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The former McDonald's restaurant, 64 Main St., Canton, is scheduled for demolition in a few weeks.

## Demo set for former McDonald's

**BY PAUL MITCHELL**  
 North Country This Week

CANTON — Demolition work at 64 Main Street could get underway in a couple of weeks.

Canton Mayor Michael Dalton told board members Wednesday night that the former McDonald's restaurant should soon be facing the wrecking ball.

JEDA Environmental Services will be handling the abatement work and demolition at a cost of \$64,260.

Once razed both village and town officials will examine what to do with the vacant parcel as

part of a possible Canton Municipal Building project.

The demolition price tag will be shared with the Town of Canton who approved JEDA's bid at their November monthly meeting.

When the town and village purchased the McDonald's property and adjacent parking lot for \$295,000 in July 2021, the idea then was to tear it down to create additional space for a proposed Canton Municipal Building project. But in March the plan fizzled when cost figures for a new municipal building surpassed \$25 million.

The move to tear down the former McDonald's restaurant lin-

gered when members of the town board wanted to see if that building could be repurposed. A bid of \$9,700 was obtained to assess the condition of the building.

At an Oct. 25 joint meeting and following back-and-forth discussion, it was agreed that the building needs to come down and the call for a site plan review was nixed.

Plans for the municipal building remain in the laps of the joint Building Committee who will be looking at which way to proceed with a rebuild or renovations to the existing structure, or find ways to pare down the cost of the project.

## SUNY Potsdam cutting more staff, not programs

**BY ADAM ATKINSON**  
 North Country This Week

POTSDAM — A few more positions will be cut at SUNY Potsdam this spring, but no program changes are planned, according to the university's interim provost.

A recent public statement by SUNY Potsdam professor David Curry at the last town board meeting regarding the college's current financial status, \$9 million deficit and plan to deal with it, cited more cuts to programs or positions in April and August of this year.

In a statement to North Country This Week, Interim Provost Dr. Alan Hersker confirmed that a few positions will probably be phased out, but no additional program changes are on the table at this point.

"Under our financial stability plan, SUNY Potsdam will continue to evaluate staffing needs across campus, as we adjust our workforce to serve our existing enrollment," Hersker told North Country This Week.

"We cannot comment on individual personnel matters, but

can confirm that a small number of positions will likely not be renewed this spring. Please note that no program changes are being proposed at this time," Hersker said.

SUNY Potsdam officials announced last year that the college is facing a \$9 million deficit. The college has responded with a fiscal restructuring plan. Fourteen degree programs have been cut and several buildings closed under the strategy. College employees, and the United University Professions (UUP), the union which represents them, have warned of more cuts on the way.

At a recent town board meeting Dr. Curry, who was there to urge the town board to back Assembly bill A.6430 (Wallace) which reduces the number of trustees appointed by the governor to the SUNY board, argued that the cuts the college has already made to programs and staff has had little, if any, effect on the college's deficit problem.

The UUP says SUNY

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## Why are gas prices higher in St. Lawrence County?

**BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI**  
 North Country This Week

CANTON -- Gas prices in St. Lawrence County continue to be significantly higher than neighboring counties and legislators are seeking answers as to why that is the case.

During the county legislature finance committee meeting held March 25, Dr. Greg Gardner, economic professor at SUNY Potsdam, presented his research and findings to legislators.

Gardner, who travels from

the Watertown area three times per week to teach at SUNY Potsdam, said he has seen the disparity in pricing first hand.

"I see all of the prices at each station and I know which ones are typically cheaper. I also know which Amish stands have the best prices on vegetables and which roadside stands have eggs right now," he joked.

Throughout the course of his research, Gardner said he got an inside look at the books of multiple gas stations and came to learn

about the business models of such locations.

Margins on fuel are only 5-10% he said, with the majority of profits being made from the convenience stores.

"Gas prices can sometimes then be lowered to draw in customers or to encourage them to spend more," he said.

### How prices are set

Gardner explained that field prices are set by a

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Empire State Local Journalism Coalition | Submitted

## Supporting local journalism

The Empire State Local News Coalition and members of the New York State Senate and Assembly rallied in support of the Local Journalism Sustainability Act last week. The rally took place outside the pressrooms in the state capitol. See story page 3.

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# Green Team members may knock on your door to talk composting

BY PAUL MITCHELL  
North Country This Week

CANTON – The push to keep the composting program alive and well in the Village of Canton continues. Greg Todd, co-founder of North Country Compost, told North Country This Week in an email that a group of Canton Central School students continue to promote the cause. “It is with great joy that we announce that the Canton Central Green Team is now knocking on doors in the community to get more families to drop off food scraps at the Village drop off site, located on Lincoln Street near the Ice Pavilion,” noted Todd. “Wish the children luck and greet them with a hearty hello if you are so fortunate as to be visited by them. The Green Team consists of 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th graders led by Megan Smith and Kimberly Newman who seek to improve the environment, according to Todd. “Given the climate emergency isn’t going away by itself, diverting food scraps from the landfill where they turn into methane, a greenhouse gas more than 80 times as powerful as carbon dioxide, is a

cheap and easy way to take action on this critical problem. Join over 60 village residents who take advantage of this free resource,” he wrote. For more information, contact nococompst@gmail.com. Although welcomed by the village board, the question of financing the composting program and sanitary concerns have surfaced. The Lincoln Street compost site now features three sealed totes that require users to sign up for free access to the coded lock. Signs at the site provide a QR code that links to an online form where the email, name and primary residence of the user are recorded. The containers are emptied weekly. Catherine Shrady, chair of the village’s Sustainability Committee, has told village officials that the committee is exploring grant opportunities to support the composting venue. Village trustee Barbara Beekman recently informed board members that Jennifer Perry from the Adirondack North Country Association has agreed to write and administer a grant through the Northern Border Regional Commission. In October, agreed to fund a

three-month contract with North Country Compost. Food scraps collected by North Country Compost, a new entity formed by Canton residents Cory Vinyard and Greg Todd, will be converted into compost at Cory’s farm on Townline Road between Hermon and Canton. “We deeply appreciate the support of Megan Smith, teacher at J.M. McKenny Middle School and co-Advisor for the school’s Green Team. Under Smith’s leadership, over 50 signatures were collected from students on a petition to the mayor in support of the food scrap collection effort at Bend In The River Park,” stated Todd in October. Vinyard grew up on his family’s dairy farm on the edge of Canton where he now practices rotational grazing for his Dexter beef cattle and Dorset sheep. Todd has been a resident of Canton since June 2022. Previously Greg resided in Brooklyn, N.Y. where he led a community garden and was a member of his community board for 20 years. He is a member of the Canton United Methodist Church and the Canton Sustainability Committee.

# Legislators call on governor to fill vacant Hermon town board seats

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

CANTON — St. Lawrence County legislators are calling on Gov-

ernor Kathy Hochul to fill at least two vacant seats on the Hermon town board following four resignations in February. The town board currently only

has one remaining member along with the town clerk, according to Legislator John Gennett. That means that business cannot proceed for the town, including a critical \$7 million water project that is slated to begin in the coming weeks, Gennett said. In response, legislators passed a resolution affirming their support for the governor to appoint at least two members to the board to establish a quorum, which would in turn allow the three members to appoint two additional board

members to fill the remaining seats. Legislator Larry Denesha said multiple candidates have been identified to fill the roles, including some with political experience. “These roles would just be temporary with elections held this fall to fill them prominently,” he said. Once elections are completed, those who are elected will fill out the remaining years of the terms. Legislator Jim Reagen also touched on the matter, saying it is a bipartisan effort to appoint the board members. Though the St. Lawrence County legislature is made up of 12 Republicans and three Democrats, Reagen said they support the governor in appointing two board members. “I think there is a concern with the governor that she may be hesitant to appoint members of her own party, which may not be the will of the people,” Reagen com-

Lynne Boecher. On the Republican side, four candidates will be vying in the Republican Primary to run for president. Vivek Ranaswamy, Chris Christie, Nikki Haley and former-President Donald Trump are on the ballot. Both Biden and Trump have already secured their party’s nominations with previous primary victories that allowed them to secure the necessary number of delegates to run on both party lines.

# Big bears taken in SLC

Two of the heaviest 10 bears harvested in New York were taken in St. Lawrence County, according to the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). A hunter shot and killed a 485-pound bear while hunting in Waddington, for the second heaviest reported bear harvest for 2023. The heaviest reported bear was 550-pounds, and was taken in Broome County. A hunter took a 415-pound bear in Macomb, which was the fourth heaviest bear reportedly taken this past year. Scaled weights of field dressed

black bears were submitted for 21% of the bears reported by hunters or that were checked by cooperating taxidermists and DEC biologists in 2023. During New York’s 2023 seasons, hunters harvested an estimated 1,356 black bears with 485 bears harvested in the Northern Zone and 871 bears harvested in the Southern Zone. This was a slight increase in bear harvest from the 2022 seasons (1,318), but remained below the five- (1,450) and ten-year (1,484) harvest averages. Black bear harvest data is gathered from harvest reports and examinations of bears by DEC staff and taxidermists.



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**Appetizers:**  
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**Entrees:**  
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# NCTW publisher joins rally to support journalism

ALBANY -- Members of the Empire State Local News Coalition, a statewide advocacy group of more than 150 local news outlets, rallied with elected officials at the State Capitol Wednesday in support of the Local Journalism Sustainability Act.

The industry-saving bill provides tax credits to local news outlets for the employment of local news journalists.

New York State has experienced a 50% decrease in the number of newspapers since 2004, resulting in thousands of lost jobs and stories.

"The fight to save local news is a fight to save our democracy," said Zachary Richner, founder of the Empire State Local News Coalition.

"Hometown papers deliver the hyperlocal updates and investigations necessary to sustain a community's civic and financial well-being."

Bill Shumway, editor and publisher of North Country This Week / NorthCountryNow.com, was among those in attendance. Also on hand from northern and central New York were representatives of newspapers in Saranac Lake, Lake Placid, Rome, Schenectady and the Albany area.

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

"Healthy local news outlets are essential as our communities navigate uncertain political and economic times. We cannot have New Yorkers in small towns across the state left in the dark about what is happening in their local governments, schools and among their neighbors," said Cameron Nutting Williams, chief revenue officer at Ogden Newspapers, owner of the Adirondack Daily Enterprise in Saranac Lake and the Lake Placid News.

Lawmakers have less than two weeks to enact the fiscal year 2025 state budget. The rally signals growing pressure on lawmakers to offer a lifeline to the local news industry, which has experienced a significant downturn over the past two decades.

Sponsored by Sen. Brad Hoylman-Sigal, the Local Journalism Sustainability Act is a bipartisan bill capped at \$20 million statewide that provides a 50% refundable tax credit to employers of local journalists against the

first \$50,000 of each newsroom employee's salary, up to \$200,000 per outlet. The benefit would be limited to print and online newspapers and broadcasters with 100 employees or less that cover local community news.

"Democracy dies in darkness. A thriving local news industry is vital to the health of our democracy," said Sen. Hoylman-Sigal. "I'm proud that our Local Journalism Sustainability Act (S.625C) is in the Senate's one house budget and I'm hopeful that through it we can establish a payroll tax credit to help keep our community news outlets afloat."

Said Shumway, "The Local Journalism Sustainability Act will help ensure citizens continue to have access to important news about what their local government is doing. Democracy places a responsibility on citizens to be informed so they can engage in the electoral process and participate in local government."

For more about the Local Journalism Sustainability Act, view a North Country Matters interview with Shumway at [bit.ly/3PC345a](http://bit.ly/3PC345a)

To sign a statewide petition in support of the Local Journalism Sustainability Act, visit [bit.ly/3vqWQhE](http://bit.ly/3vqWQhE)



Cheryl Shumway | NCTW

## Village board sets budget calendar for year

CANTON – The village board has set its budget calendar for the 2024-25 fiscal year.

The budget and wage schedule must be adopted by May 1.

The first budget session will be held Wednesday, April 3, at 5:30

p.m. at the Canton Municipal Building boardroom. A second budget session will be held April 9 at 7 p.m.

A public hearing will take place at 6:15 p.m. before the board's regular monthly meeting on April 17. A special meeting and work session

will be held April 23 at 7 p.m. and a special meeting for final review and vote will be held at a date to be determined.

Department heads will be meeting with the village Finance Committee through March 31.

## Talented hands

Debbie Baldwin, Parishville, shows her quilt, Wild Geese Crossing, at the Borderlines Quilters Guild show for National Quilting Day at the First Presbyterian Church, Potsdam, earlier this month. New members are welcome. For more information, visit their Facebook page Borderlinequilters .

## New Norwood mayor to be sworn in

NORWOOD -- The Village of Norwood will be holding a special meeting on April 1 at 5 pm to swear in the new board.

On March 19, a new mayor took the reins after Republican Mark Tebo defeated incumbent Tim Levi-

son by a vote of 122-89. Tebo has served in the role in the past.

Democrat Michael DiVincenzo and Republican Matt Tebo were both elected to four-year terms as incumbents as well.

Robin Fetter was unsuccessful in

seeking a seat on the board.

## Man accused of burglary at Pierrepont home, deputies say

PIERREPONT – A Pierrepont man was charged with burglary on Post Road Thursday, according to St. Lawrence County sheriff's deputies.

Mark F. Burns, 37, was charged with second-degree burglary and third-degree criminal mischief, both felonies, officers said.

Deputies investigated an alleged domestic dispute in which

Burns allegedly entered a residence and caused damage to an exterior door, as well as a bedroom door.

Burns was arraigned in Pierrepont court by Judge Filia-trault and released under the supervision of probation, officers said.

St. Lawrence County sheriff's deputies noted a no contact order of protection was issued in favor of the victim.

### BRIEFLY

#### Correction

The lead paragraph in the front page story "Town Asks State to Help SUNY Potsdam" in last week's print Potsdam-Canton edition of *North Country This Week* was incorrect. The lead should have read "The town board is calling on the state to pay off SUNY Potsdam's \$9 million deficit, and others like it at other state colleges." The story instead said the deficit was \$9. *North Country This Week* apologizes for the omission.



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# Colleges receive \$250K each for mental health services

BY ADAM ATKINSON  
North Country This Week

Both SUNY Canton and SUNY Potsdam are receiving \$250,000 each from the state SUNY system for expanding mental health services for students.

According to an announcement from the governor's office, the funding is part of a larger pool of \$10 million being given to increase mental health series and support for students, faculty and staff.

The governor's office said the investment, part of a \$163 million increase in direct operating aid the state has given to the SUNY system this year, will expand services at 28 campuses, support more than 200,000 students and build on the existing statewide tele-psychiatry network and new tele-counseling options for community colleges.

Both of St. Lawrence County's SUNY campuses received \$250,000 each from the funding release, said Holly Liapis, SUNY press secretary based in Albany.

"SUNY Canton will use the new funding to further enhance the supportive resources, trainings, educational programming, and awareness for students, staff, and faculty," Greg Kie, SUNY Canton senior media relations manager, told North Country This Week.

"New programs, resources, and initiatives will both bolster greater awareness of mental health issues facing the student population, while providing much needed training to support faculty and staff in developing a greater understanding for and appropriate responses to modern mental health issues," Kie said.

Kie said the funding will allow

SUNY Canton's Counseling Center to add a new position to assist with tele-health counseling and outreach initiatives.

- Kie said the center will also add:
- Student assistant positions to assist with operations, the college's Renzi Food Pantry, and the Wellbeing Programs & Initiatives office;
  - Software to aid in early identification, case management, and support of students with mental health concerns;
  - Professional development for Counseling Center and Davis Health Center staff;
  - An electrocardiography machine; and
  - On campus mental health programming.

Alexandra Jacobs Wilke, SUNY Potsdam's director of public relations, said Potsdam will also be adding new positions to support the college's mental health services.

"This expanded mental health support funding will allow SUNY Potsdam's College Counseling Center to hire a new position of behavioral case manager, promote a staff member to assistant director, hire a new psychiatric nurse practitioner, expand our peer counseling program, provide expanded professional development for all staff, and contract with a vendor to provide after-hour counseling services," Wilke told North Country This Week.

"We had already offered a tele-psychiatry option for several years, in partnership with SUNY Upstate Medical Hospital in Syracuse," Wilke said.

To read more about this round of SUNY funding for mental health services visit <https://tinyurl.com/yhp9jhfh>.



Stacy Tarbox | Submitted

## Beefing up in Potsdam

This Texas Longhorn grazes in Potsdam on a recent evening.

# Housing authority merger now on hold

BY PAUL MITCHELL  
North Country This Week

CANTON – The process to merge the Canton and Potsdam Housing Authorities is on hold after members of the Canton Village Board tabled a resolution to support the merger at the board's monthly meeting on Wednesday night.

Trustee Barbara Beekman and Deputy Mayor Anna Sorensen each voiced concerns about the wording in the resolution, feeling any authority or representation for the village of Canton was in question.

Both board members, however, did say they were in favor of the merger.

"How do we know we get representation if we sign this now. What authority do we have?" said Sorensen. "I am not comfortable with this. I want to know if our board has the ability to say this is not okay."

"If we have any authority I would like to preserve it," stated Beekman. Sorensen also asked what was

the next step in the merger process. "Is there any information about the next step," she said.

The board is aware that municipal governments have no authority regarding the management and operation of housing authorities. The only input involves the mayor appointing people to serve on the board of directors.

Mayor Michael Dalton supported signing the merger resolution, pointing to the final paragraph in the resolution as an indicator for village input.

"HUD has made it very clear that's how it works," the mayor stated. "There's a lot more work that needs to be done to make this happen."

"The said contract is to be for such consideration, amounts, terms and conditions as the Village of Canton Board of Trustees deems most advantageous to the Village of Canton and within the scope of Board of Trustees Authority," the resolution reads.

The mayor will now look to hire

an attorney for legal advice on the matter and potentially hold a meeting with said attorney, Housing Authority Executive Director Robert Santamoor and a member of the Canton Housing Authority board of directors.

The exact resolution has been approved by the Potsdam Village Board. Both the Canton and Potsdam Housing Authority board of directors have supported the merger.

For a little more than a year, the Canton Housing Authority has been managed by Santamoor who served as executive director of the Potsdam Housing Authority.

The success associated with that move prompted an initiative to merge the two entities with hopes of offering additional housing opportunities for families in both communities.

If the merger takes place, both the Canton and Potsdam Housing Authority will dissolve and a new name will be created. A new board of directors will be appointed.

# Two jailed on drug charges

GOUVERNEUR — Two St. Lawrence County residents were charged with felony drug possession Monday night, according to state police.

Prentice H. Purvis, 60, Hermon, was charged with second-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance: 10 grams of a stimulant, and criminal possession of a controlled substance: Narcotic, felonies.

He was also charged with seventh-degree criminal possession of

a controlled substance, officers said.

Joshua D. Martin, 45, DeKalb, was charged with second-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance: 10 grams of a stimulant, and criminal possession of a controlled substance: Narcotic, felonies.

He was also cited for two counts of seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, police said.

Troopers did not report their arrest status as of print.

CANTON — A missing person investigation ended tragically Saturday morning.

St. Lawrence County sheriff's deputies said they received a request from concerned family members for a welfare check on a missing Canton resident.

Deputies said village police located the missing person's vehicle in a municipal lot off Riverside Drive and the individual was found deceased inside.

There is no risk to the public, officers said.

Deputies aid the investigation is ongoing.

# Missing person found dead in Canton

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# Stockholm votes against aerial pesticide spraying to eliminate bugs

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

STOCKHOLM -- After public debate and significant pushback, the Stockholm town board has reversed course on a proposed plan to hire a company to conduct an aerial spray of pesticides to kill mosquitos and ticks throughout the town.

The topic was raised at the previous month's meeting where most board members said they were open to the idea but wanted to conduct more research. Board member Jed Arquitt was in opposition during both meetings, he said.

The town board ultimately voted unanimously against the proposal on March 12, saying the potential impact to the environment, coupled with the expense to spray led to the decision.

Over 30 residents crammed into the meeting room, including organic farmers, beekeepers and concerned citizens who wanted to voice opposition to the idea. No residents spoke in favor of the idea to spray pesticides.

Janet St. Pierre, a self-described organic farmer, told board members and meeting attendees about her findings after researching the chemicals that would be used and the effects they may have on other animals in the spray zone.

According to St. Pierre, she found that the pesticide is extremely toxic to aquatic organisms, including fish and aquatic invertebrates, as well as

blooming crops or weeds.

St. Pierre said she weighed the pros and cons of the potential plan, including the financial impact to taxpayers.

Of note, St. Pierre touched on one ingredient of the spray, a petroleum distillate "that helps it stick to things."

The petroleum distillate, coupled with the synthetic compounds could have deadly consequences for more than mosquitos and ticks, she said.

"It would only target the mosquitos currently flying but would not kill the larvae. The spray would also impact our bird populations, fish populations, bees, everything," she said.

St. Pierre also questioned whether the spray would even be able to penetrate the foliage to reach ticks that are on the ground.

She said the highly toxic compound would also wreak havoc on the bee population and aquatic organisms when it reached waterways. St. Pierre likened the chemicals to DDT or Agent Orange.

"All of these warnings that make you think DDT or Agent Orange is coming out of the sky," she said.

Residents were previously told that they would have to remain indoors for several hours while the plane sprayed the designated areas. Pets would also not be allowed outside and windows and vents needed to be shut even several hours after the spray was applied.

Other requirements prior to

spraying included covering all outdoor furniture and toys, as well as closing vents when driving through the area.

"We're also supposed to cover gardens, rinse our homegrown fruits and vegetables thoroughly before cooking. This is a potential health hazard for all of us," she said.

St. Pierre also raised concerns over the idea that a property can be omitted from the spraying schedule at the request of the property owner.

"I heard at the meeting that they said they could put the coordinates in and when they get to Blind Crossing Road they just turn off the taps. All I could think about was the plane as it's flying and everything follows behind it, drifting towards our property," she said.

She said aerial drift is a very real concern, one that is totally out of the control of the town and pilot alike. "We think about the wild-fires last year, we all lived through it. They were 200 miles north (of us) and yet we were in a big haze because what goes up, eventually moves around," she said.

Other organic farmers and beekeepers spoke at the meeting as well, saying the possibility of eliminating the food source for many insects, including those that pollinate crops.

Town Supervisor Chad Colbert said he spoke to Andrea Malik in Colton about a potential bacterial solution that could be used to eliminate mosquito larvae in water. That

solution, he said, would not harm any aquatic life.

Malik has been the director of the Town of Colton's BTWI Black Fly Control Program for nearly 30 years.

"It attacks the larvae of the mosquitos and black flies, anything waterborne. I called Andrea about that and I got some information on that. You do treat the water and its direct treatment of the water sources, no spraying, nothing aerial. It will be significantly more expensive. She did not have an idea how much it would cost but it would cost significantly more due to the labor," he said.

Mark St. Pierre also raised concerns about the potential immunity that insect populations could develop from receiving the same spray every year.

"Eventually, you get King Kong mosquitos and it doesn't affect them," he said.

St. Pierre said other farms have seen bugs develop immunities to certain treatments after years of use, forcing farmers to pivot to new techniques to irradiate the insects.

Though Stockholm will not hire a company to conduct the aerial spraying, Colbert did say that Brasher will continue to do so.

Board members say they were informed that Brasher conducts the practice twice per year at a cost of about \$15,000 total.

"I just want to say I appreciate people coming and this is one place where we still have a voice. I

appreciate you giving us time out of order," Janet St. Pierre said.

Colbert and town board members also voiced their appreciation of residents who attended the meeting and were willing to have a conversation with town officials.

"Thank you everyone who has done the research and referred it to us. Your insightfulness is appreciated," he said.

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# Canton court receives grant to scan, shred court records

BY PAUL MITCHELL  
North Country This Week

CANTON -- There will soon be more storage space in the Canton Town Court office.

Town Justice Michael Morgan told members of the Canton Town Board Wednesday, March 16, that the office recently received a grant for \$27,124 from the Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP). That money, says Morgan, will allow a certified Syracuse-based company to scan and shred more than 60 years of court records.

"This will free up storage space," stated Morgan, who shares the office with Justice Rachelle Foster.

Town and village officials are taking a thorough look at what to do with the Canton Municipal Building with storage space cited as one of the

building concerns.

Morgan also informed town leaders that the court is looking for a person to handle court security although an agreement for security duties with the Norwood Police Department is in place. Morgan pointed out that the Norwood Police Department is down three positions making it difficult for an officer to be available for Canton Town Court duty.

According to New York State law, a security officer must be New York State Officer Certified, either active or retired, and be Firearms Certified. Compensation is \$24 per hour.

Interested officers should submit a letter of interest, resume and three written references to Heidi Smith, Canton Town Clerk, 60 Main St., Canton, NY 13617. The deadline to apply is April 5 at 1 p.m.

An application is available on the

town website [www.cantonny.gov](http://www.cantonny.gov)

Morgan also noted that with St. Lawrence County switching its

communication system, the Canton court office will need the court radios updated at a cost of \$2,300.



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## OBITUARIES

**Elaine A. McGee, 64**

Colton

COLTON -- Elaine A. McGee, age 64, of Colton, New York passed away suddenly, yet peacefully, at her residence on Tuesday, March 19, 2024.

Friends may call at the Garner Funeral Home on Saturday, March 23, 2024, from 1-4, with a religious service to follow at the funeral home.

Burial will take place at a later date at St. Patrick's Cemetery in Colton, NY.

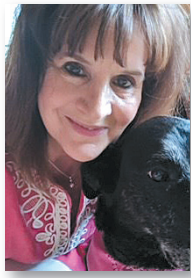
Elaine is survived by her husband of over 9 years, Michael McGee; Mother, Judy McVity; sons, David (Krista) Hurley and Mason Coffey; stepson, Sean McGee; stepdaughter, Meghan (Lucas) VanAcker; sisters, Jackie Hurley, Diane Billings, Patty Cieslik, Sharon Hurley, Laura Trizna, JoAnna Kokx; grandchildren, Anna and Ella Hurley and Abram and Canaan VanAcker and many nieces and nephews.

She is predeceased by her father, Gary Hurley.

Elaine was born on August 14, 1959, in Ogdensburg, NY to Gary and Judy Clark Hurley.

She was a 1977 graduate of Potsdam Central High School. She

received an Associate Degree from SUNY Canton in Hotel Restaurant Management.



Elaine McGee

Her unique career experiences allowed her to build lasting relationships.

She was a sales representative for Airwalk in California for a few years, which allowed her to travel the world. She then moved back home and bartended at the former Chalet Restaurant, worked for Bill Luther, and the ARC in Norwood, NY.

She then started her own day care business and operated it in Colton for the past 26 years. Over those years, Elaine loved so many children in the community like her own and provided them with the most beautiful childhood.

She was an expert baker, but her specialty was her intricate and beautiful birthday cakes she made

for her family, friends, and daycare children.

She had a love of taking family photos every chance she could get, and because of her we have countless memories to hang on to.

She had an infectious laugh and a wonderful sense of humor.

What her family and friends will miss the most about her though is her generosity, compassion, and kindness. She was one of the most selfless and giving individuals.

All who knew her were touched by the legacy she left behind. She will be deeply missed but never forgotten for the light she brought to this world.

Condolences for the McGee family can be shared at [www.garnerfh.com](http://www.garnerfh.com).

Contributions in Elaine's memory can be made to the Colton-Pierrepont Central School Community Scholarship Program or to the Colton-Pierrepont Central School Backpack Program at the following address: 4921 State Highway 56, Colton, NY 13625.

**Stephen "Flash" Alfred Gordon, 65**

formerly of Ogdensburg

ROCHELLE PARK, NJ -- Stephen "Flash" Alfred Gordon, 65, of Rochelle Park passed away on Saturday, March 9, 2024, at Valley Hospital in Ridgewood, NJ.

Stephen was born to Alfred V. and Elizabeth J. (Hynes) Gordon on October 1, 1958, in Ogdensburg, NY. He was raised in Rensselaer Falls, NY by his parents, Bob and Betty Poor.

Steve graduated from Canton Central School, class of 1977, where he enthusiastically participated in football, wrestling, and track & field. He attended SUNY Canton, where he was a member of the Zeta Alpha Phi fraternity.

On September 16, 1989, he married Anne LaPierre at St. Raphael's Church in Heuvelton, NY. They resided in Rochelle Park where they raised their three sons.

Steve was a tent buyer and head of the repair department at Campmor in Paramus for over 25 years.

During his younger years, Flash worked at The Brass Rail in Canton,

and at McAdam Cheese in Heuvelton. He had fond memories of working on his grandparents' farm during the summers of his teen years.



Stephen Gordon

Stephen loved the outdoors, and was happiest when camping, kayaking and gardening.

He was a lifelong NY Giants fanatic.

Steve also took great pleasure in cooking and baking for his family, caring for his fish tanks and woodworking.

Active in his community, Steve coached youth wrestling in Hackensack and coached and served as a board member for the Rochelle Park Recreational Soccer Program. He was a deacon at Upper Ridgewood Community Church.

Steve is survived by his wife,

Anne; and sons, Benjamin, Andrew and Randall Gordon. Also surviving are his parents, Robert and Betty Poor, siblings, Susan Huntley, Christopher (Faith) Gordon, Robert (Kathy) Gordon, and Kevin (Sue) Poor. He was a loving uncle to many nieces and nephews and was loved by many aunts and uncles. He will also be sadly missed by his in-laws, George and Allien LaPierre, Andrea (Angelo) Kanakis, Alicia LaPierre (Dominique Mossman) and their families.

He was predeceased by his father, Alfred V. Gordon, Jr. in 1964; and his grandparents Ralph & Hazel (Cleland) Hynes, Clifford & Ruth (Mouthorp) Poor, and Alfred V. Gordon, Sr. & Marjorie (Lajoie) Gordon.

Services in NJ are being held on Friday, March 22.

There will be a Celebration of Life for Stephen in late Spring/Summer in Rensselaer Falls, NY at a date still to be determined.

**Mary Jane Mayette, 75**

Waddington

WADDINGTON -- Mary Jane Mayette, age 75, passed away on Sunday March 17, 2024, at her family home surrounded by her loving family.

Friends and family are welcome to call the Phillips Memorial Home at 28 Clinton Street, Waddington for Mary Jane Mayette on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, from 10:00 am until funeral services at 1:00 pm with Mother Sonya Boyce. Burial to follow immediately after the services in Brookside Cemetery in Waddington, NY.

Mary Jane was born to the late Charles and Gertrude (Wells) Vallance on December 31, 1948, in Massena, NY. Mary Jane attend schools in Massena and Waddington.

She married her loving husband, Clifford "Junior" Mayette Sr., on September 7, 1968, in Madrid, NY.

Mary Jane enjoyed playing BINGO, cooking for her family and playing cards. She was the strength of the family and was loved by many. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mary Jane is survived by two sons and four daughters, Clifford Jr. Mayette of Waddington, NY, Duane Mayette of Waddington, NY, Laura

Parmeter of Lisbon, NY, Charity and Scott Haverstock of Massena, NY, Jenny and Cory Kroeger of



Mary Jane Mayette

Lisbon, NY, Lisa Alberto of Ogdensburg, NY. She is also survived by 23 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, sisters; Virginia and Brian Thrasher of Lisbon, NY, Carol Sabre of West Potsdam,

NY, a brother Percy Vallance of Waddington, NY along with several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Mary Jane was predeceased by her husband, Clifford Mayette in 2015, and her sisters; Ethel Caskinet and Kay Fetterly along with four brothers; Rex, Art, Bobby and Timothy Vallance.

Memorial contributions may be shared with Hospice and Palliative Care of St. Lawrence Valley: 6805 US-11, Potsdam, NY 13676.

Family and friends are encouraged to share condolences, photos, memorials trees and memories of the family by visiting, [www.PhillipsMemorial.com](http://www.PhillipsMemorial.com).

**Freda Pellegrino Basso, 89**

Massena

MASSENA -- Freda Pellegrino Basso, age 89, formerly of Massena, NY passed away peacefully at Iroquois Skilled Nursing Community in Jamesville, NY.

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

There will be no calling hours.

Funeral services will be private at the convenience of the family.

Calling hours will be held on Saturday, March 23, 2024, at St. Mary's Church at 105 Cornell Ave, in Massena, NY, from 10:00 am until the Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 am. Burial will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family in the spring.

Freda was born to the late Giovanni "Juan" and Clara (DeRushia) Pellegrino in Massena, NY on October 24, 1934.

Freda attended schools in Massena and graduated from Massena High School in 1952.



Freda Basso

Freda is survived by her brother Eric and wife Susie" Pelligrino of Canton, NY, Priscilla LaBrake of Massena, NY, and Karen Pelligrino of Lancaster, PA, along with several nieces and nephews. In addition to her

parents Freda is predeceased by her husband Robert H. Basso in 2008.

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

## RECENT DEATHS

**RANDY NEWCOMBE**, formerly of DeKalb, Feb. 6. Arrangements with Allen-Denesha Funeral Home.

**ELAINE MCGREGOR**, 78, Norfolk, March 10. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Norfolk.

**BARBARA FERGUSON**, 87, formerly of Potsdam, March 12. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home.

**STEVEN JACKSON JR.**, Gouverneur, March 13. Arrangements with French Funeral Home, Gouverneur.

**MARY HOUSE**, 101, Gouverneur, March 15. Arrangements with Green Funeral Home, Gouverneur.

**ANN PLOOF**, 89, formerly of Han nawa Falls, March 18. Arrangements with Hammill Funeral

Home, Winthrop.

**RICHARD CASSARA**, 82, Canton, March 19. Arrangements with O'Leary Funeral Service, Canton.

**LAURA RYAN**, 73, Colton, March 19. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Colton.

**ELAINE MCGEE**, 64, Colton, March 19. Arrangements with Garner Funeral Home, Potsdam.

**CAROLYN CORCORAN**, 65, Potsdam, March 20. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

**JOSEPH MCKENNA**, 85, Norwood, March 20. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Norwood.

**JOSEPH HOWE**, 57, formerly of Colton, March 21. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Colton.

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Potsdam Fire | Courtesy

## Storage business assists Potsdam Fire

A local business provided Potsdam Fire with space to store items while upgrades are being done at the station. Frontier Storage on Madrid Avenue provided a storage unit to the fire department to store items while a few repairs are done at the fire station. "We greatly appreciate their help and the support from all the businesses in our community," fire officials said.

## Rushton Place for sale; Gray & Gray not closing

BY PAUL MITCHELL  
North Country This Week

CANTON – Historic Rushton Place in Canton is for sale but the long-time anchor tenant is here to stay.

Gray & Gray and Associates CPAs, P.C., have been in business at 1 Main Street since the completion of the major renovation project in the Fall of 2010.

"Gray & Gray is not leaving, relocating or closing," stated John J. Gray Jr., founder and managing partner. "Gray & Gray is still alive and well."

Gray is the co-owner of Rushton Place with Heritage Homes owner Richard Maginn of Massena.

"It's time for both of us," Gray said.

The building has been on the market for a little more than one month.

Gray and Maginn purchased the former Gray Lane building in 2009. The renovation project took about a year to complete. The building features five condominiums upstairs and three commercial units downstairs.

The sale of the building does not include the second floor condos that have been purchased privately.

The property also has nine underground parking spaces, something Gray said is unique to St. Lawrence County.

One of the downstairs units once served as the office of Johnson Newspapers and more recently was rented by the New York Power Authority during their Smart Path transmission line project project completed last year.

According to the Rushton Place website, This building, formerly known as the Gray Lane building, was built in 1918 and originally housed a blacksmith shop. In 1928 the building was utilized as an automobile, drive-in garage and gas station. In 1954, the building was converted to a bowling alley which was in use until a few years before it was sold to Gray and Maginn.

Gray noted the building was restored to its original historical architectural appearance.

Joining Gray & Gray with long-term leases is Northern Area Health Education Center, Inc. (NAHEC).

Inquiries may be made to [jjgjrca@gmail.com](mailto:jjgjrca@gmail.com).

## No pre-Easter Peter Rabbit in Park event in Canton

BY PAUL MITCHELL  
North Country This Week

CANTON – Limited resources have prompted the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce not to hold the pre-Easter Peter Rabbit in the Park event this year.

Traditionally held on the Saturday before Easter Sunday in the Village Park or weather pending in the Canton Pavilion, the event featured an Easter egg hunt, face painting, games and photos with Peter Rabbit.

Assisting in the event were students from SUNY Canton and St. Lawrence University.

"Pursuant to deliberation among our team, we have decided not to host the Peter Rabbit in the Park event this year. We are putting our

focus as a Chamber of Commerce with limited resources on delivering, to the highest quality and impact possible, signature events that bring a clear benefit to our members and the business community," said Katie Berry, the County Chamber's Canton Coordinator & Communications Specialist.

"We do recognize Peter Rabbit in the Park has been an enjoyable event for the people of the Canton community and encourage other local organizations to plan, host, and deliver the continuation of this event in future years," she stated. "We would be pleased to then provide supportive promotion of this event – and similar events that contribute to the community – a role that more appropriately aligns with our role and overall mission as

a Chamber."

Berry said the County Chamber is pleased with the outcome of Canton Winterfest and is gearing up for Canton Canoe Weekend on May 3-5 and the Dairy Festival set May 31 to June 2.

"We are already in communications with the SLV Paddlers about Canton Canoe Weekend and look forward to promoting and supporting it as an event that is unique to Canton and its history in paddling and boat production, and that can bring in paddling enthusiasts from outside the county and region," said Berry. "We are also actively planning the Dairy Festival."

Anyone interested in volunteering or participating in the Dairy Festival may contact Katie Berry at [Katie@SLCChamber.org](mailto:Katie@SLCChamber.org).

## Potsdam Kinney's sells first Opill®

POTSDAM – Pharmaceutical manufacturer Perrigo has confirmed that the first U.S. sale of Opill® took place Monday, March 18, at 10:41 a.m. at the Potsdam Kinney Drugs, 48 Maple St.

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**NEW YORK RANKS** second in the nation in maple syrup production, only behind Vermont. In 2023, Vermont produced over two million gallons of maple syrup, with New York being the second leading producer, producing about 750 thousand gallons. Several local sugar houses will celebrate the annual New York State Maple Weekend March 16, 17, 23 and 24 with open houses, pancake breakfasts and tours.

How often do you buy maple syrup made in St. Lawrence County?

**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:** New York

ranks second in the nation in maple syrup production, only behind Vermont. In 2023, Vermont produced over two million gallons of maple syrup, with New York being the second leading producer, producing about 750 thousand gallons. Several local sugar houses will celebrate the annual New York State Maple Weekend March 16, 17, 23 and 24 with open houses, pancake breakfasts and tours. How often do you purchase maple syrup made in St. Lawrence County?

**TO TAKE THE CURRENT SURVEY,** visit [bit.ly/4cxV7HP](http://bit.ly/4cxV7HP).

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Views about Ivy Ridge

I just finished watching "The Program: Cons, Cults and Kidnapping", the recent Netflix documentary regarding the abuses of the now defunct Academy at Ivy Ridge in Ogdensburg NY.

The documentary did a very thoughtful, empathetic, and considerate job at describing the abuses that occurred at Academy at Ivy Ridge. I know this because I have researched the school, and have talked to several survivors of that school.

My motivations are personal. After high school, and a LDS mission that ended with severe mental and physical health issues, I lived with my parents, and attended LDS services in Ogdensburg NY.

At the time, LDS services in Ogdensburg were held on the grounds of Academy at Ivy Ridge. I attended church with Jason Finlinson, his brother Jake, and his brother in law, Joseph Mitchel, all of whom were mentioned or shown in documentary.

The Netflix documentary did not discuss it, but the Academy's program has strong overlap with LDS practices, such as their secretive temple rituals, and their reliance on untrained persons in positions of trust.

Sadly, during this time I accepted a job as a chef's assistant at the Academy. Watching the documentary, and seeing where I used to work, and attend services, was chilling. I recall the students being told to watch dishes.

I got that job, because the Finlinsons hired many members of our congregation at the Academy. People I used to go to church with, were placed in positions of responsibility over the teens there.

I am haunted by the things Jason Finlinson used to say. He once bet that a student couldn't eat an entire sheet cake. The student would have gotten a thousand points for winning, but would go back to zero for losing. The child, lost.

Those who have read the Rohl Dahl book Matilda, will recognize

this as something that the villain of the book did.

This quote from Matilda explains how they got away with it so long.

"Never do anything by halves if you want to get away with it. Be outrageous. Go the whole hog. Make sure everything you do is so completely crazy it's unbelievable"

Matilda, by Roald Dahl.

I have the greatest of empathy towards the victims of the Academy at Ivy Ridge, and stand in solidarity with them, and implore others to end the abuses of the "troubled teen" industry.

Willow Shirtz  
Canton

### Wants transparency in decision making

Beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance by the gathered group of ~30 citizens, moving on to public comment around the importance of finalizing the union contract for the Highway Dept/Public Works Dept employees, transiting the lively board debate surrounding the informative Town of Colton Climate Action Plan prepared by the DPW Superintendent Darren Richards, and culminating with an unresolved discussion surrounding a recurring issue with flagpole placement (perhaps the answer is using a smaller flag vs moving the pole for a second time,) the processes underpinning our representative republic were on full display at the Town of Colton Board meeting this Wednesday.

Local government is the bedrock of American society and the processes in place to ensure transparency in decision-making and the opportunity for local engagement stand out as a critical differentiator of our republic.

For example, attendees at this meeting learned of the ongoing struggle to staff the Black Fly and Mosquito Abatement program and were witness to the obvious passion and commitment of the leader of this department to provide a quality, and financially responsible, service to the town. Open to all, these sessions are highly informative and a learning opportunity regarding how local government makes and documents its decisions.

Left unresolved as the Board moved into executive session, unfortunately, was the multi-

month debate/negotiation of the union contract for the members of the Public Works and Highway departments. I hope that the Board is able to overcome any remaining obstacles in this area so that these critical members of the community are recognized for the tremendous value that they provide to the local citizenry.

In closing, I encourage all citizens to avail themselves of their rights to attend these sessions in their municipalities and to engage with elected officials and salaried leadership for the improvement of our communities.

Jay Martin  
Bangor

### Missing creative arts camp

When I first moved to the North Country in 2012, I was grateful to find a vibrant creative arts scene at SUNY Potsdam.

The various plays and musical performances were an unexpected treat. But most impactful for me and my family were the Creative Arts Summer Camps for area youth.

My son participated in these camps every year since he was old enough to attend. Being new to the area and without extended family nearby, these programs offered cultural enrichment and a sense of community. While the camps were closed during the height of COVID, they opened again in 2022 to record high participation rates.

These programs weren't just impactful to my family but so many others throughout the North Country.

Grants and scholarships helped make these camps even more accessible. Participating in these programs made Potsdam feel like home and helped us connect us with other families in surrounding areas.

I write about this in past tense because due to recent cuts at SUNY Potsdam the Creative Arts Summer Camps have been canceled for 2024 and possibly forever.

Educational and cultural institutions are the backbone of North Country communities.

These cuts by the university and the SUNY system not only hurt faculty, staff and students at Potsdam, they hurt all of us.

Sandhya Ganapathy  
Adjunct Assistant Professor

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Consuming too much natural resources**

I for one believe that my fellow Americans need to be doing some Real Serious Soul-Searching.... When it comes to their personal relationship with Planet EARTH. Current statistics on per capita consumption of Natural Resources tell of an EARTH-Unfriendly relationship between Nature and America's nearly 400 million H sapiens. Take energy consumption.... Propane is becoming an increasingly popular fuel.... But step back for a minute and consider where all that "natural gas" is coming from. Today's propane fuels are being produced via the "fracking" of gas and oil wells.... This is an outrageously harmful technology in terms of damage to Water.... Air.... And Wildlife Resources. How can it be that the majority of Americans would claim to be well informed on questions of the Environment? Yet their per capita consumption of energy resources dwarfs that of their 3rd World Global Neighbors. Google Search result--- Scientific American article.... September 14, 2012. Quoting from--- "Use It and Lose It: The Outsize Effect of U.S. Consumption on the Environment. "It is well known that Americans consume far more natural resources and live much less sustainable than people from any other large country of the world.... "A child born in the United States will create thirteen times as much ecological damage over the course of his or her lifetime than a child born in Brazil," reports the Sierra Club's Dave Tilford." How about some Real Serious Awareness-Raising here, America.... We all need to be asking ourselves--- "Is our "high" standard of living living up to our global environmental responsibilities to live our lives in a way that harmonizes with our fellow Living Things?"

Dave Hassig  
Colton

**Vote Collins for Congress**

Trumpy Dumpty sat on several walls, Trumpy Dumpty had many great falls. That all the autocrats, kings, fake electors and GOP stiff-necks couldn't put Trumpy Dumpty together ever again. So we must now work to "Get

Out The Vote" for Paula Collins to rid Elise Stefanik and her Bobsee Twin Alex in the 21st Congressional District.

Attorney Collins, with property in Petersburg, NY, and a rental dwelling in Canton, NY, praises our much improved Biden economy with record-setting jobs and low unemployment and now with slowly better prices for us at the pump and at the grocery store.

Paula Collins is four-square for our Democracy, our Constitution, and the Rule of Law. She is all for a two-state Palestinian and Israeli solution and for working to strengthen NASTO, to keep Ukraine to stay a Democracy, and out of the clutches of that despot Putin, friend of that scary Trumpy.

As Collins fights for women's freedom and free choice for women about their bodies, she envisions a re-elected President Joe Biden who will restore Roe vs Wade and keep Democracy for the people, not Trump's me-too style.

Paula Collins is for improving vital infrastructures across America, lowering prescription drug costs, and capping insulin, all thanks to Joe Biden's energy and his cross-the-aisle hard work.

Most of all we need to vote for Paula Collins, both for her coming primary victory June 25 and then November 5 against Stiffneck who fell for the Trumpy prime mover who tried and failed to take over our national Capitol Building for an unlawful electoral vote.

Collins's honesty, her caring for

the vital facts and belief in equity for all our people, of all persuasions and all ethnicities and for their needs, and those of the youth of our future, and the elderly of much experience, also with their needs in their twilight.

When you vote for Paul Collins you can thank her for running to rid us of the Trumpy/Stiffneck team, who would take us over the cliff.

Brad and Marilyn I. Mintener  
Canton

**Praise for Canton Town Board**

I want to commend the Canton Town Board for their due diligence in updating codes that regulate kennels and shelters. Any animal lover would agree that vulnerable animals, whether in shelters or kennels, should be protected from disease, filth and harm.

However, remarks at the recent meeting by those defending Mr. Beri and his No Dogs Left Behind operation seemed to completely miss the point. Mr. Beri's defenders implied that the issue was a few "NotInMyBackYard" neighbors filing unjustified noise complaints about barking dogs.

They criticized implementation of code guidelines (already supported in a petition signed by 117 concerned community members).

Possible abuse in the growing number of unregulated, poorly-managed kennel shelters is exactly why the NYS Agriculture and Markets Department has created a

new set of protective requirements - which will begin enforcement with penalties at the end of 2025. By updating the town zoning codes with regard to NYS rulings, the Canton Town Board is admirably preparing to not only better protect animals, but ensure that owners of such facilities demonstrate respect for the laws and the community.

Granted, Mr. Beri's supporters assume he's an expert dog handler doing a great service by rescuing dogs from dog-eating countries. And if they're sending him donations or paying \$3,000 to adopt a dog, they probably also believe his Facebook, YouTube and website promotional self-aggrandizing.

But savvy people have questions about this NDLB facility. Where is Beri's NYS Agriculture and Markets Department registration posted? Where's the proof that every dog at NDLB has acquired the necessary license with the Canton town clerk? What is the verifiable objective evidence of actual conditions and care at the facility? Where is the mandated CDC certified vaccination record for each dog? Isn't it just common sense that town codes require Beri to "regularly clean up and properly dispose of animal waste", "fence outdoor running areas in a manner that restricts access and provides full enclosure to prevent escape" or "present a plan to prevent or alleviate significant noise impacts from animals boarded on site"?

Mr. Beri exposed his truth in his 8/16/23 interview on NCPR when he said he likes the Canton Rt. 68

location "being zoned rural where I can do what I want". I daresay that the Canton Town Zoning Board takes issue with such a laissez-faire attitude and so should every citizen who cares about animal welfare and the community.

Martha Hodges  
Massena

**CDP recognizes Deborah Rust**

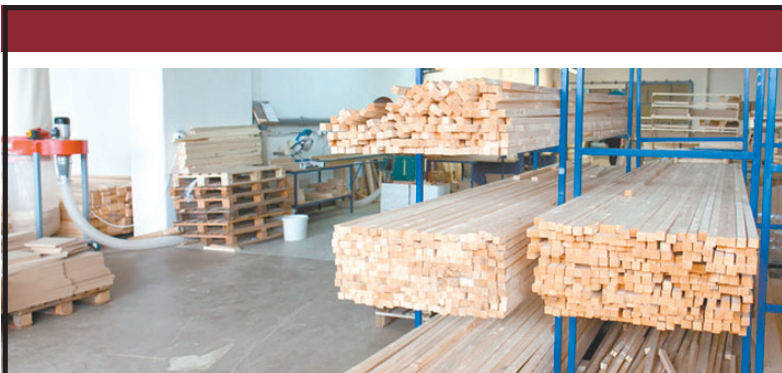
The St. Lawrence County Community Development Program would like to recognize Deborah Rust for her exceptional service over the years.

Deb has decided to retire, and her last day with CDP will be Wednesday, March 27, 2024. Deb has worked as an Assistant to the Weatherization Director for the Weatherization Department at CDP for more than 34 years.

During her tenure, she has played a significant role in the growth and success of the weatherization department, which assists low-income homeowners and renters in our state by reducing heating and cooling expenses through energy conservation measures, while also addressing health and safety concerns in their homes.

We wish Deb all the best in her retirement, and we will miss her greatly. Congratulations, Deb.

Katelyn Agen  
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**Suspend financial support to Israel**

They say war is hell, mostly for those directly involved, but war makes life more difficult for everyone. All that equipment and personnel are extremely expensive. Often overlooked however are the massive costs of so much destruction. Entire cities have been reduced to rubble, and reconstruction will cost many billions just to re-create a habitable place...no matter who ends up living there. Those massive costs will be a burden on all of us.

I would like to suggest to our leaders and representatives an idea for cost savings that will ultimately benefit all. I propose that the US suspend all financial support to Israel until fighting and destruction stops, and that those funds be instead funneled into aid for this wars victims. Israel has been an ally for a long time, but our unending support has created a monster. We should not support genocide. The fighting must stop, and turning off the arms faucet is the best leverage we have.

**Michael Greer**  
Potsdam

**Stefanik district headline disputed**

Redistricting would add downstate towns and voters to Rep. Stefanik's NY-21 district.

Since when is NY-21 Elise Stefanik's district. She doesn't own the district.

The headline should have read "Redistricting would add downstate towns and voters to the NY-21 congressional district."

**Joseph M. Liotta**  
Norwood

**Guild says thanks for soup luncheon**

The Canton-Potsdam Hospital Guild wishes to publicly acknowledge the people and institutions that helped make the recent Heart-Warming Soup Luncheon a success.

Thank you to SUNY Potsdam, Clarkson University, Best Western, and SUNY Canton for donating delicious soups and fresh salad. Thanks also to St. Lawrence University for contributing soup and salad containers, plastic ware, and bags. We are also grateful to the Canton-Potsdam Hospital Dining Service for providing rolls and brownies.

Special thanks to the United Methodist Church in Canton for allowing us to use its kitchen facil-

ities and assisting with set up and kitchen duties.

Many people volunteered to make sure the event ran smoothly. We are truly grateful for you sharing your time to help the CPH Guild make the event successful.

Finally, a big thank you to the community for supporting the luncheon. Your generosity is much appreciated.

**Laurie Cappello**  
CPH Guild President

**Bipartisan cooperation needed in Congress**

Comparing the 117th and the current 118th Congresses provides a stark insight into the importance of competent leadership and bipartisan cooperation. 2023's dysfunction in Congress has led to the lowest number of bills passed in decades.

Under Democratic leadership between 2021 and 2022, the 117th Congress passed a typical ~350 bills, including the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill, the Inflation Reduction Act, and the (bipartisan) CHIPS and Science Act, all of which benefit Northern New York.

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill will expand badly needed broadband internet service to our rural communities and improve water systems in both Massena and Watertown as well as rebuild bridges and roadways. The Inflation Reduction Act amended the longstanding "non-interference clause" which limited Medicare from "interfering" by negotiating drug prices and caused the United States to have some of the highest drug prices in the world. Medicare's ability to negotiate prices on some of the most expensive and widely used drugs will ultimately lead to lower drug costs to individuals and reduce federal health expenditures. This bill also provided the most significant measures to address climate change ever enacted in the U.S.

Senator Charles Schumer crafted the CHIPS and Science Act with the intention of promoting manufacturing in New York and keeping the U.S. competitive with China in semiconductor chip research and production. As a result, the Corning facility in Canton, NY will be at the forefront "with the production of the materials that are essential to making chips," according to Sen. Schumer.

Rep. Elise Stefanik voted against these bills. Senators Schumer and Gillibrand supported them. Under Republican leadership in 2023, the 118th Congress has fully enacted a mere 20 bills. Most of these

bills were uncontroversial such as measures to rename some Veteran Affairs clinics or to mint a coin honoring the 250th anniversary of the Marine Corps. Must-pass bills to raise the debt ceiling or keep the government funded were so contentious one led to the House Speaker position being vacated, resulting in three weeks of Republican infighting before a new speaker was finally elected.

There are too many critical issues at hand for this dysfunction to continue. Bipartisan cooperation needs to return to being the norm.

**Mike Zagrobelny,**  
St. Lawrence County Democratic  
Committee Chair  
**Ginger Storey-Welch,** St. Lawrence  
County Democratic  
Committee Vice-chair

**Impressed with nursing, rehab center**

I was pleasantly surprised when I recently visited North Country Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. The new owners have done a major remodeling of the facility. Under the guidance of Ezzy, the construction supervisor, the facility has been extensively modernized and is bright and welcoming. Staff seem engaged and are very friendly and helpful and genuinely seem to care for the residents.

Rean Enriquez, the newly appointed administrator, was performing tasks not generally expected of an administrator, and when I expressed surprise, he said that he enjoys these functions and helps where needed.

All in all, I was impressed by what I saw and congratulated the new owners for their accomplishment. I hope they can continue to provide a high quality of care in this attractive, clean and welcoming environment.

**Ed Gordon**  
Potsdam

**Christian nationalism is not Christianity**

If everything in our world were easily identified as good or bad, then most of us would choose good, at least most of the time. Unfortunately, things are not binary and are not always as they seem. People with a desire for power and influence may use words that sound true but they conceal an altogether different agenda.

In the Bible, Jesus spoke of these "false prophets," calling them wolves in sheep's clothing. He said that by their fruit you will know them. The

Bible also tells us that the fruit we should be looking for is "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control."

A movement called Christian Nationalism is rising in our country and its proponents are saying some things that sound good, using Christian rhetoric, but they have a hidden agenda. Christian Nationalism is not a faith, but is rather a political ideology masquerading as a faith, and in this disguise it is infiltrating our government and our churches.

The end goal of this movement is to replace our pluralistic democracy with a system of government that uses a narrow and often erroneous interpretation of Christianity to subjugate anyone whose cultures and beliefs deviate from the group's agenda. Perhaps more insidious is that in order to accomplish their goal they must replace the essence of Christianity itself, love, with fear. Their doctrine is one of "us vs. them," where only those who pass tests of loyalty to certain narrow ideas are deemed worthy, and everyone else is considered "less than."

Our values and our faith can and should inform our attitudes toward our society and our government. We have a government which is founded to be "of the people, by the people, and for the people," and we cannot divorce ourselves from our values and beliefs, but there is a reason why the founders emphasized keeping church and state independent of each other.

A doctrine or movement is not Christianity if Jesus's teachings and the example he gave us are nowhere to be found.

To be effective, a wolf in sheep's clothing needs to sneak up slowly and gradually. So, I'm asking that we all examine our own thoughts and ideas and think critically about what we hear from politicians, the media, and even from our faith leaders.

If the fruits of their words are fear, distrust, and exclusion, then we should be skeptical. Are their ideas inclusive of everyone, or is there a strong element of "us and them"? History has shown that once you deem some folks as "other" and even begin to de-humanize them, hatred, bigotry, and even violence are close behind.

If those attitudes are coming from a politician, think twice about voting for them. If there are prevalent sentiments in your church, I submit to you that Jesus has left the building.

**Paul Petroccione**  
Canton

**The energy transition the weight of it all**

With the energy transition comes much fear of the consequences. One area of concern is the supposed great mass of waste to be created from using all this so-called green stuff. Let's have a look.

To illustrate I use a common family car- the Kia Kona. The Kona has both gas and electric versions making a comparison of the relative amounts of stuff used in each straightforward.

Because of the batteries evs are generally heavier than their

gas-powered counterparts. This seems to be one source of the waste concern. If a car were only its parts then the point about waste might have merit. But a car is much more than its engine and wheels. It's also the energy used to power it.

The gas-powered Kona has a curb weight of 3,270 lbs while the EV weighs in at 3,890 lbs. The national average for car life is 12 years and annual miles driven are 12,500. The Kona's gas tank is 13.2 gallons while fuel efficiency is 35 MPG. The density of gasoline is 6 lbs per gallon. Charging an ev via solar takes about 700 lbs of equipment. From these the lifetime weight of stuff related to each car can be calculated.

Total lifetime gasoline weight works out to 27,700 lbs. Over that same period the EV requires no additional stuff. The electrons are already in the batteries. Charging just moves them around a bit.

Combining the base weight of the car, and the energy stuff to power it yields a lifetime weight for the EV of 4,590 lbs. The gasoline car breaks the scales at 31,000 lbs. That's 6.75 times the weight of stuff that goes into an EV.

The story does not end there. Burned gasoline doesn't just disappear. Its waste enters our air via the tailpipe. Where it isn't recycled but does cause health and environmental problems. EVs are recyclable. And even if not recycled the weight of waste from an ev is a fraction of the waste from the gasoline car.

So, if you're worried about excess weight you've been carrying around now you know how to shed a few lbs the easy way. No exercise required. Replace your gasoline powered car. With gas prices going up, and ev prices coming down, you'll be glad you did.

**Scott Shipley**  
Hermon

**ONNY acknowledges Music in Schools Month**

The Orchestra of Northern New York acknowledges with gratitude all the school music teachers in the North Country and Adirondacks who introduce students to the power of music to inspire, educate, and entertain. Whether vocal or instrumental, music has an incredible impact on participants. ONNY is grateful to these teachers for their dedication and expertise. ONNY agrees with Belgian author Paul Carvel who claims, "Music deserves to be the mandatory second language of all schools in the world."

Musician and neuroscientist Alan Harvey says, "Research shows that at-least some musical education has a positive impact on social and cognitive development of children. And these effects are long lasting - better hearing, better motor skills, improved memory, better verbal and literacy skills."

Finally, Gregory Anrig, President of Educational Testing Service (ETS) believes, "The things I learned from my experience in music in school are discipline, perseverance, dependability, composure, courage and pride in results... Not a bad preparation for the workforce."

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**Wednesday, March 27** - Holy Eucharist, 12:00 NOON

**Maundy Thursday, March 28** - Holy Eucharist, 7:00 P.M.

**Good Friday, March 29**

Stations of the Cross & Hymns, 12:00 NOON  
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**MASSENA NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**  
Notice of Formation of Cameron International Placement Agency LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/26/2023. 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 Timothy R. Cameron: 50 Roosevelt Street Massena, NY 13662. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**Keep INFORMED!**  
Read the **LEGAL NOTICES**  
NORTH COUNTRY THISWEEK

**NORWOOD LEGAL NOTICE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Board of Trustees of the Norwood Public Library that a special meeting of the qualified voters of the Special Legislative District will be held at the Norwood Public Library, 1 Morton St, Norwood, New York, on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 between the hours of 12:00 PM and 8:00 PM, to elect three (3) persons to the Board of Trustees to serve a term commencing June 1, 2024 and ending May 31, 2027, to succeed Kathryn Boswell, Alice David, and Hollis Scott. Any citizen of the Norwood Library District age 18 or older who would like to run for a trustee position on the library's Board of Trustees must submit a petition with 25 valid signatures in order to be placed on the ballot. An eligible candidate is one who is in the Norwood-Norfolk School District and who resides in the Towns of Potsdam or Stockholm. The petition forms can be picked up at the Norwood Public Library and must be returned to the library on or before the filing deadline of April 13, 2024 at 4:00 PM. Please contact the library at (315) 353-6692 for an absentee ballot if needed.

**OSWEGATCHIE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that on the 15th day of April, 2024, at the Town Hall, located at 51 State Street, Heuvelton, New York 13654, the Town Board of the Town of Oswegatchie will hold a public hearing, which shall commence at 6:00 pm to consider 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. A copy of the plan is available for viewing at the Town Hall, located at 51 State Street, Heuvelton, New York 13654.

**MASSENA NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET HEARING**  
**LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING**  
Pursuant to Section 5-508 of the Village Law, the 2024-2025 Tentative Budget for the Village of Massena has been prepared and filed with the Village Clerk at the Village Office, Town Hall Building, Massena, New York, where it may be inspected by any interested parties between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Said Tentative Budget includes maximum compensation for the Mayor of \$17,000 per annum and for the Trustees of \$6,000 each per annum. A summary of the Tentative Budget is as follows:  
  
GENERAL FUND \$12,084,493  
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WATER FUND 2,351,453  
SEWER FUND 2,125,662  
DEBT SERVICE 781,439  
CAPITAL PROJECTS -  
SPECIAL GRANTS FUND -  
TOTAL: \$18,781,455  
  
A public hearing on the Budget will be held at the Town Hall Building, Massena, New York, on April 9, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in person and virtually to consider same before final adoption.  
  
**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
  
Monique N. Chatland,  
Village Admin/Clerk  
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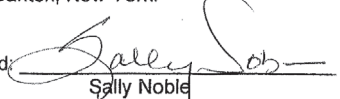
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Bids documents may be downloaded from [www.bidnetdirect.com/nw-york](http://www.bidnetdirect.com/nw-york) or may be obtained by contacting the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Purchasing Agent at [dbessette@slboces.org](mailto:dbessette@slboces.org) or (315)386-4504.  
  
Bids opened and read shall remain irrevocable for a period of sixty days. The award of contracts, if at all, shall be made as soon as practicable after the bid opening.

**HEUVELTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
The Village of Heuvelton Board of Trustees will hold a Public Hearing on the 2024-2025 budget on Wednesday April 10th at 6:00 pm, 51 State St. Heuvelton. A copy of the tentative budget will be available for inspection at the Village office during regular business hours. The annual compensation to be paid to the Mayor \$4440, to the Deputy Mayor \$2220, and to each of the three Trustees \$1500. The regular meeting of the Board will follow the public hearing. Village residents are encouraged to attend. Rebecca Donnelly Village Clerk

**NORTH COUNTRY THISWEEK**  
**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.

**BRASHER LEGAL NOTICE**  
**PUBLIC HEARING**  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town Board of the Town of Brasher, County of St. Lawrence, New York will hold a Public Hearing for residents of the Town of Brasher on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 4:00 PM at the Municipal Building in Brasher Falls, NY. The purpose of the hearing is to allow property owners the option to opt out of the mosquito spray this spring and fall. The monthly Town Board meeting will immediately follow the Public Hearing. All meetings are open to the public, everyone is welcome to attend. DATED: March 25, 2024  
Bethany St. Hilaire  
Brasher Town Clerk

**SECTION 00010 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**  
The Village of Massena, St. Lawrence County, New York will receive sealed bids for the **resealing the parking area at the Massena Town Beach**.  
  
Such proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall Building on **Tuesday April 9th, 2024 at 10:00 am**.  
  
The information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, and other contract documents may be examined at the following offices:  
• Village of Massena - Town Hall Building, 60 Main Street, Massena, NY 13662  
**DATE: March 20, 2024**  
**Michael P. McCabe**  
**Director of Recreation**  
  
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Separate sealed bids will be received by the Owner on April 24, 2024 at 4:00PM at the Village Offices, located at 60 Main Street, Canton, New York, for the work described below at which time and place all such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.  
  
Project generally consists of the construction of a 1700± SF wood framed water treatment building with associated mechanical, electrical, plumbing and site construction.  
  
The Contract Documents under which the work is to be performed may be examined at the following locations:  
  
Tisdal Associates, 113 Main Street, P.O. Box 400, Canton, NY 13617  
Syracuse Builders Exchange, 6563 Ridings Road, Syracuse, NY 13206  
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Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the Office of the Engineer, Tisdal Associates, at the address stated above upon deposit of \$100.00 per set. Refund bidder \$100.00 first set and \$50.00 all other sets. Refund non-bidder \$50.00 all sets. **If mailing of documents is required, a separate check payable to Tisdal Associates in the amount of \$15.00 per set (non-refundable) must be included to cover shipping and handling fees.** The Contract Documents may also be obtained on a compact disc (CD) with all drawings and documents in PDF format. The cost of the CD is \$25/per disc which includes shipping. This fee is non-refundable.  
  
**Contract Documents, including the plans and specifications, remain the property of the Engineer and must be returned in good condition within thirty (30) days after award of Contract or rejection of bids. Any document holder returning Contract Documents in good condition will be refunded their plan deposit amount as set forth above.**  
  
Each bid must be accompanied by bid security in the form, amount and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. No bidder may withdraw his bid within forty-five (45) days after the actual date of opening thereof.  
  
The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive informalities if, in its opinion, such action is in their best interest.  
  
"Bidders on this work will be required to comply with Sections 312, 313 and 316 of the New York State Education Law and Article 15-A and Section 52 of the ECL, which contains goal objectives with regard to subcontracting and the employment of women and minorities. The M/WBE and EEO requirements for bidders and contractors are explained in the Specifications." M/WBE participation is encouraged in this project by contractors, subcontractors and suppliers.  
  
The attention of the bidder is particularly called to the requirements of conditions of employment to be observed and the minimum wage rates to be paid.  
  
Bidders are hereby informed that a pre-bid conference will take place on April 10, 2024 at 10:00AM at the Village of Canton located at 60 Main Street in Canton, New York.  
  
Signed:   
Sally Noble  
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**All Election Sites will be Open 6 AM - 9 PM**  
  
**Democratic Primary**  
**Statewide** President of the USA  
**Vote for ONE (1)** Joseph R. Biden Jr. Marianne Williamson Dean Phillips  
  
**Democratic Delegates**  
**21st Congress Dist.** National Delegate  
**Vote up to FIVE (5)** Michael Monescalchi Jason Clark Sara Idleman Michael J. Zagrobelny Lynne Boecher  
  
**Republican Primary**  
**Statewide** President of the USA  
**Vote for ONE (1)** Vivek Ranaswamy Chris Christie Nikki R. Haley Donald J. Trump

**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.

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 4-120 of the New York State Election Law, that the polling places listed below will be used in the City of Ogdensburg for the Presidential Primary Election on Tuesday, April 2, 2024.  
  
There shall be **TWO Polling sites open April 2, 2024 from 6am-9pm**  
  
1. **Election Dist.'s 1,2,3 Dobisky Comm.** Center: 100 Riverside Ave Ogdensburg  
2. **Election Dist.'s 4,5,6 Ogdensburg Fire Station:** 700 Ford St. Ogdensburg  
  
All Polling places will be open 6am-9pm and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements.  
  
Given under our hands and seal of the St. Lawrence County Board of Elections, Canton, NY. March 15, 2024.

**Jennie H. Bacon**  
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**GAS...**  
 contract with a supplier who delivers fuel to the stations. Based on the distance from the storage facility and pipelines, more northern stations will end up paying more, he said.

The largest issue for North Country stations is the fact that fuel is typically trucked up I-81 from Syracuse, according to Gardner.

"The larger chains and franchise operations can negotiate better prices based on volume," he said. With those lower prices, those franchises can work out a contract to cover an entire region that benefits each franchisee. Some operations also have their own trucks to transport fuel, he said.

Another consideration when prices are set is what the cost is to replace the current shipment.

According to Gardner, fuel sales are unlike most other types of sales. "When we think about profit margins on anything, we tend to think of it as what did you pay for it and what did you sell it for," he said.

But with fuel sales, gas stations need to also consider what the cost is to replace the fuel being sold. That can lead to prices "rising like a rocket and falling like a feather," Gardner told legislators.

"If prices rise generally, they will rise at all stations quickly," he said.

One factor in how prices are affected is through the cost of distribution and marketing, Gardner said.

In his research, Gardner said the cost for St Lawrence County was higher than surrounding counties, in turn affecting fuel prices.

**Urban vs. rural**

Gardner suggested that another major factor in prices for fuel comes from the rural and urban divide.

With so many gas stations in close proximity in urban centers like Watertown, competition is inherent, he said.

"The vast majority of gas stations in Jefferson County are centered in Watertown, which makes it a very competitive area. About 50% of the population lives there," he said.

Gardner said when you can simply drive down the street to save 10 cents per gallon, most drivers will. But in rural settings many people are unwilling to take the risk of driving five or 10 miles to the next gas station to potentially save a few cents per gallon.

Another factor in higher prices throughout the county is the proximity to the refineries.

Gardner told legislators he was unaware of any refineries left in the state, with only operations in New Jersey and Pennsylvania conducting the work. That factor also drives up fuel.

Proximity to distribution centers, like the one in Syracuse, also hurts North Country gas stations.

Legislator Harry Smithers questioned whether a storage facility could be implemented in Ogdensburg or Massena for fuel to be transported along the St. Lawrence River, however Gardner said that was likely a non-starter.

**'If prices rise, generally they will rise at all stations quickly.'**

**Greg Gardner**  
 SUNY Potsdam Professor

"No one has the time or money to get through the regulations and to build a refinery," Gardner said.

Those economic factors mean that St. Lawrence County will have to continue to pay more for gas, he said.

"Living up here is an economic challenge, there's no way around it," he said.

**Economics, not politics**

Gardner said the many factors that cause the higher prices in the county are simple economics, not politics.

In general, while world politics will set the price for crude oil, those prices are not reflected in the final price at the pump like the basic economic factors the North Country faces, he said.

"If there is an easy, reliable way to share the prices of every gas station in the county, it would give consumers better info on where to shop," he said.

Gardner said the only real solution he has found so far would be to use technology to increase price competition, with a phone app that provides up to date prices being the best solution thus far.

If the app were to incorporate a map function, Gardner said it would make it easier for consumers to shop around for best pricing.

A local ordinance could also be passed to require local gas station owners to keep the database up to date with current prices, he suggested.

While cartels like OPEC control the world crude oil market, Gardner said local competition could be developed in the "relentless local market" by better informing consumers of price changes.

"Gas stations keeping prices high may bring other (fuel) shippers up here, there are a number of options for gas stations," he said.

That outside threat could also be another factor in lowering prices. But Gardner said that transparency in pricing is needed before any of that will change.

Some legislators also questioned whether investing in fossil fuel storage and facilities would be a wise long-term investment strategy given Governor Hochul's plans to phase out gas vehicles for electric ones. That plan includes electric bus fleets by 2035.

But Gardner said that even if the plan to electrify the state was successful on a large scale, gas stations would still persist, though there would be fewer of them.

"The price (of gas) is controlled by the production costs, it can only drop so far. Gas stations would be out of business but the remaining

ones would sell at the same price or an even higher price. That's if there was a big switch to electric," he said.

But with the state of fuel production being controlled by "swing producers" like OPEC, Gardner said there isn't much else that can be done unless someone locally steps in to better inform consumers about the current prices of fuel.

Legislators did not signal if they would take action in the future to address fuel prices despite many commenting on the study.

**CUTS..**

mismanagement of budget funds to bail out debt drowning campuses is at the heart of the problem and that the deficits facing SUNY Potsdam and other state schools could have been avoided.

SUNY and the state point to chronic low enrollment as contributing to the problem.

Read a report from State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli on the enrollment issues and other problems facing SUNY schools at <https://tinyurl.com/2s3utp5m>

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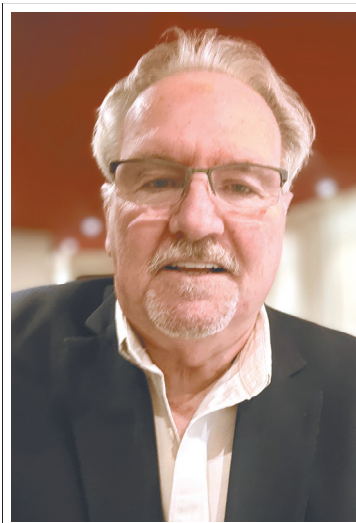
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**MASSENA  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL  
Removal of Trash and Rubbish on Properties  
(May 1, 2024- April 30, 2025)**

The Village of Massena is seeking professional service for the removal of trash and rubbish on properties found in violation of the General Code of the Village of Massena. Various properties will be identified throughout the season and a list generated by the local code office. Said list will be forwarded to the successful vendor for immediate action to address the issue(s).

The successful bidder shall have 1-year experience in the field and have proper insurance for this activity (see below)

**SCOPE OF WORK**  
Upon being notified by the Village Code Office, the trash / rubbish removal company will perform the following tasks:

- Visually inspect the subject property for the purposes of identifying the code violations (debris, trash, rubbish etc.)
- Schedule and address the violation(s) within 24-hours of being notified,
  - Debris/ trash/ rubbish to be collected and hauled away to appropriate transfer station
- Forward a bill within 7-days for the service provided for *each property*.
  - Bill shall:
    - Include the date of service
    - Include the address of service
    - be based on a flat rate per property plus tipping fee
    - each property tipping fee bill shall be included
    - indicate the number of hours spent at *each property*
    - not include any federal, state or local tax

Successful bidder shall provide proof of:

- Commercial General Liability Insurance \$1,000,000
- Workman's Compensation: Statutory
- Automobile Liability: \$500,000
- Provide Certificate of Insurance listing the Village of Massena as a Certificate Holder

All sealed proposals are due on the bid/qualification statement by **2:00 pm on Thursday, April 11, 2024** to:

Village of Massena  
Attn: Monique Chatland, Village Clerk  
Town Hall Bldg, 60 Main Street, Room 12  
Massena, NY 13662

Please indicate on the outside of the envelope "Trash Removal Service 2024-2025".

**Bid/qualification statement may be obtained at the Village of Massena Code Enforcement Office (Massena Fire Station, 34 Andrews St. Massena) or by calling 315/769-6803.**

Choice of provider will be based on three factors: cost, qualifications and experience.

The Village of Massena reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Minority and Women-Owned businesses and Section 3 Businesses are strongly encouraged to respond to this request for proposal.

By Order of the Village Board of Trustees

February 20, 2024  
Monique N. Chatland

Monique N. Chatland, Village Clerk

**MASSENA  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL  
MOWING OF PROPERTIES  
(2024 Season)**

The Village of Massena is seeking professional service for mowing properties found in violation of the General Code of the Village of Massena. Various properties will be identified throughout the season and a list generated by the local code office. Said list will be forwarded to the successful vendor for immediate action to address the issue(s).

The successful bidder shall have 1-year experience in the field and have proper insurance for this activity (see below)

**SCOPE OF WORK**  
Upon being notified by the Village Code Office, the mowing firm is to perform the following tasks:

- Visually inspect the subject property for the purposes of identifying the code violations (debris, height of grass, weeds, tree limbs, etc.)
- Schedule and address the violation(s) within 24-hours of being notified,
  - Debris to be collected and properly disposed of
  - Grass to be mowed, weeds, tree limbs, and hedges trimmed and hauled away, if necessary
- Forward a bill within 7-days for the service provided for *each property*.
  - Bill shall:
    - Include the date of service
    - Include the address of service
    - be based on a flat rate per property
    - indicate the number of hours spent at *each property*
    - not include any federal, state or local tax

Successful bidder shall provide proof of:

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- Automobile Liability: \$500,000
- Provide Certificate of Insurance listing the Village of Massena as a Certificate Holder

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Village of Massena  
Attn: Monique Chatland, Village Clerk  
Town Hall Bldg, 60 Main Street, Room 12  
Massena, NY 13662

Please indicate on the outside of the envelope "MOWING SERVICE 2024".

**Bid/qualification statement may be obtained at the Village of Massena Code Enforcement Office (Massena Fire Station, 34 Andrews St. Massena) or by calling 315/769-6803.**

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By Order of the Village Board of Trustees

February 20, 2024  
Monique N. Chatland

Monique N. Chatland, Village Clerk

**NORFOLK  
LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Norfolk, NY Town Board will hold a Public Hearing April 11, 2024 at 05:30 PM at the Norfolk Town Hall (5 W Main St) to review proposed code changes designed to encourage the creative reuse and conversion of existing (but no longer utilized) structures in residential areas to commercial or mixed use purposes through the establishment of Planned Development District, Adaptive Reuse. P-D, (AR)  
Dated – March 29, 2024  
Jill Molnar – Norfolk Town Clerk

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**OGDENSBURG  
LEGAL NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing was held on Monday, March 25, 2024 at 6:00 PM, in the City Council Chambers, 330 Ford Street, Ogdensburg, NY 13669, and the following Local Law was passed on March 25, 2024:

Local Law #2 of 2024

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING §181-1 OF THE  
OGDENSBURG MUNICIPAL CODE

Be it enacted by the City Council of the City of Ogdensburg as follows:

Section 181-1 of the Ogdensburg Municipal Code entitled "Collection of Yard Waste" be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

§181-1. Collection of Yard Waste.

The following policy shall be established by the City Council for the collection of yard waste:

A. A spring and fall cleanup for yard waste shall be completed by the Department of Public Works (DPW) on an annual basis. The Director of Public Works shall ensure that the dates for the cleanups are publicized in advance and done on an area-by-area basis.

(1) In the spring, yard waste may be placed on the home owners' property between the edge of the street and the sidewalk or along the edge of the street if no sidewalk exists as soon as weather permits, but no earlier than April 1st. It is prohibited to place yard waste in the street. Collection will start no later than May 1st of each year and will run through the week leading up to Memorial Day. The last day to place material out for pick up is the second to last Sunday in May (i.e. if Memorial Day is May 28, then the last day to put material out for pick up is May 20). There will be penalties for putting out yard waste early or late during this cleanup cycle.

(2) The fall cleanup will start during the last full week of October, but no later than November 1st. As with the spring cleanup, yard waste may be placed between the edge of the street and the sidewalk or along the edge of the street if no sidewalk exists on the home owners' property. It is prohibited to place yard waste in the street. DPW will continue the fall collection process until late November or until weather no longer permits. The first day to place material out is the second Sunday of October. The last day to place material out for pick up is the Sunday before Thanksgiving. There will be penalties for putting out yard waste early during this cleanup cycle.

(3) Storm related debris may be picked up by the City's DPW on an on-call basis. City residents can contact DPW during regular business hours to schedule a pickup.

(4) Drop off of yard waste is available to all City residents at the City's land clearing debris landfill located on outer Champlain Street between April 1<sup>st</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup> on scheduled drop-off days.

B. "Yard waste" shall be defined as:

- Leaves.
- Brush.
- Small branches, sticks and twigs cut to manageable sizes.
- Tree limbs and small trees less than six inches in diameter. They must be cut into sections less than six feet in length.

Note: Larger trees and limbs taken down by the home owner or a contractor may be dropped off for a fee at the City's land clearing debris landfill located on outer Champlain Street on scheduled drop-off days. The fee to be charged shall be established on an annual basis by the Ogdensburg City Council. The city will not pick up trees taken down by a contractor.

If the provisions of the foregoing sections are not complied with, the Director of Public Works shall serve written notice, upon the owner, lessee or occupant or any person having the care or control of any such lot or land to comply with the provisions of this chapter. If the person upon whom the notice is served fails, neglects or refuses to remove said yard waste within five business days from the date of mailing of such notice, the Director of Public Works shall cause such yard waste on such land or lands to be removed by City staff or private contractor. The Director of Public Works will determine, through his/her inspection and if necessary, records from the appropriate agencies, whether a property can be safely entered and the work safely performed, either by City staff or private contractor. The actual cost of such removal, plus a \$50 civil penalty for the first violation, \$200 for the second violation and \$400 for all subsequent violations (in the same calendar year) and a 10% inspection fee (based upon the sum of actual costs and civil penalty not to exceed \$50), shall be certified by the Director of Public Works to the City Comptroller and shall thereupon become and be a lien upon the property on which such yard waste were located and shall be added to and become and form part of the taxes next to be assessed and levied upon such lot or land and shall bear interest at the same rate as taxes and shall be collected and enforced by the same officer in the same manner as taxes.

Dated: March 26, 2024  
Cathy A. Jock  
City Clerk

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

Notice of Formation of Shelby's Ice Cream Stand LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/22/2024. 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: Shelby J. Harmer, 3876A SH 58, Gouverneur, NY 13642. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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

Notice of Formation of KVT Properties LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/13/2024. 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 Arthur Siebert: 424 Regan Rd, Winthrop, NY 13697. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**MASSENA  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC  
HEARING  
Village of Massena  
Town Hall Building  
Massena, New York  
13662**

**Notice of Public  
Hearing on Proposed  
Local Law  
Amendment to Taxation  
Local Law  
(Tax Levy Limit  
Override)**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Massena, New York, will conduct a public hearing on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024, at 5:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Building, Massena, New York, concerning a proposed Local Law which provides for amending the Code of the Village of Massena, Chapter 266 (Taxation) to authorize a real property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2024. At such time and place all persons interested in the subject matter thereof will be heard concerning the same.

Copies of the proposed local law in its entirety are available in the Office of the Village Clerk located in the Town Hall Building, 60 Main Street, Massena, New York, during regular business hours, for the purpose of inspection or procurement by interested parties.

**By Order of the Village Board of Trustees  
Dated: February 19, 2024**

**MONIQUE N. CHATLAND, Village Admin./Clerk**

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

Notice of Formation of NOCO STORAGE 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 Benjamin P. Burds: 4313 SH 56, S. Colton, NY 13687. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**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.

**HOPKINTON  
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID**

The Town of Hopkinton is seeking bids for renovation to the Town Hall located at 11 Church Street, Hopkinton, NY. The bids may be for a particular section or for more than one, or the entire work. Each bid should be broken down to include details on specific costs of each item, including the hourly rate for labor and number of hours. Materials will be provided by the Town of Hopkinton.

Specific items include a kitchen renovation (painting, replacing hardware, installation of two handled faucet and installation of either stainless steel or formica countertops); Meeting room (repaint walls and installation of four (4) ceiling fans); Renovation of bathrooms (remove current partitions, enlarge and replace existing doorways to 36", handicap railings, new handicap toilets).

All bids are due to Richard Powers, Town Clerk, 7 Church Street, Town of Hopkinton, Hopkinton, NY no later than noon on May 6, 2024, by sealed envelope. Bids shall include prevailing wage and compliance with Wicks Law, three (3) references and proof of insurance.

Detailed specifications may be picked in person at the Town Clerk's office, 7 Church at Hopkinton, NY, emailing [townclerk@townofhopkinton.org](mailto:townclerk@townofhopkinton.org) or calling (315) 328-4187, ext. #1.

**SAINT LAWRENCE COUNTY  
LEGAL NOTICE  
NOTICE OF BOND RESOLUTION**

The resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, was adopted on March 19, 2024. The validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Morristown Central School District is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Stacey L. Basford  
District Clerk

**SUMMARY OF BOND RESOLUTION**

A Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Morristown Central School District, St. Lawrence County, New York on March 19, 2024 authorizes the issuance of bonds and other obligations to fund a capital project consisting of the reconstruction and renovation of, and the construction of improvements, additions and upgrades to the District's main school building, transportation building, and the sites thereof, the purchase of original furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required in connection with the purposes for which such buildings, facilities and sites are used, all to include site, access, parking, athletic field and playfield improvements, demolition, utility, mechanical, plumbing and electrical improvements as well as payment of professional fees and all other necessary costs incidental to such work (the "Project") at a total maximum estimated cost of \$16,951,375 and to pay for the Project by (i) spending \$3,000,000 on deposit in the District's existing Capital Reserve Fund approved by the voters in May of 2021, (ii) expending \$500,000 of available funds, and (iii) the levy of a tax which was voted in the amount of \$13,451,375, subject to available State aid or to any other revenues available for such purpose, which tax shall be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education and in anticipation of the collection of such tax, bonds and notes of the District were authorized to be issued at one time, or from time to time, in the principal amount not to exceed \$13,451,375, and a tax was voted to pay the principal and interest on said obligations when due. Under the Local Finance Law, the period of probable usefulness of the Project is thirty (30) years. Such resolution shall be kept available for public inspection in the District Offices during regular business hours for twenty days following this publication.

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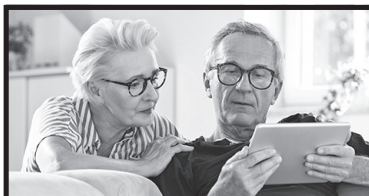


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Submitted by Emily Cambridge

## Easter bunny spotted at stables

The Easter Bunny visited Sunrise Stables, Town of Potsdam, this past weekend and took a pony ride on Magic Merlin.

## SUNY gears up for totality with free fun for all

Campus housing reservations nearly full for alumni & guests

POTSDAM — SUNY Potsdam is making final preparations for a celestial celebration, as the campus is in the direct path of the 2024 total solar eclipse.

The College will mark this truly once-in-a-lifetime experience with fun free activities for all on Monday, April 8.

In an effort to make this astronomical marvel a shared experience, SUNY Potsdam is organizing special educational activities for students, faculty, staff, alumni and the wider community.

Classes have been canceled for the day to allow the entire campus community to take part.

“We are excited to have a front-row seat to one of the most incredible sights the North Country has ever seen. SUNY Potsdam is thrilled to create a communal viewing experience for all to enjoy, and we are excited to share educational activities for our campus and community to mark this special occasion,” said Dr. Page Quinton, one of the event organizers, who is an associate professor in the Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences.

Campus events are set to kick

off at 2 p.m. on April 8, and will include interactive science activities and lots more to explore.

The eclipse viewing will take place at the Marshall Park Bandshell, with music and live narration beginning around 3 p.m., with an additional designated quiet viewing area in the Academic Quad.

Free eclipse viewing glasses and giveaways like custom frisbees and vinyl stickers will be available for all in attendance.

There will also be refreshments and more keepsakes available to mark the occasion.

Highlights of the day include space-themed coloring, eclipse music, an eclipse history outdoor exhibit, a time capsule and a large-scale model of the solar system.

SUNY Potsdam student clubs and organizations will also get in on the fun, including space Lego building with the Anthropology Club and an eclipse book sale with the History Association.

For more information, visit [www.potsdam.edu/eclipse](http://www.potsdam.edu/eclipse).

More information for visitors can be found on the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce website: [www.visitstlc.com/totality-2024](http://www.visitstlc.com/totality-2024).

## Over 700 turn out for pancakes

MASSENA — Over 700 hungry pancake lovers attended the 65th annual Massena Rotary Pancake Day held at Massena Central High School March 23.

Two dozen Massena Rotary Club members and their spouses, as well as 75 students and a volunteer from Liberty Utilities, helped in making the hundreds of pancakes and serving the huge crowd again this year.

“These pancakes are delicious. They can’t be beat,” said Bob Page and Betty Robillard, of Louisville, as they were eating their pancakes with fresh maple syrup and sausages in the packed cafeteria.

Over 50 vendors sold crafts in the hallways, double the number of vendors from last year, said organizer Darcy Sharpe, a 12-year Rotarian.

The Rotary Club supports Massena’s Neighborhood Center, St. Peters Outreach, Salvation Army, Massena Methodist Church Free Meals, Meals on Wheels, Massena Hospital Foundation, Massena Free Clinic, Massena High School Academic Banquet and five scholarships at Massena High Schools.

The club has also sponsored many youth activities including



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Preparing pancakes for the 65th Massena Rotary Club Pancake Day held March 23 in the Massena high school cafeteria are, from left, volunteer Trevor “Walter” Kemison, and Rotarians Rick Marshall, Scott Manley and Julia Rose.

the Arc of Jefferson St. Lawrence County Camp at Dodge Pond, Police Activities League of Masse-

na (PALS), Massena Recreation Skating, and Music Friends, said Sharpe.



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# WHAT'S GOING ON

## FRIDAY, MARCH 29

### Astronomy 101

**MASSENA** -- Nicandri Nature Center is hosting an Astronomy 101 for kids and families to learn about our solar system and make a pocket solar system guide to take home will be held March 3 at 10 a.m., March 6 at 3:30 p.m., March 24 at 2 p.m., March 29 at 3:30 p.m. and April 6 at 2 p.m.

### Fish fry

**CANTON** -- VFW Post 1231 Auxiliary, Gouverneur Street, will host the last in-house dining fish fry for the season on Friday, March 29 from 4-7 p.m. Price will be \$14 per dinner. Menu will consist of (breaded) deep fried fish or oven baked fish, macaroni & cheese or French fries, coleslaw, roll, and desert. Take outs will be available by calling Post at 315-386-8953.

### Good Friday Silent Vigil

**POTSDAM** -- The Potsdam United Methodist Church at 26 Main St. Potsdam will be open from 12 - 3pm on Friday March 29th for those who wish to observe Good Friday in Silent Prayer. The Potsdam UMC is handicapped accessible. The church has been a member of the Reconciling Community since 2019. All are welcome. 12:00 p.m. - 3 p.m., Friday, March 29, 2024. Marsha Clements, info@potsdamumc.org.

### Good Friday vigil

**MASSENA** -- Grace United Methodist Church, 41 State Highway 37C, will host a Good Friday prayer vigil from noon-3 p.m. and an Easter Sunday sunrise service at 6:45 a.m. in the church parking lot. Breakfast will following before the regular Easter service begins at 9 a.m. All welcome.

### Red Cross blood drive

**WINTHROP** -- A Red Cross blood drive will be held March 29 from 12-4:30 p.m. at Winthrop American Legion Post 514, 675 State Highway 11C. RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS.

## SAT., MARCH 30

### Bake, rummage, crafts

**ST. REGIS FALLS** -- St. Regis Falls Adult Center, 26 North River Road, will host a bake, rummage and local crafts sale on March 30 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. The kitchen will be open for coffee, soda, water, lunch and snacks. Info: 518-856-9861.

### Billiards tournament

**POTSDAM** -- The Brown Scholarship Billiards Tournament will be held Saturday, March 30 at 1 p.m. at Big Shots Golf, 22 Depot St. Tournament has two entry categories: Teams & Singles. Teams (2 players) costs \$50 and Singles costs \$25. We ask that all same day entries arrive no later than 12:30pm to sign up and be added to the brackets. You can also sign up in advance at Big Shotz Golf

or by texting Dallas Brown at 315-244-6048. Benefits the Brown Scholarship 2024 Award Fund. 2024 marks the family's 5th year of donating scholarships to Potsdam High School seniors.

### Easter Fair

**ST. REGIS FALLS** -- Craft fair, rummage sale, and bake sale at the St. Regis Falls Adult Center. Lunch available to purchase consisting of hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad and macaroni salad plus drinks. 9:00 a.m. - 1 p.m., Saturday, March 30, 2024. no entry fee. Carole Raymond, mrsray13@gmail.com, 5185216515. St. Regis Falls Adult Center 26 North River Road, Saint Regis Falls, New Y.

### Kids Choir

**COLTON** -- The Colton Community Church, 11 Church Street (the beginning of McKabe Rd.) just across from the Hilltop Manor Housing Development on Symonds Square Road, is organizing a one-time Easter Kids Choir on March 30. Parents can bring their children to the church for one rehearsal on Saturday morning, March 30, at 9 a.m. Parents can stay for the rehearsal or drop their children off. Caregivers will be on hand. Children will practice the song "1, 2, 3, Jesus is Alive!" ( found on the Internet). Rehearsal is about 40 minutes. The performance will be on Easter Sunday at the church. Show up for a runthrough at 9:45 a.m. Service is at 10 a.m. Info: Pastor Steve and Theresa Smith 518-353-4407.

### Plan-B

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### Raquette River Marathon

**POTSDAM** -- Raquette River Racing presents the 3rd The Raquette River Marathon Half 10k and 5k energized by Northern Power and Light, Seacomm, Hex and Hops, and Great Northern Printing. Volunteers from Phi Sigma, Sig EP, and DU from Clarkson and the AAK NJHS. 9:00 a.m. - 3 p.m., Saturday, March 30, 2024. Each event has a different fee. Matt Tessier, tessiermatt1970@gmail.com, 3152122464. Pine St Arena 43 Pine St, Potsdam, NY.

### Rocket launch

**POTSDAM** -- The North Country Children's Museum, 10 Raymond St.,

is hosting a series of Total Eclipse Programs in its newly renovated classroom. On March 30, the museum will offer a make and launch a rocket event. Visit the website [www.northcountrychildrensmuseum.org](http://www.northcountrychildrensmuseum.org) or Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/ncchildrensmuseum> for more information.

### Sissonville hydro tour

**SISSONVILLE** -- Tour Sissonville Hydro-power Plant on River Road, Potsdam, with Northern Power & Light and their partner, Boralex. Tour starts at 3:00 p.m. after the Raquette River Marathon. This is a rare opportunity to tour this local plant that provides hydroelectric power to homes and businesses in the greater communities of Canton and Potsdam. 3:00 p.m. - 4 p.m., Saturday, March 30, 2024. Free. Louise Jensen, louise.jensen@npandl.com, (518) 293-4075.

### Solar eclipse talk

**POTSDAM** -- Prepare for a once in a lifetime solar eclipse in Northern New York by attending a free presentation Saturday, March 30, from 1-3 p.m. at Potsdam Public Library. Speaker Elaine Fortin, a Solar System Ambassador funded by NASA and an Adirondack Sky Center Trustee, will discuss the upcoming solar eclipse April 8. She will explain what all the excitement is about and help you prepare for it. Don't miss this eclipse, it won't happen again here in the north country in our lifetimes. The next total solar eclipse seen from Potsdam will be on August 2, 2399.

### Solar talk in Massena

**MASSENA** -- A solar astronomy presentation will be held Saturday, March 30, at 10 a.m. at Nicandri Nature Center with Elaine Fortin, Solar System Ambassador (NASA/JPL) and board member of the Adirondack Sky Center and Observatory in Tupper Lake. Learn how and when eclipses occur and why the afternoon of April 8th will be filled with awe and wonder.

### Tree coffee table puzzle

**WADDINGTON** -- The Gallery of St. Lawrence Arts will offer the class "Tree Coffee Table Puzzle Class" Saturday, March 30, 1-4 p.m. Cost: \$75. Teacher Susan Skinner will provide the 14x14 pine coffee table puzzle with a design featuring four geometric trees. The paints and brushes are provided to paint and/or decoupage this puzzle. The project is suitable for both beginners and seasoned artists. Class to be held at the Gallery, 14 Main St. Reserve your spot at 315-388-3033 or email [lakesaintlawrencearts@gmail.com](mailto:lakesaintlawrencearts@gmail.com).

## SUN., MARCH 31

### 1,000 egg hunt

**POTSDAM** -- Delta Upsilon, a local

Clarkson fraternity, is holding a free children's Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday (March 31st) at 1 p.m. The event is being held on the "pit lawn" which is located at the corner of Clarkson Avenue and Maple Street. Free coffee will be provided to parents and adults. \$5 per child. 1,000 eggs to find.

### Easter service

**POTSDAM** -- The Potsdam United Methodist Church at 26 Main St. Potsdam will hold an Easter Service at 11am on Sunday, March 31st. Light refreshments will be served at 9:30 prior to the service as we gather to decorate the cross with flowers. The Potsdam UMC is handicapped accessible. The church has been a member of the Reconciling Community since 2019. All are welcome. Sunday Services are 11am, In-person or online Website: <https://potsdamumc.org/>. 11:00 a.m. - 12 p.m., Sunday, March 31, 2024. Free. Marsha Clements, info@potsdamumc.org.

### Easter services

**CANTON** -- Canton United Methodist Church at 41 Court St., will have two Easter services on Sunday, March 31. The first service will be an early rise Easter service at 7 a.m. This service will be held outdoors weather permitting. The second service (traditional service) will be held at 10 a.m. inside the sanctuary. All are welcome to attend.

### Easter services

**MASSENA** -- Grace United Methodist Church, 41 State Highway 37C, will host a Good Friday prayer vigil from noon-3 p.m. and an Easter Sunday sunrise service at 6:45 a.m. in the church parking lot. Breakfast will following before the regular Easter service begins at 9 a.m. All welcome.

## MONDAY, APRIL 1

### April break camp begins

**POTSDAM** -- The North Country Children's Museum is offering an April Break "Art of Special Effects" Camp from Monday, April 1 through Friday, April 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. In this camp, kids will explore the art of special effects through stage make-up, set design, optical illusions, camera tricks, green screens, and more. For children in grades 1-5. Bring a bag lunch and a snack. Camp will be held at the museum, in the new classroom. \$195 per child with a member discount 10% Register for camp here, only a few spots left: <https://www.cognitofrms.com/northcountrychildrensmuseum/1/aprilbreakcamp2024>. There are scholarship spots on a first come first serve basis. Family must be currently enrolled in NCCM discounted membership, email [programs@northcountrychildrensmuseum.org](mailto:programs@northcountrychildrensmuseum.org) for more information.

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- Partial Eclipse Begins – 2:11:58 p.m.
- Totality Begins – 3:24:08 p.m.
- Totality Ends – 3:27:19 p.m.
- Partial Eclipse Ends – 4:37:14 p.m.



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**Egg hunt, Easter fun**

**OGDENSBURG** -- Ogdensburg Public Library, 312 Washington St., will hold an egg hunt April 1 from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., followed by Easter activities, for ages 3 and older.

**K of C bingo**

**CANTON** -- The Canton Knights of Columbus, 30 Miner St., will host bingo on April 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Card sales start 5:30 p.m. Games start 7 p.m. Admission \$5. Food available.

**New board swearing in**

**NORWOOD** -- The Village of Norwood will hold a special meeting April 1 at 5 p.m. to swear in the new board.

**Potsdam board meeting**

**POTSDAM** -- The Village of Potsdam Board of Trustees will meet Monday, April 1 at 6 p.m. in the civic center board room off Park Street. The meeting is open to the public. A video of the meeting will be broadcast on Facebook live through the municipality's official Facebook page.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 2**

**Canton seniors to meet**

**CANTON** -- The Canton Senior Citizen monthly meeting will be Tuesday, April

2 at 35 Riverside Drive at 1 p.m. Megan Conklin, director of Community Programs of Community Health, Canton, will speak on the services they offer helping seniors in their home. All senior citizens welcome. Info: Call Myrtle Regan, Pres. 315-386-8917.

**Eclipse glasses holder**

**OGDENSBURG** -- Ogdensburg Public Library, 312 Washington St., will hold an eclipse glasses holder craft on April 2 at 4 p.m. Learn to make a shield to place around your eclipse glasses to protect your and your family's eyes. Ages: 2 and up (with parental assistance).

**WEDS., APRIL 3**

**Blood drive**

**MASSENA** - Massena Hospital is sponsoring a blood drive through the Adirondack Regional Blood Center on Wednesday, April 3, in the community education room, 1 Hospital Drive. Walk-ins accepted 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Donors must be healthy, at least 16 years of age, and weigh at least 110 lbs. Advanced registration not required; however, provide identification. Info: CVPH at 518-561-2000 and ask for the Donor Center. Upcoming blood drives: <https://stlawrencehealthsystem.org/about/events>.

**Eclipse shirt craft**

**OGDENSBURG** -- Ogdensburg Public Library, 312 Washington St., will hold an eclipse shirt craft on April 3 at 5 p.m. Use glow in the dark paint to make your

very own eclipse shirt. Only size small male available, feel free to bring your own dark colored t-shirt. All ages.

**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.

**Solid waste discussion**

**POTSDAM** -- The next Clarkson University Science Caf? will be The Power of Waste, Wednesday, April 3, 7:15 p.m. Municipal solid waste is full of energy that gets unleashed as powerful greenhouse gases, or captured and combusted as alternative renewable fuels. This has led to a growing interest in quantifying potential gas production, building gas to energy systems, studying fugitive emissions, developing incentives for gas capture and use, and diverting organics away from landfills. Join Dr. Lori Clark (Environmental Studies, SLU) for an exploration of the complexities of solid waste management in modern times, with an emphasis on landfill gas management. Lori has worked with the development of gas prediction models, landfill gas treatment systems, and local organics audits. The informal talks about science and research topics with a local researcher or expert will be held in the community Room at the Potsdam Civic

Center, 2 Park St. Info: <https://www.clarkson.edu/science-cafe>, [sciencecafe@clarkson.edu](mailto:sciencecafe@clarkson.edu).

**Tax return help in Oburg**

**OGDENSBURG** -- Get in-person help with income tax returns and file for free at Ogdensburg Public Library April 3, from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Tax Dept. employees will help you prepare and e-file your tax return in person in the library's auditorium with safe and secure online tax software. You must pre-register and schedule an appointment. For info, a list of necessary documents, or to schedule a session, contact us at 315-393-4325 or in person at the reference desk. Use on-site computers, or your own laptop, tablet, or mobile device. You only need basic computer skills and an active email account. If you earned \$79,000 or less in 2023, you qualify.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 4**

**Window rededication**

**NORWOOD** -- A celebration and rededication of the recently restored Good Shepherd Window at St. Philip's Episcopal Church, 42 S. Main St., will be Thursday, April 4 at 5:30 p.m. A prayer of rededication will be offered by the Rev. Kathryn M. Boswell, rector. Rebecca Muir MacKellar, guest organist, will perform. A short history of the window will be provided by Mary Ellen Casselman, historian. Refreshments in the Parish Hall following.

**Fire department bingo**

**MORRISTOWN** -- Morristown Fire Department Bingo starts back up with two regular bingos planned on April 4 and 18. Weekly bingo begins May 2 with Big Bingos held on the second Thursday of the month starting in May.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 5**

**Constellations craft**

**OGDENSBURG** -- Ogdensburg Public Library, 312 Washington St., will hold a constellations craft April 5 at 4 p.m. Learn about and make your own constellations. 5 and up.

**Food and basement sale**

**WEST STOCKHOLM** -- The West Stockholm United Methodist Church will hold a food & basement sale on Friday, April 5 from 9-2 and on Saturday, April 6 from 9-1 at the church located at 36 County Route 57. Great selection of items including Rada knives.

**Friday night KC Karaoke**

**HEUVELTON** -- Amvets Post 1997, 107 State St., will host Friday night KC Karaoke on April 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 6-9 p.m. No cover charge.

**Networking at museum**

**OGDENSBURG** - The Frederic Remington Art Museum, 303 Washington St., invites local professionals to Remington After Hours, a new monthly networking event on Friday, April 5 from 5-7 p.m. Admission to the event is \$5 per person, with complimentary entry for Museum members. Cash bar by Hosmer's Smuggler's Cafe. Tickets can be purchased online at [fredericremington.org](http://fredericremington.org) or at the Museum. All attendees receive discount at the gift shop.

**Total eclipse weekend**

**NORFOLK** -- Bregg Winery, 56 W. Main St., hosting Total Solar Eclipse Weekend April 5, 6 and 7. Nick Rycroft will perform April 5 from 6-8 p.m.; Goddard Girls April 6 from 6-8 p.m. On April 7 from noon-4 p.m. children's face painting, fruit slushes, Glazier hot dogs, cotton candy. Time capsule.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 6**

**Astronomy 101**

**MASSENA** -- Nicandri Nature Center will offer Astronomy 101 for kids and families to learn about our solar system and make a pocket solar system guide to take home will be held March 3 at 10 a.m., March 6 at 3:30 p.m., March 24 at 2 p.m., March 29 at 3:30 p.m. and April 6 at 2 p.m.

**Book sale**

**BRASHER FALLS** - Friends of the Badenhausen Public Library will hold a used book sale Saturday, April 6, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Badenhausen Library, 897 Main St. Also featured, a selection of crafts and collectibles books. Book prices: Adult Hardcover \$2, Adult Paperback \$1, Children's Hardcover \$1, and Children's Paperback and Board Books 2/\$1. Benefits the Badenhausen Public Library. Book sales will be held the first Saturday of each month as an on-going fundraiser.

**Celebration of life**

**DEKALB JUNCTION** -- Celebration of Life - Randy Newcombe: Please join family and friends to celebrate the life of Randy S. Newcombe, who lost his battle with cancer on 2/6/24. 3:00 p.m. - 7 p.m., Saturday, April 6, 2024. Rhonda Boyles, [boyles.rhonda01@gmail.com](mailto:boyles.rhonda01@gmail.com), 9043384222. DeKalb Junction Fire Hall 4323 US Highway 11, DeKalb Junction, NY.

**Craft, vendor fair**

**POTSDAM** -- The Rotary Club of Potsdam will host its first vendor/craft fair to benefit its literacy programs on Saturday, April 6, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Market Square Mall, 22 Depot St. The Village Diner will offer "grab 'n' go" specials. Book exchange for adults, with

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the Rotary Lil Free Library available for children. Bookmarks will be given away while supplies last. Info: Mary Sue Foster, foster.marysue@yahoo.com.

**Eclipse activity**

**POTSDAM** -- The North Country Children's Museum, 10 Raymond St., is hosting a series of Total Eclipse Programs in its newly renovated classroom. The museum will offer a pop a balloon using the sun's energy activity on April 6. Info: www.northcountrychildrensmuseum.org .

**Eclipse Blackout Party**

**OGDENSBURG** -- Event open to the public. Music provided by Hot Kogan. Cash bar with Eclipse drink specials. Tickets include free appetizers and Eclipse viewing glasses while they last. Stop at the club to buy tickets or buy at the door. 7:00 p.m. - 11 p.m., Saturday, April 6, 2024. \$10. Ogdensburg Elks Lodge 315-393-5430. Ogdensburg Elks Lodge 322 Caroline Street.

**Hammered dulcimer**

**CANTON** - A hammered dulcimer workshop with Dan Duggan will be held at the TAUNY Center, 53 Main St., on April 6, with a beginners class at 10 a.m. and past beginners at 11:30. Registration costs \$10. Participants will learn several tunes, songs and chords and will also learn more about the history of this instrument. Dulcimers provided as needed, participants will need to register in advance at <https://tauny-folkstore.myshopify.com/collections/programs> .

**Pancake breakfast**

**HOPKINTON** -- The Hopkinton Historical Group is hosting its annual pancake breakfast on Saturday, April 6, from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. at the Hopkinton Town Hall. Includes pancakes, sausage, coffee, tea, milk and orange juice. Admission: \$7 adults, \$5 children Age 5-12; younger than 5 or older than 90 eat for free. Donations of cash or canned goods for Hopkinton Food Pantry will be accepted.

**Pancake buffet**

**CANTON** -- On April 6-8 The White Silo at Saphead Complex is having pancake breakfast buffet from 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Plan-B**

**MALONE** -- This is our first appearance at Shooter's Lounge in Malone. We are a party band out of Northern NY consisting of 4-seasoned musicians playing a mix of 50s/60s Rock-n-Roll, a pinch of 70s Classic Rock & Country, a good dose of 80s Pop-Rock & 90s Alternative with a heaping amount of Canadian Rock. #planbrox. 9:00 p.m. - 12 p.m., Saturday, April 6, 2024. Jeff Yette, jeff.yette@gmail.com, 3152441907. Shooter's Lounge 578 E Main Street, Malone, NY.

**Runner's screening**

**POTSDAM** - Canton-Potsdam Hospital invites runners and joggers of all abilities to a performance screening Saturday, April 6, starting at 7 a.m., in the physical rehabilitation suite at the Helen Snell Cheel Medical Campus, 49 Lawrence Ave. All levels (from beginner to elite competitors) and all ages are encouraged to attend. Screening is designed to analyze a runner or jogger's form (proper musculoskeletal alignment) during movement. The \$20 running clinic fee includes a video of each participant while running, followed by an individualized analysis. Takes approximately 30 minutes. Appointments: 315-261-5460.

**Spring bazaar**

**CANTON** -- The Canton Senior Citizen Club will hold their spring bazaar at 37 Riverside Drive on Saturday, April 6, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Silent auction, elegant junk, crafts/knitted items, bake sale, drawings (50/50, Lottery Tree, one night stay for two at Hampton Inn, \$50 Stewarts gas card, \$50 meal card at Best Western, \$50 Price Chopper grocery card, fold up lawn chair w/bag by NC Savings Bank). Door prizes, homemade donuts, chili, soup, apple pie, hotdogs, hamburgers, coffee, soda. Info: Myrtle Regan, 315-386-8917.

**Vendor fair**

**POTSDAM** -- The Adirondack Fragrance & Flavor Farm (ADK Fragrance Farm) will host the Eclipse vendor fair from April 6-8 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., culminating with the total eclipse viewing on April 8. Attendance at a craft, food & wine vendor fair (\$5/person; Apr. 6-8). The ADK Fragrance Farm is a 160-acre farm-to-factory in the Adirondack region of New York state located at 1551 Highway 72. Info, tickets: [adkfragrancefarm.com/adirondack-eclipse-fragrance-festival](http://adkfragrancefarm.com/adirondack-eclipse-fragrance-festival).

**Cards and collectibles**

**WATERTOWN** -- The Watertown Card and Collectibles Show will be Saturday, April 6 at Faichney Drive Business Complex from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission: \$5 for adults, children 12 and under are free. Over 55 vendor tables in the large banquet hall, with everything from Sports Cards, Sealed Hobby and Retail Boxes, Signed Memorabilia, Pokemon Cards, Comics, Funko Pops, Coins and Precious Metals and more. Sports Card Nation will be set up once again accepting submissions for SGC. Warrior Wagon will be setup from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the parking lot serving up food specials. Parking for this event is located at the rear of the building, look for the signs and enter through door D. From there look for the green signs in addition to the music and flashing lights that will be at the entrance door to the showroom. This month we will be bringing back the dice game for admissions. Each paid admission will get to roll the dice to see if they can win a prize. Andrew Crossett, crossear@gmail.com, 315-323-4321.

**Over 3,500 visit Expo in O'burg**

**OGDENSBURG** -- About 3,500 people visited Ogdensburg Boys and Girls Club Expo last weekend, helping raise funds for the club's programs.

"We had a great weekend and a big thank you to our vendors, staff, Board of Directors and volunteers for their efforts and all who attended. We are so fortunate to live in a community that cares about the club as well as the youth we serve," said OBGD Director Tom Luckie.

Luckie projected "\$90,000 net, including the raffle tickets."

A sloth, dancers, music, food, games, vendors and exhibitors were among the attractions at the Golden Dome, after a four-year hiatus due to COVID.

One large attraction was a giant inflatable colon that informed attendees of colon health as they walked through it. The exhibit was presented by Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center, now known as North Star Health Alliance.

Lena the Lizard Lady entertained the crowd with her exotic animals, including a sloth she carried as she walked around the dome.

A variety of forty vendors and exhibitors set up tables and displays in the dome. Long lines of people waited for drinks at The Lemon Drop.

The Zonta table selling wooden roses and the Girl Scouts selling cookies were also popular.

Several dozen children performed from Julie's Dance Studio and Ogdensburg Dance Center.

The club has 150 or more kids bused to the club after school and



NCNow photo by Cheryl Shumway

Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center, now called North Star Health Alliance, displayed a giant colon inflatable at the Ogdensburg Boys and Girls Club's Expo March 23 and 24. From left, Peter S. Sinatra, Foundation Executive Director; Beth Stemples, Kelly Lowell, and Richard A. Duvall, President.

that the place has never been busier, and it now has eight employees to help out, said Luckie.

The club provides educational, recreational, and social skills with

its new Preston C. Carlisle Youth Athletic Center, homework assistance, arts and crafts, field trips, summer programs, among other offerings.

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## Remington hosting networking event

OGDENSBURG - The Frederic Remington Art Museum invites local professionals to Remington After Hours, a new monthly networking event on the first Friday of the month at the Remington Museum.

The first Remington After Hours will take place on Friday, April 5 from 5-7 p.m. Professionals from across the region are invited to gather for an evening of networking and exploration of the Remington Museum's galleries.

The Museum, which is located in the historic Parish Mansion in Ogdensburg, is home to the world's largest public collection of artwork by famed American artist, Frederic Remington.

The Museum also features the artwork of sculptor Sally James Farnham (born in Ogdensburg in 1869) and rotating exhibitions with work by regional artists. Event attendees will have the opportunity to tour the entire Museum with knowledgeable staff and volunteer docents. Admission to the event is \$5 per person, with complimentary entry for Museum members, offering access to a vibrant atmosphere and the chance to forge new connections. A cash bar will be provided by Hosmer's Smuggler's Cafe.

Tickets can be purchased online at fredericremington.org or at the Museum. All attendees receive a discount at the giftshop.

Trout season gets underway in St. Lawrence County April 1.

Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) spring trout stocking, which began in March and runs through early June, will include more than 1.9 million trout being stocked in waters statewide, enhancing the diversity of excellent fishing opportunities available to anglers in New York State.

April 1 marks the open-

ing of the harvest season after year-round fishing was greenlit on most streams in 2021, with the implementation of an Oct.16 to March 31 "artificial lures only, catch-and-release" season.

DEC trout stocking began in March and will include the placement of 1,909,450 catchable size brook, brown, and rainbow trout in streams and ponds across the state by early June.

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streams, listed in the Inland Trout Streams Regulations section of the freshwater fishing regulations guide, will receive fish every other week for two months to enhance season-long opportunities for angler success.

Most streams will also receive a seeding of larger stocked trout. Spring trout stocking lists, including the week of stocking for trout streams, can be found at <https://dec.ny.gov/>.

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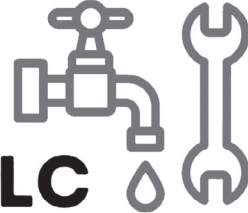
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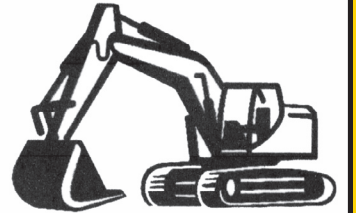
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# Parker pays tribute to Roger McGuinn with latest LP

BY PAUL MITCHELL  
North Country This Week

CANTON – Canton recording artist Christian Parker has paid tribute to the Roger McGuinn side of The Byrds' catalog with the release of a new LP on Friday, March 22.

With the release of the new LP *Change is Now: A Tribute to the Byrds*, Parker taps into the sounds that made him fall in love with music in the first place: the 12-string-strummed songs of The Byrds' Roger McGuinn.

On his last release, *Sweethearts*, an all-encompassing tribute to The Byrds' classic, *Sweetheart of the Rodeo*, Parker wanted to prove his skills as an astute music student.

On *Change Is Now*, Parker lets his band, including original Byrds session player Earl Poole Ball, stretch their legs and build the album around the individual styles everyone brings to the recording.

"Everybody knows their spot, and that was a theme that I picked up on, to let everybody have their moment. It's the best way to let the music breathe, to hear the beauty of these songs," said Parker. You can hear it on the breathtaking harmonies of

"Here Without You" and the expertly picked guitar lines that carry "Ballad of Easy Rider."

Parker said it's an homage to one of the great, overlooked bands of all time, but the miracle is how he honors the music while still asserting himself as a confident, thrilling songwriter.

"This ability to blend his voice with some of history's great songwriters like Roger McGuinn, Gene Clark, and Gram Parsons comes from his reverence and respect for the music," he noted.

Fans can now stream or purchase *Change Is Now* at <https://orcd.co/changeisnowalbum>. For a deeper dive into Parker's Byrds tribute, listen to *Sweethearts* at <https://orcd.co/cpepbsweethearts>. For more information, please visit [christianparker.com](http://christianparker.com).

*Change Is Now* Tracklist: *Change is Now*, *She Don't Care About Time*, *Here Without You*, *The World Turns All Around Her*, *I'll Feel A Whole Lot Better*, *Chimes of Freedom*, *Wild Mountain Thyme*, *Ballad of Easy Rider*, *Get To You*, *Time Between*, *Your Gentle Way of Loving Me*, *Full Circle*, *Bugler*, *Farther Along*, *The Last Thing On My Mind*.

Parker says he always wants to tell an unexpected story, illuminating the less trav-

eled and overlooked paths. A seasoned musician, Parker has been making music since childhood, heading to the maple woods and singing "Mrs. Robinson." He took his first guitar lesson the day after John Lennon was killed, an inauspicious beginning but one that served more as a metaphor for his perseverance than anything else. Christian learned to play "Rocky Racoon" that night.

A few years later, he was introduced to Bob Dylan's music, which gave him the songwriting bug in a way he's never been able to quit. Parker wrote his first tune as a 16-year-old, and that song, "Reflections of Tomorrow," became the title track to his first album, which he released when he was 17. Through the '90s, he played regionally, improving as a songwriter, singer, and guitarist. He co-wrote several songs with Peter Pendas, who played with country artist Gail Davies and was a staff writer for *Bug Music* in Nashville.

Before his latest tribute to the Byrds, *Change is Now*, Parker released six studio albums, each building on his eclectic style as a keen observer of our modern world. With *Change is Now*, he expands this scope even further, imbuing one of music's great catalogs with his one-of-a-kind voice.

# Jamboree for Grace LaParr planned with music, raffles at Saint Larry's

POTSDAM – There will be a jamboree with live music and raffles all day long to benefit Grace LaParr who is undergoing cancer treatment, on April 7 at 12 p.m. at Saint Larry's Bar & Grill, 6 Elm St.

Live musicians scheduled to perform include the Atkinson Family Bluegrass Band, singer/songwriter Stephanie Fansler, West African musician Ben Mambou, the Galaxy Hitchhikers (Mike Corse & Jessie LaRose), solo acoustic musician Nick Rycroft, and pop singer songwriter Andrew LaMora.

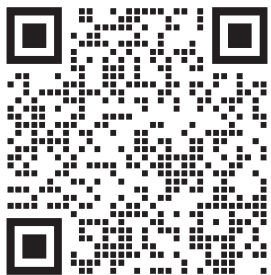
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## Eclipse program planned at museum

OGDENSBURG — To help the public better understand and prepare for the total solar eclipse on April 8, Dr. Timothy Abel, PhD, will be giving a presentation on April 7 at 1 p.m. at the Ogdensburg History Museum, 206 Ford St.

Dr. Abel, an adjunct professor of anthropology at SUNY Canton and senior archeologist at Timothy J. Abel, PhD, is also an amateur astronomer with a passion for celestial events. During the presentation, Abel will

provide a general overview of the eclipse, including its significance and how it occurs. He will also discuss what to expect during the eclipse and how best to view it.

As an amateur astronomer, Abel will share his tips and tricks for safely viewing the eclipse.

The presentation is free and open to the public, and all are encouraged to attend and learn more about this rare astronomical event.

For more information contact [jmmadlin@gmail.com](mailto:jmmadlin@gmail.com).

## Winery to host Total Solar Eclipse Weekend

NORFOLK — Bregg Winery, 56 W. Main St., will host a Total Solar Eclipse Weekend April 5, 6 and 7 with live music, food and other activities.

Nick Rycroft will perform North Country Americana on April 5 from 6-8 p.m.

The Goddard Girls will play Irish and Scottish music on April 6 from 6-8 p.m.

On April 7 from noon-4 p.m. there will be children's

face painting, pet care info table, non-alcoholic fruit slushes, grilled Glazier hot dogs and cotton candy available.

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Birch Veterinary Urgent Care Clinic's 2024 Solar Eclipse Time Capsule to be opened in April 2074.

## Clarkson hosting annual Relay for Life

POTSDAM — Clarkson University's American Cancer Society chapter is hosting its annual Relay for Life starting April 6 at 5 p.m. and lasting until April 7 at 9 a.m. in Clarkson's indoor recreation center.

The event is open to the whole community and will feature a "relay through the decades" theme.

Every 2 hours there will be a new decade of music playing.

Around the indoor track there will be booths with henna, food, and raffles.

Posters showcasing cancer facts, events, and statistics from each decade will also be visible.

Every 30 minutes or so there will be a fun game that teams can compete in.

Register to participate at <https://forms.gle/Cv2MbgU2i3UXN7uw8>.

Teams must contribute \$50 total to sign up and t-shirts will be \$10 per person (\$15 at the event).

All money goes to cancer research.

## Egg hunt, eclipse fun in Ogdensburg

OGDENSBURG — Solar eclipse activities and an egg hunt will highlight April events at Ogdensburg Public Library.

An egg hunt and Easter activities following the hunt will be offered Monday, April 1, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. for ages 3 and up.

Learn how to make an eclipse glasses shield to place around eclipse glasses to protect your eyes on Tuesday, April 2, at 4 p.m. for ages 2 and up, with parental assistance.

Paint your own glow in the dark eclipse shirt Wednesday, April 3, at 5 p.m. for all ages. Bring your own dark colored t-shirt.

Learn about and make your own constellations Friday, April 5, at 4 p.m. for ages 5 and up.

## Rededication for church windows planned in Norwood

NORWOOD — A celebration and rededication of the recently restored Good Shepherd Window located in St. Philip's Episcopal Church, 42 S. Main St., is planned for Thursday, April 4 at 5:30 p.m.

A prayer of rededication will be offered by the Rev. Kathryn M. Boswell, Rector of St. Philip's.

Music will be provided by Rebecca Muir MacKellar, guest organist, and a short history of the Good Shepherd Window will be provided by Mary Ellen Casselman, historian.

Refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall following the ceremony.

## Fragrance Farm planning eclipse festival April 5-8

POTSDAM — The Adirondack Fragrance & Flavor Farm (ADK Fragrance Farm) will host the Eclipse Fragrance Festival and vendor fair from April 5-8 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., culminating with the total eclipse viewing on April 8.

The cost for a "full experience ticket" is \$97, which includes access to a livestream of the eclipse from the farm's Eclipse Viewing Party at Pine Street Arena with exclusive behind the scenes content; bundle of limited edition ADK Eclipse Fragrance Festival Products; ADK Fragrance Farm edition solar eclipse viewing glasses; and additional sav-

ings with access to 30% off the cost of all other paid on-site events.

Those events include:

- Eclipse candle making class (\$40/person; Apr. 5-8);
- Two-hour Guided Hike (\$59/person; Apr. 5-8) on the farm property; and
- Attendance at a craft, food & wine vendor fair (\$5/person; Apr. 6-8).

The ADK Fragrance Farm is located at 1551 Highway 72.

Info, tickets: [adkfragrancefarm.com/adirondack-eclipse-fragrance-festival](http://adkfragrancefarm.com/adirondack-eclipse-fragrance-festival).

## Total eclipse painting class

POTSDAM — An eclipse painting class will be held April 7 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church, Potsdam, to benefit the church's Sandstone restoration project.

The 'Total Eclipse of the Arts' painting class will be led by art teacher Jade Reynolds.

Light refreshments and a pair of eclipse viewing glasses will be provided. Sign-up sheet is in the church office where you can reserve your space and leave payment of \$40 per person, cash or check. Prepayment is required.

Info: 315.265.5754, [trinitypotsdam@gmail.com](mailto:trinitypotsdam@gmail.com)

## Dog, puppy obedience class

POTSDAM — The St. Lawrence Valley Dog Club will offer puppy and adult beginner dog obedience, novice rally, advanced beginner/trick dog and canine good citizen (CGC) prep classes from April 9 to May 23.

Evening classes will be offered on Tuesdays or Thursdays in the Pots-

dam Elementary Gymnasium.

Specific class times will depend on which class is selected.

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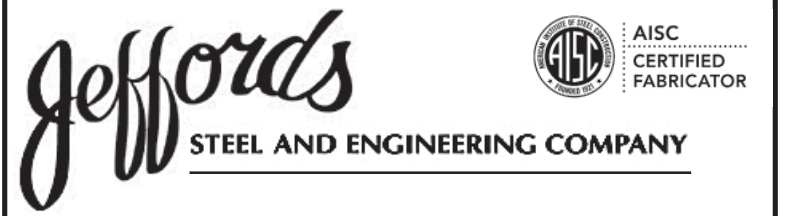
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College Association, Inc. at SUNY Canton has the following position open: Cook-Under the supervision of the Dining Management Team, the cook is responsible for preparing and/or directing the preparation of food to be served, complying with all applicable sanitation, health and personal hygiene standards and following established food production programs and procedures. This is a full-time seasonal position based on the academic year and includes a generous benefits package. Hours for this position are Sunday - 9am-8:30pm, Monday-Thursday 1pm-8:30pm. Starting pay is \$15.75 - \$16.00 per hour based on qualifications. Send resumes to Nichole Todd, Human Resources Representative, College Association, Inc. SUNY Canton, 34 Cornell Drive, Canton, NY 13617 or at [oshea109@canton.edu](mailto:oshea109@canton.edu). College Association, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All offers of employment are subject to the appli-

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## RN Nurse Manager

We're seeking a RN Nurse Manager for our Behavioral Health and Life Skills leadership team.

Responsibilities include overseeing the preparation of medication administration and treatments prescribed by physician, developing and delivering training and certification of MDSP for initial medication administration, tube feeding administration and insulin administration, as well as completing QA audits.

He or she must also maintain neat, accurate and orderly records reflecting program members' condition, medication administration, treatment, nursing observation, and care, as well as attends program member medical appointments as indicated.

They will assist in the orientation of new LPNs and DSPs Participates in the in-service training program. Provides an ongoing training and coaching for LPN, DSP/MDSPs, as well as teaching program members about good health habits and works toward increasing independence.

He or she will also complete reports, incident reports (quarterly log) Psychotropic Medications, MIPPS, MOLST, ER hospital log, PON's and Care Plans, and maintain tracking sheets (nursing, safety, med certs, and employee health records) in a timely manner.

Benefits include paid time off, health insurance, with vision and dental plans available, 401-K, life insurance, an employee assistance program, and more!

Starting salary for this position ranges from \$58,466 to \$64,306, based on experience.

**Apply on-line:**  
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## ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY IS RECRUITING A NEW Director of Human Resources

St. Lawrence County is recruiting the next Director of Human Resources to serve County Government. This Position is a valued member of Senior Staff who provides oversight and support to all departments within the County on staffing recommendations, department personnel management, professional development, training, and benefit administration. This department head acts as the Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity Officer and their work is performed under the direction of the County Administrator according to policies and practices adopted by the Board of Legislators. This Position also acts as the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer. Supervision is exercised over the work of all department employees. The incumbent does related work, as required.

COMPENSATION PACKAGE: \$105,719 - \$131,324 with medical, dental, and vision insurance options as well as generous accruals. Options to enroll in New York State Retirement, Deferred Compensation, and Roth contributions are also available. A detailed job description for Director of Human Resources is available online at St. Lawrence County Civil Service ([mycivilservice.com](http://mycivilservice.com)) or by contacting the Board of Legislators' Office at (315) 379-2276.

If you are interested in a new role working with all departments in County Government, please submit your detailed letter of interest and credentials via resume to

**Ruth Doyle, County Administrator**  
**48 Court Street, Canton, NY 13617**

Application Deadline: Close of business, Friday, April 5, 2024.. AA/EOE



## SEXUAL HEALTH EDUCATOR POSITIONS (PRIMARYLY IN JEFFERSON AND SOUTHERN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTIES)

The North Country Prenatal/Perinatal Council, Inc. is seeking qualified candidates for multiple Sexual Health Educator positions based primarily in Jefferson and Southern St. Lawrence counties.

These full-time positions are responsible for the implementation of a teen pregnancy prevention program in accordance with stated Department of Health goals and objectives.

Educators will provide school-based and some community-based comprehensive sexual education programming using evidence-based curricula; maintain open and consistent communication with school district staff; facilitate community relations including public/parenting education, outreach and marketing initiatives to raise community awareness of adolescent issues including sexual health and well-being; identify at risk populations and issues related to service delivery; and work with special populations including military dependents, LGBTQ youth, and high need populations. Programming topics include reproductive anatomy, HIV and STI transmission and prevention, pregnancy and contraception, healthy relationships, communication, puberty, abstinence, and other related subjects.

### REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor's degree in a related field (eg., community health, education, human services) and experience in health education, particularly sexual health education, or youth work
- Knowledge of sexual health, adolescent development and issues, community systems and services, and youth development/assets model concepts
- Skill set required to work positively with youth and young adults both as individuals and in groups; provide adolescent sexual health programs at Middle and High School levels
- Ability and strong desire to work with diverse socio-economic populations
- Strong written, personal, and electronic communication and public speaking skills
- Strong computer literacy skills
- Excellent interpersonal and organizational skills with exceptional attention to detail
- Ability to work independently
- Active and valid driver's license allowing you to drive in New York State
- Personal vehicle with an active auto insurance policy to conduct employment duties
- Ability to pass a background check that does not prohibit you from working in a school system or with children

For complete job description and application requirements, visit:  
<https://ncppc.org/career/family-support-specialist-st-lawrence/>



## Skilled Trades - Boiler Tender

St. Lawrence University has an opening for a full time **Skilled Trades-Boiler Tender**. Duties include: Operate high/medium/low pressure boilers. Maintain and operate all equipment in the heating plant as directed. Perform general repairs and replacements to damaged, deteriorated, or otherwise non-functioning conditions found in and about the University buildings and campus. Apply thorough knowledge of one or more of the accepted trades with a basic knowledge of three others. Applicable trades include carpenter, painter, electrician, plumber, fleet mechanic, boiler tender, HVAC Technician. Apply skill in the use of tools and equipment and be responsible for tools, materials, and devices to perform tasks according to accepted practices. Perform related duties as required to accomplish tasks.

**Primary shift:** This is a full-time, 12- month position eligible for full medical, and robust fringe benefits. The work schedule is a flexible, rotating schedule.

**Minimum Qualifications:** High School diploma (or equivalent) required. Experience sufficient to qualify as a journeyman trades person with a minimum of five (5) years actual on the job work experience. Required 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.*



**PROJECT MANAGER / ESTIMATOR  
CONSTRUCTION / CIVIL**

A full-service construction company offering General Contracting, Industrial and Commercial Services for a wide range of project types is seeking an experienced professional to join our team as Project Manager

**JOB DESCRIPTION/RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- All aspects of a project from inception to completion, from the estimate to project close out
- Analyze project drawings and specifications to prepare cost, time, materials and labor estimates
- Review and comment on all project documents, submit required pre-bid RFI's, prepare value engineering, as applicable
- Perform detailed quantity take-offs for use in determining estimates and project budgets
- Work closely with vendors, contractors and in-house staff to discuss and formulate accurate estimates. Interact with owner's representatives, GC's, architects, engineers, vendors, etc., for estimating & project management of the project
- Project management duties include start up, managing schedules & deadlines, field productivity & project cost tracking, product buyouts, project meetings, project commissioning, & project close out

**Job Requirements Include:**

- Minimum five years of commercial estimating & project management experience required
- Ability to manage & estimate multiple large projects simultaneously, also able to multi-task
- Excellent computer skills, including Adobe and MS Office programs
- Familiarity & expertise of all facets of new building construction for all size projects
- Must be reliable, self-motivated, goal oriented, creative, positive, organized, detailed, & professional. Must be team oriented & work well with others, as well as possess great communication skills
- College degree preferred, or equivalent field experience

**Salary Package Includes:**

- Competitive wages (\$90-130K)
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- Performance incentive bonuses
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- Company provided vehicle, cell phone, computer
- Paid training and certification training available

E-mail resume to [pex@perrascompanies.com](mailto:pex@perrascompanies.com)



**COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER (CHW)**

The North Country Prenatal/Perinatal Council, Inc. is seeking an amazing individual for a full-time position as **Community Health Worker (CHW)**.

The CHW will be responsible for identifying high-risk women of child-bearing age in targeted communities throughout St. Lawrence County. Additionally, the CHW will assist these individuals in gaining access to health insurance, primary and preventive health services, including prenatal care, WIC, and other essential and supportive services as needed. Home visiting services will include health and family assessment and reassessment, education on health-related issues of pregnancy, child development screenings, referrals to services, and other identified needs.

A successful CHW will manage a caseload by keeping an accurate case record of each participant; attend outreach activities, facilitate education and/or support groups and workshops, and perform other related duties as needed.

All CHWs will be required to fulfill training requirements for the position.

**REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS**

- High School Diploma/General Equivalency Diploma required. Some college or experience in the Human Services field a plus.
- Current, valid driver's license.
- Personal vehicle with an active auto insurance policy to conduct employment duties.
- Knowledge of the community, community resources, and community leaders.
- Basic computer skills.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills are required.
- Writing ability to provide adequate documentation and referrals.
- Seeking indigenous community residents or long-term employees of the targeted communities.
- Ability to work flexible hours, including some evenings and weekends.
- Bi-lingual candidates will be given preference.

Please go to our website for more information: [www.ncppc.org](http://www.ncppc.org)

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**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/> 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.

**BRUSHTON-MOIRA CENTRAL SCHOOL  
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**



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

- (2) School Counselor/School Psychologist**
- (2) 3.75-hour Bus Attendant/School Monitor**

Start Date: ASAP

**Accountant**

Start date: June 2024

Applications can be found at <https://www.bmcsd.org/home/employment-opportunities>

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

**Brushton-Moira Central School, Attn: District Office,  
758 County Route 7, Brushton, NY 12916**

cant successfully passing a background (including criminal records) check.

JobsRUs.com is a service-oriented staffing/recruiting company dedicated to working closely with our clients. We are currently hiring for Warehouse, Production and Food Service Workers with salaries ranging from \$15.00/hr to \$20.00/hr. We also have several other positions available at this time. For more information please apply at [www.jobsrus.com](http://www.jobsrus.com) or Contact our office at (315)265-8860.

The Computing and Technology Services Department at SUNY Potsdam invites applicants for the position of Lead Programmer-Analyst to join the Administrative Information Systems team. Expectations are to develop applications supporting our Student Information System (Ellucian Banner) environment and other administrative systems; assist the programming team in adopting new technologies; and provide software enhancements, technical support, best practices, and training for the business units. Familiarity with SQL, PL/SQL, C, Perl, Linux/Unix as well as web development is a plus. To review the complete job description and/or apply, visit [employment.potsdam.edu](http://employment.potsdam.edu), job posting No. U - 00561. Position is open until filled. EOE




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**The Norwood-Norfolk Central School District**  
is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2024-2025 school year:

**Health Teacher**  
**Nurse (Half-time RN)**  
**Mechanic (10 Month)**  
**Instructional Aide**  
**Cleaner/Sweeper (2nd Shift)**  
**Food Service Worker (2 ½ hrs./day)**

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

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

Deadline to apply is **April 12, 2024**. NNCS is an EEO Employer. NYS Education Department fingerprint clearance is required for all appointments.



**DIRECTOR DEVELOPMENT & COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley has an immediate opening for a dynamic, motivated **Director of Development and Community Relations**. Working closely with the Executive Director, the successful candidate will be responsible for planning, organizing, and directing Hospice's fundraising and community relations initiatives including the Annual Appeal, planned giving, special events and major gifts.

If you are an experienced development professional looking to make a difference in the lives of county residents, please send a detailed cover letter and resume to Ruth Fishbeck, CEO, PO Box 510, Potsdam, NY 13676 or [rfishbeck@hospiceslv.org](mailto:rfishbeck@hospiceslv.org). A full position description with required qualifications is posted online at [hospiceslv.org](http://hospiceslv.org).




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**AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE ADVISOR**

**BARSTOW MOTORS**, an automotive repair and maintenance facility with strong community ties, is now interviewing. We are looking for a quality individual to join our team. This Service Advisor's position requires someone who is customer oriented, a strong leader, someone who understands the importance of relationships with their customers as well as their coworkers. You must have solid computer skills, be very organized, good communication skills, and able to multi-task. Automotive experience preferred.

This is a full-time position, with vacation, and 401K, employee health insurance, and a new modern facility.

Applications and resumes can be brought to **154 Market St., Potsdam** or sent to email: [Barstowmotors154@gmail.com](mailto:Barstowmotors154@gmail.com)




**Bookstore Director**

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

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

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.

**Part-time Clerk to the Assessor**



The Town of Canton Assessor's Office is accepting applications for a **PART-TIME CLERK TO THE ASSESSOR**

The Assessor is responsible for determining the established value of all real properties in the Township for taxation purposes. Responsibilities include data entry, answering phone calls, making copies, preparing files and records according to office transactions and preparing reports.


Candidates must possess a high school diploma or equivalent with office or business experience. Must be organized and detail oriented with a professional demeanor; possess multi-tasking skills; computer skills and common office equipment knowledge; have excellent customer service and communication skills; and be a self-starter who works well independently.

Position will be June-September - 19 hours/week. Compensation is \$20/hour. Scheduling is flexible.

Submit letter of interest, resume, three written references to:  
**Heidi L. Smith, Town Clerk**  
**60 Main Street, Canton, NY 13617**

Application Deadline: April 15, at 1 p.m.

Application is available on Town Website [www.cantonny.gov](http://www.cantonny.gov)  
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**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.



**HEUVELTON Central School District**  
is accepting applications for the following position:

**TENURE TRACK**  
**(1) Secondary Math Teacher - Starting Sept. 2024**  
**Deadline: Monday, April 8, 2024**

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

Direct Inquiries to:  
Tessa Herron, District Clerk  
[therron@heuvelton.k12.ny.us](mailto:therron@heuvelton.k12.ny.us) or **315-344-2414 x28891**  
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**Part-time Court Security Constable**



The Town of Canton Justice Court is accepting applications for a **PART-TIME COURT SECURITY CONSTABLE**

Must be New York State Police Officer Certified and be Firearms Certified. Hours vary due to the court schedule. Compensation is \$24/hour.

Submit letter of interest, resume, three written references to:  
**Heidi L. Smith, Town Clerk**  
**60 Main Street, Canton, NY 13617**

Application Deadline: April 5, at 1 p.m.

Application is available on Town Website [www.cantonny.gov](http://www.cantonny.gov)  
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EDWARDS-KNOX CENTRAL SCHOOL has an immediate opening for a part time Food Service Helper. Applications are due by noon on Friday, March 29, 2024. Applications can be submitted online at <https://www.ekcsk12.org/domain/134>. Additional documents should be sent to the attention of Brandi Graham, District Clerk, 2512 CR 24, Hermon, NY 13652.

**Acute Care Nurse Practitioner:** As an Acute Care Provider you will provide direct patient care, including diagnosis, treatment plans and dispositions; and play a key role in driving improvements in acute care, quality initiatives, and patient satisfaction, while aligning with program goals and corporate values.

Status: Exempt, Full-Time, Permanent. Salary: \$91,499.20 - \$162,968.00. Deadline: April 3, 2024. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: [www.srmt-nsn.gov](http://www.srmt-nsn.gov).

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

**Family Practice Physician:** Under the direction of the Medical Director or designee, provides primary medical care to patients of all ages and genders throughout all stages of life. Status: Exempt, Full-Time, Permanent. Salary: Negotiable. Deadline: Open Until Filled. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: [www.srmt-nsn.gov](http://www.srmt-nsn.gov).

**Refuse and Recyclable Material Handler:** The position works for the SRMT Environment Division under the direct supervision of the Operation Supervisor. This position is responsible for the collection of refuse and recyclable materials from containers and customers into Solid Waste Vehicles and collection sites. Weekend and holiday work are required. Status: 32 hours a week, Non-Exempt. Salary: \$15.78 - \$24.22. Deadline: Open Until Filled. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: [www.srmt-nsn.gov](http://www.srmt-nsn.gov).

**Safe Home/Visitation Monitor:** Under the direction of the Lead Safe Home/Visitation & Exchange Monitor, the Safe Home/Visitation & Exchange Monitor is responsible for providing support and advocacy services to residents of the program's confidential safe home shelter who are victims of domestic violence as well as clients participating in supervised visitation and exchanges. Status: Non-Exempt, Full-Time. Salary: \$15.02 - \$21.71. Deadline: April 3, 2024. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: [www.srmt-nsn.gov](http://www.srmt-nsn.gov).

**Family Advocate:** Under the direction of the Lead Family Advocate, the Family Advocate is responsible for helping families that have experienced trauma, from incidences of domestic and family violence, sexual assault, medical, or any other significant events/crises that may be affecting their lives at the time. Status: Non-Exempt, Full-Time, Permanent. Sal-

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Hourly rates are based on experience, as well as the number of hours awarded and whether you are working part-time, full-time, or per-diem.

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## General Laborer

**St. Lawrence University** has several openings 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.

Interested applicants must apply online at: <https://employment.stlawu.edu>. SLU is an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity employer.

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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 the 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.
- Working knowledge of CAD.
- Hazardous Waste Management and Hazardous Materials Transportation Certifications.
- Fire Sprinkler Systems Certification

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.

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ary: \$15.02 - \$21.71 Deadline: April 3, 2024. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: [www.srmt-nsn.gov](http://www.srmt-nsn.gov).

The Physical Plant at SUNY Potsdam is accepting on-line applications to fill several temporary Facility Operations Assistant 1 vacancies. FA01s perform a variety of routine unskilled and semiskilled manual tasks related to the operation and maintenance of State-owned buildings and facilities, the surrounding grounds, and the vehicles and equipment used in maintaining these sites. There is no education or experience qualifications for this class. Applicants must be physically able to perform the tasks of the position and be able to understand and carry out written or oral instructions. When required to operate motor vehicles, incumbents must possess a valid New York State driver's license appropriate for the type of vehicle being operated. The pay rate is \$16.36 per hour, workdays and hours will vary. To review the complete job description and/or apply visit [employment.potsdam.edu](http://employment.potsdam.edu), job posting C-00406. EOE

The Town of Lisbon has the following vacancies: Lifeguards, Office Assistant for Lisbon Campground, Maintenance Worker at the Campground, Assessment Review Board Member, Town Historian. Duties include but not limited to: 1-Research and writing about their findings; 2-Teaching and/or doing presentations for the public; 3-Historic Preservation; 4-Assisting the Town and individuals with research. Summer help for Lisbon Highway Department: 1-Class D Driver's license in good standing is required. Please send a letter of interest and resume to Town of Lisbon, 6963 Co Rt 10 Lisbon, NY 13658. Resumes will be **accepted until items are filled**.

Full time LPN or RN needed in a busy orthopedic office. Please call for an interview at 315-769-9908, ext 8625 with resume or mail resume to 271 Andrews Street, Massena, NY.

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Frederic Remington Art Museum in Ogdensburg is hiring a part-time Maintenance Team Member. Applicants should have a proven record in cleaning, maintenance, and/or facilities management. Part-time \$17 per hour to start with flexible schedule. For full job description, visit [fredericremington.org](http://fredericremington.org). To Apply: Send resume, 3 references, and cover letter to [director@fredericremington.org](mailto:director@fredericremington.org).

SUNY ESF Food Service Workers at Wanakena and Cranberry Lake. May 1 to August 18, 30-40 hours/week, variable hours including mornings, evenings and weekends. Pays \$15.49 per hour, lodging may be available. Apply online at <https://esf.interviewexchange.com/jobofferdetails.jsp?JOBID=94347>. For more information contact Sherry Perrault at 315-848-2566 ext. 2116 or [slperrau@esf.edu](mailto:slperrau@esf.edu). EOE

The Town of Oswegatchie is accepting applications for a full-time Motor Equipment Operator (MEO). The successful applicant must have a valid and clean Class B license. Excellent benefit package; HSA health insurance, NYS retirement, holidays, vacation, personal & sick time, paid shutdown week, overtime, etc. Applications may be obtained by calling the Highway Superintendent at 315-393-2039.

The Public Health and Human Performance Department at SUNY Potsdam invites applications for a full-time (10-month), Visiting Assistant Professor to support its online Master of Science in Public Health and a residential Bachelor of Science Public Health degrees. Duties include teaching undergraduate and graduate students, supporting retention and recruitment activities, academic advising, participation in department meetings, contributing to the assessment and accreditation activities of the School and College, professional service and scholarly work appropriate to rank, and serving on thesis/graduate project committees. Requirements include an MPH, DrPH or a PhD in Public Health or a closely related field; experience working in the public health prevention field; and a demonstrated ability to conduct community-based public health programming and/or research appropriate to the rank of Visiting Assistant Professor. Please review the complete job description and note special instructions to applicants. To apply, visit [employment.potsdam.edu](http://employment.potsdam.edu), job posting No. U-00546. Position is open until filled. EOE

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## ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

### Assistant Director of Visual & Creative Strategy

Reporting to the Assistant Vice President for University Communications, the Assistant Director works in close collaboration with other members of the communications team to implement multimedia content strategies with a priority on increasing the visibility of the University in the marketplace and the goal of achieving maximum exposure, awareness, and understanding of the University's key marketing messages, campaign priorities, presidential initiatives, and brand.

#### 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 \$58,459.

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.

## ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

### Principal Clerk Bookkeeper

St. Lawrence University has an opening for a full time **Principal Clerk Bookkeeper**. Duties include: Provide and maintain complete accounts payable bookkeeping records for the Bookstore. Closing the store on a scheduled basis and opening and/or closing as needed. Prepare and maintain journals and ledgers on a daily basis, to be utilized for monthly reports. Review

vendor statements to determine account status and reconcile discrepancies. Prepare reports for management purposes as designated. To provide routine retail clerical duties expected of all staff. To provide primary supervision on regularly scheduled weekend days, and at other times as specified.

**Minimum Qualifications:** A high school diploma and 2+ years of recent accounting experience or equivalent formal training. At least 1 year in a customer service focused position. Ability to work weekends and evenings as needed.

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#### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Salmon River Central School District is currently accepting applications for the following positions for the 2023-24 School Year:

- Art Teacher
- Driver Education Teacher
- Elementary Teacher
- Home & Careers/Middle Level CTE Teacher
- Occupational Therapist
- Reading Teacher
- Technology Teacher
- Special Education Teachers

Application Deadline: Until Filled

Full job descriptions and applications can be found at [www.srk12.org/employment/](http://www.srk12.org/employment/)

Submit a completed application to:

**Angela Robert**  
Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction  
Salmon River Central School  
637 County Route 1  
Fort Covington, NY 12937

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## ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

### Testing Coordinator

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**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.**

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**SALARY:** \$37,500 - \$39,000/YEAR

#### RESPONSIBILITIES

- Conduct outreach and screenings to identify eligible caregivers
- Establish trusting relationships through in-home visits
- Provide long-term support using a family-centered, strength-based approach
- Engage in evidence-based activities to enhance parent-child interaction
- Collaborate with community agencies and participate in outreach events

#### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- Associate degree or higher in human services or a related field
- Strong communication skills
- Proficiency in using technology (computer, smartphone, Microsoft Office 365, Adobe PDF)
- Valid driver's license, reliable personal car, and active auto insurance policy
- Ability to meet acceptable background standards (e.g., criminal, child abuse/neglect, education, employment, driver's license).

For complete job description and application requirements, visit: <https://ncppc.org/career/family-support-specialist-st-lawrence/>

Physical Plant's Central Duplicating Office at SUNY Potsdam is accepting on-line applications for one FT Print Equipment Operator 3; a fully skilled operator of all types and makes of offset print equipment to provide technical supervision of shop staff in offset print operations and maintenance; may act as head of a small offset print shop including the preparation, operation and maintenance of one or more offset print machines and routinely operate the larger and more complicated offset machines and auxiliary equipment.. Required qualifications: Non-Competitive: four years of offset printing equipment operating experience; or one year of service as a Print Equipment Operator 2. Preferred qualifications include a degree in Graphic Design (including experience with Adobe In-Design, Acrobat, and Illustrator). To review the complete job description and/or apply, visit [employment.potsdam.edu](http://employment.potsdam.edu), job posting No. C-00402. EOE

Part-time organist (estimated 6-8 hours/week) needed for Canton United Methodist Church to provide music for weekly services and direct our small choir. Please submit letter of interest and resume via email (subject line-organist position) to [cantonumcny@gmail.com](mailto:cantonumcny@gmail.com) or via US mail to Hiring Committee, Canton UMC, 41 Court St., Canton, NY 13617 EOE

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

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.

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

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

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

**For more information:**

Sunmount DDSOO NYS Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)

Office of Human Resources:

518-359-4150

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**Student Conduct Officer**

**Department:** Student Affairs

**Salary Range:** \$45,000 - \$53,000

**Description of Duties:**

SUNY Canton is seeking a Student Conduct Officer beginning immediately.

**Responsibilities:**

Responsible for assisting in administration of the judicial process on campus including meeting with students to address violations of the Student Code of Conduct. Adjudicating at and advising during the judicial hearing board processes.

This position may have some evening and weekend hours as well as required regular emergency contact duties.

**Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's degree required; Master's degree and/or three to five years of professional student affairs/conduct experience preferred.
- Successful applicants will have a strong work ethic, positive attitude, excellent communication skills and the desire to take on challenging work in a fun, engaging and ever-changing environment.

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.

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Please submit cover letter and resume to Christine Grant, Assistant Manager, at [christine@twinriversfcu.net](mailto:christine@twinriversfcu.net) no later than April 30, 2024. Applications may also be obtained at 23 Phillips Street, Massena NY.

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