components from a potential 'ghost gun' and is another example of how our combined services are keeping our community safe."

The passenger was taken into custody and subsequently processed by CBP officers. After processing, the firearm parts and subject were turned over to the New York State Police to face felony charges of criminal possession of an undetectable firearm.

## Felony charge after child abuse report

OGDENSBURG — An Ogdensburg man was charged with a felony following a child abuse report, according to city police.

Police say they charged 49-year-old Joseph A. Ripa with first-degree endangering the welfare of an incompetent/disabled person, felony, and second-degree harassment.

The alleged incident took place on Rosseel Street.

Ripa was cited Feb. 27 at 1:28 a.m. in Morristown court and released on his own recognizance, police said.

## Village and town sign off on water deal pending town attorney approval

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- Despite the village board signing off on a contract to continue supplying water to the town and maintaining infrastructure for water delivery, the deal was held up by the town board.

Village officials signed off on the five-year deal previously, saying the contract was fair to all parties involved.

The deal runs from Jan. 1, 2024 through Dec. 31, 2028 and is renewable for additional five-year periods, officials said at the time.

Trustee Ken McGowan voiced concerns about the inclusion of the South Raquette Water District and the impact it would have on costs and services for the village.

That future district won't have an impact just yet, according to Department of Public Works Superintendent Marty Miller.

"Right now, the district has not been formed. That doesn't happen until the village agrees to it. It's not approved by the village board yet. That's not quoted in this agreement," Miller said.

Miller said the deal is good for "what's in place right now."

As part of the agreement with the village, the town is also supposed to pay \$6,000 annually to the village.

According to Mayor Greg Paquin, the payment is for the Water Department's handling of billing services, as well as the additional houses that are now included.

"Now we feel we're getting, maybe now fully compensated for the effort we put in, but maybe a significant one-time payment each year of \$6,000 is fair," Paquin previously

said.

But town officials are hung up on a \$6,000 yearly payment.

Despite the village signing off on the deal, town officials were hesitant to press forward without feedback from Town Attorney Eric Gustafson.

Town Board Member Adirian Taraska questioned the inclusion of the payment, asking if maintenance and billing is already built into the initial charge to the town.

"That's a good catch. That charge has to be built into the billing that goes to the residents in the districts," Gustafson said.

According to Gustafson, he and Town Supervisor Sue Bellor had met to discuss the billing of the town the day before.

Gustafson told board members that the village is not allowed to take a fee for residents of a water district and spread it to the entire town tax base.

"I think that the language of the agreement is standard to what we've had for a long time. But, that little quirk, we're going to need to change," he said.

The town of Massena was also awarded \$4.5 million for the new South Raquette Water District on Feb. 23.

The funding is part of an \$82 million federal aid package that "will benefit town residents by providing access to public water and will improve the health, welfare, and safety of the residents."

The South Raquette Water District is expected to cost \$9 million but with the influx of federal funds, the town is on track to secure enough funding through grants and low or no-interest loans to cover the costs.

## City wants public input for downtown planning

OGDENSBURG - Ogdensburg City Council is hoping to get public input on development ideas for downtown planning.

The goal is to better position the city as it identifies grant, planning and development opportunities.

"Public input plays an important role in the creation of the community's vision and goals and in the identification of projects," Mayor Michael Tooley. "We are hopeful that getting an earlier start with public engagement will prove useful throughout the upcoming grant writing cycle."

An introductory public meeting for Ogdensburg residents and business owners will be held in the City Council Chambers on Wednesday, March 13 at 6 p.m.

At the meeting the city will review upcoming grant opportunities and timelines, and collect contact infor-

mation from residents and business owners that may be interested in participating in a Strategic Planning Committee.

It is anticipated that the Strategic Planning Committee will meet monthly through July along with public meetings to provide inclusive public input on potential projects within the city's downtown and throughout the community for funding applications. The March 13th meeting will also be available for virtual participation," a press release from the city says.

To register for the virtual Strategic Planning Meeting No. 1 on March 13, 2024 please visit: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1673504414122942037>

After registering, a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar will be sent.



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# County signs engineering contract for bridge work

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
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CANTON -- St. Lawrence County will soon receive assistance with engineering services to replace the Town Line Road bridge over Lisbon Creek. Legislators approved a resolution during the Feb. 26 finance committee meeting to authorize the contract with Barton and Loguidice. St. Lawrence County Highway Superintendent Don Chambers said the contract was necessary to complete the work due to the assistant civil engineer resigning last September. County officials have been unable to fill that role since, he said.

Two assistant civil engineers are currently drafting and planning for the project, however further assistance is needed to get the plans together, Chambers said.

The contract is to not exceed \$7,000.

In other action, legislators also approved a roadside mowing contract that will allow the County Highway Department to assist the towns of Clifton, Fine, Hopkinson, Louisville, Piercefield and Stockholm. The 2024 budget provided for the approval and funding of the roadside mowing. Officials say the county will mow 89.7 miles of county roads in the six towns at the cost of \$320 per mile.

Legislators also approved a cooperative agreement with the Franklin County Highway Department for road salt purchases. With the deal in place, both counties would be able to bid together on the purchase of road salt for the coming winter season. Officials say including road salt estimates for Franklin County in the bidding process will likely lower the cost per ton for both counties. According to chambers, the deal has been in place for a decade.

"The agreement has saved us both several thousand dollars each year over the last 10 or so years," Chambers told legislators.



Photo submitted by Taylor Putney

## Sunset on Sucker Brook

Sunset on Sucker Brook in Waddington.

# \$800,000 for county's emergency services

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

CANTON -- The Office of Emergency Services will receive over \$800,000 from the New York State Office of Homeland Security to improve interoperability and operability of communication systems.

Legislators approved the resolution unanimously during the March 4 full board meeting, extending the contract to Dec. 31, 2024. The original contract had a period of Jan. 1, 2021 to Dec. 31, 2022. As part of the agreement, the Office of Emergency Services will receive \$806,143.

The application for the funding was submitted to the Adirondack Park Agency, which will allow the installa-

tion of a tower with site amenities.

In other action, legislators approved a modified contract with Volunteer Transportation Center, Inc. to provide a call center for Fire Mile, Last Mile services.

Legislators say the county has a continuing, multi-year agreement with the state Department of Transportation (DOT) to provide rural transportation services and receive reimbursement of federal and state shares.

"One of the rural transportation services of the County is First Mile, Last Mile, a volunteer driver based program that connects Public Transit passengers to the County bus system," the resolution states.

Fire Mile, Last Mile is fully funded by the DOT with a local match that is covered by the vendor, officials say.

No county funds are used to provide the service.

# Multiple drug felonies leveled after stop

MASSENA -- A Massena man has been charged with multiple felony drug offenses following a traffic stop on Parker Avenue bridge in the

village of Massena on Feb. 27.

Chad M. McGregor, 44, was charged with third-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance: stimulant (B Felony), fourth-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance: narcotic (C Felony), and tampering with physical evidence (E Felony).

Police say 8.47 grams of cocaine

and 7.12 grams of methamphetamine were recovered at the scene.

McGregor was arraigned in the Town of Massena Court and released.

Massena Police were assisted on scene by the NYS Police K-9 unit.

## OBITUARIES

### Frank W. Sharpe, 96

Madrid

Madrid: Frank W. Sharpe, age 96, passed away at his home unexpectedly on Sunday afternoon, March 3, 2024. Friends and family are welcome to call the Phillips Memorial Home, in Madrid, NY on Wednesday evening, March 6, 2024, from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Funeral services for Frank will be held on Thursday morning, March 7, 2024, at Phillips Memorial Home, in Madrid starting at 11:00 am with Rev. Betsy Westman presiding. Burial will be held in Brookside Cemetery, in Waddington, NY following the funeral services.

Frank is survived by his devoted family, Shirley and husband Chris Arno of Canton, NY, Lydia Morton of Edinburg, TX, Frank S. and Donna Sharpe of Madrid, NY, Fernande Sharpe and fiancée Wendy Lemke of Lisbon, NY, Sara Sharpe of Ogdensburg, NY, Ersa and husband Randy Russell of Moira, NY, and Jamie and wife Debbie Sharpe of Waddington, NY. Frank is also survived by numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Frank was predeceased by his second wife Katherine M. "Kitty" Sharpe in 2005, siblings Marion Lucille Goodwin, Lydia Micklewright, Sterling Sharpe and Merrill Sharpe along with his K9 companion, "Dater".

Frank was born on March 26, 1927, to the late William Frank and Martha (Scruton) Sharpe in Waddington, NY. He attended Waddington Schools and worked on the family farm with his other siblings. He worked the land in the North Country for many years, later running his own farms. Frank later retired from his farm to continue on working the farms for others around the area. Frank was married to his first wife, Nellie Steinburg in September of 1953, the marriage ended in divorce. Frank later was married to Katherine M. DeShane on November 24, 1973, in Madrid, NY.

He was an avid hunter and trapper and could be found outdoors enjoying nature. Snowshoeing in the winter months and walking his property in the summer.

Frank had a tremendous work ethic, which had been instilled in his children. He enjoyed spending time with family and friends.

Friends and family are welcome to share memories, photos and condolence online by visiting [www.Phillips-Memorial.com](http://www.Phillips-Memorial.com)



Frank Sharpe

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# 'Five Hour Free Friday' praised

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
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CANTON -- March 1 has come and gone but "Five Hour Free Friday," a movement to disconnect individuals from social media for five hours has had a resounding impact.

County legislators acknowledged the effort during the full board meeting on March 4.

The event was championed by the Teen Ambassadors of the St. Lawrence County Youth Committee with support from Youth as Solutions with the National Youth Leadership Council and took place from 4-9 p.m. on March 1.

Legislator Harry Smithers was complimentary of the coalition of students who organized and promoted the event, saying the students who came together from multiple school districts did a great job of raising awareness.

"This tends to be a problem, spending a lot of time on social media, not just for younger people but for some older people too who like to spend time on social media," Smithers said.

Numbers have not been compiled yet but Legislator Nicole Terminielli told legislators that a follow-up survey was available so the group could gauge the effectiveness of the initiative.

"We're hoping to make it an annual event," she said.

According to the Journal of American Medication Association Pediatricians, teens spend more than eight hours per day on their phones.

That trend of excessive social media use has been linked to depression, anxiety, attention deficit and sleep deprivation, officials say.

Nearly half of adolescents between the ages of 13 to 17 say social media makes them feel worse about themselves and 64% of the same group are "often" of "sometimes" exposed to hate-based content, according to a study conducted by the U.S. Surgeon General Advisory on Social Media and Youth Mental Health.

Officials are encouraging all St. Lawrence County residents to take time away from social media platforms in support of a "social media detox" in support of the message that the overuse of social media can cause emotional and physical stress.

## OBITUARIES

**Janet J. Potter, 86**

Bombay

BOMBAY – Janet J. Potter, 86, a longtime resident of Bombay, peacefully passed away early Wednesday morning, February 28, 2024, at Massena Hospital.

Janet was born on February 24, 1938, in Massena, the daughter of the late James Philo and Joan (Wilson) McCleave.

She was a 1956 graduate of Massena High School and continued her education at North Country Community College, where she achieved her Associates Degree. On October 7, 1961, she married Lowell E. Potter at the Massena First Baptist Church with Rev. Douglas Densmore, officiating. He predeceased her on December 17, 2009.

In addition to helping her husband on the family farm, Janet was a teacher's aide and substitute teacher for Salmon River Central School for many years, retiring in 2002.

She was longtime member of the Bombay United Methodist Church, where she was active in the choir and was the treasurer for many years. She was also active with the United Methodist Women for many years. She greatly enjoyed singing, flower gardening, and cooking.

Janet is survived by her children and their spouses, James Ernest and Amy Potter of Cortland and Jenifer Lynne and Shannon Locklear of Antioch, Illinois; her daughter-in-law, Caroline Potter of West

Potsdam; her grandchildren, Carrie Anne and Julian Potter, Michelle (Aaron) Windsor, Danielle (Micah)



Janet Potter

Beltz, Nicholas (Katherine) Potter, Erik (Erin) Locklear, Evan (Kim) Locklear, Anna Locklear (fiancé Silas Westers), and Lauren Bowers; several great grandchildren, her brother, Greg (Linda) McCleave of

Wisconsin; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was predeceased by a son, Warren Potter on January 21, 2024; and two sisters, Judy Layo and Joyce Emert.

Arrangements are under the care and guidance of the Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena, where friends may call on Saturday 11:00 – 1:00 PM when a funeral service will be held.

Burial will be at a later time in Hillside Rest Cemetery, Bombay.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to the Massena Hospital Foundation or a charity of one's choice.

Friends are encouraged to share memories and offer condolences online at [www.donaldsonfh.com](http://www.donaldsonfh.com).

**James "Jim" B. Norton, 91**

Massena

MASSENA -- James "Jim" B. Norton age 91, passed away on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, in Richmond, VA.

Jim was predeceased by his brothers, Victor Norton and Fred Norton.

Jim is survived by his loving wife, Lola; his children, Thomas Norton and his wife, Catherine Norton of Richmond, VA, Julia Page and her husband, Stephen Page of Montpelier, VT; grandchildren, Sara Norton and Mary Margaret Page; great-grandchildren, Levi Wilson and Grant Verry; his sister, Rita Manning of Hannawa Falls, NY; and several nieces and nephews.

Jim was born on January 7, 1933, in Massena, the son of Albert J. and Agnes (Vice) Norton.

Jim attended St. Mary's School and Massena High School.

After high school graduation Jim went on to Canton ATI and received an Associates Degree.

He served in the US Army and was honorably discharged in 1954; he then went back to college at Clarkson and received a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering and a Master's Degree in Industrial Engineering.

He married Lola Michele on August 16, 1958.

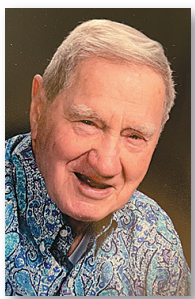
Jim was employed at Reynolds Metals Company as a Mechanical Engineer, retiring as a Purchasing Manager after 35 years of service.

He enjoyed downhill skiing and skied until he was 80 years old.

He also liked to work on the cottage on the St. Lawrence River and

enjoyed a good game of golf.

He was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church, as well as an usher.



James Norton

He did volunteer work for AARP during tax season for over 20 years.

He served on the Massena Central School board for 11 years, was on the board for the Massena Savings & Loan

for over 30 years and served on the Board of Assessment and Review for several years.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Phillips Memorial Home in Massena, NY.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Jim will be held at 12:00 pm on Friday, March 8, 2024, at St. Mary's Catholic Church located at 9505 Gayton Rd, Henrico, VA 23229 with a reception to follow.

Burial will be held in St. Mary's Cemetery in Potsdam, NY at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Boys Town, 14100 Crawford Street, Boys Town, NE 68010 and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 2 Pine West Plaza #202, Albany, NY 12205, or a charity of your choice.

Online condolences, memorial trees, photos and memories may be shared with the family by visiting [www.PhillipsMemorial.com](http://www.PhillipsMemorial.com).

MASSENA -- Dolores M. Lancto, Age 84, formerly of Roosevelt Street, passed away peacefully at the Massena Rehabilitation & Nursing Center, where she had been a resident for the past 9 years.

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

Friends and family are welcome to call the Phillips Memorial Home, located at 64 Andrews Street in Massena on Sunday afternoon, March 3, 2024, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Monday, March 4, 2024, at the Church of the Sacred Heart at 10:00 AM with Rev. Leagon Carlin officiating.

A burial will take place in Visitation Cemetery, Norfolk, NY in the spring.

Dolores was born on May 31, 1939, to her late parents Armond and Marie (Page) Hart. Dolores graduated from Massena High School in 1957, and went on to attend beauty school, obtaining her license as a beautician.

Dolores had many skills that she utilized for employment over the years, including opening her own beauty shop in the family home,

**Dolores M. Lancto, 84**

Massena

working as a nurse's aide at the Potsdam Hospital, obtaining several secretarial jobs, and working as an Estee Lauder cosmetic representative at the BonTon in Massena Mall where she later retired.



Dolores Lancto

Dolores married Philip H. Kennehan on June 17, 1961. She later married her husband, Raymond G. Lancto Sr., of Massena, NY on August 17, 1985. They resided on Wilson Hill in Louisville, NY, and enjoyed boating, gardening and the time they spent along the St. Lawrence River. He later predeceased her March 5, 2020.

Dolores is survived by her caring daughters, Debbie and husband, David Koes of Halfmoon, NY, and Nancy Kennehan and companion, David Bartlett of Henderson, NV, and her granddaughter, Kristina Koes of Halfmoon, NY.

Dolores was predeceased by two of her sisters, Norma Callahan and Irene Gates, as well as a brother, Reverend Rolland Hart.

**Sylvia A. Despaw, 82**

Norfolk

at the St. Lawrence County Council of Seniors, serving multiple terms as their president and held various other offices with them.



Sylvia Despaw

Sylvia was not only active with the Senior Citizens, she was active with the local, county and state American Legion Auxiliary.

As a member of the John Adams, Jr. Unit 925 of the Norfolk American Legion Auxiliary for over 30 years, she served multiple terms as President and Vice President, and was active with many committees within the Auxiliary.

She also served as the President and chaired various committees with the St. Lawrence County Auxiliary.

She volunteered countless hours at the North Country Veterans Clinic and along with her husband shopped and purchased gifts for veterans in the nursing homes.

At the state level, Sylvia was a member, multi-leveled officer, and committee member in the 4th District, which consists of over 5,000 members in 11 counties.

Sylvia proudly gave of her time, talent, and treasure to many and never forgot those who were in most need.

Despite the amount of time she dedicated to her community she never forgot the importance of her family and the precious memories

Surviving are sisters, Lucille Dishaw of Gansevoort, NY and Francis Taylor of N. Syracuse, NY. Dolores also has numerous nieces and nephews, as well as great-nieces and nephews.

When Dolores married Raymond Lancto Sr. she became the step-mother to David and Susan Lancto of Bushnell, FL, Randy and Mary Lancto of Massena, NY and Mark Lancto who predeceased both his father and Dolores. Randy and his wife, Mary brought grandchildren, Angela and husband, Chad Mossow and Raymond Lancto III (who predeceased Dolores), as well as several great-grandchildren, into the family.

Dolores enjoyed traveling, visiting with family and friends, as well as taking an occasional trip to the Casino for Bingo and some slot machine play. Her infectious laugh and welcoming smile will be missed by her family and friends.

Memorial contributions may be shared with Alzheimer's Association; 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601.

Family and friends are encouraged to share memorial trees, memories, photos and condolence online by visiting [www.PhillipsMemorial.com](http://www.PhillipsMemorial.com).

and time she was able to spend with them especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She also enjoyed dancing and listening to music.

Sylvia is survived by her loving children, Shelly Despaw of Norfolk, Sean and Michelle Despaw of Potsdam, and Sharlene and Scott Lantry of Helena; her son-in-law, Jim Hartigan of Massena; 12 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, her sisters, Theresa and Donald Walker and Cathy Carr; her half-sisters, Yancy LaPrade and June "Tibit" Davis-Lamay; her half-brother, Bruce Durant; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was predeceased by a daughter, Shari Hartigan on January 15, 2024; a sister, Joyce Genaway; and a half-brother, John Davis, Jr.

Arrangements are under the care and guidance of the Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena, where friends may call Monday, March 11th 1-3:00 PM with a service at 3:00 PM with Rev. Judy VanKennen, officiating.

Burial will be held privately in Bixby Cemetery, Norfolk.

In lieu of flowers, those wishing may consider memorial contributions to be made to the Norwood Golden Agers Senior Citizens or a veterans organization of one's choice.

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**C. DONALD CHASE**, 83, North Lawrence, March 1. Arrangements with Hammill Funeral Home, St. Regis Falls.

**BEULAH GUERIN**, 78, Massena, March 3. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

**SYLVIA DESPAW**, 82, Norfolk, March 3. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

**ARLENE JORDAN**, 84, Lisbon, March 8. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

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# Multiple candidates come forward to challenge Stefanik in NY-21

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

A Republican, two Democrats and a write-in candidate on the Working Families Party line have declared their candidacy for the Congressional seat currently held by Congresswoman Elise Stefanik, possibly setting up two primaries in NY-21.

Stefanik, who was first elected to her seat in 2014, is running for her sixth term to represent the North Country in the House of Representatives.

## Lochner sets up primary with Stefanik

Republican Jill Lochner recently launched her campaign to challenge Stefanik, saying the U.S. political culture "has broken meaningful ways" on her campaign page.

"I have witnessed our leadership lose their moral compass to their own political ambitions and partisanship. As a lifelong Republican, it's painfully clear our party needs to correct the course not only for the best of our great democracy but for our Nation," she said.

Lochner said he has "always been a true Republican" who believes in fiscal responsibility, limited government, upholding constitutional liberties, equal rights for all and conserving "America the Beautiful."

"I am running for Congress because I can no longer sit back and accept the conspiracy theories, bigotry, and hateful ideologies that dominate the news. This is not what the people want. This is not what America is," she said.

Lochner says she is not a politician but rather a wife, mother, daughter and New Yorker.

"I want a future for our children, for our country, and for our Republican party. I can represent you because I am one of you," she said.

Lochner was born and raised in Central New York to parents who owned and operated a fishing guide service, bed and breakfast and tackle shop.

She attended Nazareth College in Rochester where she earned a Master's degree in Educational Technology and is New York State certified in Elementary and Special Education.

Following her education, Lochner said she moved to New York City and "began a career helping the government to better serve people."

"Throughout my life, whether I was in Central NY, Western NY, or downstate, I always found myself traveling to the North Country on weekends. Eleven years ago, when it was time to start a family, we returned home to the beautiful landscapes, values, and people of upstate. Through our own hard work and sacrifice, my husband and I built our homestead in the foothills of the Adirondacks," she said.

Lochner said she wants to show fiscal responsibility through necessary budget reforms "to revive our economy and put us on a path to growth."

According to Lochner, she also supports responsible firearm ownership.

"The Second Amendment is not second class, it is a safeguard created by our founders to protect all other rights. Along with the majority of Americans, of gun owners, and of NRA members, I support a fast, efficient, and accurate universal background system to keep guns away from people with mental health issues. As a defender of the 2nd amendment, I would also legislate safeguards such as expedited redress and prohibitions against registries," she said.

Lochner said she is also in favor of women being afforded the opportunity to make reproductive choices themselves.

"The government should stay out of our bodies and out of our homes. Decisions should be made between a woman and her doctor," she said.

For more information, visit [www.jillforcongress.com/](http://www.jillforcongress.com/)

## Democratic cannabis tax lawyer announces bid

Paula Collins, a cannabis tax attorney, owns property in Rensselaer County and is running to represent those that she feels have been forgotten.

"Our current Representative has lost her way. She has aligned herself with the former president in his defense of the January 6 protestors. But what about the people back at home in our district, hard at work in their day-to-lives," she said.

Collins recently announced her bid for the seat to represent NY-21 in front of Elevate ADK in Saranac Lake.

Collins lives and works in Manhattan and recently

purchased property in the district, according to reports.

A self-described "moderate center" Democrat, Collins says she wants to support "small business owners, and clerks, the teachers, the country lawyers, and, most especially, the farmers feel left out by the candidates on the far left."

Collins said sensible immigration policies to ensure public safety are necessary, along with new policies to ensure children are safe while using the internet.

"They need to know that Congress is passing legislation to protect the environment, and the land, air, water, and animal rights in it. They need to get a sensible Farm Bill passed – and fast! They need to know that when they get sick, there are doctors and hospitals close, with affordable options in healthcare," she said.

Collins said her decision to run is not just about the Jan. 6 insurrection of the Capitol but rather about "other life issues."

"My opponent in this race was first elected in the year 2014. And what has she done to help the people of District 21? It seems like lately all she has done is cozy up to the former President – you know – the one who is under multiple indictments in multiple states. Sure, she put on a fine performance when she questioned university presidents. But as someone who has aligned herself with the most hate-spewing president in history, who is she really to call out incendiary hate speech," Collins said.

Collins was further critical of Stefanik's ties to former President Donald Trump, saying she has moved further to the right.

"Elise Stefanik has had her chance in the job as your Congressional Representative, and all she did was move further to the MAGA right than any of us ever imagined," she said.

## Former Lt. Colonel jumps in

A retired officer from the U.S. Army, Lt. Colonel Steven Holden was born and raised in Oklahoma where he also attended Oklahoma A&M. After receiving a degree in Criminal Justice, Holden said he attended the University of Central Oklahoma and received a degree in Political Science.

He continued his education at Syracuse University on a dual master's program in business and public administration while commissioned with the Army.

Holden said he was also deployed in 2003 as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom and "was involved in the capture of Saddam Hussein with 4th Infantry Division."

"In 2005, I was sent on a second deployment to Iraq with the 3rd Cavalry Regiment Commanded by LTG(R) H.R. McMaster. I was deployed twice to Afghanistan in 2010 and again in 2013 with the 4th Infantry Division. During my final deployment in Afghanistan I served as a Senior Consultant to the Afghan Air Force helping more than 100 Afghan interpreters and their families find refuge in the United States," he said.

"I believe, with my education, service and professional experience, that I can deliver results to the District," Holden said.

Holden listed a number of issues he is passionate about, including "veteran's affairs, infrastructure, farming, including family farms, jobs, unions, gun violence, reproductive freedom, equality, and equity, voting rights and access, mental health, inflation, and housing."

"As a legislator, it is my job to listen to your perspectives and find solutions that work for the greater good. I want to know what your concerns are and how you think I can best help you, your family, and your community," he said.

## Foul mouthed problem solver joins on Working Families line

Brian Rouleau, a self-described "foul mouthed problem solver," is running on the Working Families Party line in an effort to bring a new voice to the race and not "another boring, centrist Democrat."

Working as the Finance and Insurance Manager at Frenchie's Ford in Massena, Rouleau is the only St. Lawrence County based candidate in the race currently.

Rouleau said he is of the opinion that Democrats are conceding the election, saying the "low man wins in this leverage fight and I will use every legal means to remove the cancer that is Elise Stefanik from Congress."

"When it comes down to it, you either can elect a politician with pretty words and meaningless promises, or you can elect a foul mouthed problem solver who doesn't have time for the bullshit of this district being ignored," he said.

# County approves sheriff's budget changes

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
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CANTON -- The St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office will continue to take part in a Federal Equitable Sharing Program after legislators approved the measure during the March 4 full board meeting.

The U.S. Department of Justice requires the Sheriff's Office to file an annual Federal Equitable Sharing Program agreement and annual certification report to be eligible to submit requests for federally-forfeited property and proceeds.

Legislators previously signed off on the same program for the District Attorney's office as well.

According to St. Lawrence County District Attorney Gary Pasqua, the funds are part of a recurring program that is awarded every January and February.

Pasqua previously said he applies every year through an electronic program, giving the county access to the seized assets.

"Whenever federal law enforcement agencies seize any money in a federal investigation in St. Lawrence County, my office has any nexus to that. They share that with my office, as well as local law enforcement agencies," Pasqua previously told legislators.

The funds, which are seized by agencies like Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), come from busts that occur within the county throughout the calendar year, Pasqua previously stated.

Legislators and the chairman of the legislature work in conjunction with Pasqua to keep track of the funds and to ensure the application is submitted and approved on time to ensure the flow of funds, he previously said.

"The chairman has to sign off every year. This resolution needs to be done so that when I go and fill out that paperwork before March 31 we can say we've met as a group," Pasqua said.

In other action, legislators also approved a budget modification for the Sheriff's Office with regard to interest earned on the Howard G. Buffett Foundation Grant.

Legislators previously approved a resolution to accept the funds and when the grant accounts were created, interest could accrue. That interest must be applied to the HGFBF program, officials say.

Interest earned in 2022 was \$1,036.94 and interest earned in 2023 was \$6,216.68.

Legislators also approved a budget modification for the Sheriff's Office totaling \$27,270 to move funds from a fiscal year 2022 Operation Stonegarden Grant from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services.

The modification is necessary to move funds to an equipment account since the Sheriff's Office will now be the partnering agency to purchase the license plate reader equipment awarded under the grant, officials say.

Two further budget modifications were also approved for the Sheriff's Office, the first for \$5,160 that was awarded to the department in the form of a Police Traffic Services (PTS) Grant.

Those funds are intended to cover the overtime costs related to planned events intended to increase seat belt usage in efforts to reduce dangerous driving behaviors, officials say.

The second budget modification is for \$4,108 to purchase a patrol vehicle for the Criminal Division of the Sheriff's Office.

The Sheriff's Office originally budgeted for two vehicles in the 2024 budget, however one vehicle was decommissioned in the line of duty, requiring the Sheriff's Office to purchase another, according to Sheriff Rick Engle.

With the purchase of the third vehicle, the Office will return to 12 marked patrol vehicles, which will promote efficiency and provide safety to the officers and public, officials say.

# County plans beaver removal

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

CANTON -- Beavers continue to wreak havoc on county roadways, culverts and other property, prompting county officials to continue an agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture to remove the critters.

According to County Highway Superintendent Don Chambers, the county has had an ongoing agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Wildlife Services to handle beavers.

"We've been doing the agreement with USDA for several years now and found it very effective, primarily with beaver," Chambers said.

Officials say beaver activity throughout the county has caused significant environmental damage to county roads, including flooding, erosion of roadbeds, blocked road culverts and other known property damage. Those issues can also lead

to indirect threats to human health and safety, officials say.

As part of the program, the USDA will issue nuisance permits to allow removal of beavers in trouble spots, Chambers said.

The contract with USDA is not to exceed \$9,000, a move that county officials hope will reduce damage caused by beavers.

The inter-governmental agreement was established to "administer a cooperative program between the Department of Highways and APHIS WS to reduce roadway damage along with the risk of human health and safety from beavers," officials say.

Officials say WS may install and maintain water control structures to reduce flooding and prevent beaver dams from restricting water flows where appropriate.

The contract will become effective March 1, 2024 and expire Dec. 31, 2024.

# Boaters urged caution near Seaway

MASSENA -- The St. Lawrence Seaway will be active on Monday, March 4 as ice-clearing begins on the St. Lawrence River.

The St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation officials say the activities will also include the

areas around Eisenhower and Snell locks.

Though the mild winter means not much ice accumulation has occurred, Seaway officials are urging all ice fishermen, ATV and snowmobile operators to avoid

using the areas where ice-clearing will occur as there will be instability in the remaining ice and much open water.

The St. Lawrence Seaway is scheduled to open on March 22 at 8 a.m., officials say.



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# Funds shifted to county's adult workforce training program approved

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
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CANTON -- St. Lawrence County officials are taking steps to better assist adult and dislocated workers by shifting funding from the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act program to areas of need.

During the Feb. 26 finance committee meeting, employment and training counselor Pam Lewis told legislators that the needs of those coming into the office would be better met if funds were shifted to "provide more flexibility and ensure WIOA is able to provide

services to as many eligible participants as possible."

Lewis told legislators that the numbers of those coming in to seek aid are not very balanced between adult and dislocated workers.

"Under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act program, the dislocated worker funding is considerable but we do not receive too many dislocated workers who come into the office," she said.

Lewis said one of the primary issues is the eligibility status for dislocated workers who can also qualify under the adult program but adults are not able to qualify as a dislocated

worker.

Ten percent of each of the three WIOA programs, including adult, youth and dislocated workers, is designated as administrative as well. Lewis said those funds were under utilized as well.

"Throughout the majority of the fiscal year we were short a senior account clerk for a while and then an assistant accounting supervisor for a while," she said.

That led to excess administrative funding in the end.

Lewis told legislators she wanted to transition the funds "to better serve more people."

Under WIOA regulations, Local Workforce Development Boards may transfer up to 100% of administration back to the originating program funds in all three programs but can't exceed the original 10% designated as administration, according to the resolution.

Regulations also state that the Local Workforce Development Board may transfer 100% of a program year allocations between the adult and dislocated worker programs.

In total, \$214,000 will be transferred to appropriations for adult training tuition fee accounts when legislators finalize the appropriations during the next full board meeting.

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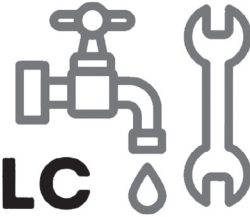
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30 newspapers closed across the state. A quarter of New York's counties are news deserts—down to their last newspaper. Orleans County recently became the first in the state to have none. These closures have also resulted in thousands of lost journalism and newsroom-supporting jobs.

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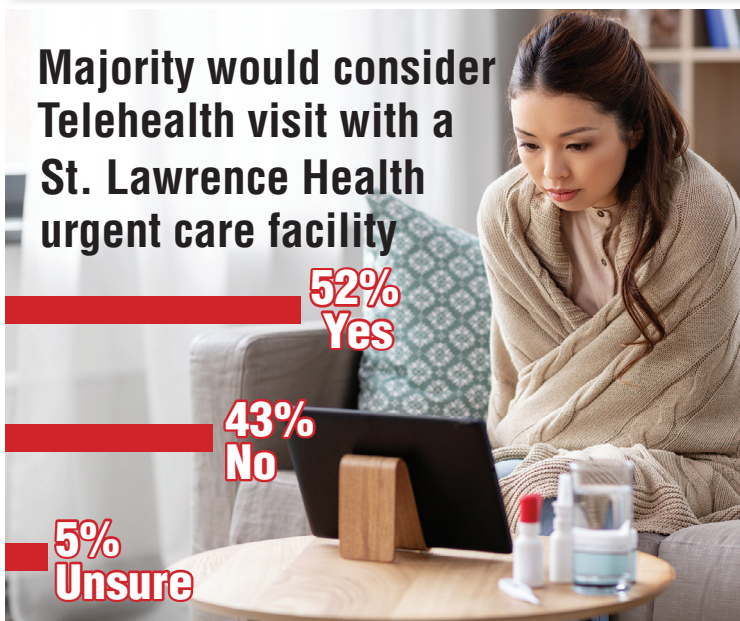
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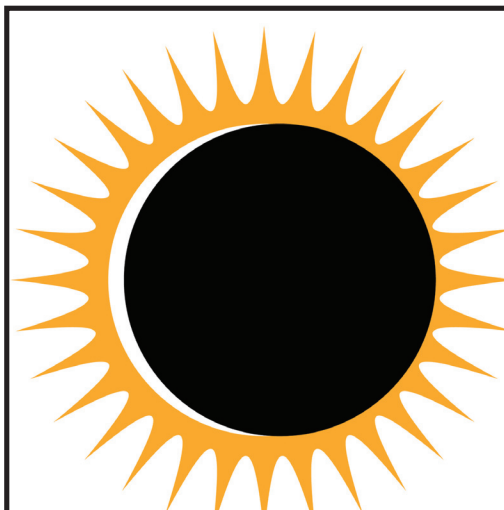
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# There are all types and concentrations of biogas

BY PAUL HETZLER

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Those are all kinds of biogas, which is composed primarily of methane, CH<sub>4</sub>, at concentrations ranging from 50% to 60%. Methane is highly combustible, and can be used in place of natural gas for heat, or to run internal-combustion engines for the generation of electricity and other applications.

Formed by microbes under anaerobic conditions, it is a greenhouse gas that's at least twenty-eight times more potent than carbon dioxide at trapping heat in Earth's atmosphere. The fact that it can be useful if harnessed, but dangerous if released, is why we need to trap the biogas given off by landfills, manure pits, and someday, maybe even cow burps.

By itself, methane is colorless

## The Meandering Naturalist

and odorless, but it often hangs out with unsavory friends like hydrogen sulfide, H<sub>2</sub>S, which is responsible for the rotten-egg smell we associate with farts and swamp gas. Not all biogas is equal—the stuff given off by landfills is contaminated with siloxane from lubricants and detergents, and manure-sourced biogas may contain nitrous oxide, N<sub>2</sub>O. Siloxane, nitrous oxide, and hydrogen sulfide gases are toxic at high concentrations, and are very corrosive. They usually burn off harmlessly when used for heat, but must be removed if biogas is to be used to fuel an engine.

Landfill gas collection system. Diagram: U.S. EPA

As mentioned, methane occurs when organic matter decomposes in oxygen-deprived conditions under the ground. This led to numerous biogas explosions in landfills across the U.S. and Europe, mostly in the 1960s and 1970s, although a series of such

incidents in England in the 1980s spurred tighter regulations in that country on collecting biogas. The frequency of explosions at dumps is much reduced in recent times, but it does still happen. A dump at Walt Disney World in Orlando caught fire in 1998. In 2006, the US Army (which is exempt from many environmental laws) evacuated twelve households near one of its old landfills at Fort Meade, Maryland due to high methane levels.

Even though it provides benefits like electricity generation, extracting landfill biogas is necessary for health and safety. But biogas is also produced intentionally in something called a methane digester, which I thought was another word for a cow. Despite the name, these things do not digest methane. Rather they use animal manure, municipal sewage, household garbage, and other organic matter to capture methane, much of which would otherwise have been released to the atmosphere.

The basic process is this: an airtight reactor is filled with animal manure or whatever your favorite filling is, and after a four-part bacterial process and some amount of time you end up with a "digested" slurry that can be used for fertiliz-

er, and biogas. Digester technology can work from a massive industrial scale to a very small backyard unit which runs on household waste.

At about 60% methane, digester biogas is a better fuel than landfill biogas, which tends to be about 50% CH<sub>4</sub>. Gas from a digester can be used directly for cooking or heating, but must be processed before it can be put to other uses. In addition to being used to run internal-combustion engines, "scrubbed" biogas, which is nearly pure methane, can be injected into the natural-gas grid, or compressed and sold to distant markets.

These days, livestock farmers are being encouraged to install methane digesters as an additional source of income or to offset heating costs. Digesters reduce greenhouse-gas emissions, and manure processed in a digester retains more nitrogen than manure stored in open-air lagoons. It's not brain surgery, but there is a learning curve, as well as labor inputs. The idea is being promoted now, but it is far from new.

Regionally, operators of the Village of Lake Placid sewage treatment plant have captured biogas and used it to help heat the plant

since the early 1980s. The project was begun by Paul Gutman, a former operator. While not universally supported at first, Gutman's methane-capture program has saved the Village a huge chunk of change over the years.

The Chinese have been involved with methane digestion since about 1960, and in the 1970s disseminated something like six million home digesters to farmers. Currently, home digesters are common in India, Pakistan, Nepal, and parts of Africa. On the larger scale, Germany is Europe's foremost biogas producer, with around 6,000 biogas electric generating plants. Germany also has incentives and subsidies for farmers and others to adopt digester technology.

We may have backyard methane digesters, but to my knowledge there are none for strictly personal use. If you've eaten too much sauerkraut, you'll just have to let digestion run its course. Away from others, please.

Clarkson University's Biomass Group, headed by Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering Dr. Stefan Grimberg, has information on its biogas projects, plus links to other resources, on its website.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Take action on Equal Pay Day

National Equal Pay Day this year is March 12. Year after year, pay for women across all ages and all ethnic groups lags behind pay for men. Here in NYS, according to 2022 data, women receive 88 cents for every dollar paid to men. If part-time workers are included, that drops to 77 cents to the dollar. For women of color, Native American women, mothers, and LGBTQ individuals, the discrepancy in pay is even greater.

Why does the pay gap remain so hard to close? In part, it's because women historically have been paid less for the same or equal work done by men. There are policies that can help address that fact: New York recently passed a law that requires the inclusion of salary ranges in job postings, a practice which will help to chip away at differing pay scales for people in the same job.

To achieve real economic justice for women, however, we also need other policy changes: universal childcare, fair pay for care workers, paid leave for all, and access to higher paying jobs in the trades and the green economy.

The work traditionally available to many women, especially care giving, is severely undervalued. New York is facing a massive shortage of caregivers, and other essential frontline workers, and the main reason is substandard pay. These jobs, which are critical for

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Kathleen Stein  
Canton

the strength of the overall economy, should provide a living wage and the opportunity to save for retirement.

Increased wages in jobs that have traditionally been "gendered" female might attract more men as well. Conversely, more job training opportunities would help women to find higher paid employment in fields outside of what is now called the "pink ghetto."

On March 12, National Equal Pay Day, reach out to Governor Hochul and to your state legislators. Let your voice be heard in support of including more funding for care work in the state budget. Also tell your representatives you

want equal opportunity for women in state job training programs. Let's stop talking about equal pay and start paying women what they are worth.

Kathleen Stein, President  
League of Women Voters  
of St. Lawrence County  
Canton

### Successful ice fishing derby

Waddington Sons of the American Legion Squad 420 would like to thank all of the volunteers and participants of our 22nd annual Ice Fishing Derby held February 10, 2024.

This year we had 150 fisherman registered, along with 26 children registered in the kids category. With all of your support our Derby continues to grow year after year, enabling us to continue our scholarship support at Madrid Waddington Central School.

A special thank you goes out to Susan Duffy of Queensaire Technologies, Jason Curran of Seaway Valley Lawn Care, and Andy Miller of AJK Site Development Inc. for their very generous donations. To all the other numerous sponsors who donate year after year we thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Thanks to the fishermen for coming out and supporting our tournament. Hope to see everyone again next year. Fish on.

Mike Tiernan, Ice Derby Chairman  
Waddington Sons of the American  
Legion Squad 420

### Views on Donald Trump

Can the president of the United States send Seal Team 6 on a mission to kill his political rival? This should not be a serious question. The whole darned point of this American experiment is that we are not to be ruled by a king. Two hundred and forty plus years ago, thousands of American colonists fought and died to win this freedom from the British crown. And yet the Supreme Court has now decided to treat presidential immunity from the law as a legit-

imate question. There's a greater than zero chance that the Supreme Court will say a president is de jure, not just de facto, above the law.

And I mean A president, not THE president. Because this current Supreme Court did not permit sitting President Biden to forgive student loans, yet it just said on February 28th that it is willing to hear former President Trump's argument that his previous presidency grants him immunity from criminal prosecution for trying to overturn the 2020 election and install himself as an unelected dictator.

Three years later, Donald Trump is finally facing consequences for his lifetime perfidy. He owes well over \$400 million dollars across two civil cases for defaming his rape victim and financially defrauding New York State, and is currently facing 91 felony charges across four criminal cases related to various aspects of election interference and/or abuses of presidential power.

Trump is running for president again, this time for that apparently not so elusive "get out of jail free" card. A victory in November will allow him to dismiss the two federal cases if ongoing or, if completed, pardon himself, while daring New York or Georgia officials to detain a sitting president after a state conviction.

An appeals court already rightly ruled that, no, a president does not have legal immunity to assassinate his political rival or overturn an election, but the Supreme Court granted cert to Trump's appeal of the lower court decision, thus further delaying the D.C. election interference trial, which cannot begin until the immunity question is answered.

Even if SCOTUS ultimately upholds the appeals court decision, which is no guarantee, the D.C. case could be delayed long enough for Trump to dismiss it if he's president again. Which would be immaterial anyway if SCOTUS rules in his favor and makes him God King Trump.

Sean Pidgeon  
Morristown

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## Sales tax collections down for village of Massena

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- Sales tax collections are down across most of the state, with the village of Massena also feeling the crunch.

In a recent board of trustees meeting, Treasurer Kevin Felt said collection were down nearly \$23,000 from the same period last year.

Collections for the last quarter totaled \$577,673, bringing the fiscal year total to \$1,193,567 or 51% of the budgeted amount of \$2,350,000, Felt said.

Felt also informed trustees that the village made a \$66,840 principal payment on the long-term SIB bond for the wastewater plant improvement and sewer line replacement project.

The zero-interest long-term financing for the project will be paid off in 2049, he said.

Felt also informed trustees that the village's new auditors, Fust

## Services offered for businesses

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Visit [ownorthcountrybusiness.com](http://ownorthcountrybusiness.com) for more information or contact Laura Pearson at 315-386-4000 ext. 5 or email [laura@slc-chamber.org](mailto:laura@slc-chamber.org) for more information.

## SLC now accepting ag district requests

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

Charles, will be delayed in conducting the on-site audit.

The original plan was for auditors to be on site sometime in late December or early January to complete the in-house portion of the fieldwork on both internal controls and financial portions of the audit, however that has not been completed.

A draft of the report was expected by mid-January and a plan was in place to have the final report completed by the beginning of February, Felt previously said.

Felt said he was previously told that due to the delays the financial statements would first be reviewed and should be available for presentation at the next board meeting on March 18.

CANTON -- St. Lawrence County is now accepting requests to add and remove property from agricultural districts.

In agricultural district one, applications will be accepted to both add and remove property, while applications for district two will be accepted if a landowner wishes to have their land added from the district, county officials say.

Each year, petitions are accepted to add property to either district, officials say.

At the moment, district one is undergoing an eight-year review. That district includes the towns of DeKalb, DePeyster, Edwards, Fowler, Gouverneur, Hammond, Hermon, Macomb, Morristown, Oswegatchie, Pitcairn and Rose.

District two includes the towns

of Brasher, Canton, Hopkinson, Lawrence, Lisbon, Louisville, Madrid, Massena, Norfolk, Parishville, Pierrepont, Potsdam, Russell, Stockholm and Waddington.

Legislators also previously said a proposal is on the table to consolidate districts one and two.

Officials say the agricultural districts help protect farmland and farming activities in the county, a process that has been scrutinized in recent years with the rise of solar projects throughout the county. Critics of the solar arrays say prime farmland is being taken over by the projects, while landowners say they have a right to do as they please with the property they pay taxes on.

Under state law, a 30-day period is required to give landowners and municipalities the opportunity to petition for the inclusion of or removal of land from an agricultural district.

State regulations also require the county to give the public the opportunity to comment on any proposed changes to the districts as recommended by the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board which is to be completed with a public hearing, officials say.

The 30-day modification period for the eight-year review will

run concurrently with the Agricultural District Review of the county, which occurs March 1-30 each year, officials say.

The public hearing will also be held to allow individuals the opportunity to comment on the recommendations.

The public hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 23 at 6 p.m. at the Human Services Center Conference Room, located at 80 State Highway 310, Canton.

Digital maps depicting the agricultural districts can be found at <https://maps.dancgis.org/ima/>.

In order to have property added or removed from the districts, land owners must submit a form with information about the property to the County Planning Office.

Blank forms can be obtained at local municipal offices, by calling the County Planning Office at (315) 379-2292 or by downloading it from [https://stlawco.gov/sites/default/files/Planning/inclusion%20form\(5\).pdf](https://stlawco.gov/sites/default/files/Planning/inclusion%20form(5).pdf).

All applications must be received or postmarked no later than March 30.

For more information, contact the St. Lawrence County Planning Office at (315) 379-2292 or email [planning@stlawco.gov](mailto:planning@stlawco.gov)

## Seaway season set March 24

MASSENA -- The St. Lawrence Seaway 2024 navigation season is set to open on March 22.

St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation officials made the announcement on Feb. 13

Officials say ship transits will be subject to weather and ice conditions with possible restrictions in some areas until lighted navigation aids are installed.

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## Fort to make maple syrup the old way

BY P.J. MILLER  
Fort de La Presentation



Fort photo

Reenactors make maple syrup the old fashioned way at Fort de La Presentation.

OGDENSBURG — As the North Country begins the annual Maple Season, we should look to days gone by and how the production of maple syrup and maple sugar was once achieved. Long before vacuum systems and gas fired boiling pans, the sap was delivered to the sugar houses with horses or oxen.

Refined white cane sugar, as we know it, was the height of luxury in the 18th century. Indeed, sugar did not factor highly into the average French-Canadian diet, as sugar consumption in New France was less than 2 pounds per person per year. Compare that to the nearly 152 pounds of sugar the average American consumes in that time today!

When Europeans made first contact with the Indigenous people of North America in the 17th century, they discovered that maple sugar was common in their diet. Native people all over the Northeast North America territory had been boiling and freezing maple sap to refine it into syrup and sugar since time immemorial. Maple Sugar was an important part of gift giving ceremonies which strengthened political and economic ties between many Indige-

nous nations and provided quick energy for warriors and travelers making their way through the waterways of the St. Lawrence River Valley.

In the early spring a majority of the over 2,000 Iroquois people living in and around Fort de la Présentation would have been employed in boiling pure maple sap into the sugar that they would use for the rest of the year.

French Canadian people soon learned how to make maple sugar from their Native neighbors. After 1760 when New France became a part of Britain maple sugar production remained an integral part of the early spring season and continues today as a

vital part of our unique identity in the North Country.

Hitch up your sleigh and come down to the Fort de La Presentation site on Van Rensselaer Point and discover the history and importance of maple sugar production in the North Country and witness history happening before your eyes as living historians make maple sugar the 18th century way! This is a popular family event that offers visitors of all ages an opportunity to help in the sugar-making process.

The event will be held Saturday, March 16, from noon-2:30 pm, if the weather permits. A rain date of April 6, 2024 has been chosen.

## Norwood-Norfolk bringing Newsies to the high school stage

NORWOOD — Come help our Newspaper boys strike with Norwood-Norfolk School's classic performance of "Newsies" Friday, March 8, at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 9, at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at Norwood-Norfolk High School auditorium.

Let's stroll on back to 1899 to watch your fellow Newsie Jack (Liam Miller-Lynch) strike with his friends against the newspaper company who is raising the prices of the newspapers.

During this battle Jack meets Katherine (Zoë

Diederich) who helps him through this conflict.

This classic show will feature cast seniors: Meadow Cupps, Madi Tessier, Emmaleigh Fregoe, and stage crew seniors: Abbie Weems, Alison Pearson, Andrew Favreau, Ashton Charter, Cooper Arquiatt, Dylan Lauzon, Jaden Waite, Maleya Mullen, Margaret Wagstaff, Mathew Richards, Owen Point, Rachel Hewey, Tarron Colbert, Zane Tatom, Zoe Snyder.

Tickets are \$12.00 students and \$14.00 adults.



Photo submitted

The classic show "Newsies" will be performed by Norwood-Norfolk Central School students on March 8 at 7 p.m. and on March 9 at 1 and 7 p.m.

and can be purchased online at <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/81449> or at the high school office.

## WHAT'S GOING ON

### SAT., MARCH 9

#### Frozen Foote run/walk

CANTON -- The next Frozen Foote run/walk will be held March 9. Registration will take place on race day in the Newell Field House atrium on the St. Lawrence University campus at 9:30 a.m., with a starting time of 10:30 a.m. from the circle by the field house. Race fee will be \$10 for the series and \$4 for an individual race. Walkers are encouraged to begin early so everyone is off the course before noon. This is a 4-mile out-and-back route along Miner Street Road. Runners must record their shirt size when registering in January and February and be present in March to pick up their shirt. For more information contact Suna Stone at [smcmasters@stlawu.edu](mailto:smcmasters@stlawu.edu) or (315) 229-5105.

#### Amvets Auxiliary meets

HEUVELTON - The Amvets Auxiliary 1997 will meet at the post, 107 State St., on March 9 at 11 a.m.

#### Children's story time

OGDENSBURG -- The Ogdensburg History Museum will host a children's story time with retired Kindergarten teacher Nancy Wilson Mashaw Saturday, March 9 at 11 a.m. The stories will be accompanied by interactive activity and craft, making it a truly engaging experience for young minds. This event is free and open to the public. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Info: 315-528-0733.

### SUN., MARCH 10

#### Breakfast with the Bunny

HEUVELTON - Amvets Post 1997, 107 State St., will host Breakfast with the Bunny on March 10 from 8-11 p.m. Cost is a donation. Menu: Pancakes, french toast, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, biscuits & gravy, beverages.

#### Sons of Amvets meet

HEUVELTON - The Sons of Amvets 1997 will meet at the post, 107 State St., on March 10 at 1:30 p.m.

#### Spaghetti Dinner

MASSENA -- A spaghetti dinner to benefit Trinity Catholic School cafeteria will be served March 10, 1-3 p.m. \$10 per person. Spaghetti, meatballs, green beans, bread, dessert. 1:00 p.m., - 3 p.m., Sunday, March 10, 2024. \$10 per person. Advancement Director TCS, [advancement@trinitycatholicschool.net](mailto:advancement@trinitycatholicschool.net), 315-769-5911. Trinity Catholic School 188 Main. St. Massena, Massena, NY.

### TUES., MARCH 12

#### Seaway seniors meet

WADDINGTON -- The Seaway Valley Senior Citizens will meet Tuesday, March 12 at the Waddington Methodist Church at noon. Members are asked to bring their place settings, a drink and a dish to share. The theme for March's meeting is Mardi Gras and our 52nd anniversary celebration. Food pantry items will be collected. Call President Anna Campbell (315-265-2047) or check the Facebook page (Seaway Valley Seniors Club of Louisville, Madrid, and Waddington) for more information.

### WEDS., MARCH 13

#### Amvets meeting

HEUVELTON - Amvets Post 1997, 107 State St., will meet March 13 at 6:30 p.m.

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**Design a leprechaun trap**

**OGDENSBURG** -- Design your very own leprechaun trap on Wednesday, March 13, at 5 p.m. at the Ogdensburg Public Library. The activity is designed for children ages 5 and older.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 15**

**Leprechaun hunt**

**OGDENSBURG** -- A leprechaun scavenger hunt will be held Friday, March 15, from 3:00-4:45 p.m. at Ogdensburg Public Library for children ages 4 and older. Solve the mystery of who has broken into the library by solving riddles, finding clues and collecting prizes.

**Red Cross blood drive**

**GOVERNEUR** - St. Lawrence Health is sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive Friday, March 15, at the Gouverneur Community Center, 4673 State Highway 58, from 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Donors must be healthy, at least 16 years of age, and weigh at least 110 lbs. Consider a Double Red donation if you are O Neg, O Pos, A Neg, or B Neg. Donors can pre-register using RapidPass ([www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass](http://www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass)). Pre-registration can only be completed the day of the drive prior to arrival. Registration can be made online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org), or by contacting 1 (800) RED CROSS. First-time donors and walk-ins are welcome. For a list of upcoming blood drives sponsored by St. Lawrence Health, visit <https://stlawrence-healthsystem.org/about/events>.

**Sing and Swing concert**

**POTSDAM** -- Benny Bennack III and Bria Skonberg will lead "Sing and Swing: Our American Songbook," a Jazz at Lincoln Center Presents production, coming to the Community Performance Series. The tour will bring them to SUNY Potsdam's Crane School of Music on Friday, March 15, at 7:30 p.m., in the Helen M. Hosmer Concert Hall. For tickets, visit [cpspotdam.org](http://cpspotdam.org).

**SAT., MARCH 16**

**Corned beef, cabbage**

**HEUVELTON** - Amvets Post 1997, 107 State St., will host a corned beef and cabbage dinner to benefit the Girl Scouts Troop 50223 on March 16 at 4:30 p.m. \$12.30 per meal. Dine in or take out, delivery in the village 315-344-2364. Order by 2 p.m. Girl Scouts Troop 50223 will be selling Girl Scout cookies.

**Food distribution**

**MASSENA** -- St. Peter's Outreach Ministry, 128 Main St., is holding a food

distribution Saturday, March 16 from 8:30-10 a.m. for St. Lawrence County residents only.

**Goddard Girls**

**NORFOLK** -- Local musicians the Goddard Girls will play traditional Scottish and Irish music at Bregg Winery, 56 West Main St., on March 16 at 5 p.m. 6:00 p.m., - 8 p.m., Saturday, March 16, 2024. \$1 donation to Norfolk historical association. Martin Bregg, [breggma@icloud.com](mailto:breggma@icloud.com), 3156000253. Bregg Winery 56 West Main St., Norfolk, N.

**Kids' Expo**

**CANTON** -- The 4th Annual North Country KIDS Expo, hosted by the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce, is returning to the Roos House at SUNY Canton on Saturday, March 16 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Kids and families alike will experience a fun day filled with activities, play zones, on-site demonstrations and have a chance to gather information from local businesses, organizations and vendors who cater to families of the North Country.

**Celtic Dreams**

**OGDENSBURG** -- Come experience the magic of Celtic Dreams on St. Patrick's Day weekend on March 16 at 7 p.m. and March 17 at 3 p.m. at the Ogdensburg Library (upstairs Auditorium). A musical revue with singing, dancing, and storytelling interweaved throughout the show. Proceeds shall go towards our Homeless

Shelter and Community Center Initiative. 7:00 p.m., - a.m., Saturday, March 16, 2024. \$10 at the door. Jeannie Blake, [northcountrycrusaders@gmail.com](mailto:northcountrycrusaders@gmail.com), 315-244-9743.

**Solar Eclipse activities**

**MASSENA** -- Several free solar eclipse programs will be held at Nicandri Nature Center March 1-April 7. Among them is "What to Expect when you are Expecting an Eclipse." It is a kid and family-friendly lesson and activities offered March 2, 16, and 17 and April 3 and 7 at 2 p.m. each day.

**Spring Fling, egg hunt**

**MASSENA** -- A free Spring Fling and Easter egg hunt sponsored by the Massena First United Methodist Church, 189 Main St., will be held March 16, from 12-2 p.m. Lunch will be served at noon. Followed by the Easter egg hunt, conducted by age group. Games and crafts to follow the egg hunt. RSVPs are required by calling 315-769-8036, or emailing [massena-fumc@centralny.twcbc.com](mailto:massena-fumc@centralny.twcbc.com).

**Ice Show**

**CANTON** -- The St. Lawrence Figure Skating Club presents its annual ice show "Out Of This World" on March 16 from 1-3 p.m. at Appleton Arena. Cost is \$10 adults and \$5 students and seniors. 1:00 p.m., - 3 p.m., Saturday, March 16, 2024. Adult \$10 Senior citizens and students \$5 Under 2 free. Debbie Gilson 315-212-0169.



Photo courtesy of Krista Briggs, Director of Massena Public Library

**Fun time at Massena library**

Cale Marolf plays at Massena Public Library during 'Take Your Child to the Library Day' held Feb. 3. Families and children were invited to stop in for a scavenger hunt and take-and-make craft, snacks and a story-time with Ms. Lexi.

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## Ogdensburg Skating Club ice show

OGDENSBURG — ‘A Night at Times Square’ will be the theme of the Ogdensburg Figure Skating Club’s ice show to be presented Saturday, March 16, at 6:30 p.m.

The ice show will be held at the Ogdensburg Free Academy Golden Dome. About 60 skaters and two synchronized skating teams will be performing. Four graduating senior soloists are Hannah Costello, Mia Downie, Madison Miller and Marina Perry. Kayden Skelly will also be a soloist in the show.

Tickets \$5 each. Two and under are free.

## Lisbon library eclipse talk March 18

LISBON — A solar eclipse program for all ages will be held Monday, March 18, from 6-8 p.m. at the Lisbon Hepburn Library.

Local science teacher Michelle Robinson, Earth Science Educator and NSTA Solar Eclipse Partner, will be the speaker for the program with an amazing lineup of information and resources to share. Come to be prepared to enjoy this once-in-a-lifetime experience happening right here in Lisbon on April 8.

Solar eclipse glasses are available at the library while supplies last, one per household member please, no reservations, and on a first come, first served basis during regular library hours: Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 3-8 pm or Wednesday/Friday from 9-5 pm.



Photo submitted by Amanda Newton

## Northern landed at derby

Lucas Newton and his best friend “Becca” Jock from Madrid-Waddington landed this Northern Pike at the Waddington Ice Fishing Derby. The fish was released to be caught another day.

## Glow shirts, basket making at Massena library

MASSENA — Glow in the dark eclipse shirts, “Invitation to a Murder,” a basket making class, and a firefighter storytime are some of the Massena Public Library activities in March.

Make a glow in the dark eclipse shirt to wear on the day of the solar eclipse.

Artist Kris Rozelle will be teaching the class on March 23, from 11 a.m. - noon to help children ages 5 and older, with an accompanying parent, create the shirt.

Register by March 9, as there are limited spots available, and include t-shirt size with registration if you do not already have one.

To register, email or call Lexi: lmarolf@ncls.org or 315-769-9914. The free movie “Invitation to

a Murder” will be offered Friday, March 22, at 1 p.m. in the library’s screening room.

A basket making class for a wall/mail basket taught by Ann French will be held Thursday March 28, starting at 10 a.m.

Cost is \$45. To register, call the library.

The Massena Volunteer Fire Department Captain Shawn Hartford will read a story and talk about what a day in the life of a firefighter is like on Saturday, March 23, at 10 a.m.

The Friends of the Library are inviting those who may be interested in helping the library to join their next meeting on Monday, March 18, at 3 p.m.

## Leprechaun hunt, eclipse fun

OGDENSBURG — Traps to catch a leprechaun, a scavenger hunt and solar eclipse programs for both children and adults are planned for March at Ogdensburg Public Library.

Design your very own leprechaun trap on Wednesday, March 13, at 5 p.m. at the Ogdensburg Public Library. The activity is designed for children ages 5 and older.

A leprechaun scavenger hunt will be set up in the library March 15 from 3-4:45 p.m. for ages 4 and up. Solve the mystery of who has broken into the library by solving

riddles, finding clues and collecting prizes.

A new outer space themed craft to pick up at the front desk and finish at home will be offered each week.

A lecture for adults of the upcoming solar eclipse will be given Tuesday, March 26, at 2:30 p.m. by Dr. Benjamin Roulston, a Clarkson Professor and PhD in Astronomy.

Make a pinhole camera for the solar eclipse on Wednesday, March 27, at 5 p.m. The activity is designed for children ages 5 and older.

## KIDS Expo returns

CANTON — The 4th Annual North Country KIDS Expo, hosted by the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce, is returning to the Roos House at SUNY Canton on Saturday, March 16 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Kids and families alike will experience a fun day filled with activities, play zones, on-site demonstrations and have a chance to gather information from local businesses, organizations and vendors who cater to families of the North Country.

This year’s event will include a KID BIZ opportunity which was launched last year for young people to host a booth and pitch their product or service. Children up to the age of 18 can register a booth and have the opportunity to view a recorded workshop from the Small Business Development Center at SUNY Canton.

“As a chamber, we are always working with our partners to encourage entrepreneurship in the up-and-coming generations. This is a productive and fun opportunity to spark excitement for young and emerging entrepreneurs and give them a chance to learn and develop their business thinking” said Kathryn Puleo, Tourism and Events Manager of the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce.

The expo will also showcase educational entertainment throughout the day featuring “Lena the Lizard Lady” with a variety of lizards, snakes and sloths on display in a safe, secure space for children to interact with the animals. Aileen O’Donohue, Professor of Physics at St. Lawrence University, will also share a kid-friendly presentation explaining the science behind the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse and what to expect on April 8th, along with hosting a booth throughout the day to answer questions regarding the eclipse. The STLCC chamber will be on-site selling ISO Certified Protective Glasses for safe viewing of the eclipse. Entry is free for children 12 and under. Admission for children 13 and over is \$5.

The St. Lawrence County Chamber started the annual event to give businesses, vendors, camps and organizations the chance to showcase activities, resources and services they have to offer to local families and children.

Anyone interested in being an exhibitor at the event or for event sponsorship opportunities can find more information on the St. Lawrence County Chamber website at [www.VisitSTLCC.com](http://www.VisitSTLCC.com) or contact Event Manager, Kathryn Puleo at [Kathryn@SLCchamber.org](mailto:Kathryn@SLCchamber.org), 315-386-4000 ext #4.

## Grief support class offered

OGDENSBURG -- Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley will host “Navigating Grief Together,” a six-week support group, in Ogdensburg for adults grieving any type of loss.

Navigating Grief Together is designed to provide a supportive space in which members can learn about grief, discuss their unique experiences, and empower each other to grieve in a healthy and effective manner that works for them.

Each week the group will explore a different topic related to grief including acute grief, how grief can be emotional and physical, ideas for coping, and how to create an endur-

ing connection with the person who died, if appropriate.

People who would benefit from this group include those grieving a loss that occurred at least six months ago.

This is not a therapeutic support group but rather a social support group for adults in the community already working on their grief.

The group will meet in person Tuesdays from 1-2 p.m. starting March 19 at the Seaway Valley Prevention Council Training Center, 206 Ford St., first floor.

Info: Hospice’s Bereavement Program at 315-265-3105.

## Enroll now in GED course

CANTON -- St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Adult Education & Workforce Development Department is hosting a GED Crash Course at 40 W. Main St. on March 25, 26, 28, and April 2 and April 4 from 4-7 p.m. All sessions must be attended if enrolled. This course is at no cost to students.

BOCES GED Crash Course will encompass all four subjects of the GED: Reading Language Arts, Social Studies, Science, and Mathematical Reasoning. This is the perfect course for those who work

full-time during the day and cannot make it to traditional GED classes or for those who just want to get their GED out of the way. Completion of the course will lead to the official GED subject tests examination. Register today and see all that the Adult Education & Workforce Development Department has to offer you.

To register or find out more information, email Al’lainya Scott at [allainya.scott@slboces.org](mailto:allainya.scott@slboces.org) or call the office at 315-379-7963. Registration closes 3/22/24.

## Volunteers needed for concerts

NORFOLK — The Norfolk Concert Series is in need of volunteers for shows this summer.

Organizers are seeking people willing to volunteer at a concert, or maybe a few.

The current summer lineup includes classic rock band Double

Axel, Double Barrel Blue Band, Potsdam Studio of Dance, a Christian Cabaret Night, positive rock band Undeclared and more.

Anyone willing to volunteer can contact [norfolkconcertseries.com](http://norfolkconcertseries.com) or 315-244-7787.

## Free solar eclipse glasses available

Free solar eclipse glasses are now available at libraries in St. Lawrence County to give out to community members for use at eclipse viewing events. Contact your library directly to see what’s available at that location.

The total solar eclipse on April 8, 2024, will be visible from every North Country library. Make sure that you’re watching it safely.

And stay in the loop by bookmarking [ncls.org/eclipse](http://ncls.org/eclipse) to keep tabs on library events.

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## Tomahawks, flintlocks, snowshoes at annual biathlon



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A biathlete fires a volley from his flintlock at the annual Primitive Biathlon in Lisbon.



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Ray Haines, PA, holds a flintlock rifle during Fort La Presentation Association's 10th annual Primitive Snowshoe Biathlon. About 25 participants from around St. Lawrence County and beyond, including out of state and Canada, raced a mile and a half through woods, firing two shots at each of five stations, then throwing a tomahawk at the end of the course. Traditional flintlock, percussion or modern in-line firearms were used.



NCNow photo

Pictured above, John Miller III, of DeKalb Junction, watches as Ray Haines, PA, throws a tomahawk during Fort La Presentation Association's 10th annual Primitive Snowshoe Biathlon held at the St. Lawrence Sportsman Club, Lisbon, March 3. This year contestants did not race on snowshoes due to lack of snow.



Photo submitted by Michael Griffith

Ready, aim, FIRE. The Fort La Presentation event is one of several similar events held in Vermont, New Hampshire, and Eastern New York State.



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A biathlon participant loads her rifle. Participants were able to use traditional flintlock, percussion or modern in-line firearms and each class is scored separately from the others. The divisions of shooters include elders, men, women and youth.

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## NOTABLE

Trinity Catholic School volunteer Kelli Ramsey and other volunteers were acknowledged for helping out at the school run. School officials note the volunteers help in the cafeteria during lunch, in the classroom and volunteer their time to plan school events or fundraising. Trinity Catholic School thanked more than two dozen volunteers for their time and support.

## St. Lawrence County residents encouraged to apply for seat on LEAD Council

WATERTOWN — The Northern New York Community Foundation seeks qualified young professionals to serve on its LEAD Council who are interested in enhancing the quality of life across the region.

Applicants should live and work in Jefferson, Lewis, or St. Lawrence counties and desire an opportunity to be more involved in community service while connecting with a peer group that is devoted to making the region better for all residents.

Chartered in 2014, the LEAD Council is an advisory committee of young professionals empowered to identify and address strategic needs in Jefferson, Lewis, and St. Lawrence counties and make meaningful investments in the region through community grants and volunteerism. LEAD stands for Leadership, Engagement, Access, and Direction.

Members gain access to the inner workings of local and regional nonprofits and take an active role in the

Community Foundation's work and mission, which has been helping Northern New Yorkers since 1929.

LEAD members also acquire a deeper understanding of community needs and issues through service.

Council members attend monthly meetings, discuss community needs and trends, conduct nonprofit site visits, volunteer to help others, and responsibly award grants to nonprofit organizations that serve the tri-county residents.

The Council presently has open seats for those who are ready to actively participate in the Council's work and make a lasting impact on the community and region. The number of seats that are filled will depend on the quality of applications the Council receives.

Applicants should complete a brief online application and articulate their skills and talents that would strengthen the Council. Apply today at [bit.ly/LEAD-Applcation](https://bit.ly/LEAD-Applcation).

The Council is presently com-

prised of 12 young professionals who live and work in the tri-county area.

Since 2014, the Council has recommended nearly \$100,000 in grant funding to support a broad range of nonprofit organizations and initiatives that have helped to improve the quality of life for tri-county residents.

Since its inception, the LEAD Council has developed several creative initiatives to benefit the community and region. Strategic efforts include its "LEADing the Way" volunteer program, enhancements to child care and early childhood development programs, hyperlocal support for anti-poverty initiatives, community giving challenges, and building philanthropic values in the region's schools through student-led projects.

Visit [nnycf.org/programs/lead](https://nnycf.org/programs/lead) to learn more about the Council, its history, and current members.

## \$8,000 fundraiser

MASSENA — A New Year's Eve Fundraiser hosted at the Massena Moose 1110 raised \$8,000 for the special needs classes in Massena Central School District.

Organizers thanked all who donated and recognized its top supporters.

Those businesses helping the effort included: Community Bank, NA, Massena Savings & Loan, Donaldson's Funeral Home, Blevins Seaway Marine & RV, Pease & Gustafson and Yelle Realty.

## On Dean's List

Megan Casey of Massena has been named to the dean's list for the Fall 2023 semester at Quinnipiac University in Hamden, Conn.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 with no grade lower than C. Full-time students must complete at least 14 credits in a semester, with at least 12 credits that have been graded on a letter grade basis to be eligible. Part-time students must complete at least six credits during a semester. Names followed by an asterisk denotes with honors.



Submitted Photo

Tonya Bassett, an LPN with United Helpers for more than 15 years was honored with this year's Wayne N. Ladouceur Award. From left, Jason and Grayson Ladouceur, Mrs. Bassett, Cheryl Ladouceur, and Cristen (Ladouceur) Halladay.

## Tonya Bassett honored with Ladouceur Award

OGDENSBURG — Tonya Bassett, an LPN known for her "Always Caring" nature both in and out of the facility, has been recognized as the winner of this year's Wayne N. Ladouceur Award.

Bassett, of Canton, has been an LPN with the organization for more than 15 years.

A colleague of Bassett's, Amber Curtis, a RN who works with Bassett at Rehabilitation and Senior Care in Canton nominated her for the award. A letter of support was provided by Pam Sherburne, whose husband is a resident who receives care from both Bassett and Curtis.

The Ladouceur family chose the criteria for the award, picking traits exhibited by Mr. Ladouceur and things he was known for, not just in the United Helpers family, but also across the entire city of Ogdensburg. That criteria includes giving generously of one's self, the ability to see beyond one's own needs, a strong personal drive to provide the utmost in care, the ability to feel and express empathy, and exuding a love for life.

Those are all areas where Bassett excels, both at work and at home.

Giving a specific example, Curtis wrote about how Bassett temporarily took care of some children from a family member in need.

"Tonya went above and beyond caring for those kids as if they were her own," Curtis wrote. "She bought their school clothes and supplies, took them to doctors and dentist appointments, threw big birthday parties for them and even went to their parent teacher conferences. She did all of this without even batting an eye."

Sherburne highlighted several examples of Bassett's dedication to the residents, including coming in on "days off," staying late on shifts when they're short staffed, or even providing assistance to families after hours.

"After working an overnight shift she volunteered to help me take my husband to have a test done at the hospital. Anyone else would have taken their exhausted body home to get some sleep," Sherburne wrote. "Since the very first day my spouse moved into United Helpers, Tonya has provided me with the confidence that he would be in good hands and well cared for."

The Wayne N. Ladouceur Award was created in memory of and in honor of Mr. Ladouceur, a longtime United Helpers volunteer, board member and former board president. The award is funded through an endowment with the Northern New York Community Foundation created by Mrs. Ladouceur and more than 80 of the Ladouceurs' friends and family.

Each year at the award's presentation Cheryl Ladouceur, who was married to Wayne for more than 50 years, talks about the relationship Mr. Ladouceur had with United Helpers and its residents.

"From what I can tell, Bassett is very much like my husband in the way that she often puts those in need ahead of themselves," she said. "If Wayne ever had the opportunity to meet her, I'm sure he would have liked her very much."

Bassett was chosen for this year's award from a group of nominees that also included Housing Specialist Diana Dancause and ACT Program Assistant Nora Hance.

"I know for a fact that this year we had three very strong candidates for this award," said COO Stacey Cannizzo. "Being nominated for this award is an honor in and of itself."

## Students on President's List

Several Massena and Ogdensburg area students have been named to the Fall 2023 President's List at Southern New Hampshire University. The fall terms run from September to December.

They are Marion Parmeter of Heuvelton, Christopher Terrance of Hogsburg, Jarrett Phillips, Ethan Larrow, and Nichole Villnave, all of Massena, Kylie Lavarnway of Ogdensburg, Brooke Backus and Julie Perelli, both of Waddington.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.700 and above for the reporting term are named to the President's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits over each 16-week term or paired 8-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer.

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## LIBRARY...

This isn't the first time the library has attempted to transition to a school district library.

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## AIRPORT...

A new canopy over the curbside drop-off/pick-up area, install new passenger information display systems and make other improvements to enhance the passenger experience and create a state-of-the-art gateway for the entire region.

A new, multi-purpose great room will also be created to provide much-needed community space for civic gatherings, conferences, business meetings and other public events.

The project, which has a total estimated cost of \$21.5 million and is expected to create 195 jobs, will provide a comprehensive renovation of the terminal building to create a multi-purpose facility that better serves passengers and air carriers, and attracts new visitors and businesses to the region.

Improvements include expansion of lobby for check-in, ticketing, and baggage drop, additional restrooms, expansion of the screening, concession and baggage claim areas, upgraded security doors and sprinklers, upgraded WiFi for passenger benefit, new sanitation and water fill stations, upgraded disinfection treatment within the HVAC system, an extended entrance canopy with an elongated curbside drop-off/pick-up area, an outdoor courtyard with tables, chairs, and planters,

as well as solar panels and electrical passenger vehicle/equipment charging stations.

Ogdensburg Bridge & Port Authority Executive Director Steve Lawrence said the project is going to be huge for the city.

"The modernization of Ogdensburg International Airport marks a pivotal step forward in bolstering our regional infrastructure and enhancing the travel experience for residents and visitors alike.

The innovative "adaptive terminal" model transforms the terminal into a multifunctional community asset with a new "Great Room" building as its centerpiece.

This project underscores the Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority's commitment to fostering economic growth and connectivity within our regional community. We are greatly appreciative of Governor Hochul, Assembly Member Gray, and Senator Walczyk for their unwavering support of this project," he said.

State representatives State Senator Mark Walczyk and Assemblymember Scott Gray praised the project along with St. Lawrence County Chairman David Forsythe.

## ATROCITIES...

that announced the academy would not reopen.

The school also faced significant legal troubles, beginning with a \$250,000 fine issued by the New York State Attorney General after it was determined the academy issued unauthorized high school diplomas.

The academy was also forced to issue refunds to some former students and was ordered to stop advertising itself as an accredited

school, according to reports.

It was later determined that the academy was viewed by the New York State Department of Education as a behavior modification program and not a school, the documentary reports.

A WWASP survivors group has since established a website for survivors to help raise awareness of the wrongdoing perpetrated at the academy.

Numerous comments have been posted in recent years, with many former students saying they suffered "inhumane and unethical treatment" that was not discipline but rather "cold, twisted torture by sick, controlling individuals who like to see you suffer."

Some of the rules that the teens had to follow included no talking, making eye contact, looking out the window, winking, smiling or touching, according to the documentary.

Punishment for such violations ranged from verbal to physical abuse that could last for hours on end, according to the documentary series.

Many incidents have been compared to the fictional prisons in "The Shawshank Redemption" or "The Last Castle," both of which have strict, disciplinarian wardens.

Directed and narrated by Katherine Kubler, the documentary is a sobering look at the academy and the effects it had on the teens who attended.

Kubler was a student at the Academy at Ivy Ridge for 15 months.

The series also interviews numerous students who detail the abuse and trauma they endured at the academy.

Though there was a boy's wing

as well, the two schools were kept apart at all times.

Videos, files and records that details the disciplinary efforts were left behind in the school, which was shown in the series.

The film series was 10 years in the making, with Kubler making

multiple trips back to the building to continue filming and investigating.

More on the documentary can be found at <https://www.today.com/popculture/tv/the-program-netflix-documentary-rcna139645>

# Man discharged firearm in village

MASSENA -- A Massena man has been charged with discharging a firearm in the village of Massena, along with a handful of other felony charges.

Police say Corey M. Tisdale, 25, was charged with first-degree criminal use of a firearm: displaying firearm (B Felony), second-degree criminal possession of a weapon: loaded firearm (C Felony), first-degree attempted assault (C Felony), first-degree reckless endangerment

(D Felony), tampering with physical evidence: conceal/destroy (E Felony), second-degree menacing: weapon (A Misdemeanor) and fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon: possession of a ghost gun (A Misdemeanor).

A .22 caliber "ghost gun" pistol was recovered, police say.

A ghost gun is an untraceable firearm that can be made with the use of basic power tools and does not have a serial number.

Tisdale was arraigned in Masena Town Court and remanded to the St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility with no bail.

Massena police were assisted by the St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office.

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### ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY SHERIFF'S CIVIL OFFICE 315-379-2221 Notice of Real Property Sale State of New York Date: 02/06/2024

County of St. Lawrence Sheriff's Docket Number: 24000098  
Chrysklodon LLC, Judgment Creditor, -against-  
Markus Schneider, Arastra AG, Petawatt Holdings, Inc. and Swiss Picturebank (Group) AG, Judgment Debtor,

By virtue of an execution against property issued out of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, to me directed and delivered, against the goods, chattels, lands and tenements of Petawatt Holdings Inc., said judgment having been entered on September 27 th , 2023 and recorded by the St. Lawrence County Clerk's Office on October 27 th , 2023; I have seized and taken all the right, title and interest of the said judgment debtor in and to the following described to wit, real property commonly known as 417 County Route 42, Massena, NY 13662, further described as:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND

Parcel 1:

Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of St. Lawrence County Route 42 (also known as North Grasse River Road and Massena Center Road) with the centerline of Horton Road;

thence North 33 degrees 35 minutes 46 seconds West along the centerline of Horton Road a distance of 1781.80 feet to the point of intersection of the centerline of Horton Road with the southerly bounds of the Long Sault, Inc. power, line easement;

thence North 63 degrees 50 minutes 59 seconds East along the southerly bounds of said Long Sault, Inc. power line easement, said southerly bounds running parallel to and 125.0 feet distant from the center of power transmission line Hydro #3, a distance of 1637.05 feet to an iron pin set at the northwesterly corner of a parcel of land as conveyed to Robert and Thelma Willer by deed as recorded in Liber 1113 at page 126, said course also passing through an iron pin set at a distance of 24.95 feet from the centerline of Horton Road;

thence South 34 degrees 04 minutes 19

seconds East along the westerly bounds of said Willer parcel a distance of 1921.58 feet to a point in die centerline of County Route 42, said course passing through an iron pin set at a distance of 33.92 feet from the centerline;

thence South 69 degrees 35 minutes 14 seconds West along the centerline of County Route 42 a distance of 393.32 feet to a point in said centerline;

thence with a curve in said centerline concave to the south, said curve having an arc length of 616.05 feet, a radius of 19212.06 feet, and a chord bearing South 68 degrees 40 minutes 07 seconds West, a distance of 616.02 feet to a point in the centerline;

thence South 67 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds West along the centerline of County Route 42 a distance of 667.34 feet to the point of Beginning;

to contain an area of 69.049 acres of land more or less, as surveyed by Stephen L. Chatelle, Land Surveyor No. 050094 of Wilhelm, Chatelle and Town Surveyors;

Subject to and together with any easements, exceptions, conditions, covenants and claims and rights of record.

Section: 10.001, Block: 1, Lot: 31.12  
Parcel 2:

Beginning at the point of intersection of the centerline of County Route 42 with the centerline of Horton Road;

thence South 67 degrees 43 minutes 19 seconds West along the centerline of County Route 42 a distance of 1832.67 feet to a point;

thence North 31 degrees 57 minutes 37 seconds West through-ALCOA parcel No. 162 a distance of 1649.73 feet to an iron pin set in the southerly bounds of the Cedar Rapids Transmission Line easement,

said course passing through an iron pin set at a distance of 33.08 feet from the centerline of County Route 42;

thence North 63 degrees 47 minutes 33 seconds East along the southerly bounds of the Cedar Rapids Transmission. Line easement a distance of 1764.59 feet to a point in the centerline of Horton Road, said course passing through an iron pin set at a distance 25.83 feet

from said centerline;

thence South 33 degrees 35 minutes 46 seconds East along the centerline of Horton Road a distance of 1781.80 feet to a point the point of Beginning.

to contain an area of 70.00 acres of land more or less, as surveyed by Stephen L. Chatelle, Land Surveyor No. 050094 of Wilhelm, Chatelle and Town Surveyors;

Subject to and together with any easements, exceptions, conditions, covenants and claims and rights of record.

Section: 10.001, Block: 1, Lot: 7.21

I am selling the above, subject to any liens, chattels, mortgages, conditional sales, or any other encumbrances.

**Date of Sale: April 23rd, 2024** **Time of Sale: 10:00 AM**

**To avoid any inconvenience, in case of cancellation of sale, please call the Sheriff's Civil Office to verify the date and time.**

**Location of Sale: St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility (Lobby) 17 Commerce Lane, Canton, NY 13617**

**Terms of Sale:** A payment of 20% of the successful bid is due at conclusion of bidding: Payment will be by cash, money order or certified check only. The balance of the bid is to be paid by the close of business 3 working days after the sales conclusion. The 20% down-payment may be forfeited if the balance is not paid by due date. Sale is subject to final approval of the Sheriff. All questions concerning this property and/or encumbrances upon it are the responsibility of the bidder to research prior to bidding. **Please consult an attorney regarding these issues.**

I direct this notice to be published on February 23rd, 2024, March 8th, 2024, March 22nd, 2024, & April 5th, 2024

Attorney for the Creditor: Bernard D' Orazio & Associates, P.C.

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**MASSENA LEGAL NOTICE**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES**

The Massena Central School District is soliciting Requests for Proposals for Architectural/Engineering Services. Interested firms are invited to submit a proposal for services, including the design and management of construction projects in the format described in the RFP, which may be obtained from Ronald Burke, Superintendent of Schools at 84 Nightengale Avenue, Massena, NY 13662, (315) 764-3700, rburke@mcs.k12.ny.us , beginning on **March 1, 2024**. A pre-proposal meeting and inspection will be held at the District's discretion.

**Proposals must be received by March 29, 2024, 2:00 PM local time.**

The District reserves the right to revise the dates in its sole discretion.

**HOPKINTON LEGAL NOTICE SUPERVISOR'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2023**

The detailed Annual Report of the Supervisor of the Town of Hopkinton has been filed in my office at 7 Church St., Hopkinton, NY. These reports for the year 2023 are public record and are available for inspection by all interested persons during regular office hours.

Dated: March 1, 2024  
Richard L Powers  
Town Clerk  
Town of Hopkinton

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**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS (NOIRROF)**

March 5, 2024  
St. Lawrence County  
48 Court Street,  
Canton, NY 13617-1169  
315-379-2292

On or about March 19, 2024, St. Lawrence County will submit a request to the NYS Office of Community Renewal for the release of CDBG funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as the Countywide Housing Rehabilitation Program Round #5 (CHRP 5) for the purpose of assisting low- and moderate-income homeowners to rehabilitate their homes to make them safe and reasonable residences. CHRP 5 has been awarded \$615,000; the County estimates that 12 housing units will be rehabilitated. Units to be assisted may be located anywhere in the County.

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from national environmental policy act requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the St. Lawrence County Planning Office, located at Human Service Center 80 State Hwy 310, Canton, NY 13617 and may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:00AM to 4:00 PM.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the St. Lawrence County Planning Office. All comments received by March 18, 2024 will be considered by St. Lawrence County prior to submission of a request for release of funds.

**RELEASE OF FUNDS**

St. Lawrence County certifies to the Office of Community Renewal that Jason Pfothenhauer, in his capacity as County Planning Director, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The Office of Community Renewal's acceptance of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and allows St. Lawrence County to use Program funds.

**OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

The NYS Office of Community Renewal will accept objections to its release of fund and St. Lawrence County's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of St. Lawrence County; (b) St. Lawrence County has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the Office of Community Renewal; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to Crystal Loffler, President, at Office of Community Renewal, Hampton Plaza, 38-40 State Street, 4th Floor, Albany, NY 12207.

Potential objectors should contact the Office of Community Renewal to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Jason Pfothenhauer  
Director of Planning  
Certifying Officer

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID**

Sealed bids will be received at the St. Lawrence County Purchasing Office, where they will be opened and read aloud for; Bid # (2024-03) Purchase and Installation of Truck Scale Weight System Bid # (2024-04) Purchase and Installation of FP-USA Edge Color Envelope Printer with Conveyor and DTM Drop Tray or Equal Bid Opening Date: Thursday, March 14, 2024 @ 3:00 PM

Detailed specifications may be obtained at the St. Lawrence County Purchasing Office, 48 Court Street, Canton, New York 13617-1169.

We strongly encourage all vendors to submit bids as soon as possible. Bidders will be fully responsible for the delivery of their bids a timely matter. Reliance upon the US Postal Service or other carriers is at the bidder's risk. Late bids will not be considered. It is our intent to offer this public bid opening in Zoom format as well as in-person. Please visit our website 15 minutes before the opening at [www.Stlawco.gov](http://www.Stlawco.gov) - visit the Purchasing Office page for the link.

All bids must be accompanied by a non-collusion statement. St. Lawrence County reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Please mark bid envelope with the appropriate BID ITEM AND NUMBER and mail to:

St. Lawrence County  
Purchasing Office  
48 Court St.  
Canton, NY 13617-1169  
February 27, 2024

**BRASHER LEGAL NOTICE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that, pursuant to the Town Board and in compliance with section 166, Sub 11 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, all Town Roads in the Town of Brasher will be temporarily closed to all vehicles having a gross weight in excess of the posted weight of six tons, as requested by Larry Hewlett, Superintendent of Highways. Closings are in effect when posted and will remain in effect until the authorized removal of such signs. Dated: March 3, 2024  
Larry Hewlett  
Brasher Highway Supt.

**LOUISVILLE PUBLIC NOTICE**

**TEMPORARY CLOSING OF ROADS**  
Notice is hereby given that the following roads in the Town of Louisville, County of St. Lawrence, and State of New York are will be temporarily closed as of March 8, 2024 to all vehicles having a gross weight in excess of 4 ton per axle immediately until the road signs are dismantled: Arena Drive, Avery Lane, Browning Road, Caravan Drive, Cline Drive, Coles Creek Road, Country Drive, Dishaw Road, Forrest Road, Green Drive, Hill Street, Johnson Drive, Kingsley Road, Lincoln Drive, Martin Road, Meadow Drive, Meadow View, Nation Road, Old Farm Circle, Oliver Road, Patterson Road, River Drive, Riverview Drive, Tucker Terrace, Wallace Road, Water Street, Whalen Road, Willard Road, Wilson Hill Causeway, Wilson Hill Road and Woodland Drive.  
  
Terri O'Keefe  
Louisville Highway Clerk  
Dated: March 1, 2024  
By order of the Town Board  
Town of Louisville, N.Y.

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

Notice of Formation of Potsdam Birth House LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/02/2023. Office location: St. Lawrence County, SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Sunday W. Smith: 121 Market Street, Potsdam NY 13676. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.



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

Notice of Formation of Four Acre Flowers. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/02/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County, SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Rachel Lucid: 385 County Route 38 Norfolk, NY 13667. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

Notice of Formation of Four Season Storage Fowler NY LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/14/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County, SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to: Brian W. Tripp, 3603 SH 58, Gouverneur, NY 13642. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

Notice of Formation of East Part Aggregates, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/19/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County, SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to The Limited Liability Company : P.O. Box 561, Waddington, NY 13694. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**OSWEGATCHIE PUBLIC NOTICE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Town Board of the Town of Oswegatchie is considering the following resolution: the Town Board of the Town of Oswegatchie proposes to dissolve the existing fire protection district(s) as required for the formation of the Heuvelton Volunteer Joint Fire District into all of the territory of the (former) existing fire protection district(s). The proposed dissolution shall become effective upon the effective date of the formation of the Heuvelton Volunteer Joint Fire District. The Town Board may meet immediately following the public hearing to vote on the proposal.  
**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD** on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024, at the Town Hall located at 51 State Street, Heuvelton, New York 13654, which shall commence at 6:00 pm to consider the resolution. A copy of the proposed plan is available for viewing at the Town Hall, located at 51 State Street, Heuvelton, New York 13654.

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

Notice of Formation of Chambers Family Farm LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/01/2023. Office location: St. Lawrence County, SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Brian J. Chambers: 648 Kingsley Road, Potsdam, NY 13676. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

Articles of Organization of Green Coat Photography, LLC (the "LLC") were filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on January 5, 2024, effective upon the date of filing. Office Location: St. Lawrence County, SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at 11681 State Highway 37, Lisbon, New York 13658. Purpose: General.

**RUSSELL ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID**

The Town of Russell is taking sealed bids on replacing the Town Hall Entrance Steps. We offer prevailing wages. Engineered plans are available at request from the Town Clerk 315-347-2350 or [russellnycork@gmail.com](mailto:russellnycork@gmail.com). The town will do the demolition and disposal of the existing steps and railings. The completion date should be June 30, 2024. Sealed bids are to be in by March 15, 2024 and will be opened at the March 19, 2024 board meeting. Sealed bids will be accepted at the Town Office at PO Box 628, 4 Pestle Street Russell, NY 13684. Office hours are Monday thru Friday 9am to 4 PM. Submittals shall be placed on a clean sheet of paper with the amount of bid legibly and clearly written or typed along with contact information including name, address, and phone number for said bidder. A 10% bid bond and proof of certificate of liability is needed. Place the bid in a sealed envelope with the project name on the front. The Town of Russell has the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

Notice of Formation of Groundworks Development LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/03/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County, SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Christopher Brody: 24 Catherine St. Potsdam, NY 13676. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.



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

Notice of Formation of L AND R PROPERTY SERVICES, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/15/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County, SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Jordan Davis: 5376 County Route 6, Ogdensburg, NY 13669. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**COLTON LOCAL LAW**

**TOWN OF COLTON**  
Notice is hereby given that in pursuant to the Colton Town Board and in compliance with Section 1660 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, all roads in the Town of Colton will be temporarily closed to vehicles having a gross weight in excess of 6 tons. Closings will be in effect until the removal of such signs. Dated: February 15, 2024; Town of Colton Highway Superintendent Kevin Hawley.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

Notice of Formation of Next LVL Consulting LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/24/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County, SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Emma Slate: 210 Main St. - Halesboro Road, Gouverneur, NY 13642. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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

Notice of Formation of Kyle Parella & Associates, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/13/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County, SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Kyle Parella & Associates, LLC: 17 Pleasant St., Potsdam, NY 13676. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**OGDENSBURG LEGAL NOTICE**

February sewer rates are now due and may be paid at the City Comptroller's Office, Room 5, City Hall, 330 Ford Street, Ogdensburg, NY during the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, for thirty (30) days from date of notice without penalty. **Please note that we do have a drop box on the Caroline Street side of the building marked "Envelope Depository".** After **Wednesday March 13, 2024**, a penalty of 10% will be added. Invoices have been mailed and should be presented when making payment. Failure to receive a bill does not entitle the customer to the net rate. You may now pay your City of Ogdensburg taxes and utility bills by Internet. Visit the City website at [www.ogdensburg.org](http://www.ogdensburg.org) to pay current and past due bills by credit card, debit card or e-check. **Please see the acceptance agreement for service charges.** If you have any questions, please contact the City Comptroller's Office at 393-1860.

Dated: February 16, 2024

Andrea Smith  
Interim City Manager

**COLTON PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Town of Colton's Planning Board will hold a meeting on March 19, 2024, at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall, 94 Main Street, Colton NY. The board will receive public comment and discuss the following Conditional Use application: CUP-02-2024 for David Hurlbut, Parcel ID 120.001-6-8.11, on Ar buckle Lane. The Board will continue work on a comprehensive plan for the town. Respectfully submitted, Colton Planning Board

**Hale Cemetery Association of Norfolk Annual Meeting** will be on Wednesday, 4/10/2024 at the United Methodist Church Raymondville, New York at 6:00 PM. Meeting is open to the general public. We are seeking new members/directors. If interested attend meeting or call Thomas Woodward at 315-353-2500.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY LEGAL NOTICE**

St. Lawrence County is preparing a Coordinated Transportation Plan that identifies existing public transportation gaps, duplication of services, and ways to improve its public transportation services. Once adopted, the Coordinated Transportation Plan will serve as a guide for the County, its Mobility Manager, and its bus operator on improvements and expansion of public transportation services over the next five years.

The draft Coordinated Transportation Plan is available online at: <https://stlawco.gov/Departments/PublicTransportation> Hard copies are also available for review at: The Transportation Office of The Arc Jefferson - St. Lawrence (located at 6 Commerce Lane, Canton); Volunteer Transportation Center, Inc. (3 Commerce Lane, Canton); and at the County Planning Office (1st floor of the County Human Services Center at 80 State Highway 310, Canton).

A public hearing has been scheduled to give the public the opportunity to provide comment on the draft Plan. The public hearing will be Thursday, March 21, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in the 2nd floor conference room of the County Human Services Center, located at 80 State Highway 310, Canton. Staff from the County Planning Office and Volunteer Transportation Center, Inc. will present an overview of the Plan, then open the floor for discussion and feedback.

The public is invited to comment on the draft Plan by attending the public hearing on March 21, 2024. Those who cannot attend the public hearing in person may attend the public hearing via Zoom. To obtain a link to attend the public hearing virtually, contact the Planning Office by calling (315) 379-2292 or email [mlarson@stlawco.gov](mailto:mlarson@stlawco.gov).

After the public hearing is closed, written comments and suggestions on the Plan will be accepted until Thursday, March 28, 2024.

After the public comment period has closed, the County Planning Office and the County's Mobility Manager intend to present the Plan to the Board of Legislators on Monday, April 8, 2024. The Board of Legislators is anticipated to adopt the plan in May 2024.

For more information, call the Planning Office at (315) 379-2292 or email [mlarson@stlawco.gov](mailto:mlarson@stlawco.gov).

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Forty-three percent of car accidents resulted in injuries in 2020.

No one wants to get into an automobile accident, which can be stressful and even fatal. Even accidents that do not result in any major injuries can be traumatizing.

Knowing what to do in the immediate aftermath of an accident may make such instances less stressful.

### Assess the situation

The insurance experts at GEICO® advise individuals involved in an accident to first determine if any of the involved parties suffered an injury.

If you are injured, stay put. If not, check on the condition of the other driver.

At this point do not admit any fault or reveal any policy limits.

Next, make a call to emergency services to request assistance from the police and an ambulance, if necessary.

### Move your vehicle

If possible, pull the vehicle over to a safe, well-lit public location.

This is especially important if you believe you were the victim of a staged accident, says the Insurance Information Institute.

If the car will cause another road hazard, it is best to move it over to the side and use flashers to alert oncoming traffic.

It is important that you don't leave the scene, according to American Property Casualty Insurance Association.

### Gather evidence

Have the police write up an accident report.

You should take pictures of the damage to your vehicle, the other vehicle, if possible, and the scene of the accident, including any skid marks, debris and/or property damage.

If there are any witnesses to the accident, get their names and contact information.

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Collect the names, phone numbers, addresses and email addresses of other drivers and vehicle occu-

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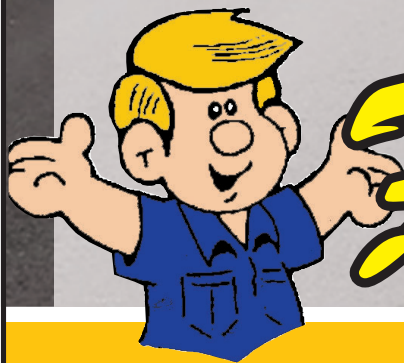


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# Tips to stay comfortable and alert on road trips

Few car enthusiasts can resist the siren song of the open road.

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Road trips tend to dwindle when winter arrives, and for good reason. Wet, wintry conditions can make roads more dangerous and compromise motorists' visibility.

Many drivers wisely avoid the roads as much as possible in winter, and statistics on crash deaths reflect that caution.

According to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, July, a month when many people take to the road on summer vacations, had the most crash deaths of any month in 2017, while February, a month when drivers traditionally stay home, had the fewest.

Such statistics underscore the importance of staying comfortable and alert behind the wheel.

As motorists prepare to hit the road again this spring, they should keep these tips in mind to ensure their road trips are as safe as they are adventurous.

## Get ample rest

Get ample rest even if that means making frequent stops.

Drivers should build frequent stops and nightly rest into their road trips.

Doing so can help to combat the drowsiness that develops when spending long hours behind the wheel staring at the road ahead. Drivers should pay attention to how they're feeling and pull over if their eyes begin to feel heavy or their minds begin to wander.

Each of these are signs of fatigue that could prove deadly to drivers, their passengers and fellow motorists.

## Share driving duties

Sharing driving duties is a great way to reduce driving-related eye strain.

The Vision Council notes that driving requires the eyes to stay in constant motion as they focus and refocus on approaching objects. Eyes also are in constant contention with distractions like oncoming headlights or the glare of the sun.

These factors combine to strain the eyes. As drivers spend more and more time behind the wheel, their eyes become tired and their vision becomes less reliable.

Sharing driving duties can ensure a fresh set of eyes is behind the wheel at all times.

## Maintain proper posture

Proper posture can make drivers less susceptible to the aches and pains that can develop during long car trips.

In addition, the auto insurance provider Geico® notes that studies have shown that proper posture, which involves sitting an appropriate distance from the steering wheel, makes drivers less likely to suffer severe injuries to the head, neck and chest in front- and rear-end collisions.

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Inside the Roos Athletic Center

# Annual 'North Country Kids Expo' to offer day of fun, info March 16 in Canton



The annual North Country Kids Expo will be a day of fun for families, with play zones, performances, demonstrations, and vendors. The event will be held on Saturday, March 16 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at SUNY Canton Roos House Athletic Center, 34 Cornell Dr. Admission is \$5 for ages 13 and older; free for kids under 12

thanks to sponsorship from St. Lawrence Health.

Kids can participate in arts-and-crafts projects, and STEM activities, while parents can learn about day care, educational programs, and other child services available in St. Lawrence and surrounding counties.

Experts and representatives will be set up to share resources and information, from health care to after-school activities, to regional attractions.

The expo is hosted by St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce. For more information visit the event page on VisitSTLC.com or contact Tourism & Events Manager, Kathryn Puleo at Kathryn@SLCchamber.



GardenShare was one of the many local businesses that had booths set up with child-friendly activities at last year's North Country Kids Expo.

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Lena the Lizard Lady will bring a wide variety of exotic snakes, lizards and sloths.

## Meet Lena the Lizard Lady, and all her friends!

Meet Lena the Lizard Lady along with all of her special friends from 10:45 a.m. until 12:45 p.m.!

Interact with exotic lizards, snakes and sloths in a safe environment.

Lena's "We Aim to Amaze" entertainment is a HANDS-ON educational experience, come prepared to be amazed to interact with her exotic animals! Lizards are Lena's specialty:

Check out a variety of species including Bearded & Water Dragons, Tegus,

Crested & Leopard Geckos, Skinks, Chameleons & False Chameleons.

Check out a few, safe small, medium and large slithering snakes for your next photo opp featuring Boas, Corn Snakes, Milk Snakes, Hognose, & Pythons.

Meet a couple two-toes Linnaeus sloths! Say hello to Tony 2toes Slowman for closeup photo opp, and Sweet Tater will be "hanging around" in her protective tent.

## Many exhibits, service-providers and vendors at Kids Expo

### ATTRACTIONS

#### Applewood Orchards

Say cheese at their photo opportunity and spin the wheel for prizes! Items from the orchard's Apple Barn Market including baked goods will also be available for purchase.

#### Nicandri Nature Center

Learn about their children's programming with their Nature Experts, while the kids get creative with nature themed arts & crafts and meet one of their live turtles traveling to the expo for its first year!

#### SLC Arts

Learn about (or register!) for their Creative Partnership and Teen Summer Programs while getting artsy with craft pop-up activities.

#### St. Lawrence Historical Assoc.

Visit their booth for hand-on activities, crafts and giveaways and learn about the Silas Wright Museum located in Canton.

#### Visit St. Lawrence County

There's plenty to do and explore in the largest geographic county in New York State! For fun family activities, day-trips and staycation ideas, visit with one of the Tourism Professionals from the STLC Chamber. Stop by and learn about the robust hiking trail system and all the undiscovered opportunities the county has to offer between the 1,000 Islands and the Adirondacks Foothills!

#### 2024 Total Solar Eclipse

Aileen O'Donoghue, Henry Priest Professor of Physics from St. Lawrence University will be available to answer any questions you have on what your Total Eclipse Experience will look like! Learn what to expect and all the effects that Totality will have when the county goes dark shortly after 3:20pm on Monday, April 8th! To check out all the happenings surrounding the Total Eclipse in STLC visit: [www.STLCtotality.com](http://www.STLCtotality.com).

### CHILD CARE & DAY CAMPS

#### Canton Day Care Center

Learn about available services for their non-profit child care program for ages 6 weeks – 10 years of age.

#### SLC Community Development

Make your own fish and/or puppets to go along with Eric Carle books (being displayed). Play with magnetic tiles and get some healthy recipes!

### EDUCATION

#### Canton Free Library

Pick up a map of the Brown Bear Ramble scavenger hunt or get creative with colorful crafts! Design your own DIY rubber duckie or make a scratch-off postcard. Library giveaways will also be available!

#### Cornell Cooperative Extension of SLC: 4-H Youth Services

Learn about their 4-H Youth Development Programming while children can experiment with playful STEM activities at their 'Makey Makey' Engineering Station and set scenes with Legos to create a 'STOP Motion Movie'.

#### Cornell Cooperative Extension of SLC: NC Clean Energy Club

Learn how to reduce energy, make model solar panels, and receive free energy efficiency items!

#### Deep Root Center

Get creative at their table filled with arts and crafts supplies and learn about their alternative educational system for ages 5-19.

#### Little River Community School

Learn about alternative democratic schooling options for grades K-12.

**Massena Public Library**

Stock your at home library and pick up a free book! Play with crafts, photo props or enjoy a game of cornhole or story time. Library merchandise will also be available for purchase including t-shirts, tote bags and mugs.

**Nature Up North**

Kids can assemble a toolbox of materials for birds to build their nests in your backyard! Take the toolboxes home to set them up in a tree, bush, or on the ground in a place where you often see your birds active.

**QUALITYstarsNY**

Receive individualized support and resources to enhance the quality of your early childhood program.

**St. Catherine of Siena Academy**

Crafts and literature available while learning about this independent classical school: pre-K through grade 7.

**Trout and Heron**

Step into the nature-inspired play corner where children can engage in sensory experiences, imaginative play, and hands-on learning. Learn about their new land-based independent private school: grades K-5.

**WPBS-TV**

Meet Daniel the Tiger from PBS Kids Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood and receive a PBS Kids goody bag.

**FAMILY SERVICES**

**Children's Home of Jefferson County**

Make some GREEN slime for St. Patrick's Day with Fostering Futures Foster Care Recruitment Team!

**Learn about total solar eclipse**

Learn about the upcoming out-of-this world experience between 2:30 and 3:30 p.m.!

Aileen O'Donoghue, Henry Priest Professor of Physics from St. Lawrence University, will review what a Total Solar Eclipse is and how it will affect St. Lawrence County on Monday, April 8, 2024.



Aileen O'Donoghue

Aileen's kid-friendly presentation will review how the solar system aligns, creating dark skies midday with a 360-degree sunset throughout the narrow path of TOTALITY under the shadow of the moon.

Learn how animals will react and what our surroundings will look and sound like because of the eclipse.

Aileen has been educating communities surrounding the Solar Eclipse over the past year and has a robust presentation to answer all your need-to-know questions!



**The Arc Jefferson-St. Lawrence**

Play The Arc's Planko game and win prizes while learning about their intellectual and developmental programs.

**GardenShare**

Learn about the local food system with a variety of activities including food storage, food waste and sensory bins. Check out their Story Walk while you enter the Roos House!

**Northern Credit Union**

Spin the prize wheel for special giveaways while learning about their children's Smart Start Savings Program.

**Northern Power & Light**

Learn about electricity with pinwheel demonstrations and other activities!

**SeaComm**

Learn about Moola Moola Youth Accounts (for children 12 and under) to grant access to the Spin-The-Wave Program to award academic accomplishments. Kids can also take a spin on their prize wheel!

**SLC People Project**

Enter their coloring contest for a chance to win prizes or for their raffle!

**SLC Sheriff's Office**

Providing Child Safe ID cards.

**St. Law. Federal Credit Union**

Pick up a piggy bank and other goodies while learning about their Junior Savers Accounts.

**Victim's Assistance Center: Child Advocacy Center of NNY**

Play their Duck Water Game and win a prize!

**HEALTH CARE**

**Fidelis Care**

While parents learn about health insurance opportunities, kids can color and play with the Dino bean bag toss! Grab a few Lunchology cards including healthy recipes to celebrate March's National Nutrition Month!

**St. Lawrence County Public Health**

Learn about programming and available opportunities for your family.

**St. Lawrence Health**

Play the health Jeopardy Game with health and wellness trivia! Kids can play the "How Much Sugar in Drink Game" and match popular beverages with their sugar content to learn about how to make healthy beverage choices.

**United Helpers**

Help spread joy by coloring a paper square! Squares collected at the expo will be turned into a Kindness Quilt to be hung at United Helpers' Behavioral Health Clinic. A joyful Kids Expo tradition!

**Wellness Urgent Care**

Create your own spring themed butterfly band-aid.

**SHOP**

**3 Bears Gluten-Free Bakery & Cafe**

Gluten-free baked goods including cupcakes, cookies, scones & muffins. 3 Bears, T-shirts, and various retail items will also be available for purchase.

**Children's Youth Author: Michael Doyle**

Books available for purchase within the "James' Ragtag Adventure's in Quest World" series.

**Grasse River Outfitters**

20% off Strider Balance Bikes and 50% off helmets. Kids (ages 2-5) can also take a test spin through their special Strider Balance Bike obstacle course!

**Sewing 4U & More**

CRAFT Vendor from Canton, NY. Shop children's capes, masks, key chains and blankets while kids decorate their own free superhero masks!

**STLC Chamber of Commerce**

STLC Eclipse Viewing Glasses (ISO safety certified) protective STLC Eclipse Viewing Glasses available for purchase for \$3 cash. Remember your eclipse experience with a special St. Lawrence County keepsake!

**Joey's Concessions**

Assortment of snacks and beverages for sale at the Roos House quick serve stand in the Main Entrance of the Athletic Center.

**KIDS BIZ VENDORS**

**Fable's Cool Creations!**

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## ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY Skilled Trades

St. Lawrence University has an opening for full time **Skilled Trades**. Perform general repairs and replacements to damaged, deteriorated or otherwise non-functioning conditions found in and about the University buildings and campus. Apply journeyman level knowledge and experience in carpentry, plumbing or electrical. Additional experience must encompass a basic knowledge from three of the following disciplines: carpentry, plumbing, electrical and painting. Apply skill and responsibility in the use of tools and equipment of respective trades and be responsible for tools, materials and devices to perform tasks according to accepted practices. Perform related duties as required to accomplish tasks. Schedule – Tuesday-Saturday, 11pm-7:30pm with Sunday and Monday off.

**Qualifications:** High School diploma (or equivalent) required. Two (2) years of experience in journeyman trades level work is required. May consider specific coursework related to this position, toward the journeyman trades experience. Requires operation of equipment related to the trade.

To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, interested applicants must apply online at: <https://employment.stlawu.edu>. SLU is an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity employer. All offers of employment are subject to the applicant successfully passing a background (including criminal records) check.

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## Campus Safety Specialist/ Staff Assistant SL-2

SUNY Canton is accepting applications for full time Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S) Specialist position with a specialization in fire safety, to join the Facilities Department.

Salary: \$60,000-\$65,000

The EH&S Specialist will be responsible for coordinating fire and life safety systems, fire safety and building code compliance and environmental programs including testing, inspecting, record keeping, and training. Reporting to the Environmental Health & Safety Manager, the incumbent will develop and, implement health and safety programs for all campus staff and students to ensure compliance with state and federal code requirements. This position will work with other facilities staff, faculty, and technicians when required. Must be able to prioritize multiple projects, and work in a demanding fast-paced environment. This is a full-time, twelve (12) month position, with weekend and after-hours work, as required.

### Position Duties and Responsibilities:

- Perform duties related to EH&S activities pertaining to fire alarm systems, sprinkler systems and all life safety equipment operations and maintenance throughout the campus.
- Plan and conduct employee and student fire safety training, provide hot work training and issue and monitor hot work/special operating permits.
- Coordinate all safety training - Lock Out/Tag, Right to Know, and Electrical NFPA 70E.
- Function as the Campus Code Coordinator. Complete required annual In-Service training to maintain an active Certified NYS Code Enforcement Official (CEO) certification.
- Coordinate Office of Fire Prevention and Control (OFPC) campus inspections.
- Perform monthly inspections of the campus fire extinguisher program and fire suppression systems, scheduling required inspections, coordinating repairs, and maintaining mandated record keeping.
- Perform annual fire extinguisher, emergency lighting load test, bleacher, and safety eyewash/shower inspections.
- Coordinate with University Police required drills and maintain evacuation plans utilizing Computer Aided Design (CAD) drawings.
- Perform fire safety inspections and communicate deficiencies to Facilities Department.
- Perform Satellite Accumulation Area (SAA), Central Accumulation Area (CAA) inspections and assist with relocation of waste as required.
- Produce and maintain records and documents associated with required laws.
- Provide environmental support for campus.
- Coordinate safety training.
- Perform weekly & monthly AED inspections and coordinate repairs and replacement of batteries/pads.
- Understand and interpret NY State Building Code, NY State Fire Code, NFPA and PESH Regulations.
- Respond to emergency conditions, provide EH&S support at campus events as directed, work flexible hours, including weekend and evening work if necessary.
- This position will be expected to possess written and verbal communication skills and interpersonal skills essential to work with a diverse population of students and colleagues.

### Minimum Requirements:

- Associate's degree in Fire, Engineering, or Construction Technology or a closely related field.
- Minimum of two (2) years experience in a field mentioned above.
- Ability to obtain CEO certification within one year of employment.
- Ability to read and understand construction blueprints, diagrams, and specifications.
- Experience interpreting and applying EPA, DEC, NFPA, NYS Fire and Building Codes and OSHA regulations.
- Proficient in Microsoft Office Suite.
- Capable of performing physical labor to include carrying and moving items up to 50 pounds, climbing stairs/ladders and walking up to 3 miles a day.
- Class D Driver's license

### Preferred Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree.
- Certified NYS Code Enforcement Official.
- NICET (National Institute of Certification in Engineering Technology - Fire Protection) Level II Certification.
- Demonstrated ability to determine training needs, organize and conduct training.
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Prior to final offer of employment, the selected candidate will be required to submit to a background check including, but not limited to, employment verification, educational and other credential verification, and criminal background check.

**Application Deadline:** open until filled; application review begins immediately. Persons interested in the above position should apply online at <https://employment.canton.edu/>

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.

The college is located in Canton, a village in the St. Lawrence River valley of northern New York. Located 20 miles from the St. Lawrence River and the Adirondack Park, and 70 miles from the Canadian capital city of Ottawa, Ontario, Canton holds excellent opportunities for the outdoor or cultural enthusiast. SUNY Canton is a member of the Associated Colleges, a consortium of four colleges.



## General Laborer

St. Lawrence University has an opening for a full time **General Laborer**. Performs work required in the care, maintenance, cleaning and housekeeping of University buildings and campus in accordance with established practices and procedures. Responsible for performing duties associated with setups and deliveries for special events in and around all campus buildings. In the absence of the material recycler or supply clerk, performs the regular duties of that position as assigned. As required performs the primary duties of other "A" classification personnel as assigned by the Management staff.

**Minimum Qualifications:** High School diploma (or equivalent) required. Ability to follow verbal and printed instructions. Ability to prepare or verbalize reports necessary to the position. Requires ability to lift a minimum of 45 lbs., bending, climbing, pushing and pulling. Must be able to meet University requirements to be authorized to drive University vehicles as assigned. Pay range- \$15.00 - \$19.98/hr. depending on experience. To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required.

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**Requirements:**

- Master's degree in speech therapy or speech-language pathology.
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- Resourcefulness and strong problem-solving skills.

**To Apply:**

- Complete the BOCES Common Application, which can be found at: <https://forms.sllbores.org/Forms/CommonApplication>.
- Submit a letter of interest, three (3) letters of recommendation, copies of college transcripts, and a copy of certification(s).
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Campus Life at SUNY Potsdam is accepting on-line applications for full time Student Union Assistant. The mission of Campus Life is to provide activities, programs, and facilities to help cultivate a positive, outside of the classroom, environment that promotes student involvement, learning, and personal development. The office coordinates the college's student events calendar; student activities; student leadership programs; Greek Life; and student life facilities. An energetic, creative, and hard-working professional is sought to join the team in Campus Life. Bachelor's degree, experience in facilitating events, student leader experience, excellent customer service and computer skills, and ability to work weekends and evenings are required. To review the complete job description and/or apply, visit [employment.potsdam.edu](http://employment.potsdam.edu), job posting No. U-00559. Position is open until filled. EOE

Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner: Under the direction of the Mental Health Director, the Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner is responsible for assessing, diagnosing, examining and treating clients with behavioral health disorders as part of the Behavioral Healthcare team. When indicated may prescribe medication and teach clients and their families about the client's diagnoses and medication. The Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner will work with the Behavioral health team in developing, monitoring, and ensuring treatment for clients who have behavioral health issues within the guidelines of the Saint Regis Mohawk Health Services and Tribe and New York State Office of Mental Health. Status: Full-Time, Exempt, Permanent. Salary: \$91,499.20 - \$162,968.00 Deadline: Open Until Filled. Complete announcement and

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Part-Time Clerk Position opening in the Town of Potsdam. Up to 15 hours per week, Monday through Friday 9-4. Minimum qualification: graduation from high school and one-year clerical/computer experience required in office setting, Court experience preferred. Resume and three references will be accepted at 35 Market Street, Potsdam until 4 PM on March 8, 2024. The Town of Potsdam is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Customer Service Representative wanted, Receptionist / call center duties, email resume and cover letters to [info@canton-animalclinic.com](mailto:info@canton-animalclinic.com).

FACED-PACED DENTAL OFFICE SEEKING a full-time, energetic and motivated FRONT OFFICE COORDINATOR to join our team. This position requires an assertive, yet warm and friendly person to assist us in creating and caring for our patients. Coordinator must be detail-oriented and accurate in record keeping and updating patient insurance information. We are a busy office that is expanding and growing rapidly. Hours are 7:30am-4:30pm, Monday-Thursday & 8am-2pm Friday every other week. Responsibilities: • Provide excellent customer service to all patients and visitors • Coordinating patient check in/check out • Scheduling appointments and identifying/addressing schedule needs • Conducting insurance verification • Providing any additional assistance or support in daily operations • Handle multi-lined phones • Process basic accounting needs. Requirements: • A minimum of one year experience in a fast-paced dental office • Ability to multi-task • Impeccable attendance and punctuality • Ability to be self-directed and motivated, while being a team player • Excellent phone and computer skills • Experience with dental software (Patterson EagleSoft) preferred. Mail or drop off resumé to Adirondack Dental, 145 1/2 Market Street, Suite A, Potsdam, NY 13676.

The Town of Stockholm Highway Department is looking for a part time employee with peak hours in summer and winter months. A class A or B CDL license is required and must be a resident of the Town of Stockholm. Job duties include roadside mowing from May 20th to September 30th and also part time plowing in the winter. If interested, please see the Stockholm Town Clerk during regular business hours; Monday – Thursday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM for an application. Applications accepted until April 30, 2024. EOE

Potsdam Co-op hiring a PT Marketing Manager. 20 hours/week starting at \$18/hour. Apply online at [www.potsdamcoop.com/employment](http://www.potsdamcoop.com/employment)

DAY CLEANER Monday - Saturday 9 am - 1 pm at Mama Lucia. Call Larry 315 212 2707.

AJs Portables is Hiring ! Must have a clean driving record and pass a DOT physical. Tasks include truck driving, cleaning porta potties, picking up and delivering toilets. For more information call 315 393 6152. EOE

Richards Insurance Agency located in Massena NY is looking for a Customer Service Rep (CSR)/will train. Please send resumé to [personnel@richardsinsuranceagency.com](mailto:personnel@richardsinsuranceagency.com)

Executive Director (Full time) Sandstone Housing in Potsdam. The Director is responsible for managerial, operational, fiscal, and personnel functions for Mayfield Apartments, a Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) senior housing complex. The job consists of day to day operations, including tenant issues, employee issues, reporting to NYS Homes and Community Renewal, maintenance and financial functions. BA degree preferred. Personnel management and property management experience a plus. Salary range \$60,000 - \$65,000. Applications accepted at the office at 22 Mayfield Drive until March 8, 2024. Call 315-265-4070 for application and full job description.

Little River Community School is accepting applications for a K-2 teacher. Go to [www.littleriverschool.org](http://www.littleriverschool.org) for a job description and application.

## Madrid-Waddington Central School

is accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year



**1.0 FTE NYS certified Spanish Teacher.**

**1.0 FTE NYS certified Secondary English Teacher.**

Application with list of required documents is available online at [www.mwcsk12.org](http://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 15, 2024.**

MWCS is an affirmative action, EOE.

## Massena Central School District

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

- Secondary Math Teacher
- Secondary Technology Teacher
- Jr. High Science Teacher
  - English Teacher
  - Elementary Teacher
- Elementary Special Education Teacher
- CPSE/CSE Chairperson (anticipated 11 month position)
- Music Teacher
- Special Education Itinerant Services (SEIS) Provider

Applications can be accessed at [www.mcs.k12.ny.us](http://www.mcs.k12.ny.us) under Human Resources.

Application Deadline for these positions is March 22, 2024 or until the positions are filled. EOE

## King Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 Not so hot?
- 5 Dog tags, e.g.
- 8 Quick look
- 12 Antioxidant berry
- 13 French vineyard
- 14 Impetuous
- 15 Dungeon's quality
- 17 Actress Rae
- 18 Small batteries
- 19 Detroit hoopster
- 21 Like a neglected lawn
- 24 Coop group
- 25 Within (Pref.)
- 26 Foppish behavior
- 30 Caustic cleaner
- 31 Loud
- 32 Dean's list stat
- 33 Writer Steel
- 35 Three- sloth
- 36 Barn birds
- 37 Travesty
- 38 "Jane Eyre" author
- 41 Tofu source
- 42 Chicago's Mayor
- 43 Hanging loosely
- 48 Location

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### DOWN

- 1 Bankroll
- 2 Obamacare acronym
- 3 Scooted
- 4 Japanese emperor
- 5 Frosts a cake
- 6 Hosp. workers
- 7 Hitchcock
- 8 Lightfoot
- 43 Hanging loosely
- 48 Location

- 49 Swiss canton
- 50 Roasting spot
- 51 Church song
- 52 Domino spot
- 53 Harvest
- 10 Canadian gas brand
- 11 "Star Trek II" villain
- 16 Aye undoer
- 20 "500" race
- 21 Use a blow-torch
- 22 New Age singer
- 23 Genesis garden
- 24 Salutes
- 26 Prettified
- 27 Composer
- 28 Detail, briefly
- 29 Created
- 31 Salamander
- 34 Sea off Sicily
- 35 "Fearless" singer Swift
- 37 Boating hazard
- 38 Humdrum
- 39 "Gilmore Girls" daughter
- 40 Utah city
- 41 Use scissors
- 44 "Exodus" hero
- 45 "- had it!"
- 46 Museum-funding org.
- 47 Econ. measure

Answers found elsewhere in this paper.



St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES is looking to fill the following positions:

**Technology Coach, Morristown and Lisbon**

**Digital Media Design Instructor, Seaway Technical Center**

**Veterinary Assisting Instructor, Southwest Technical Center**

**Speech Pathologist, all regions**

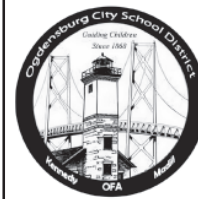
**Special Education Teachers- all regions**

Deadline for applications- **March 18, 2024**

The BOCES application can be accessed and submitted online at

[www.slloboces.org](http://www.slloboces.org)

Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled. EOE.



## Ogdensburg City School District

The Ogdensburg City School District is accepting applications for the following Anticipated opening for the 2024-2025 school year:

### \*CERTIFIED FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE TEACHER\*

(BA+30+M / STEP 1 = \$51,012/yr. or Commensurate with Experience)

FULL-TIME DISTRICT EMPLOYEES LIVING OUTSIDE OF THE OGDENSBURG CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT HAVE THE OPTION OF ENROLLING THEIR CHILDREN IN THE OGDENSBURG DISTRICT

All interested candidates must submit the following:

- Cover Letter
- Application (can be obtained in the Superintendent's Office at OFA or downloaded from our school website)
- Resume`
- Copy of New York State Teaching Certificate(s)
- Original College Transcript(s)
- Letters of Reference (3 Current)
- **Application deadline is March 15, 2024**
- Failure to provide all requested materials will result in disqualification of the candidate's application

All requested materials are to be submitted to:

**Sabrina Charleston**  
**Ogdensburg City School District**  
**1100 State Street, Ogdensburg, NY 13669**  
**scharleston@ogdensburgk12.org**  
**315-393-0900 (p) • 315-393-2767 (f)**

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 \*Based on experience





## 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](mailto: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](mailto:hr@canton.edu).

Internal Candidates should submit an application for promotion or reassignment to the Director of Human Resources at [hr@canton.edu](mailto: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.**



## Outdoor Program - Assistant Director

St. Lawrence University seeks to fill a permanent, 10-month (August 1- May 31) position of Assistant Director in the Outdoor Program. As part of the Outdoor Studies department, the Outdoor Program provides professional quality outdoor recreational and educational programming to the campus community both locally and abroad.

Annual salary \$48,715.83. 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.



### POTSDAM CENTRAL SCHOOL VACANCIES FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

- **Girls Modified Lacrosse Coach**
  - **Building Maintenance Worker** – CDL-B Required
- Deadline: **March 8, 2024**

An application link and additional information is available on the PCS webpage.

For questions, contact:  
Ms. Davida M. Martin, Office of the Superintendent  
29 Leroy St., Potsdam, NY 13676  
315-265-2000, ext. 36733 • EOE



## Controller

St. Lawrence University invites applications for a Controller position. This is a full-time, 12-month, administrative position. Reporting directly to the Vice President of Finance and Administration, the Controller is responsible for the supervision of the day-to-day financial operations of the University.

### 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.

Annual salary \$125,000 - \$160,000. Actual salary will be determined by education, experience, unique skills, 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>. St. Lawrence University is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer.



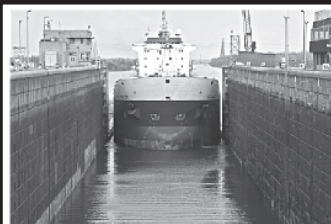
POTSDAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## 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](mailto:director@potsdamchamber.com)



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

View complete posting on [www.USAJOBS.gov](http://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](http://www.youtube.com/user/usajobsapp). For additional questions email U.S. Department of Transportation's Automated Staffing Office -[TRANSJOBS@dot.gov](mailto:TRANSJOBS@dot.gov).

## Sudoku

8				6		9	
		4	8				1
	7				9	5	
		3		8	4		7
	9		6			3	
2				1			4
	8		4				3
		6			2	9	
3				7			2

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

Answers found elsewhere in this paper.



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Please inquire by calling

**Paul Dalton at 315-393-6000**

and/or email resume to

[paul.dalton@billrappogd.com](mailto:paul.dalton@billrappogd.com).

RIVERSIDE CEMETERY OF NORWOOD Annual Meeting will be on Saturday 3/9/2024 at the Norwood Municipal Building at 11:00 a.m. Open to general public. We are seeking new members/trustees. If interested attend meeting or call Thomas Woodward at 315-353-2500.

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 inquires and resumes to [ryan@parcellcpa.com](mailto: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

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](http://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,

## Village of Massena MOTOR EQUIPMENT OPERATOR

Applications are being accepted for a full-time motor equipment operator position (placement to be determined) with the Village of Massena at the Department of Public Works. Duties include but not limited to, operation of road building and construction equipment and manual labor. The successful applicant will be required to work a minimum of 40 hours/week.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Candidate should possess knowledge of the operation of a variety of medium weight equipment; ability to follow oral/written instructions; mechanical aptitude; willingness to respond to emergencies and work under adverse weather conditions; dependability; establish and maintain working relationship with others; strong ability to deal with public; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** One year of experience in the operation of highway construction and maintenance equipment or one year experience in a position requiring the operation of a motor vehicle as the primary function of the position. **A CDL Class B permit will be required.** Probationary, 1st year rate of pay is \$23.45 per hour.

Applicants must consent to a background investigation with the application. A pre-employment physical and drug/alcohol screen will be required prior to actual employment. Applications and background investigation consent forms are available at:

Village of Massena	Department of Public Works
Office of the Village Clerk	85 Robinson Rd.
Town Hall Building Room 12	Massena, NY 13662
60 Main St., Massena NY 13662	

No phone calls please. Applications will be accepted at the

**Office of the Village Clerk, Town Hall Building Room 12**

**60 Main Street, Massena, New York**

until close of business **Friday March 22, 2024.**

Interviews will be scheduled shortly thereafter.

The Village of Massena is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.



STEEL AND ENGINEERING COMPANY

## CIVIL ENGINEER

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!

Please email resumes to: [info@jeffordssteel.com](mailto:info@jeffordssteel.com)



## ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY Testing Coordinator

St. Lawrence University has an opening for a part time Testing Coordinator. This role serves as part of the Office of Student Accessibility Services (SAS) and is an integral part of providing services to students registered with the office. The position reports to the Director of SAS and will work collaboratively with campus partners to provide students with high quality support and opportunities to excel in their college experience. This is a part-time, six (6) month position for approximately 25 hours/week.

**Minimum Qualifications:** A minimum of Bachelor's degree in a related field. A minimum of two (2) years full-time, professional experience in a setting interacting with people with disabilities such as physical, cognitive, neurological, and mental health conditions. Familiarity with Americans with Disability Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, The Office of Civil Rights and Department of Justice. **Pay range- \$20.00/hr.**

To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, interested applicants must apply online at: <https://employment.stlawu.edu>. SLU is an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity employer. All offers of employment are subject to the applicant successfully passing a background (including criminal records) check.



## EOP Director Senior Staff Associate SL5

**Job Summary:** SUNY Canton seeks an inspiring, dynamic leader to lead its Educational Opportunity Program (EOP). In this role, the Director will be responsible for the overall coordination of the Program, including operating within the SUNY EOP guidelines to achieve student recruitment, matriculation, persistence, and completion goals. The State University of New York's Educational Opportunity Program provides access, academic support, and financial aid to students who show promise for succeeding in college but who may not have had access otherwise. The ultimate goal of EOP is to make higher education possible for high potential students from historically underserved backgrounds. The Program is jointly funded by SUNY Canton and the State University of New York State-wide System Office of Special Programs.

The Director is responsible for creating a supportive environment that promotes academic and personal success, through high quality advising, academic interventions, transitional support, and student engagement. The Director is responsible for all aspects of the Program's operations, budget, recruitment, retention, and programming, with a strong emphasis on creating a sense of community among students. The Director will be committed to incorporating the Program into the university's overall educational mission and supporting the Program's contribution to university-wide goals, strategic priorities, and initiatives.

Supporting more than 100 students annually, the EOP annual budget includes staff salaries, direct aid, tutoring, summer orientation, and special projects. The Director supervises a staff of 4 full-time employees and 6-12 part-time employees including counselors, instructors, an administrative assistant, and professional and peer tutors.

**Minimum Qualifications:**

- Master's degree by time of appointment from a college or university accredited by the U.S. Department of Education or an internationally recognized college or university.
- Minimum of 3 years of experience in a leadership role in an opportunity program and/or academic success department or related field.
- Experience in supervision of professional staff.
- Deep understanding, dedication, expertise in supporting the needs and success of students from educationally and/or under resourced and/or underserved backgrounds.
- Demonstrated experience with diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts.
- Demonstrated experience developing, organizing, and administering budgets.
- Strong personnel management skills including team development, goal setting and measurement, strategic planning, and the ability to manage multiple functions and organize institution resources to meet goals and objectives.
- Excellent interpersonal, verbal, and written communication skills.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

- Terminal degree.
  - Progressively responsible leadership experience at a college or university.
  - Ability to foster an environment of exemplary professionalism and commitment among staff to build strong working relationships with other university departments.
  - Professional experience working in an EOP/HEOP program or sister opportunity program from out-of-state.
  - Experience with collective bargaining and union environments.
  - Experience with Banner, MS Teams, or other relevant technology.
  - Knowledge of applicable federal and state laws, statutes, campus processes, and awareness of law and policy proposals affecting EOP students.
- \* Valid driver's license

**Work Schedule:** Monday-Friday, 8:30-4:30 and availability to work nights and weekends

**Salary: \$73,000 to \$75,000**

Prior to final offer of employment, the selected candidate will be required to submit to a background check including, but not limited to, employment verification, educational and other credential verification, and criminal background check.

**Application Deadline:** Open until filled; application review begins immediately. Persons interested in the above position should apply online at <https://employment.canton.edu/>

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The college is located in Canton, a village in the St. Lawrence River valley of northern New York. Located 20 miles from the St. Lawrence River and the Adirondack Park, and 70 miles from the Canadian capital city of Ottawa, Ontario, Canton holds excellent opportunities for the outdoor or cultural enthusiast. SUNY Canton is a member of the Associated Colleges, a consortium of four colleges.



## Morristown Central School

408 Gouverneur Street  
Morristown, NY 13664

**COME JOIN OUR MCS FAMILY!**

We have the following job openings for the 24-25 school year:

**Secondary Special Education Teacher**

**Spanish or French Teacher**

**Substitute Bus Drivers**

Positions will remain open until filled.

**To apply, please visit [www.GreenRockets.org](http://www.GreenRockets.org)**

(under the District & Human Resources tabs)

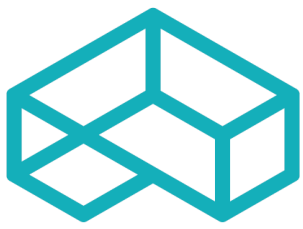
working with students in a post-secondary institution, advocacy with groups marginalized by systems of oppression). To review the complete job description and/or apply, visit [employment.potsdam.edu](http://employment.potsdam.edu), job posting No. 00550. Please take special note of: Instructions to Applicants 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](http://employment.potsdam.edu), job posting No. 00548. For full consideration, please submit your application by February 23, 2024. Position is open until filled. EOE

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](mailto:Lawrencehazen@gmail.com). EOE



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## Plant Utilities Engineer 1

SUNY Canton is seeking applicants for the position of Plant Utilities Engineer 1 under the NYS HELPS program to work in our Physical Plant Department. Candidate must have one of the following:

- Either:** 1. Graduate of heating, HVAC, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration apprenticeship program from the U.S. Air Force;
- Or 2.** Must have been an enlisted machinery technician (MK) with the U.S. Coast Guard OR possession of a certificate as a Marine Engineer issued by the U.S. Coast Guard;
- Or 3.** Must have been an enlisted power generation equipment repairer with the U.S. Army;
- Or 4.** Must have been an enlisted gas turbine systems technician, submarine nuclear propulsion plant operator reactor control, utilities man, machinist mate, or engineman with the U.S. Navy;
- Or 5.** Must have a Merchant Mariner's Document (MMD) and have been a qualified member of the engine department (QMED) as an oiler, fireman/water tender, refrigerating engineer or engineman with the U.S. Merchant Marine;
- Or 6.** Completion of a New York State Department of Labor registered apprenticeship program for stationary engineers, plant maintenance (plumber/steamfitter), HVAC Mechanic or plant maintenance (refrigeration/AC);
- Or 7.** Possession of a High-Pressure Boiler Operating Engineer License or Stationary Engineer License;
- Or 8.** A bachelor's degree in Facilities Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, or Marine Engineering;
- Or 13.** Four years of full-time hands-on experience in the maintenance and operation of commercial, industrial, institutional facility, computer applications of digital energy platforms and building analytics and/or performing diagnosis, repair of HVAC systems or boilers or auxiliary equipment;
- Or 14.** Four years of full-time hands-on experience in a residential setting performing diagnosis, operation, maintenance repair of HVAC systems or boilers or auxiliary equipment;
- Or 15.** An associate degree in HVAC AND two years of qualifying experience as described in EITHER qualification #13 or #14 above;
- Or 16.** Completion of an HVAC certificate or diploma from a BOCES program (900 hours) OR completion of an approved certificate in HVAC, electrical, refrigeration, boiler operations and maintenance, or plumbing from an accredited technical school or technology college (AND two years of qualifying experience as described in EITHER qualification #13 or #14 above.

Candidates must possess a valid NYS Driver's License Class D minimum. Incumbents of this position are assigned to a specific shift, reports to a higher-level Plant Utilities Engineer and is responsible for the operation, repair, and maintenance of a variety of heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and mechanical equipment inside and outside of a physical plant. They may supervise lower-level staff including Plant Utilities Assistants, Facility Operations Assistants, and contractors and they assume responsibility for physical plant operations on off hours. **Candidates should send a SUNY Canton Application, letter of interest, resume and three professional references to [hr@cantonedu](mailto:hr@cantonedu) or by US mail to Plant Utilities Engineer 1 Search Committee, Human Resources Department, SUNY Canton, 34 Cornell Drive, Canton, NY 13617**

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.

The college is located in Canton, a village in the St. Lawrence River valley of northern New York. Located 20 miles from the St. Lawrence River and the Adirondack Park, and 70 miles from the Canadian capital city of Ottawa, Ontario, Canton holds excellent opportunities for the outdoor or cultural enthusiast. SUNY Canton is a member of the Associated Colleges, a consortium of four colleges.



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**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](mailto:Sunmount.Careers@opwdd.ny.gov)  
Sunmount DDSO, 2445 State Route 30, Tupper Lake, NY 12986

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## Child Care Professionals Needed

- Infant Head of Group**
- Toddler Head of Group**
- 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](mailto:cantondaycare@twcny.rr.com)**

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