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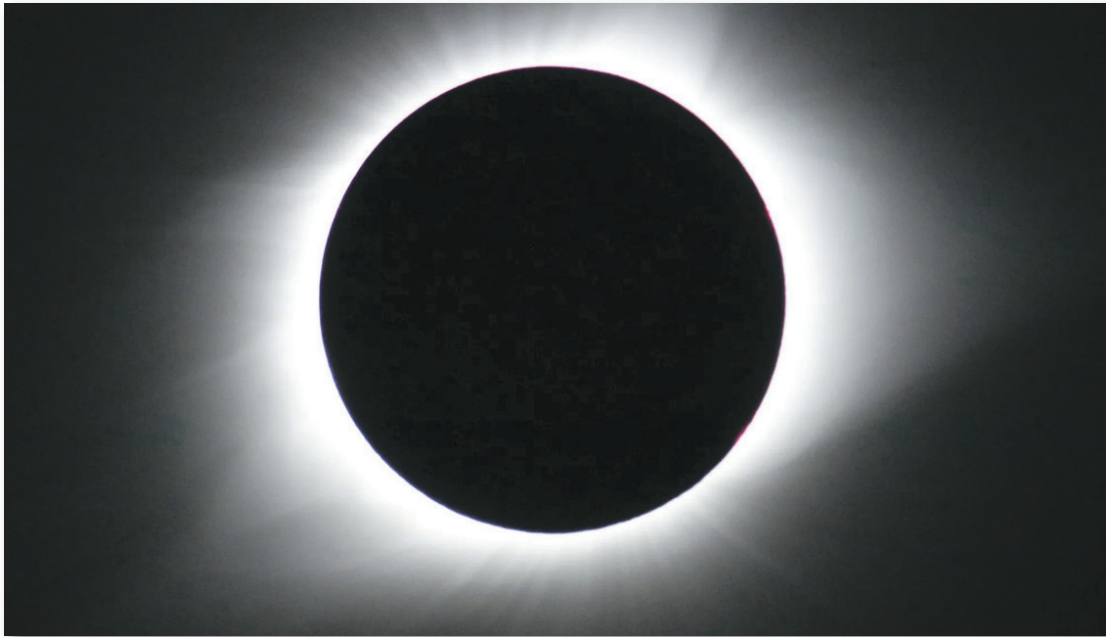
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St. Lawrence County residents can expect to see a view similar to this total solar eclipse taken Aug. 21, 2017, from Madras, Oregon. Courtesy of NASA/Gopalswamy

## What to expect when it goes dark

BY ADAM ATKINSON  
North Country This Week

The Great Northern American Eclipse will take place Monday, April 8 when the earth, the moon and sun turn in orbital synchrony to produce a complete totality for several moments over a narrow swath of St. Lawrence County.

According to estimates, the partial eclipse will begin over the region about 2:11 p.m., the totality begins about 3:23 p.m. and ends 3:26 p.m. The partial eclipse ends about 4:36 p.m. Times vary depending on where the path travels.

Thousands of people are expected to visit the region for a front row seat to this celestial show.

The totality over the region is literally a once in a lifetime event with the next total eclipse not scheduled to pass overhead of St. Lawrence County until 2205, and the next time the region will fall directly under the path of totality, similar to the 2024 eclipse, will not occur again until 2399. The last total solar eclipse in New York was in 1925.

A total solar eclipse occurs when the moon passes directly between the sun and the earth. Those in the path of totality, like St. Lawrence County residents will be on April 8, will see the sun form a bright halo ring with an obsidian center where the moon covers it.

During the partial phases of the eclipse before and after the

total event, the landscape will be covered by sharp shades and eerie dim lighting. During totality the sky will take on a deep twilight, with bright stars and planets appearing.

The light from the eclipse, however, can be quite damaging to human eyes. Those viewing the event are advised to wear special eclipse glasses, available for free in many spots, and for sale at the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce.

At this current time in galactic history, a rare set of coincidences make viewable eclipses possible from the earth's surface. The moon is about 400 times smaller than the sun and the sun is about

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## Call for state to help SUNY Potsdam fails in village

BY ADAM ATKINSON  
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — A resolution urging the state to pay off SUNY Potsdam's \$9 million deficit and supporting an Assembly bill which would change how SUNY Trustees are chosen, died on the floor at a recent village board meeting.

The board held the vote at their meeting Monday, April 1, but the "Resolution for SUNY campuses in need" fell short of the required votes needed to pass.

With one trustee absent, the resolution vote was two in favor and one against. Village Mayor Alexandra Jacobs Wilke abstained due to her employment with the college. The resolution required a 3-vote majority which was not available Monday night.

The resolution, which was recently passed by the town board unanimously, calls on the state legislature to "allocate \$139 million directly to campuses to close campus budget deficits at SUNY Potsdam and other cash-starved SUNY campuses and \$110 million to enhance student programs and services."

It also urges the legislature to support passage of bill A.6430 (Wallace), which would reduce the number of Trustees the governor appoints and allow the Temporary President of the Senate and the

Speaker of the Assembly to each appoint four Trustees to ensure disbursement of allocations to the SUNY system as advocated and intended by the State Legislature for their home districts.

Mayor abstains but supports During her opening comments at the top of the meeting Potsdam Village Mayor Alexandra Jacobs Wilke, who works at SUNY Potsdam as the director of public relations for the school, said she would be abstaining from the resolution of support for SUNY Potsdam later on, she still voiced support for the the schools and pointed out the impact the colleges have on the region.

The financial struggles that are happening at SUNY Potsdam and Clarkson hit very close to home for Wilke, she said.

"I completely support the need to advocate for our campuses and to let people at the federal and state level know just how important they are," Wilke said.

"So while the campuses work through their own difficulties and the demographic changes happening in the Northeast, certainly my heart goes out to those impacted."

Voting against During the vote, Village Trustees Warr and Sharon Williams both voted for the resolution.

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## Canton seeks candidates for council

BY PAUL MITCHELL  
North Country This Week

CANTON — The Canton Town Board is looking for someone to serve on the board.

As a result of former board member Bob Santamoor's resignation on March 13, the Canton Town Board is interested in appointing a town resident to fill the open seat.

The new appointee will serve until Dec. 31 and the open seat will be on the ballot in November. Santamoor's town board term has three years remaining or until Dec. 31, 2027.

Town of Canton residents may send a letter of interest to the board, by mail or email, to Town Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley (mashley@cantonny.gov) 60 Main Street, Canton, NY. 13617 no later than April 5 at 1 p.m.

Residents are encouraged to also contact board members with questions regarding the position. They are James Smith (jsmith@cantonny.gov); John Taillon (jtaillon@cantonny.gov); Randy Brown (rbrown@cantonny.gov).

The anticipated merger of the Canton and Potsdam Housing Authorities, along with the U.S. Housing and Urban Development

regulations, forced Santamoor to relinquish his town council seat.

has resulted in the resignation of a member of the Canton Town Board.

Robert Santamoor submitted his letter of resignation, dated March 13, to Town Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley, Canton Town Clerk Heidi Smith and fellow town councilmen.

Santamoor, a Republican, was elected to a second four-year term on the town board in November 2023.

He is the executive director of

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# Rep. Gray visits Potsdam to address budget concerns, highway funding

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

POTSDAM -- State officials continue to spar over multiple elements of the state budget, including funding for county highway paving and repair.

Assemblyman Scott Gray addressed a contingent of highway workers, town supervisors and highway superintendents that included County Highway Superintendent Don Chambers, Potsdam Town Supervisor Marty Miller, Stockholm Town Supervisor Chad Colbert, Norfolk Town Supervisor Charlie Pernice and many others.

## CHIPS funding restoration top priority

In his address to local leaders, Gray touched on a number of concerns in negotiations, including the appropriations for the CHIPS program.

According to Gray, North Country representatives are fighting to restore funding to last year's total of \$598 million, up from the \$538 million that was proposed in the governor's budget.

Gray complemented his counterparts across the aisle and Governor Hochul for their willingness to possibly restore those funds.

But Gray said that figure is still a net loss for the North Country after a 27% increase to the cost from labor, materials and other expenses related to such work.

In response to the rising cost for highway paving and repairs, Gray said he and his counterparts were seeking \$798 million in the \$233 billion budget proposal to offset the higher expenses related to highway repairs.

"Our one budget bill simply will restore us back to \$598 million but that is still losing ground," Gray said.

Gray said efforts have been made to restore the \$60 million that would be cut from the CHIPS program, along with a push to secure an extra \$110 million. He noted that those funds would not go very far but it would be much higher than originally proposed.

In comparison, Gray said the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) has been earmarked to receive \$496 million



Jeff Chudzinski | NCTW

Assemblyman Scott Gray and St. Lawrence County Highway Superintendent Don Chambers address town supervisors and highway supervisors during a press conference in Potsdam. Gray and Chambers spoke of the hurdles in restoring CHIPS funding used to repair county highways.

total under the proposed budget, which includes \$45 million for a free fair fee system, an additional \$45 million for "additional services"

and \$410 million to cover operational costs and other needs. "The MTA covers roughly half of the state's population, we under-

stand that. But we are simply asking for a more fair distribution of funding throughout the state so we can improve transportation methods up here. We all know that upstate and downstate are very different with very different needs but that doesn't mean the needs of upstate are any less significant," he said.

Gray said after state officials reviewed the executive budget of \$233 billion it was determined that an additional \$13 billion in funding was likely still on the table.

"There's no shortage of spending money. You look at what they did for the MTA and you look at what they're doing for the North Country, it's not even close to that. We're going to continue to push there," Gray said.

Gray said those involved with highway repairs and paving should take advantage of advocacy days to show the importance of additional funding.

"We're going to restore your money and try to give you more money. We're going to continue to work the numbers and start with the policy to get more funding," Gray said.

Though Gray was critical of the MTA funding, he clarified "they have their different issues themselves" but said he is simply "advocating for some equity in spreading the resources around the state."

"Our counties deserve their fair share of the budget," Gray said.

## Still time to act but roadblocks remain

Gray said there is still time to address those concerns and to advocate for more funding upstate with the nine bills still remaining to be passed for the year's budget.

The first, for debt services, was previously passed "to pay the bills," Gray said.

"So we voted on that and we did the emergency extender, which is an appropriation bill that keeps the government open in the meantime," he said.

Those nine other budget bills will likely be taken up next Thursday, Gray said.

"We will be back in Albany Monday. If the budget were ready, we would begin printing the bills and start review Tuesday but that won't start until Thursday. Each bill will take five to six hours to review before we can vote. So, we will be there long into the night," he said.

Gray said other holdups in budget negotiations include education funding restoration like foundation aid and Medicaid spending but above all retail theft.

"We have been told that any punitive measures for retail theft are a non-starter. We can't include any sort of punishment for those sorts of crimes. The Socialists want nothing to do with penalizing those crimes at all," he said.

Gray commented that those representatives "don't want to pay for health care, don't want to pay for education and don't want to punish criminals."

"There's a lot of my colleagues on the other side of the aisle, I work very closely with many reasonable people and they are being drowned out by the socialists. That's what we're up against, they're trying to drive that agenda," he said.

Gray was complimentary of Governor Kathy Hochul and her attempts to curb bail reform, a common topic that many Republicans and some Democrats have said has led to crime spikes in recent years.

"I have to give credit to the Governor, she's pushing back because it's some things that only they want," he said.

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# Potential developers sought for Midtown Plaza in Canton

BY PAUL MITCHELL  
North Country This Week

CANTON – The Village of Canton is now looking for potential players in the development of the former Midtown Plaza at 19 Miner Street.

At a special meeting on March 27, the village board approved the acceptance of Request for Proposals (RFPs) for the property.

“We are looking for developers although we have a developer who has shown interest,” stated Mayor Michael Dalton. “It just makes sense to seek RFPs.”

The deadline to submit RFPs is noon on April 30.

The Village of Canton has been working with SUNY Canton and the Canton College Foundation for a number of years to re-envision this space. In May of 2023, the Village took ownership of the six parcels that make up the plaza for \$1,280,000. The purpose of the project is to transform this blighted, dilapidated plaza at the center of Canton’s downtown into a mixed-use development offering new live/work housing options, premium commercial space, and at its core an Entrepreneurship Center to be operated by SUNY Canton under the conditions of a long-term lease, which will ignite innovation, spur the creation of new businesses, and be the catalyst for enduring economic and community growth, according to a village document.

To date, substantial grant funding has been secured. The Village has been awarded \$2,000,000 from the Restore NY program that will be used toward demolition of the existing structures and abatement of anticipated hazardous materials. Abatement and demolition may begin before this contract is awarded.

SUNY Canton and its Foundation have been awarded funds to support the development of a 15,000 square foot Entrepreneurship Center which will be the anchor tenant. The funding includes \$1,322,000 from Empire State Development, \$2,641,000 via a congressional earmark to be funneled through the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and \$111,326 from the Northern Border Regional Commission.

These funds can only be used to construct an Entrepreneurship Center. Project proposals that do not include approximately 15,000 square feet designated for the Entrepreneurship Center will not have access to these funds. The developer must follow the rules/guidelines for each grant to access these funds. The expectation is that these funds for construction will be in lieu of substantial lease payments for the space housing the Entrepreneurship Center.

In addition, the Village of Canton has been awarded a NY Forward grant and anticipates that the project developer would submit an application under the program’s open call for projects. This is expected to be announced in May or June of 2024.

Proposals should be clearly marked on the outside as follows and mailed or delivered to: RFP–Canton Midtown Project, Attn: Leigh Rodriguez, Village of Canton, 60 Main Street, Canton, NY 13617

Selection will be made on or after May 1, 2024 with contracts awarded after any applicable New York State agency review.

All questions about this RFP should be directed to Leigh Rodriguez, Director of Economic Development, at (315) 386-2871 #5 or lrodriguez@cantonny.gov.

# SLC Arts moves back to Raymond Street

BY ADAM ATKINSON  
North Country This Week

POTSDAM -- With a soft opening Tuesday, April 2, SLC Arts has thrown open the doors of its newly remodeled Creative Spirit Art Center to the public this week.

The organization has operated from a store front on Market Street for more than a year while major rehab and remodel work was underway at the Raymond Street center.

The months-long project has seen the staff at the arts council operating from a smaller space and the move back has been much anticipated.

“We are incredibly excited to move back into our space! It has been over a year now in our temporary location, and we are looking forward to settling back into our home,” Katharine Dinneen, SLC Arts artistic executive director, told North Country This Week recently. “There is no doubt that our community of artists and supporters are looking forward to seeing us back in the Creative Spirit Community Arts Center! Staff and volunteers have been working diligently over the past week to move and get the space ready for our soft-reopening on Tuesday, April 2nd.”

The freshly overhauled space will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesdays to Fridays, from 10 to 5 p.m. on Saturdays, and closed on Mondays and Sundays.

The work completed thus far is only Phase 1 of an extensive overhaul of the former Tile Company into a vibrant Gallery space, said Erica Kelso, SLC Arts managing director, in a message to SLC Arts members.

The finished portion of the space includes a modified store area and offices.

“While the completion currently encompasses only a portion of the envisioned space, it represents a substantial leap forward in the project’s progression,” Kelso said.

The elbow room afforded by the move back will allow the organization to move forward with additional programming.

“We have been incredibly fortunate to partner with other organizations across the county to continue programming while in our temporary space, but we are looking forward to bringing many of these core programs back to the Creative Spirit! Currently, we are offering visual arts, literary, and music programs on a weekly basis. While we couldn’t be happier to move back into the building, our time outside of the center has demonstrated a dire need for arts

programming outside of Potsdam, and we are also actively working to develop programming for other communities across our region,” said Dineen.

The work thus far has included asbestos abatement, HVAC system modernization, electrical enhancements, plumbing installations, and an elevator for access to the center’s downstairs.

“Despite the completion of only a portion of the space, we remain committed to our mission of fostering artistic expression and community engagement. Various classes and community groups will continue to be hosted within the center. Moreover, plans are already underway to inaugurate gallery exhibitions in September, starting with the highly anticipated return of the Creative Partnership show,” Kelso said.

Currently only about a 1/3 of the building is usable until additional construction is complete, Dineen said. The next phase will involve the reconstruction of the floor structure on the former Thrift store side, laying the groundwork for further enhancements.

“At this point, we will not have an anticipated completion date for the remaining portion of the project until SLC Arts has secured additional funding. We are actively working to bring in grant funding, but we are still seeking donations from the community to continue this project,” said Dineen.

Phase 1 of the project has been funded by SLC Arts’ state Downtown Revitalization Initiative grant secured by the village in 2018.

Additional support has come from the Stewart’s Foundation’s \$25,000 donation, a \$10,000 grant from the Cloudsplitter Foundation, and \$5,000 donations from Community Bank and Price Chopper, \$3,500 from St. Lawrence Federal Credit Union and \$1,000 from SeaComm.

Those seeking to support the remodel can contact erica@slcartscouncil.org or 315-265-6860.

“The completion of Phase 1 is a pivotal step in the overall renovation of the Creative Spirit Community Arts Center,” Dineen told North Country This Week. “We are committed to the vision of this building, which will eventually feature a professional gallery, store, performance hall, education center, rotating artist residency, and our administrative offices.”

“Over the next year, we will continue to offer weekly programs, intentionally expand offerings into additional municipalities across St. Lawrence County, administer two regant cycles which will award \$320,000 in arts funding, run our major programs including the North Country Arts Festival and Studio Tour, expand our Gallery Show offerings, and work to strengthen our community connections,” she said.



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# Potsdam man faces felony DWI

POTSDAM — A report of a person passed out in a vehicle on Market Street resulted in felonies for a Potsdam resident, according to village police.

Kurt M. Covey, 35, was charged with aggravated driving while intoxicated: DWI in last years, and first-degree aggravated unlicensed operation, both felonies, officers said.

Police said they determined Covey to be intoxicated, while driving on a suspended license with an open alcoholic beverage in his vehicle.

He was also cited for drinking alcohol in a motor vehicle on a highway, officers said.

Covey was charged at 11:32 p.m. and released on appearance tickets, police said.

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**OBITUARIES**

**Errol Wilson McLean, 83**  
Waddington

WADDINTON -- Errol Wilson McLean was born in Brockville, Ontario, Canada, on August 11th, 1940, to Elmer Hilton McLean and Mildred Jean Wilson McLean. He was born in the Barbara Heck home, who was the founder of the Methodist Church in Canada. He was one of the descendants of the Empire Loyalists and the founders of Upper Canada. Errol had two siblings, Eric William McLean and Phyllis Mary Woodcock. Just before Christmas of 1953, he and his family moved to the United States and in May of 1959 he became a naturalized citizen. He married Donna Jean Dudash on May 29th, 1963, just before he began serving in the Army. Errol has four daughters and sons-in-law, Carrie Ann and Norman Hinckley, Holly Leigh and Matthew McDonell, Kathleen Lynn and Scott Ogborn, and Shannon May and John Boyce. He also has nine grandchildren, Lauren Matela, Hannah Guyette, Evan McDonell, Alexis McDonell, Kaitlin Ogborn, Jeanette Ogborn, Kordell Ogborn, Hailey Boyce, and Johnny Boyce, and one great-grandson, Aiden Matela. In addition to his descendants and wife, he will be remembered by his several loving first cousins, his nieces and nephews, and his caring friends. He loved his family a lot and was very proud of them. He told many people across the world stories of his loved ones and was fond of his nicknames, which he gave to many including his daughters: "The Nurse", "The Figure-Skater", "The Professor", and "The Muzzle-Load-

er". Errol served in the United States Army from 1963 to 1984 in the Corps of Engineers. He retired as a Major of Co. B Btn. 479. He earned the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Armed Forces Reserve Components with Two Hour Glasses, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Achievement Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, National Defense Service Medal, and the Overseas Ribbon. He and his company earned the General Emerson Itchner Award. He was always proud of his men and spoke of them highly. Errol was also a journeyman millwright for 36 years. He worked at ALCOA, an aluminum plant, in Massena, NY and was a member of the 25-year club. He will be remembered as a skilled parts manufacturer and for his abilities as a certified welder. Errol also spent much of his time on the range. Errol was the president of the Massena Rod and Gun Club and founded the Massena Black Powder Club. He was a life member of the NRA and a 62-year member of the NMLRA. He received a 49-year service award for his service as the NY Field Rep and he served as the



Errol McLean

Region Coordinator as well. He was also a member of the St. Lawrence Long Rifle Club. He joined the United States International Muzzle Loader Team (USIMLT) as a competitor, and later became the captain, and then coach. He also coached the Massena High School Rifle Team. Errol was very fond of his travels with the USIMLT and told many stories of his travels. Errol was also an avid hunter and was a 42-year member of "Club 43" Hunting Club and met many of his closest friends there. Errol also enjoyed playing hockey as a goal tender and founded the Old Timers Hockey Club. Errol was also a free and accepted Mason as a Master Mason and was a 32nd degree Scottish Rite. He was a member of the Episcopalian Church, where he met many other close friends. Calling hours for Errol will be held on Sunday April 7, 2024, at the Phillips Memorial Home located at 64 Andrews Street in Massena, NY, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., with a Masonic service to be held at 3:15 p.m. Funeral services will be held at St. Philip Episcopal Church located at 42 S. Main Street in Norwood, NY, at 11:00 a.m. on Monday April 8, 2024, with Mother Catherine Boswell officiating. Burial will be held in Louisville Community Cemetery with full military honors. Family and friends are encouraged to share memories, memorial trees, photos and condolence online by visiting, [www.PhillipsMemorial.com](http://www.PhillipsMemorial.com).

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**Gloria A. Weller, 76**  
Potsdam

POTSDAM – Gloria A. Weller, 76, a longtime resident of State Highway 56, passed away Friday morning, March 29, 2024 at Canton-Potsdam Hospital after a courageous 3-year battle with pancreatic cancer. Gloria was born in Potsdam on October 19, 1947, the daughter of the late Harold and Leah (Sabre) Planty and attended schools in Potsdam. On March 19, 1966, she married Gerald Bernard Weller, he sadly predeceased her on December 9, 1969. Gloria was a homemaker who dedicated her life to raising her children. She was a collector of many things and enjoyed garage sales, cooking, listening to music, dancing, gardening. She also cherished the time she shared with her children and grandchildren. Gloria is survived by her children, Terry Weller (Tammy LaShomb) of Potsdam and Lori Snyder of Norfolk; and her grandchildren, Michael Weller, Christopher Snyder, Allison Snyder, and Leah Weller.

In addition to her parents and her husband, she was predeceased by a son, Kevin Weller on May 28, 2015 and her longtime companion, Arnold Fefee on August 4, 2021. Arrangements are under the care and guidance of the Donaldson-Seymour Funeral Home, Potsdam, where friends may call on Tuesday 2-4:00 PM with a service at 4:00 PM. A celebration of her life will follow the services at the Potsdam Moose Lodge. Burial will be held privately in Hillcrest Cemetery, Parishville. Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to the Potsdam Animal Shelter or St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Friends are encouraged to share memories and offer condolences online at [www.donaldson-seymour.com](http://www.donaldson-seymour.com).



Gloria Weller



Submitted

Canton residents are being asked to look at their water meters to see if they need to be replaced.

**Village seeks cooperation during water meter update**

BY PAUL MITCHELL  
North Country This Week

CANTON – The village's Department of Public Works is resuming its push to install updated water meters. Village Superintendent Timothy Bacon recently updated the village board on the water meter initiative, saying about one half or around 750 water meters still need to be replaced. The new meter will allow DPW workers to record water usage data without physically walking up to a water meter. "It's important that customers receive accurate bills for the amount of water consumed," stated Bacon. "The Village of Canton has been working for this for sometime but will be ramping up the process this

summer." Bacon noted the village informed the public about the water meter program using door hangers but did not get a lot of response. A mailing targeting houses without new water meters will take place. "We are more than willing to talk to folks that have questions or concerns about what model they may have." The mailing reads: In order to avoid a quarterly non-compliance fee of \$50, please make an appointment to have your water meter replaced if you have not done so. Please contact us at 315-386-2871, ext. 203 or by email at [mmousaw@cantonny.gov](mailto:mmousaw@cantonny.gov) to schedule an appointment. The work should take approximately 30 minutes and the water will need to shut off during that time. There will be no charge for the upgraded meters. Currently, the times for installation will be from 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday to Thursday. Thank you for your cooperation. "The water meter replacement program is an important part of the process to ensure continued accurate billing for all customers. We thank you and look forward to your support and cooperation to make this program a success," Bacon remarked. The new water meter is a Neptune MACH 10 with an integrated E coder meter. This meter will flag the date collector immediately for any leaks while quarterly readings are taken, Bacon explained. "The meter uses ultrasonic transit-time technology and solid state electronics. It contains no moving parts and reduces measurement errors due to pressure fluctuations," he said.

Bacon provided key information about the meter installation. A village employee will need access to the inside of your home or business, the work typically takes 30 to 90 minutes to complete, morning or afternoon appointments are available Monday through Thursday, an adult age 18 or older must be present during the installation and just be available for the entire appointment duration, and an opening of approximately 16 by 16 inches is needed if the meter/valve is behind a wall, partition or covering. This program is mandatory for all homes and businesses, Bacon emphasized. Bacon asked that people hold off on making an appointment until they receive the pamphlet that will include further information in the mail.

**RECENT DEATHS**

- HAROLD SCOTT**, formerly of DeKalb, March 9. Arrangements with Allen-Denesha Funeral Home.
- JAMES PERKINS**, 59, Colton, March 26. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Colton.
- SHIRLEY PARKER**, 86, Sandfordville, March 27. Arrangements with Donaldson-Seymour Funeral Home, Potsdam.
- CAROL THOMAS**, 81, formerly of Potsdam, March 28. Arrangements with Donaldson-Seymour Funeral Home, Potsdam.
- GLORIA WELLER**, 76, Potsdam, March 29. Arrangements with Donaldson-Seymour Funeral Home, Potsdam.

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## Village board passes Pro-Housing Communities pledge, trustee urges lower taxes to help renters

BY ADAM ATKINSON

North Country This Week

POTSDAM — A measure calling for Potsdam to adopt the Pro-Housing Communities pledge, which will see the village implement various actions to help local affordable housing needs was passed by the village board.

However, during the vote, one trustee pointed out that low salaries combined with high taxes severely limit what local people can afford for rents and she urged

the board to consider keeping taxes low as well.

The pledge The resolution passed by the board, like one passed by the town board last month, seeks to address the housing crisis by designating the village as a “pro-housing community.”

Under the designation the village would try to incorporate regional housing needs into future planning decisions and streamline permitting for multifamily or affordable housing development.

The pledge could also presumably allow the municipality access to grants and other developments to address local affordable housing needs.

“Communities across the state are signing on to this. There are many benefits to doing so and the state will open themselves up for many grant opportunities. I also truly do see the need in our community,” said Village Mayor Alexandra Jacobs Wilke during her comments at the top of the meeting.

The vote

The resolution passed with four votes in favor (one trustee was absent from the meeting).

However, Village Trustee Monique Tirion urged the village to help out low income renters by also keeping taxes low.

“I’m going to support this but I want to point out that I was looking up for people who earn an hourly income of, god forbid, of \$16 an hour, and you’re not allowed to pay more than 30 percent of your income towards rent. They can afford \$600 rent per month,” said Village Trustee Monique Tirion.

“So I would have hoped that somewhere in the back of our minds . . . that we can somehow keep the taxes a bit lower than the tenth highest in the state of New York in Potsdam as well. But I support it otherwise,” she said.

## Canton Village Board revisits Housing Authority merger

BY PAUL MITCHELL

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CANTON — After tabling a resolution supporting the merger of the Canton and Potsdam Housing Authorities one week ago, the Canton Village Board officially supported a revised version of the merger at a special meeting held Wednesday night.

Village leaders acted on a reworded resolution that calls for continued representation on a merged Housing Authority Board.

At the board’s monthly meeting on March 20, Deputy Mayor Anna Sorensen and Trustee Barbara Beekman both expressed concerns about the village’s future involvement in the Housing Authority matters, prompting the board to table the resolution.

The board continues to be 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.

“We addressed the concerns and made changes to the resolution that made board members more comfortable,” said Mayor Michael Dalton.

“I see this as an important move that will benefit both communities and provide more and better services,” the mayor added.

The wording changes added in

the beginning of the adopted resolution read:

“Whereas the Village of Canton wishes to see improved and expanded housing with the Village.”

“Whereas the Village of Canton expects that Village residents will continue to have representation on a merged Housing Authority Board.”

The final sentence in the resolution says “The said legislation is to be for such consideration, amounts, terms and conditions as the Village of Canton Board of Trustees deems advantageous to the Village of Canton and within the scope of the Board of Trustee Authority.”

The merger has now received support from both the Canton and Potsdam village boards, and both the Canton and Potsdam Housing Authority board of directors.

The proposed merger of the Canton and Potsdam Housing Authorities, along with the U.S. Housing and Urban Development regulations, forced Potsdam Housing Authority Executive Director Robet Santamoor to step down from the Canton Town Board. Santamoor has also entered into a management agreement with the Canton Housing Authority.

“Unfortunately, because of the requirements of my new position due to the anticipated merger and HUD regulations, I must resign my position as Town Council Member. There are additional programs and services that I will be responsible for through US HUD. With these latest programs I am prohibited from holding an elected office of any kind,” his resignation letter read.

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### 60-DAY NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE AN APPLICATION

Moss Ridge Solar 1, LLC (“Moss Ridge” or the “Applicant”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of New Leaf Energy, Inc., is proposing to construct a utility-scale solar photovoltaic energy generation facility with a generation capacity of approximately 60 megawatts (“60 MW”) in the Town of De Kalb, St. Lawrence County, New York (“the Project” or “the Facility”). This notice announces that on or about June 5, 2024, Moss Ridge will file an Application with the Office of Renewable Energy Siting (“ORES”), pursuant to Section 94-c of the New York State Executive Law and Title 19 of NYCRR, Part 900, (“the 94-c Process”), seeking a Siting Permit from ORES authorizing the construction and operation of the Facility. The 94-c Process has been implemented by rules enacted by ORES and establishes a review process with uniform standards and conditions for all renewable energy projects. The uniform standards and conditions are available at 19 NYCRR 900.6 and <https://ores.ny.gov/regulations>.

The Facility is proposed to include the installation of arrays of photovoltaic panels, approximately 15 feet in height and arranged in discrete subarrays dispersed throughout the Facility Site, as well as associated electrical collection lines, inverters, an interconnection substation, fencing, access roads and an operations and maintenance building. Power generated at the Facility will be stepped up to the interconnection voltage (115 kV) at the Facility substation. The Facility will interconnect to the New York electrical grid via a line tap on National Grid’s 115-kV transmission line between the Corning and Battle Hill substations. The Project substation and tap switchyard will be new facilities located within the Facility Site. More information on the

proposed Facility can be found on the project’s dedicated website (<https://www.newleafenergy.com/project/moss-ridge-solar>).

The solar energy facility when in operation will be emission-free and will assist the State in meeting the goals of the Climate Leadership and Protection Act and State Energy Plan, which includes obtaining 70% of energy generation from renewable sources by 2030 and significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Other positive impacts of the Facility include the creation of full-time equivalent construction jobs, local spending on accommodations, dining, and other local services during the construction and installation period, increased tax revenues to the amount of Town, County, and School District, bill credits paid directly to residential electric customers in the host municipality, the generation of enough electricity to power well over 10,000 homes annually, helping New York State become energy independent. In addition, Moss Ridge has attempted to minimize impacts associated with the Project by placing panels outside of existing regulated wetlands. Moss Ridge will submit an Application for a Siting Permit that includes extensive studies evaluating the potential impacts associated with the Facility and identifying methods which have been agreed to be implemented to avoid, minimize and mitigate potential impacts. No sooner than three days before the Application is filed, an additional notice will be published announcing the anticipated filing of the Application. This notice is being provided in accordance with 19 NYCRR § 900-1.3(d) and is being published at least 60 days prior to the filing of the Application.

Pursuant to 19 NYCRR § 900-1.5, Moss Ridge will submit with the Application \$1,000

dollars for each MW of capacity for local agencies and potential community intervenors, which, for this project, totals \$60,000.00. Any local agency or potential community intervenor can submit a request to the Office for funding within thirty (30) days of the date of the Application filing. By regulation, 75% of the local agency account funds shall be reserved for local agencies. Intervenor requests may be made by mail to the Office of Renewable Energy Siting, Attention: Local Agency Account Funding Request (Matter No. 24-00104 – Moss Ridge Solar 1, LLC), c/o OGS Mailroom, Empire State Plaza, 240 State Street, P-1 South, J Dock, Albany, NY 12242, or by email to [hearings@ores.ny.gov](mailto:hearings@ores.ny.gov), Subject line “Local Agency Account Funding Request (Matter No. 24-00104 – Moss Ridge Solar 1, LLC).”

Further details regarding the Project and updates on the Application will be provided on <https://www.newleafenergy.com/project/moss-ridge-solar> or the ORES website, <https://ores.ny.gov/permit-applications>. Printed and electronic copies of the Application, when filed, will be available for review at the following local document repository: Richville Free Library, 87 Main Street, Richville, NY 13681.

To learn more visit <https://www.newleafenergy.com/project/moss-ridge-solar> or contact us at: Moss Ridge Solar 1, LLC, c/o New Leaf Energy, Inc., 55 Technology Drive, Suite 102, Lowell, MA 01851, Attn: Alex Yager, Project Developer – Utility Scale, T: 518-901-3893, E: [ayager@newleafenergy.com](mailto:ayager@newleafenergy.com). Project representatives will be available at the De Kalb Town Board Meeting, April 17, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., at the De Kalb Town Hall, 2907 County Road 17, De Kalb Junction, New York, to provide an update regarding the Project and answer community questions.

## Walgreens in Potsdam set to close April 9

POTSDAM -- A sign in the window of the Walgreens in Potsdam shows the store is set to close April 9.

In March North Country This Week reached out to Walgreens regarding rumors of a store closure, but a spokesperson called back saying there were no plans to close the store “at this time.”

Despite that, the store has since posted a sign in the window that the store is closing. While retail brick and mortar stores in general have continued to shrink in recent years, drug stores have been following suit.

Massive drug store chains like Walgreens, Rite Aid and CVS have been closing locations at a rapid pace in recent years.

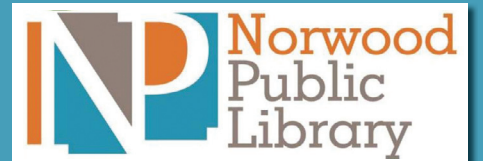
A January article from Forbes.com explored why drug stores have been closing.

Among the contributing facts stated in the story were increased competition from Amazon and Walmart and staffing shortages.

A Newsweek story exploring the same topic pointed to rising drug prices, lower staff enrollment, and historic opioid lawsuits as contributing factors.

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This year the library received an outreach migrant to install and fill a Little Free Pantry near the building's entrance.

The community was invited to donate or take food items from the Little Free Pantry, with access to this service 24/7.

In 2023, Norwood Public Library was honored to receive the Sustainable Libraries Award from North Country Library System for its contributions over the past two years.

We continue to seek new ways to best serve our community. 2024 is already promising to be a great year in the library world!

*Happy Reading!*

*Amanda Jones*  
Amanda Jones Library Director



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Clockwise from top left, The CLUE Library Float at the Norwood 4th of July parade; an Eclipse Party is set for the 2024 Solar Eclipse on April 8; two young patrons are 'all aboard' on the Reading Train; many costumed children enjoyed the Library Halloween Party; and warm weather fun included an "All Together Now" Summer Party.

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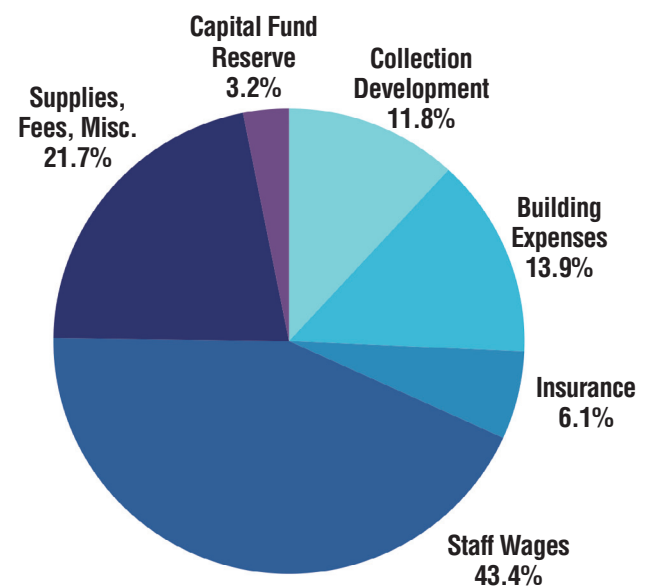
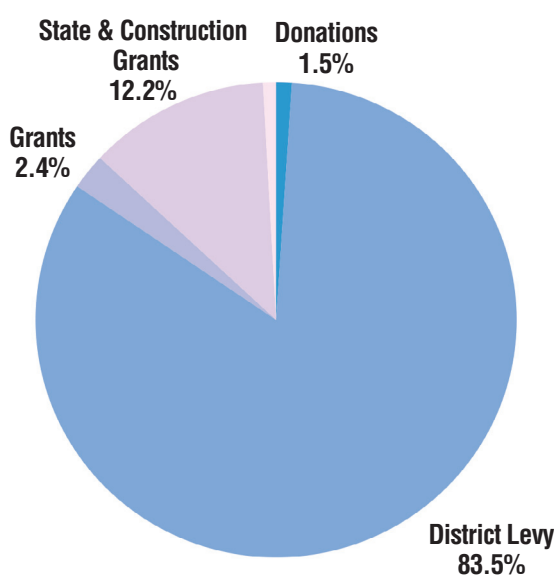
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- Crochet Circle with Brittany Ashley
- Library Hoots Storytime



### NEW SERVICES

- Little Free Pantry
- Kanopy TV & Movie
- Library Care Kits

# State comptroller deals with Morley Fire Company misappropriations

BY PAUL MITCHELL  
North Country This Week

MORLEY — An audit by the Office of New York State Comptroller's Office focused on the misappropriation of more than \$64,000 Morley Volunteer Fire Company funds by former company treasurer Cindi Perkins.

The audit, dated March 22, stated company officials did not provide oversight of financial operations to ensure funds were safeguarded. As a result, the former Treasurer was able to misappropriate \$64,972 of Company funds from January 2016 through December 2019. The former Treasurer was able

to obtain cash totaling \$45,400 by making inappropriate automated teller machine (ATM) and in-bank withdrawals, writing unauthorized checks to herself and receiving cash from Company funds presented for deposit, and making 178 personal purchases totaling \$19,572 using a Company debit card.

"These improper transactions went undetected because Company officials did not review monthly bank statements and canceled check images, receive monthly financial reports, audit bills (claims) prior to payment or compare cash collections to deposits," the audit read. Perkins was arrested in July

2023 and pleaded guilty to grand larceny in the fourth degree in November 2023. She was sentenced to probation in January 2024 and ordered to pay \$50,000 in restitution.

The comptroller's office recommends the company officials routinely review the Treasurer's work, discontinue using debit cards, and audit and approve claims prior to payment.

Company officials agreed with our recommen-

dations and indicated they plan to initiate corrective action, the report states.

The Company is a not-for-profit organization that operates in affiliation with the Morley Fire District (District). The Company provides fire protection and emergency services to a portion of the Town of Canton in St. Lawrence County. The Company comprises volunteer members (membership) and is governed by its bylaws.

The members elect a five-member Board of Directors and also a five-member Advisory Board comprising the President, Vice President, Fire Chief, and 1st and 2nd Assistant Chiefs. Annually, members also elect a Treasurer, who is the chief fiscal officer responsible for receiving and maintaining custody of all Company funds, and disbursing and accounting for those funds. The Company's primary sources of revenue include a fire protection contract, funding from the District and fundraisers.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Clifton-Fine Central School District, St. Lawrence County, Star Lake, New York, will be in the Library, in said District on **Monday, May 13, 2024 at 6:00 PM** for the presentation of the budget. The budget will be available for review on **May 7, 2024** in the District Clerk's office at the Clifton-Fine Central School and on-line at [www.cliftonfine.org](http://www.cliftonfine.org).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the annual vote of the qualified voters of the Clifton-Fine Central School District No. 1 of the Towns of Clifton, Fine, Pitcairn, and Russell, St. Lawrence County, New York, will be held in the school foyer at the Clifton-Fine Central School in said District on **Tuesday, May 21, 2024** between the hours of **12:00 PM and 8:00 PM** prevailing time, at which time the polls will be opened to vote using an optical scan voting machine upon the following items:

- To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2024-25.
- To elect (3) three members to the Board of Education. There are 3 (3) three-year terms available commencing July 1, 2024 and expiring on June 30, 2027.
- To finance the purchase of an electric bus and charger

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for the 2024-25 fiscal year, exclusive of public monies and the tax exemption report, may be obtained by any resident of the District beginning May 7, 2024 by downloading it from the District website ([www.cliftonfine.org](http://www.cliftonfine.org)) or in person except Saturday, Sunday, or holidays, from the hours of 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM at the office of the District Clerk at the Clifton-Fine Central School District.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the District Clerk of said District at her office in the Clifton-Fine Central School, on or before 9:00am April 22, 2024. Petitions are currently available from the office of the Clerk of the District. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District and shall be signed by at least twenty-five (25) voters of the District, and must state the name and residence of the candidate and must state the name and address of each signer.

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**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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## SLU launches educational resources for Total Solar Eclipse

CANTON — St. Lawrence University is celebrating its position within the path of totality with a new website dedicated to informing the public about the Total Solar Eclipse on April 8, 2024. The website includes an explainer video from Henry Priest Professor of Physics Aileen O'Donoghue and will feature a livestream of the event with expert commentary.

Professor O'Donoghue, who teaches several astronomy courses at the national liberal arts college, explains what you should expect to see-and experience-in the path of totality.

"During the approximately 3 minutes of totality, the sun will be completely obscured by the moon. We will not be able to view any of the surface of the sun, however what you will see instead is the outer atmosphere of the sun which is called the corona-hot ionized gas being blown off the sun," O'Donoghue said.

No one is more excited than senior physics major Tyler Karasinski of North Haven, Connecticut. He trained to become a NASA Partner Eclipse Ambassador so that he could help prepare the campus and wider Canton community to fully experience-and understand-the astronomical marvel heading their way on April 8. Using resources provided

by NASA and the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, he's spent the past academic year educating students on campus and in local schools.

On April 8, both Karasinski and O'Donoghue, as well as other physics faculty, anticipate experiencing the total solar eclipse at a campus-wide event, where students will be able to view the action through high-powered telescopes.

"I'm considering this an amazing graduation gift," said Karasinski, who chose to attend St. Lawrence in the North Country in part because of its lack of light pollution, which means darker skies for stargazing. He is bound for a Ph.D. program in the fall.

Anticipating the eclipse, when the sky will go completely dark in the middle of the day, is something Karasinski expects will be profound.

"More than anything, it's this moment of no matter what is going on in your life, no matter what is happening around you, it's this moment of, wow, there is something so beautiful in this world, and every single person within a hundred miles of me is experiencing this exact same moment at this exact same time," Karasinski said. "I think that is such a powerful thing."

## SLC Snowmobile Association gets \$10K for upgrades

COLTON — The St. Lawrence County Snowmobile Association will receive \$10,000 in trail improvements from Polaris Industries on a crucial four-mile center section of the C8 snowmobile trail.

This 125-mile trail connects three counties in New York, from Lewis County through St. Lawrence County to Franklin County, a press release from the county said.

The NYSDEC requested the Association relocate the four-mile connection between Long Pond Easement and Grasse River Easement to a more environmentally friendly location.

The trail is an old skidder run from logging and was full of brush, large rocks, and stumps.

Although the Association has cleared some obstacles, the trail still requires work, the county said.

Specifically, more rocks need to be removed, ditching and culverts are needed for drainage, and the trail needs to be graded and crowned with gravel.

The relocated trail will be used by snowmobiles in the winter and ATV/UTV in the summer as part of the St. Lawrence County 132-mile Multi-Use Trail System, the press release said.

## CPH construction project on schedule

POTSDAM — The multi-million dollar construction project that began in June 2022 at Canton-Potsdam Hospital is progressing on schedule for completion this year.

The St. Lawrence Health Regional Care Pavilion at Canton-Potsdam Hospital includes four new floors, two of which will include 30 private patient rooms on each floor.

It further involves the expansion of the Emergency Department with 11 new treatment rooms (for a total of 28 rooms), new emergency entrance, and a brand new main entrance with a gift shop.

Pike Construction Services is the project's construction management team, and Project Engineer Haley Meshcon noted the exterior of the new building is expected to be completed in May, with the new main entrance work and site work

being finished this summer.

The focus of work is currently on the first three floors, with the first floor being at 70 percent completion, second floor at 80 percent, and third floor at 60 percent.

"The MEP (mechanical, electrical, plumbing) and fire protection rough-in work has been completed and we have begun work on the finishes, which includes such work as toilet accessories and outlets. Primer and the first coat of paint on nearly all of the walls have been completed," Meshcon explained.

"All of the headwalls in patient rooms are in place, cabinetry is being installed, and bathroom tiling is ongoing. We are beginning to install ceilings throughout the first three floors, and wall protection throughout the patient rooms and corridors is ongoing. The Clinical elevator for hospital

employees has been installed, and crews are now working on the public elevators.

"I think the most interesting aspect of where we are currently in the project is how the structure is really taking shape and coming to life. Seeing the paint on the walls and the cabinetry in the nurses' stations really gives you a better sense of what the finished product will look like and how it will operate," she added.

Since much of the work has been interior over the past few months, the mild winter has not had an impact on the exterior work being done.

However, the warmer temperatures have resulted in a significant savings to the Hospital regarding heating the inside of the new structure.

## SUNY Canton expands program

CANTON — SUNY Canton has added new sections of its New York State security guard training.

Courses offered through the college's Center for Workforce, Community and Industry Partnerships (WCIP) now include pre-employment training, 90-day on-the-job training, and annual in-service training.

Upcoming sessions include:  
• The 8-hour pre-employment training will be offered from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 30, and Thursday, May 2, in Dana Hall Room 138.

• The 8-hour in-service training will be offered from 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 7, and Thursday, May 9, also in Dana Hall Room 138.

Each training costs \$75 per person.

Participants can register through SUNY Canton's WCIP website.

Former University Police Chief Alan P. Mulkin will present the training sessions. Mulkin, who is currently a lecturer for the Center for Criminal Justice, Intelligence and Cybersecurity, has nearly 40 years of police experience and has worked for about 10 years in the security field.

The college offers this training as a community service outreach for local industries employing security guards. It will now offer training on a continual basis during both the fall and spring semesters. Special sessions will be available for companies who wish to send five or more employees to the training sessions.

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# Would be located in Star Lake, Cranberry Lake New emergency communication towers plan underway

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

CANTON -- Emergency communications in the southern portion of St. Lawrence County are limited, potentially endangering citizens but legislators are taking action to add two additional towers to the region to significantly improve communications.

The two towers in question would be in Star Lake and Cranberry Lake, both in the Adirondack Park, and would greatly benefit residents in those areas, as well as first responders, officials say.

St. Lawrence County Emergency Services Director Matt Denner told legislators that the towers have been approved by the towns of Clifton and Fine, along with Washington County, leaving St. Lawrence County as the final piece of the puzzle.

Denner said the county is in the process of an application to place the towers in the park and has been consulting with APA staff.

A meeting is expected to be held next week.

"They have a number of questions before we can proceed for-

ward," Denner said.

Denner said he would also be going to Star Lake next week to meet with residents and officials who want to discuss the impact of the towers.

According to Denner, the minimum height required for the tower will be 113 feet, while the tower near Wanakena and Seveys Corners is 180 ft.

"The higher you go, the more it goes out. If we don't go to 180 feet, we will likely need two more in the future," Denner said.

Denner said that proposition is much harder to work with given that the cost of towers placed in Hammond and Waddington in 2020 cost over \$750,000 each.

"That's just the cost of the tower. That doesn't include the equipment," Denner said.

The approval of the two proposed emergency communication towers at increased heights would eliminate the need for two additional relay towers that would likely cost taxpayers an additional \$3 million total, officials say.

Denner said maps have been created to show viewing points of the towers, with the vast majority

of Cranberry Lake unable to see the tower.

A handful of locations in Star Lake can see the tower, Denner said.

"It can be 100 feet or 180 feet, it won't matter. That tower will be seen from the same locations," he said.

Denner said he requested public hearings for both towers to allow residents the opportunity to raise concerns and voice their opinions as well.

Though some legislators questioned whether those hearings could be held until the summer when permanent and seasonal residents alike could attend, Denner cautioned against that.

According to Denner, the longer the process takes the higher the possibility of losing grant funding to pay for the towers.

"Grant funds are paying for them. We're going to lose state grant funds if we wait too much longer," he said.

Legislator Rick Perkins asked Denner how far inside the Adirondack Park the towers would be, a prospect that adds more complications.

# New Potsdam Chamber member

POTSDAM — At the Board of Directors meeting the Potsdam Chamber of Commerce approved the membership application of a new member.

The chamber welcomes The Happy Hive LLC. The business is a party supply, rental shop and party entertainment company.

More information about these businesses can be found at [www.potsdamchamber.com](http://www.potsdamchamber.com).

The Potsdam Chamber of Commerce promotes local businesses and aims to facilitate opportunities for our member businesses to receive and give quality referrals.

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# Probation dept. sees reduction in bad debt write-offs

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

CANTON -- St. Lawrence County's Probation Department is writing off less bad debt every month thanks in large part to the continued efforts of staff.

Probation Department Director Tim Lepage recently asked legislators on the operations committee to approve a resolution to write off \$5,708 in bad debt that the department was unable to collect but that total is a far cry from the totals being written off just a few years ago.

According to Lepage, collection totaled 71% in 2013 but improved significantly to 87% in 2017. He said that trend has continued, with staff writing off less bad debt every month.

"Our staff has done a great job trying to collect those debts, they really have," he told legislators.

In relation to recent years, Lepage said bad debt write-offs are down 60-70%.

In 2022, bad debt accounts were \$5,864.75 for drug testing fees and \$5,189 for supervision fees for a total of \$11,053.75. Those totals were written off in a resolution passed last year.

Though the debts are not collected on, Lepage said they are filed away in the client's files in an effort to collect payment should they return for services in the future.

"This is a yearly thing. It helps our books by taking old debt off the rolls. What we have here is debt from five years ago that was sent to collections," he said.

"If someone is put back on probation, we will continue to try to collect the debt," he continued.

Lepage said one issue is that the department is unable to take the person to court to collect those fees. "So it's difficult for us to collect," he said.

Legislator Harry Smithers complimented Lepage and his staff, saying they should be commended for their work in continuing to collect but also in reducing write-offs.

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Camp Joy, located in Rush, has been serving adults 18 and over who are developmentally disabled for 43 years. The camp is run by all volunteer staff and located in

Rush, just outside Rochester.

Camp Joy offers a variety of fully accessible activities for campers to choose from throughout the day, including: boating and fishing, rock wall, zip line, arts and crafts, swimming and more.

To learn more about Camp Joy visit [campjoy.org](http://campjoy.org) or call (585) 371-8851

# ZBA members sought

CANTON — The Town of Canton is looking for residents to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

There is currently one seat open and an anticipated second seat at the end of the year. Interested individuals may send a letter via email or by postal mail to Town Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley, 60 Main Street, Canton, N.Y. 13669 or [mashley@cantonnny.gov](mailto:mashley@cantonnny.gov).

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Silas Smith | Submitted

## March Madness

A late night at The Hoot bar in Canton. A group of friends discuss the status of their NCAA basketball prediction brackets and their viewing plans. From the left are Joel Moulton, Noah Diederich, Nathaniel Tomford, and Christian Tomford speak with Richard Haller on the phone.

## DEC launches new resource for new hunters, mentors

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has launched a new online resource both for new hunters and organizations offering mentored hunting opportunities.

This tool will connect novices with experienced hunters who will help them develop the skills needed to be safe and successful when afield.

"One of the greatest hurdles to newly certified hunters going afield for the first time is the lack of a mentor or a support system to help them understand the basics of a successful hunt," DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos said. "New York State is home to dozens of groups and organizations offering mentored hunt opportunities and DEC's new platform will amplify opportunities for new hunters to connect with knowledgeable and enthusiastic mentors to help create enjoyable experiences."

Mentored hunts allow hunters with little or no hunting experience to learn additional firearm safety and hunting skills while building confidence under the guidance of more experienced hunters.

First-time hunters can now find mentored hunt events in New York and register for those learn-to-hunt opportunities on the new

Mentored Hunt Program registration webpage. DEC's Mentored Hunt Program registration page also provides a platform for those hosting a mentored hunt to advertise their event statewide.

Partnering organizations can fill out an application to have their event posted on the registration page and amplified to the public on DEC's platforms. DEC invites groups and organizations to register their mentored hunt events for turkey, deer, waterfowl, pheasants, and other small game.

Interested groups should visit the Application to Host a Mentored Hunt site to register. By using DEC's Mentored Hunt program registration, users will:

- Make your event more visible to new hunters statewide;
- Ease registration for participants;
- Track registered participants to better plan your event; and
- Promote your event to a wider audience of potential participants.

All hunters taking part in a mentored hunt must successfully complete a hunter education course and purchase a NYS hunting license prior to their participation.

## SLU players sign pro contracts

CANTON — Graduate student goaltender Ben Kraws, who backstopped the St. Lawrence University men's hockey team to the ECAC Championship game, has signed a one-year entry-level contract with the Dallas Stars that will begin during the 2024-25 season.

"I am very grateful for St. Lawrence University, my teammates, Coach Brekke, and the entire coaching staff, who helped me to develop and pursue my goal of a pro career," said Kraws when asked about his time in Canton "I am excited to be joining the Dallas Stars organization and getting my pro career underway."

Ben will head to Cedar Park, Texas to play for the Texas Stars of the American Hockey League (AHL) for the rest of their season on an amateur tryout. Kraws will join former Skating Saint defenseman Gavin Bayreuther '17 in Austin, as well as fellow former ECAC standouts Ben Berard, and Luke Kryz.

Along with Bayreuther, Kraws will join the likes of Rich Peverley '04, and Mike McKenna '05 as alumni, who have donned the Dallas Star in their playing careers.

"We couldn't be more proud of Ben and extremely happy for him!" said Charles W. Appleton II men's hockey coach Brent Brekke "He's had a terrific year and earned this NHL opportunity. He's a great example of pushing through adversity and how to achieve what you want. His work ethic, commitment, attitude, and belief in himself are big reasons why he's had a

breakout year that led to his contract. He's got a bright future in pro hockey and we can't wait to watch him at that level for years to come!"

Kraws, who was nominated for the Hobey Baker Award, and the Mike Richter Award, made an indelible mark in his lone season with the Saints playing in 37 games posting a 2.49 goals against average and a .919 save percentage with two shutouts including a 22-save clean sheet against No. 6 Quinnipiac in the ECAC Semifinals.

Kraws leapfrogged into the national lead this past weekend for minutes played this season with 2239:41 and reached second place in the nation with 1061 saves on the year, 51 saves behind Notre Dame's Ryan Bischel.

The netminder was especially strong down the stretch for the Skating Saints stopping 46, 37, 47, and 41 in the four games leading into Lake Placid before stopping 22 in a shutout against the Bobcats in the Semifinals, and 26 in a 3-1 loss in the ECAC Championship to No. 14 Cornell.

More St. Lawrence University hockey players signed pro contracts as well.

Skating Saints' captains Josh Boyer and Luc Salem have each signed their first pro contracts with their respective clubs in the ECHL (East Coast Hockey League), according to their new teams.

"I'm excited for Josh and Luc as they take their next steps into pro hockey!" said Charles W. Appleton II men's hockey coach Brent Brekke

"It's the opportunity they have both worked extremely hard for and have earned it! It's a goal for most players that starts when they are young and now, they have accomplished it and get to live it. Pretty special for them!"

Josh Boyer, who played 106 games for the Scarlet and Brown over the past three seasons after transferring from Nebraska-Omaha, has signed with the Atlanta Gladiators, of the league's Eastern Conference and an affiliate of the Nashville Predators. Boyer joins the active roster for the Gladiators and will be playing alongside fellow Saint Carson Gicewicz '20.

Boyer scored 11 goals and tallied 13 assists for St. Lawrence and served as a team captain this past season for the Skating Saints.

Luc Salem, who also served as a team captain, played 128 career games at St. Lawrence and signed his deal with the Utah Grizzlies, who are in the league's Western Conference and a Colorado Avalanche affiliate.

Salem was a big-play threat from the jump in Canton scoring his first career goal in overtime to give the Saints a 2-1 win over Clarkson at Cheel Arena in the 2020-21 season. Salem helped lead St. Lawrence to the 2020-21 ECAC Championship and was a regular on the blue line for four seasons missing just one game in his career.

Salem posted 18 goals and 37 assists in his 128 career games including 10 goals and 17 assists in his junior year to be named to the All-ECAC Second Team.



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## Potsdam players donate to 'Cancer Care' center

The Potsdam Central School Boys Varsity Hockey Team held a series of fundraisers to raise funds to support the Center for Cancer Care at Canton-Potsdam Hospital. The events included a bottle drive, t-shirt sale, and a Rock-N-Skate event.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Views expressed on end-of-life care

To be, or not to be? That is the question Shakespeare asked 400 years ago in "Hamlet." Although often quoted, many don't

realize that the line is about Prince Hamlet contemplating suicide.

Earlier this month, in this same publication, I read a notice about the screening of a documentary titled "Last Flight Home" at the

Canton Unitarian Universalist Church. The notice said that the film documented, "the final days of Eli Timoner's life once he chose to die." The notice continued that after the film there would be, "group

discussion circles," where interested attendants could learn more about, "end-of-life care."

My heart broke. Hamlet eventually concluded that life, despite hardship, was worth living. It looked like this event was sending the exact opposite message to the elderly and infirm in my own community. I watched the film, and it confirmed my suspicions. The documentary concludes with its subject, Mr. Timoner, drinking poison on camera. The filmmakers encourage the audience to adopt the same course of action in the face of terminal disease. I stood outside the Church and protested this screening as it happened. I write here to commit my protest to our paper of record.

I protest first against the film's deceptive use of language. "End-of-life care" is not an accurate description of what the film advocates. "Life-ending care" would be more honest. I suspect it is precisely because it is more honest that it isn't used. For how can "care" consistent with the Hippocratic oath ever help end life? If care can help kill, such a care makes the blood run cold. The documentary's use of misleading language could fill a book, but I'll provide just one more example here. The poison by which Mr. Timoner terminates himself is chillingly and exclusively referred to as "medicine."

I also protest the screening's sacrilegious venue. The night of the film, I watched many kindly silver haired citizens of the North Country enter the Church to watch. How can it be that these good people were exhorted to self-termination in a building where stained-glass windows of Christ and His Holy Mother themselves bore witness? All during Lent!

When Hamlet is first tempted by suicide, he resists the urge by reminding himself that God's law is fixed, "[against] self-slaughter." Perhaps the Reverend James Galasinski knows something Shakespeare and I do not, but last I checked fixed it remains.

In conclusion? To Be!

Silas Cuomo Smith  
Norwood

### View on climate change

This expression is not an honest-minded way of looking at how things presently stand with regard to Earth's winds. Her seasonal cycles ... Precipitation ... Temperatures.

Climate has always changed over lengthy periods of time. Gradual changes have been something that Living Things can adapt to.

Today's "changes" are more honest-mindedly termed "climate in crisis" or "climate breakdown." Extreme and erratic weather is something that Living Things are much less able to adjust to than ordinary gradual changes.

Think of the Forest Birds. Spring-time has suddenly become much colder and wetter in my region. This has happened over the past 20 to 30 years. Far too sudden for Forest Birds to adapt to.

I'm seeing fewer Juncos. Fewer Wood Thrush. Fewer Red-Winged Blackbirds. Fewer Woodpeckers. Fewer of the various species of Warblers.

The biological repercussions of climate breakdown will likely lead to an increased rate of extinctions. And certainly will trigger declines in many species.

O! H sapiens! "Climate Change"? Let's be honest about what's happening here. Considering all of the other assaults on the Biosphere. Global breakdown of a long-stable and predictable climate is barely the tip of a Biosphere-endangering iceberg.

Dave Hassig  
Colton

### Stiffnecks and GOP

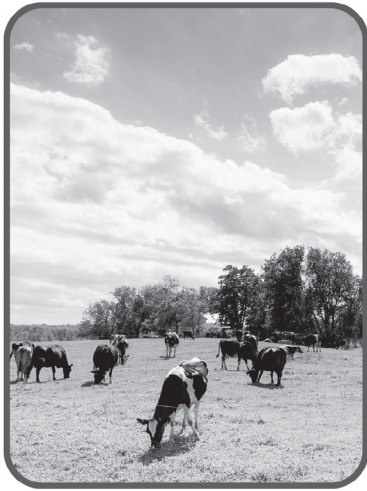
In response to "Canton couple supports Paula Collins for Congress" (posted March 22).

Mr. and Mrs. Mintener do you really feel any of your friends, relatives or customers are stiffnecks if they are members of the GOP?

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Duane Curtis  
Canton

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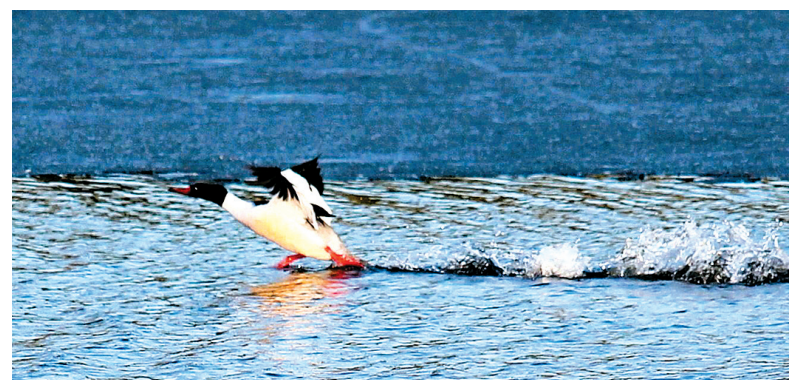
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Stacey Smith Tarbox | Submitted

## Water walker in Norwood

The Merganser duck was walking on water in the Norwood area.

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Tarot class in church?**

In your 1/26 – 2/1/24 issue there was an article titled, “Church hosting tarot class.”

Adhering to the revelation of Sacred Scripture, the Church has over the centuries formally condemned witches and witchcraft and has judged fortune telling, tarot card reading and the like as sinful. Sacred Scripture has many condemnations of these activities:

In the Old Testament - Leviticus 20:27 & Deuteronomy 18:10-12.

In the New Testament - Acts 8:9ff, 13:8ff, 16:16ff and Revelation 21:8.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church in discussing the 1st Commandment repeats the condemnation of divination:

“All forms of divination are to be rejected: recourse to Satan or demons, conjuring up the dead or other practices falsely supposed to ‘unveil’ the future. Consulting horoscopes, astrology, palm reading, interpretation of omens and lots, the phenomena of clairvoyance and recourse to mediums all conceal a desire for power over time, history and in the last analysis, other human beings, as well as a wish to conciliate hidden powers. They contradict the honor, respect and loving fear that we owe to God alone.” (# 2116)

(Please note that just reading a horoscope in the newspaper or the message inside the fortune cookie and having a laugh is not a mortal sin; however, taking such a horoscope seriously or paying for some astrologers advice is.)

To invoke Satan or any other power, to enter the darkness (the occult) for any assistance or to attempt to usurp powers which belong to God alone is a defiance of the authority of Almighty God. To commit such acts is to turn away from God and place our own souls in jeopardy.

Chris LaRose  
Potsdam

**The Energy Transition: the end of an era**

“The stone age did not end because the world ran out of stones, and the oil age will not end because we run out of oil” - Don Huberts (Royal Dutch Shell)

Peak oil historically is a term used to describe the point at which existing fossil fuel reserves no longer meet demand. The idea being that oil, a finite resource, will someday inevitably run out so we better start moving on to the next thing before it does.

Unfortunately, peak oil never really happened. The US did go through a brief production decline from the mid 80s to the early 2000s. This, combined with an ever-growing appetite for energy, lead to an increase in imports. Not because we were short on oil, but because what was left was too expensive to extract with the available technology.

Today, thanks to extraction improvements and a generally higher cost of oil, the US is the largest producer of oil in the world. And the 4th largest exporter. Oil company production and profits are at an all-time high. What's a world facing climate disaster to do?

Lucky for us, technological advancement continues. Energy production via solar is now the lowest cost energy available. According to the US Energy Information Agency 96% of 2024 US electrical capacity will come from solar, battery storage, and wind. The conversion to solar is actually accelerating with 55% more solar to be added in 2024 than in 2023. Almost a quarter of new capacity in 2024 will come from batteries alone. In contrast 98% of US electricity capacity retirements in 2023 were from coal and gas plants. NY state retired its last coal plant in 2022. Nobody in the US builds coal plants anymore. Almost nobody builds gas plants either. They are simply no longer cost competitive. Nowadays peak oil refers to the

point where, due to the energy transition, demand for fossil fuel begins its inevitable decline. It cannot come too soon. 2023 was the hottest year on record. 2014 to 2023 was the hottest decade on record. The International Energy Agency expects peak oil to happen by 2030. When it does, we are unlikely to notice. No clarion calls. No parties in the streets. More's the pity. It will truly be something to celebrate.

Scott Shipley  
Hermon

**The Great Lottery Deception**

The people running the lotteries are deceiving you. If they told you the true odds of winning the jackpot I doubt many people would play.

They say the odds of winning the Power Ball jackpot is 1 in 292,201,338. The true odds of winning the jackpot is 1 in 35,064,160,560. That is more than 35 billion to 1.

They say the odds of winning the Mega Millions jackpot is 1 in 302,575,350.

The true odds of winning the jackpot is 1 in 36,309,042,000. That is more than 36 billion to one.

William Blank  
Canton

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**NCNOW SURVEY**



Debbie Morgan | NCTM

Last week's question  
**Do you support over-the-counter birth control being sold in St. Lawrence County?**

**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. Opill is the first FDA-approved over-the-counter daily oral contraceptive (birth control) available in the United States. Do you support over-the-counter birth control being sold in St. Lawrence County?

**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:** 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. Do you prefer a certain chain or store when purchasing gas in St. Lawrence County?

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Deep Root says thank you**

The Staff and Board of Deep Root

Center (DRC) would like to extend our gratitude to several businesses for their recent support of our programs.



**SAINTS Learn to Swim Program**  
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**Augsbury Pool**  
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Second Session: April 22 - 26  
5:30-6:05pm **OR** 6:10-6:45pm

\$50 for 5 (five) 35 minute lessons  
Registration is first-come, first-served

For more Info or to Register:  
Rachel Curtiss, [rcurtiss@stlawu.edu](mailto:rcurtiss@stlawu.edu)

Event is a Fund raiser for the SLU Varsity Swimming & Diving Teams

Stewart's Shops donated \$250 via their Holiday Match and an additional \$300 towards our Healing through Creativity & Mentoring grant request. We are grateful for their continued support.

North Country Savings Bank recently donated \$200. Huge gratitude to the Golub Foundation (Price Chopper) for funding \$1000 to our Healing through Creativity & Mentoring grant request.

They have been consistent supporters of DRC from the beginning. SeaComm sponsored our programs for the second year in a row with a check for \$610 in February. DRC, an educational alternative in St. Lawrence County with two locations, has made a promise to our community to accept any child who needs us no matter their family's financial situation.

This sponsorship offsets some of the \$200,000 in fee reductions we offer each year to our student members and their families.

If your company is interested in supporting Deep Root Center, you can learn more at [deeprootcenter.org](http://deeprootcenter.org) or get in touch with [maria@deeprootcenter.org](mailto:maria@deeprootcenter.org).

**Maria Corse**  
Deep Root Center  
Canton

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# TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE WEEKEND AT BREGG WINERY

April **5th** and **6th**: **LIVE MUSIC!**

**Nick Rycroft**  
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**Goddard Girls**  
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**APRIL 7th:**  
12pm-4pm

**CHILDREN'S FACE PAINTING**



**PET CARE INFO TABLE**

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Flyer by Lola Charleson

**Movie Schedule**

**APRIL 5 - 11**  
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**The First Omen**  
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**Kung Fu Panda 4**  
7:00, 9:10 pm Nightly PG  
Fri, 2pm; Sat, Sun 1:00, 3:00

**Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire**  
6:50, 9:15 pm Nightly PG-13  
Fri, 2pm; Sat, Sun 12:30, 3:00  
Mon. 4/8 No 6:50 showing

**Godzilla X Kong: The New Empire**  
6:50, 9:15 pm Nightly PG-13  
Fri, 2pm; Sat, Sun 12:30, 3:00

**Dune: Part Two**  
7:00 pm Nightly PG-13  
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Fri, 1pm; Sat, Sun 12:30, 3:00

**Arthur The King**  
6:50, 9:15 pm Nightly PG-13  
Fri, 1pm; Sat, Sun 12:45, 3:00

**The First Omen**  
6:50, 9:20 pm Nightly R  
Fri, 1pm; Sat, Sun 12:30, 3:00

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Snack Pack program thanks Stewart's**

The Norwood Norfolk Snack Pack Program would like to thank Stewart's Holiday Match Program for their very generous donation of \$900 in support of our program. The NN Snack Pack Program has operated solely on donations and grants since its inception in 2012. We have no overhead costs, and all donations go directly toward the snack packs for the children.

The Snack Pack Program is supported by approximately 21 volunteers, who generously give of their time in many ways.

The NN Snack Pack Program currently serves over 225 students each week in grades pre-k through high school, including Head Start.

Stewart's Holiday Match has allocated more than \$38 million over the course of administering this program.

This year, Stewart's Holiday Match received just over \$2 million to donate, and received more than 1,800 applications.

To learn more about the Stewart's Holiday Match Program please visit their website ([www.Stewartshops.com/community-giving](http://www.Stewartshops.com/community-giving)).

With rising costs everywhere, we are grateful for Stewart's Holiday Match donation, which will help us sustain this program and serve all children in need of the Snack Pack Program.

**Denise diVincenzo  
NN Snack Pack Program**

**West Potsdam Volunteer Fire Department**



**FREE LUNCH**

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**SATURDAY  
APRIL 13, 2024  
9 AM - 3 PM**

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**LEGAL NOTICE • ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION NOTICE • PARISHVILLE-HOPKINTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT • TOWNS OF PARISHVILLE, HOPKINTON, POTSDAM, AND STOCKHOLM, COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Parishville-Hopkinton Central School District, St. Lawrence County, Parishville, New York, will be held in the auditorium in said District on Monday, May 13, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. Eastern Daylight Savings Time for the presentation of the Budget and Board Candidates. The budget and the tax exemption report will be available for review beginning May 6, 2024 in the District Office at the Parishville-Hopkinton Central School during the hours of 8:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M. except Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

purposes of said School District: Construction, reconstruction and improvement of school buildings and facilities, including original furnishings, equipment, machinery or apparatus incidental thereto, and the purchase of furnishings, equipment, machinery or apparatus separately; provided that such capital costs are an object or purpose that would be eligible for financing under the Local Finance Law, and costs incidental thereto. The ultimate amount of such Fund shall be \$2,500,000 plus earnings thereon.

Vacancies upon the Board of Education shall not be considered separate specific offices and nominating petitions shall not describe any specific vacancy upon the Board of Education for which the candidate is nominated. The candidates receiving a plurality of the votes cast for the office shall be declared elected. Petitions shall be filed with the District Clerk not later than Monday, April 22, 2024 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. Each petition shall be directed to the District Clerk, must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District, must state the residence of each signer, and must state the name and residence of the candidate.

may object to the voting of the ballot upon appropriate grounds for making his/her challenge and the reasons therefor known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls.

a preference to receive a military voter registration, military ballot application, or military ballot by mail, facsimile transmission, or electronic mail in their request for such registration, ballot application, or ballot. If a military voter does not designate a preference the appropriate school board of education shall transmit the military voter registration, military ballot application, and/or military ballot by mail. All absentee ballots and military ballots must be received in the Clerk's office by 5:00 p.m. on the day of the election.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual meeting of the qualified voters of the Parishville-Hopkinton Central School District of the Towns of Parishville, Hopkinton, Stockholm, and Colton, St. Lawrence County, New York, will be held in the auditorium in said District on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 between the hours of 1:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M. Eastern Daylight Savings Time, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting machine upon the following items:

4. To address such other and further matters as may properly be addressed at such meeting.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that applications for absentee ballots may be obtained from the District Office between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. Monday-Friday, except holidays. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Applications for absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 12:00 P.M. Eastern Daylight Savings Time, on Monday, May 20, 2024.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that that applications for early mail ballots may be obtained from the District Office by qualified voters between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. Monday-Friday, except holidays. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Applications for early mail ballots may not be submitted more than thirty days prior to the election. Applications for early mail ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 12:00 P.M. Eastern Daylight Savings Time, on Monday, May 20, 2024.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote at said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is: (1) a citizen of the United States of America; (2) eighteen years of age or older, and; (3) a resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days preceding the annual vote and election. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law §2018-c. Such forms may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2024-2025 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education may be obtained from the District Office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M.

A list of persons to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the District Office between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. on each of the five (5) days prior to the day set for the annual election and said list will be posted at the polling place (in the auditorium of the Parishville-Hopkinton Central School) on May 21, 2024. Any qualified voter present in the polling place

A list of persons to whom early mail ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the District Office between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. on each of the five (5) days prior to the day set for the annual election and said list will be posted at the polling place (in the auditorium of the Parishville-Hopkinton Central School) on May 21, 2024. Any qualified voter present in the polling place may object to the voting of the ballot upon appropriate grounds for making his/her challenge and the reasons therefor known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls.

By Order of the Board of Education  
Jeffrey Yette, School District Board Clerk  
Parishville-Hopkinton Central School District  
Towns of Parishville, Hopkinton, Potsdam, and Stockholm, County of St. Lawrence, State of New York.  
March 18, 2024

**HEUVELTON  
LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL HEARING, BUDGET VOTE, AND ELECTION**

**HEUVELTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**TOWNS OF OSWEGATCHIE, DEPEYSTER, MACOMB, DEKALB, LISBON, CANTON**

**COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE, NEW YORK**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Heuvelton Central School District, St. Lawrence County, Heuvelton, New York, will be held in the Large Group Instruction Room in said District on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. prevailing time, for the presentation of the budget. The budget will be available for review on April 29, 2024, in the District Office at Heuvelton Central School.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the annual vote of the qualified voters of the Heuvelton Central School District of the Towns of Oswegatchie, DePeyster, Macomb, Dekalb, Lisbon, and Canton, St. Lawrence County, New York, will be held in the School Auditorium in said District on May 21, 2024 between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., EDT at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting machine upon the following items:

1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2024-2025.
2. To elect two members of the Board of Education for one 5 - year term commencing May 22, 2024, and expiring on June 30, 2029 and one 5 - year term commencing on July 1, 2024, and expiring on June 30, 2029.
3. To levy and collect an annual tax, year after year, separate and apart from the annual school district budget, the additional amount of \$20,000 (above the current amount of \$20,000, for a new amount of \$40,000), which shall be paid to the Heuvelton Free Library for the support and maintenance of the library; with this appropriated amount to be the annual appropriation until thereafter modified by a future vote of the electors of the Heuvelton Central School District.
4. Such other propositions as may legally, and with proper notification, be brought before the voters.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for 2024-2025 fiscal year, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any resident of the District beginning April 29, 2024, except Saturday, Sunday, or holidays, from the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the District Clerk's Office, Heuvelton Central School.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that petitions nominating candidates for the office of members of the Board of Education shall be filed with the District Clerk of said School District at her office in Heuvelton Central School, not later than Monday, April 22, 2024, no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District and shall be signed by at least twenty-five (25) voters of the District, and must state the name and residence of the candidate and must state the name and address of each signer.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the qualified voters of the Heuvelton Central School District shall be entitled to vote at said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen years of age or older, and (3) resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days preceding the annual vote and election. The School district may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law §2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

AND FURTHER NOTICE HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to Education Law sections §2018 a & b as amended by Chapter 109, absentee ballots will be available by application from the District Clerk seven days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed or the day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to a rule adopted by the Board of Education in accordance with §2035 and §2008 of the Education Law, any referenda or propositions to amend the budget, otherwise to be submitted for voting at said election, must be filed with the Heuvelton Central School Board of Education at the District Office on or before April 22, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. EDT. It must be typed or printed in English, must be directed to the Clerk of the School District and signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District and must state the name and residence of each signer. However, the School Board will not entertain any petition to place before the voters any proposition the purpose of which is not within the powers of the voters to determine, or any proposition which fails to include a specific appropriation where the expenditure of monies is required by the proposition.

Tessa Herron

District Clerk

Heuvelton Central School District

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the Potsdam Housing Authority and entered into a management agreement with the Canton Housing Authority in March 2023. “Unfortunately, because of the requirements of my new position due to the anticipated merger and HUD regulations, I must resign my position as Town Council Member. There are additional programs and services that I will be responsible for through US HUD. With these latest programs I am prohibited from holding an elected office of any kind,” his resignation letter read. The town board had three options - leave the seat open until the next general election, appoint some to the seat or hold a special election. With the April 5 deadline to express interest, it is expected the town board will address the matter at its April 10 monthly board meeting.

**POTSDAM...**

However, Village Trustee Monique Tirion voted against the measure. “I’m for education,” said Tirion, a Clarkson professor. “If I were to vote ‘aye’ however, I feel like I would be telling SUNY Potsdam administration, whom I’ve never met, that they are unnecessary and have done unnecessary things. I’m accusing the trustees of not distributing things. I am accusing faculty and professional union legislators of supporting their home districts at the expense of other things and I do not feel myself to be sufficiently educated on these matters that I think its not appropriate for me on a local municipality as this to support this type of language in fact. So I vote no,” Tirion said. “Hold on, the way I read this Monique is that we are not condemning people at Potsdam state, we are condemning the directions they’ve been given from the level in Albany to them for the ramifications of the decisions they’re being forced to make,” Village Trustee Steve Warr said. “Where if this was equitably done to begin with, they wouldn’t be forced into the situation.”

“So, it’s not a condemnation of them. It’s a condemnation of the people in Albany who have exacerbated the problem on so many levels, to appoint people that don’t where they are appointed and to make decisions they shouldn’t make,” Warr said. “So flip that script around a little bit. I don’t think we are condemning the state, we are condemning the people who have forced them to make these decisions and telling them ‘you will do this’ and they don’t have a choice. So I beg you to reconsider based on that.”

“I will write to these people because I am sickened by the loss of the normal school and of all the schools we have lost,” Tirion said. “But I am very distressed at the tone of communication that people have adopted this day and age. And I don’t want to push anyone to the wall and make them look... It’s not me, okay. So I stand by my decision,” Tirion said.

Warr suggested that Wilke may not be able to abstain in the absence of a quorum vote and might be led to vote on the measure, however it was determined that the mayor is only compelled to vote instead of abstaining in the event of a tie vote.

Therefore, the resolution died on the floor two votes in support to one against, with the mayor abstaining.

Wilke said later after the meeting that the resolution could be raised again in the current form or with edits at a future meeting when all members are present.

**Faculty comments**

Earlier during public comment at the meeting, Town board member Lynn Hall, a SUNY Potsdam professor, urged village support for the resolution supporting SUNY Potsdam.

“The SUNY system was set up to bring economic growth to rural areas and you’ll hear people talk about the cliff of enrollment and that’s just one part of the story,” Hall said.

Hall said people are not going to college because it has become so expensive to go.

She said that education budgets have been cut by state level politicians on both sides of the aisle.

“So here we are, we have deficits in 19 of the campuses across the state,” she said. “It’s going to have a major impact in rural communities.”

Hall said the state does have money to address the deficit issues facing Potsdam and other campuses but that money is instead concen-

trated in the university centers downstate instead of on rural campuses like Potsdam.

Heather Sullivan Catlin, SUNY Potsdam faculty member, echoed Hall’s call for support for the resolution and said she thinks there is a move on the state’s part to defund the SUNY system over time.

“I think there is a larger systemic plan unfolding that the average person is not aware of,” she said. “One piece of it is, in general, the disinvestment of state government from public education.”

Catlin said this has been very gradual over the years and has resulted in concentrating the student population to a greater degree in university centers instead of on rural campuses like Potsdam’s.

“New York State has been bribing people to go to the urban centers for more than 15 years,” Village Trustee Steve Warr said later during the meeting. Warr said the state has tried to lure businesses away from rural areas as well, with promises of cheap power or tax breaks. He said it was a case of where the votes are. “They’ve abandoned the rural areas entirely. And that’s because of voting.”

**ECLIPSE...**

400 times further from the earth than the moon is, according to Scientific American. Over millennia the moon will continue moving further from the earth and eventually total solar eclipses won’t be possible, Scientific American says.

For more about the eclipse, visit special pages created by St. Lawrence University at [www.stlawu.edu/total-solar-eclipse-2024](http://www.stlawu.edu/total-solar-eclipse-2024)

The region has been gearing up for the event, and an expected influx of thousands of visitors, for months. Various educational events and other parties have been staged in the lead up and t-shirts, eclipse viewing glasses and other merchandise is available at multiple locations to purchase for mementos. Visit <https://www.visitstlc.com/stlc-total-eclipse-2024-merchandise/> for a list of spots to buy eclipse merch.


In St. Lawrence County, dozens of eclipse viewing events, parties, and celebrations are planned by various organizations and businesses across the region on April 8. See this edition’s calendar for April 8 for specific events that are planned.


While the eclipse can be viewed from anywhere in St. Lawrence County, the following locations are listed by the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce as viewing areas:

- Total Eclipse Viewing at Fort de la Présentation (Ogdensburg)
- St. Lawrence County, NY Total Solar Eclipse (Totality County-Wide)
- Totality Viewing Celebration at SUNY Potsdam (Potsdam)
- Total Eclipse Viewing & Activities at Frederic Remington Museum (Ogdensburg)
- Total Eclipse Viewing Event by North Country Children’s Museum (Potsdam)
- Eclipse Fragrance Festival at Pine Street Arena (Potsdam)
- Total Eclipse Celebration at The White Silo (Canton)
- Eclipse Viewing Area with Activities by Nicandri Nature Center at Barnhart Beach (Massena)
- Total Eclipse Viewing & Festivities at Norwood American Legion (Norwood)
- Total Eclipse Viewing at Massena Public Library (Massena)
- Eclipse Viewing Party at the Park (Norwood)
- “Book” Your Eclipse Viewing & Story Time at Madrid Hepburn Library (Madrid)
- Total Eclipse Viewing Party at Raquette River Pub (Colton)
- Eclipse Viewing Party at Norwood Public Library (Norwood)


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

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**MASSENA LEGAL NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING**

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that the Budget Hearing of Massena Central School District will be held in **Room 314 of the Massena High School, 84 Nightengale Avenue, Massena, NY on Thursday, May 9, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.** for the presentation of the budget for the 2024-25 fiscal year.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that the Annual Meeting (budget vote and election of Board members) of the inhabitants of the Massena Central School District, qualified to vote at school meetings in said district, will be held on **Tuesday, May 21, 2024, from 12:00 noon until 8:00 p.m. at the Massena Community Center, 61 Beach Street, Massena, NY**, at which time the polls will be open to vote, with voting anticipated to be by voting machine upon the following items:

- The following budget resolution:
- RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Massena Central School District be authorized to expend the sums set forth in the budget as presented, during the 2024-2025 school year, and to levy the necessary tax therefore.
  - To elect two (2) members of the Board of Education, for a 5-year term commencing July 1, 2024 and expiring June 30, 2029.
  - SHALL** the Board of Education of Massena Central School have a high school senior student, who has been selected in accordance with Education Law, serve as an ex-officio member of the District's Board of Education.
  - SHALL** the Board of Education of the Massena Central School District, be authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law to be titled "2024 Vehicle Reserve Fund" for a ten-year term in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000, inclusive of accrued interest and other investment earnings, to be used for school vehicles, bus purchases, and related equipment, such reserve fund to be funded from (i) year-end budget surplus funds known as unassigned fund balance, as available, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 and each fiscal year thereafter for the term of the reserve fund, (ii) transfers of excess monies from Board of Education designed reserves, (iii) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, (iv) New York State Aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time, and (v) other legally authorized sources, all as permitted by law.
  - Such other propositions as may legally, and with proper notification, be brought before the voters.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the ensuing year for school purposes, may be obtained by any resident in the district during the fourteen (14) days immediately preceding the Annual Meeting except Saturdays, Sundays, or holidays at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools during business hours.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that petitions nominating candidates for the Office of Member of the Board of Education must be filed in the Clerk's office between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., no later than April 22, 2024. Each petition shall be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the Massena Central School District, and must state the name and residence of the candidate.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that applications for absentee ballots and early mail ballots may be applied for at the office of the District Clerk during business hours, Monday through Friday, except holidays. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Completed absentee and early mail ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the vote.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that military voters who are qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at (315) 764-3700, ext. 3008 or asnyder@mcs.k12.ny.us. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 25, 2024. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail. A list of all persons to whom absentee, early mail, and military ballots have been issued will be available in said office of the District Clerk on each of the five (5) days prior to the day of the election, except Sunday, and such list will also be posted at the polling place at the election of members of the Board of Education.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, that the voter proposition initiated by the public will be placed on Page 2 of the ballot and shall contain the following items in regard to the Massena Public Library .

- Question: Shall there be established a "Henry. H. Warren Memorial Library" for the benefit and free use of all residents of the Massena Central School District, such library to be governed by seven (7) trustees elected by the voters of the School District for terms of up to five (5) years, authorized to raise an annual appropriation from the School District of \$679,990.00, separate and apart from the annual School District appropriation, until such appropriation is changed by further vote of the majority of electors on the School District?

**AND NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN** that an election shall be held to elect seven (7) members of the initial Board of Trustees of the Massena Public Library to initial terms of up to five (5) years, commencing July 1, 2024 and expiring in accordance with the initial terms to be established for each elected Trustee by that Board in accordance with the Election Law.

**AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that petitions nominating candidates for the office of Member of the Board of Trustees of the Massena Public Library shall be filed with the District Clerk of said School District no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 22, 2024. Candidates run at large. Each petition shall be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the Massena Central School District, and must state the name and residence of the candidate.

Ashley M. Snyder, District Clerk  
Massena Central School District  
Board of Education

April 5, 2024

**BRASHER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING/ BUDGET VOTE**

**BRASHER FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE, BRASHER FALLS, NEW YORK**

**NOTICE IS GIVEN**, that a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Brasher Falls Central School District will be held in the MS/HS School Auditorium, located at 1039 State Highway 11c, Brasher Falls, NY in said District on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 6:00 PM, for the presentation of the proposed 2024-2025 school budget. The proposed budget will be available for district residents to review beginning on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 in the District Office from 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM, excepting Saturday, Sunday or a Holiday, in the High School Building, located at 1039 State Highway 11c, Brasher Falls, NY.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN**, that the annual budget vote and election of the qualified voters of the Brasher Falls Central School District (the "Election") will be held in Middle School Gymnasium of the Middle/High School Building, located at 1039 State Highway 11c, Brasher Falls on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 between the hours of 12:00 PM and 8:00 PM, at which time the polls will be opened to vote; voting will be by paper ballot upon the following items:

- To adopt the annual budget for the School District for the fiscal year 2024-2025 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
- To elect two members for the following seats, running at large, on the Board of Education, each for a five-year term commencing July 1, 2024 and expiring June 30, 2029 to succeed current members Katherine Brown and Julie Carvel-Liberty.
- SHALL** the Board of Education of the Brasher Falls Central School District be authorized to: (1) acquire school buses and a transportation vehicle, at a cost not to exceed \$604,681 which is estimated to be the maximum cost thereof; (2) expend such sum for such purpose; (3) levy the necessary tax therefore, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education in accordance with Section 416 of the Education Law taking into account state aid and trade-in value; and (4) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issue bonds, notes and/or installment purchase contracts of the District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed \$558,181, and levy a tax to pay the interest on said obligations when due?
- SHALL** the Board of Education of the Brasher Falls Central School District be authorized to: (1) establish a capital reserve fund to be used to finance in whole or part the cost of acquisition, construction or reconstruction of district buildings and grounds, the acquisition of equipment, or other capital projects in accordance with Education Law section 3651, in an ultimate amount not to exceed \$2,500,000; (3) the fund shall have a probable term of 10 years; (4) the Board of Education be authorized to pay into the fund in the 2023-24 school year and annually thereafter funds of the school district in an amount determined by the Board of Education up to the maximum authorized amount, from the fund balance or other legally available funds, from state aid reimbursement to the District on account of capital projects, and from such other monies as the voters may direct?

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that petitions to nominate candidates to the Board of Education must be filed in the District Clerk's Office between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM no later than April 22, 2024.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that applications for absentee ballots will be obtainable between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. A list of persons to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection in the District Clerk's Office on each of the 5 days before the Election between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM and shall be posted at the polling place at the Election.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that applications for early mail ballots will be obtainable between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. Early mail ballots may be requested by a signed letter and received by the District Clerk no earlier than 30 days before the election and no later than seven days before the election. A list of persons to whom early mail ballots are issued will be available for inspection in the District Clerk's Office on each of the 5 days before the Election between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM and shall be posted at the polling place at the Election.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that military voters who are qualified voters of the District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at (315) 389-5131 ext. 29108 between the hours of 8:00AM and 3:30PM Monday through Friday, except holidays or cdelisle@bfcsd.org. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the Clerk must have received a valid ballot application by 5:00 PM on April 19, 2024. Military voters may designate a preference to receive a military ballot application or a military ballot by mail, fax or e-mail. A list of persons to whom military ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the District Clerk's Office on and after April 22, 2024, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM on weekdays until the day of the election. -

Submitted by:

Cindy Delisle, District Clerk

Brasher Falls Central School District

Brasher Falls, St. Lawrence County, New York

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

Notice of Formation of Reliable Performance & Towing LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/25/2024. 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: Darin Bresett, 4113 SH 37, Ogdensburg, NY 13669. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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

Notice of Formation of HCKN Services LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 03/10/2024. 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: HCKN Services LLC: PO Box 494, South Colton NY 13687. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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

Notice of Formation of C & C CONSTRUCTION NNY, 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: Christopher Willard: 151 Benson Road, Potsdam, NY 13676. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**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.

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

Notice of Formation of Palmerville Fabrication and Repair 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: Mark E. White, 87 Backus Rd., Russell, NY 13684. 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.

**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.

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

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

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY LEGAL NOTICE**

Please be advised that the Town Board of the Town of Massena will hold a Public Hearing on April 17, 2024, at 4:30 PM. The hearing will take place in Room 30, located at 60 Main Street, Massena, New York. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to discuss extending the current moratorium and local law on the Crypto Currency Mining Operations in the Town of Massena.



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**NORTH COUNTRY THISWEEK**

## Bassett presented Ladouceur Award

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

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

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

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

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

## Hospice honors Mary Jones

POTSDAM – Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley recognized Mary Jones, Director of Family Support Services, for her exceptional 30 years of dedicated service to the organization.

Jones has been an integral part of the Hospice family, providing invaluable support to individuals and families during some of the most challenging times of their lives. Her passion for the mission of Hospice and her relentless dedication to enhancing the quality of life for those facing end-of-life journeys have left an incredible mark on the community.

The recognition comes not only as a testament to Mary’s outstanding professional achievements but also as a reflection of the lives she has touched and the comfort she has provided to countless individuals and families over the past three decades.

## On Provost’s List

Bethany Ruehle, a resident of Madrid, was named to the Provost’s List for the Spring 2023 semester at Genesee Community College.

Students honored on the Provost’s List have maintained part-time enrollment and earned a quality point index of 3.75 (roughly equivalent to an A) or better.

## Joins honor society

Sophia Compeau, of Potsdam, was one of 25 students inducted into the Elmira College circle, or chapter, of Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK), the National Leadership Honor Society.

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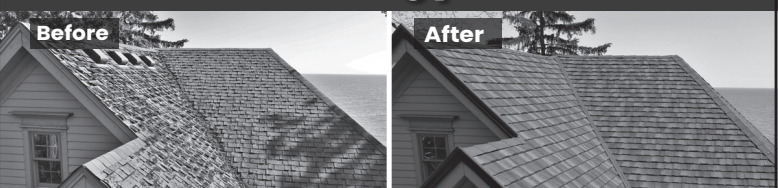


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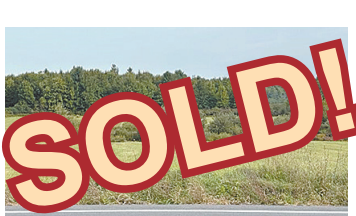
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## Dairy Princess program seeks candidates

CANTON – The St. Lawrence County Dairy Princess Program is seeking energetic youth who like to engage with people and share their love and knowledge of agriculture, specifically dairy.

All youth are welcome. You must have an interest in and have a connection to the dairy industry. The program is seeking members for the following: Princess/Prince/Royal candidates (ages 16-23), Ambassadors (ages 12-15) and Promoters (8-11). For more information on the program and our events please visit us on Facebook.

This year's application to join the court is open now until April 8. Please fill out the application here. [https://](https://forms.gle/BUM1YJSN32bLJLHB9)

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Benefits of joining the Dairy Promotion Program include gaining important resume-building skills such as public speaking, presentation skills, team building and leadership, and general public appearances.

The Dairy Princess Banquet will be held Sunday, April 14 at the Saphead Complex, 5355 County Route 27 Canton. Milk punch at noon, Lunch is catered by Fobare's BBQ. Reservations are required.

Email [sledairyprincess@gmail.com](mailto:sledairyprincess@gmail.com) to RSVP or if you have any questions.

Follow the program on Facebook at St. Lawrence County Dairy Promotion.

## Free eclipse viewing party at White Silo

CANTON – The White Silo, an event complex located south of the village of Canton, has planned a free Total Solar Eclipse Viewing & Celebration to take place between 8 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. on April 8.

This opportunity for north country residents and visitors will include music, food, trivia, a customized photo booth, and more. The event is free, but there is a \$20 parking fee.

White Silo is located on 50+ acres, providing the premier location for unobstructed viewing of the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse.

The event will begin with a pancake breakfast from 8 a.m.-noon for \$12.

Arrive before 11 a.m. and parking is free. After 11 a.m., there will be a \$20 parking fee for the eclipse viewing and celebration.

After the pancake breakfast, the

event will feature music with an eclipse themed music play list and trivia.

There will be a limited amount of commemorative engraved mugs and solar eclipse viewing glasses for sale as well as food and drinks.

Bring your own lawn chair and glasses and enjoy 50 acres of unobstructed views of the eclipse. The forecast is for sunny skies leading into totality and then changing to sunny skies and the outgoing partial eclipse.

The partial eclipse begins at approximately 2:11 p.m., with Totality starting just after 3:30 p.m. and the partial eclipse ending around 4:30 p.m.

Then go back inside as local party band Plan-B will take the stage from 4:30-6:30 p.m. during which time guests can enjoy a meal and one of the White Silos' legal

beverages featuring their very own distilled spirits.

You can prepay for parking and commemorative mugs online through Ticketleap at [www.ticketleap.events/events/happyhiveny](http://www.ticketleap.events/events/happyhiveny).

A cash bar and menu items will be available throughout the day for lunch and dinner.

Guests are encouraged to bring their own lawn/camping chairs and eclipse glasses for outdoor viewing.

This event is a joint effort between The White Silo, Happy Hive LLC, Barker Productions, and Plan-B Entertainment.

This partnership is the first of what the groups hope to be an ongoing relationship to bring high-quality entertainment opportunities to the north country.

Questions can comments can be sent to [thehappyhiveny@gmail.com](mailto:thehappyhiveny@gmail.com).

### BRIEFLY

#### New art installation at Potsdam Public Library

POTSDAM – Expressions and Interpretations of the North Country: Garments of the Past Knit into the Future is the interactive installation from local artist and crafts-person, Mona Zillah.

Rooted in the traditional art of knitting the installation, which comes to PPL through a partnership with Canton's Traditional Arts in Upstate New York (TAUNY)

Info: <https://potsdamlibrary.org/expressions-and-interpretations-of-the-north-country-garments-of-the-past-knit-into-the-future/>

## Edward I. Moses Walk & Run for Life to feature three venues this year

BY PAUL MITCHELL

North Country This Week

The 46th annual St. Lawrence County Cancer Fund (SLCCF)/ Edward I. Moses Walk/Run for Life now has three venues for its annual fundraiser in the fight against cancer.

This year additional sites will be the Elks Club in Potsdam and the Ogdensburg Free Academy Golden Dome as well as the traditional site in Canton at St. Lawrence University.

The Kinney Drugs Foundation is the primary sponsor of the event which will be held at all three locations on Sunday, April 28 with registration beginning at 9 am and the event beginning at 10 a.m.

SLCCF has been in existence since 1979 and was started by Kinney employees in memory of their late president, Edward I. Moses who lost his life to cancer. Since then it has raised and donated over \$2.3 million dollars to St. Lawrence County area cancer centers and other nonprofits who assist those in St. Lawrence County who are affected by cancer.

SLCCF President Dick Christy along with other Board members felt it was time to expand with the hopes it would raise more money which in turn would benefit those in our county who are affected by cancer. All monies raised stay here

in St. Lawrence County.

In 2023 SLCCF gave out over \$64,000 in grants to seven different agencies and nonprofits.

"The increase in money raised will help to meet the higher demand for cancer related services felt by our local cancer-care centers at our local hospitals and non-profits such as St. Lawrence Valley Hospice. "As we looked at where past funds were coming from, over 50% were coming from the greater Canton area while grant dollars were being distributed throughout the county. We felt by expanding our sites we could raise more money and make this event a truly a St. Lawrence County fundraising event" said Dick Christy, SLCCF president.

In the past year both Kinney's and Save A Lot stores have held roundups in St. Lawrence County stores to initiate this effort, Christy noted. Last year about 100 people participated and the hope is to double that number by having walks in Potsdam and Ogdensburg.

The first organizational meeting was held recently with local organizers Shawn Spadaccini, Potsdam (315) 244-5309 and Angela McRoberts Ogdensburg (315)323-0207 serving as co- chairs for the event.

For more information or to donate as an individual or a business visit [www.wakrunforlife.com](http://www.wakrunforlife.com) or you can mail a donation to SLCCG PO Box 291 Canton NY 13617.

## Eclipse viewing at Higley Flow State Park

COLTON – Higley Flow State Park will be open for viewing the total solar eclipse April 8 for day use from 8:00 a.m. to sunset, as it is every day of the year for public use.

The beach is an ideal spot for viewing the eclipse. The Park has a limited number of free glasses to offer those in attendance.

There is a playground, a pavilion, and several charcoal grills in the beach area.

There is no water down at the beach and in the campground area this time of year, as buildings

are not heated and it is too cold to activate underground water lines. Water and two bathrooms are available at the Nature Center/Lodge and the two more at the Main Office.

There is no camping at the Park until Victoria Day weekend.

Attendees are invited to enjoy the amenities the Park has to offer while respecting its beauty by carrying out what was carried in. Park employees will be on hand to answer questions and offer any assistance needed.



Photo courtesy of Kris Rozelle

## Eclipse crafting underway

Lexie Marolf paints her glow in the dark eclipse shirt to wear on the day of the solar eclipse at a recent workshop held at Massena Public Library. Artist Kris Rozelle volunteered to assist with the project, sponsored by WellNow Urgent Care.





## Patsy Cline tribute at Ogdensburg Command Performances show

OGDENSBURG – More than 60 years after her death in a plane crash at the age of 30, Patsy Cline is still often described as the greatest female country singer of all time and the first to cross over to the pop music chart.

The music and poignant personal details regarding the trail blazing icon will come to life April 7 at 4 p.m. at George Hall Auditorium through a performance of “Always... Patsy Cline.”

The long-running off-Broadway production is brought to the North Country by Ogdensburg Command Performances. The stage presentation tells the true story of Patsy Cline’s groundbreaking career through her close friendship with one of her biggest fans.

Producers of the show say the audience will get to know Patsy as a down to earth small-town gal and learn the importance of her growing friendship with Houston housewife Louise Seger.

You will also hear nearly 30 of her songs including “Walkin’ After Midnight,” “I Fall to Pieces,” and “Crazy.”

The role of Patsy Cline is played by actress and singer Cindy Sum-

mers and Louise Seger is played by Misty Rowe.

“Always ...Patsy Cline” is based on the true story of Patsy Cline’s friendship with Louise Seger, who first heard Cline perform on the Arthur Godfrey Show in 1957 and became an immediate and avid fan.

In 1961 when Cline went to Houston for a show, Seger and her friends arrived early and met Cline who was traveling alone. The two women struck up a friendship that was to culminate in Cline spending the night at Seger’s house.

Over a pot of strong coffee, the two women chatted late into the night about their common concerns and when Cline left for Dallas, the two women exchanged addresses and telephone numbers.

They remained close friends until Cline’s untimely death in a plane crash in March 1963.

The upcoming performance and play about Cline’s life and friendship focuses on the fateful evening at Houston’s Esquire Ballroom when Seger hears of Cline’s death.

For tickets call 315-393-2625 or visit [ILoveTheatre.org](http://ILoveTheatre.org)

Emails can be sent to [ocp@ogdensburgk12.org](mailto:ocp@ogdensburgk12.org).



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## Good eats at Pancake Day

Bob Page and Betty Robillard, Louisville, eat at the 65th Massena Rotary Club Pancake Day March 23 at the Massena Central High School. They said the pancakes “are delicious and can’t be beat.”

## Nature center plans events

MASSENA — Solar eclipse and Earth Day activities, spring walks, and rock art on canvas are among the April events at Nicandri Nature Center:

4/6 Pinhole Eclipse viewers 10 a.m.; Astronomy 101 at 2 p.m.;

4/7 Pinhole Eclipse viewers 10 a.m.; What to expect when you are expecting an eclipse 2 p.m.

4/8 ECLIPSE viewing at Robert Moses Beach/Marina. Staff will bring solar telescopes/binoculars. Limited number of solar eclipse glasses

4/10 Frog pond walk and talk 3:30 p.m.

4/11 Beaver walk and talk 3:30 p.m.

4/12 Sturgeon feeding and talk 3:30 p.m.

4/13: Salamander search 2 p.m.

4/14 Spring flowers craft 10 a.m.; Signs of spring walk 2 p.m.

4/17 Nature craft 3:30 p.m.

4/18 Animal tracking 3:30 p.m.

4/19 Owl pellets 3:30 p.m.; Nature board games 6-8 p.m.

4/20 EARTH DAY crafts and scavenger hunt all day

4/21 Owl pellets 2 p.m.

4/24 Frog walk 3:30 p.m.

4/25 Spring plant walk 3:30 p.m.

4/26 Turtle weigh in 3:30 p.m.

4/27 Nature craft for adults: rock art on canvas

4/28 Nature craft 10 a.m.; Camouflage walk 2 p.m.

## Sacred music fest planned

POTSDAM — The annual Festival of Sacred Music and Text, sponsored by the Potsdam Interfaith Community, will be held on Sunday, April 14 at 3 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church at 42 Elm St. in Potsdam.

Some congregations that will be represented include Congregation Beth El, First Church of Christ Scientist, First Presbyterian, Potsdam Masjid, St. Lawrence Valley Friends (Quakers), The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and Unitarian Universalist Church of Canton.

The Festival brings together Potsdam’s many faiths to share sacred music and readings with one another and with the community. Admission is free and open to the public.

A dessert reception and a Faith Fair featuring information about

area congregations will follow.

Jeff Francom, president of the Potsdam Interfaith Community said, “Those who attend will be introduced to music and texts that are sacred to some of the many diverse faiths within our community.”

For the first time, this event will conclude with a Faith Fair, where attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions of representatives from each of the participating faiths.”

The Potsdam Interfaith Community (PIC) is an organization composed of religious communities in the Potsdam area. For more information, please email [potsdaminterfaith@gmail.com](mailto:potsdaminterfaith@gmail.com) or visit the Potsdam Interfaith Community Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/diversecommunity](http://www.facebook.com/diversecommunity).

## Totality cornhole tourney set

SOUTH COLTON — GardenShare will host a totality-themed Total Eclipse of the Cornhole Tournament at the South Colton Rink on Sunday, April 7.

Teams of 2 will compete in a double-elimination bracket for prizes from Raquette River Pub, The Red Pine Cone, Robideau’s Mahogany Ridge Bar & Grill, Baker’s Sizzling Grill, Higley Hooch, Kat’s Confections, and Apothecary Chocolates.

Check in will be at noon with toss-off at 1 p.m.

Tickets are \$50/team and will support GardenShare’s initiatives including the Bonus Bucks program.

Attendees are encouraged to bring donations of shelf-stable food to support the Colton Food Pantry.

Each donation counts as 1 raffle ticket entry towards a door prize raffle.

To find out more information and register ahead of time visit GardenShare on Facebook.

## Cinema 10 to screen Ernest and Celestine

POTSDAM — Cinema 10 continues the Spring 2024 season on Monday, April 8 - after the eclipse is over - with a screening of Ernest and Celestine: A Trip to Gibberitia (Ernest et Célestine: Le voyage en Charabie), a 2022 film directed by Julien Chheng and Jean-Christophe Roger, at 7:15 p.m. at the Roxy in Potsdam.

The film is 80 minutes and not rated.

Ernest and Celestine return for another animated adventure in A Trip to Gibberitia. When Ernest’s beloved violin is broken, the pair must travel to Gibberitia to get it repaired. But they soon discover that the land known for its love of music has fallen silent.

“A unique joie de vivre courses through [the film’s] every meticulously composed frame.” (Ross McIndoe, Slant Magazine).

General Admission is \$6.50 for individuals and \$55 for season tickets. Students and senior citizens tickets are \$5.50 for individuals and \$45 for season tickets. Season tickets are sharable.

Follow Cinema 10 on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/CinemaTen](http://www.facebook.com/CinemaTen).

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For more information visit [cinema10.org](http://cinema10.org).

## Rotary club plans vendor & craft 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. until 3 p.m. at the Market Square Mall, 22 Depot St. Admission is free of charge.

In addition to 20 vendors, the fair will feature free children’s books, an adult reader book exchange, free bookmarks, a 50/50, raffles, and a “book it” challenge with prizes.

Rotary literacy programs include the distribution of books at Fright Night in October and again during the Potsdam Holiday Fund Santa’s Workshop in December. Potsdam Rotarians have read to elementary students in the past and a reading program for seniors is currently being considered.

For more information, contact Mary Sue Foster at [foster.marysue@yahoo.com](mailto:foster.marysue@yahoo.com) or go to [bit.ly/craft-vendor-2024](http://bit.ly/craft-vendor-2024).

## ‘Digital culture’ class for seniors

NORWOOD — Norwood Public Library is offering a 5-week course designed for seniors 65+ titled “Intro to Digital Culture” by Senior Planet, starting April 9 at 2 p.m.

The class will learn to use the internet to contact lawmakers, learn about health-related topics, connect with others offline and online, and explore interests and passions.

This course also covers best practices for staying safe online and using social media.

Contact the library at (315) 353-6692 to register.

## 27th annual Middle & High School Art Exhibit to open

OGDENSBURG — The Frederic Remington Art Museum announces the opening of its 27th Annual Middle School & High School Art Exhibit with a reception on Saturday, April 13, from 2-4 p.m.

The reception is free and all are welcome.

The reception offers a chance to meet young artists—and some of their teachers—and is a great way to celebrate art education in the North Country.

The exhibit includes work by middle and high school students from schools throughout our region, and will be on view in the Museum’s Richard E. Winter Gallery through May 11.

An online exhibit will be available on the Museum’s website, [www.fredericremington.org](http://www.fredericremington.org).

During the reception, admission

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

Sketching materials will be available in the Museum galleries for artists of all ages, and refreshments will be served in the Museum’s Tiffany Room.

The exhibit includes works by students at Canton Central Schools, Clifton-Fine Central Schools, Colton-Pierrepont Central School, Edwards-Knox Central School, Gouverneur Central Schools, Lisbon Central School, Little River Community School, Ogdensburg Free Academy, Parishville-Hopkinton Central School, Potsdam Central Schools, St. Lawrence Central Schools, and Salmon River Central Schools.

## Photographer to be featured at Gallery at Lake Saint Lawrence

WADDINGTON - Photographer and custom framer Beverly Patchin will be featured by The Gallery at Lake Saint Lawrence Arts, 14 Main St.

Her exhibit “Photo Journey – New England to Alaska” will run April 4-27, on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

On April 5 and April 20, she will be available for discussion of her techniques during those times.

As a child, Beverly was always taking photos. During most of her working years, she was an accountant and mother to 4 children. In later years she was able to take some photography courses as well as internet courses.

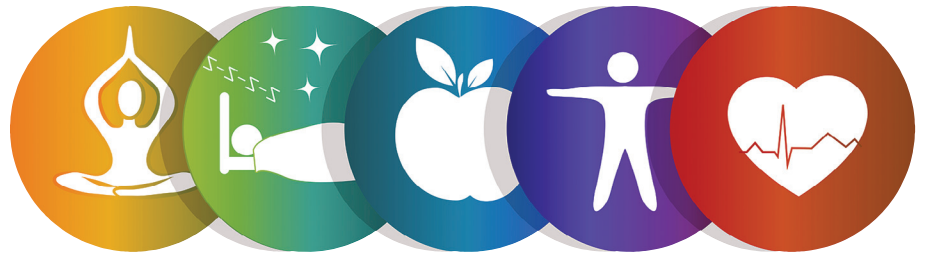
After she retired, and while in Florida in 2007, she found out that the Professional Photographers of America were having their convention in Tampa, so she went.

That started her career in photography. She began her business Bluebird Gallery in 2008. Beverly started out taking professional portraits of people and pets in Florida during the winter.

She also has other outlets for her work including Singer Castle in the Thousand Islands, Pickens General Store in Heuvelton, TAUNY in Canton, and the St. Lawrence Art Council in Potsdam.

Patchin took up custom framing as a necessary activity associated with her photography. Now she does it professionally as well and has been doing it for about three years. She works from the Gallery in Waddington and accepts referrals from TAUNY in Canton and the St. Lawrence Art Council as well as word-of-mouth and personal contacts.

For more information visit [www.lakestlawrencearts.com](http://www.lakestlawrencearts.com) or call The Gallery at 315-388-3033.



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Brianne Printup, on left, began writing letters to Myrtle Butterfield four years ago during the COVID-19 pandemic when residents at the nursing home were having little to no contact with the outside world. Earlier this week, after exchanging letters for four years, they met for the first time. On the right is Activities Leader Lauren Martinchek.

## UH resident meets Pen Pal for the first time

CANTON - During the COVID-19 pandemic when the whole world went into isolation, Myrtle Butterfield, then a resident in the Assisted Living Program at United Helpers Rehabilitation and Senior Care in Canton made a new friend with whom she would communicate for years before meeting each other face to face for the first time earlier this week.

At the time Brianne Printup worked at Clarkson University. She thought it would be fun to write letters to residents at area nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

Since that time Printup and Butterfield continued writing and have done so on a regular basis for the past four years. Today, Mrs.

Butterfield remains a resident at Rehabilitation and Senior Care, now residing in the skilled nursing wing. Printup no longer works at Clarkson and lives downstate, but her connection to the North Country remains through her relationship with Butterfield.

United Helpers Activities Leader Lauren Martinchek has also been involved since the beginning, serving as Butterfield's "secretary" and helping her write the letters which would form the backbone of this unique friendship.

"When they were chatting today, I don't think I have ever seen Myrtle so happy," Martinchek said. "And Myrtle is usually a pretty happy lady."

## Parishville man settles into senior living

CANTON - A former snowbird who decided he no longer wanted to travel back and forth between Florida and the North Country said he's thankful for this move to United Helpers Independent Senior Living. In fact, both he and his children credit the move for possibly preserving the quality of life he's able to continue enjoying today.

John Snell, formerly of Parishville, was speaking on the phone with his daughter, Kathleen Reagan, when something didn't seem right. Mrs. Reagan noticed too.

"We went from having a normal conversation to him not being able to put a sentence together and he said he wasn't sure what was happening," Reagan recalled, adding she then hung up the phone with her father and called Community Housing Manager Jennifer Dean, who ran down to his room. 911 was called and it was determined that Snell was having a stroke.

The quick response from Dean and the Canton Rescue Squad enabled Snell to begin receiving treatment almost immediately, helping to preserve his quality of life and limit the stroke's impact.

Prior to his move into United Helpers Independent Senior Living Snell was living on his own.

"My wife passed seven years ago and most of my friends have passed on too," he said. "I would have been in Florida by myself and who knows how this would have turned out."

It was that sense of loneliness that led Snell to the ISL.

"My daughters had mentioned it two or three times and then one day on my own I came to check it out and thought, that doesn't look so bad," he recalled.

Snell was living along Higley Flow during the spring and summer, while spending the colder months in Florida.

Since moving into the ISL, Snell said he has made several friends and also reconnected with some people he hadn't seen in a long time.

If you're interested in learning more about United Helpers Independent Senior Living, an open house will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. on Friday, June 14. A virtual tour may also be taken at [www.unitedhelpers.org](http://www.unitedhelpers.org) or a private tour may be scheduled by calling (315) 379-1428.

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# SLC People Project provides new sneakers for area students

HEUVELTON -- In early March, the St. Lawrence County People Project delivered brand new athletic footwear to interested school dis-

tricts within St. Lawrence County. Spring is a time when children want to get outside and play after a long winter, but many of them have

outgrown or worn out their back to school sneakers, the organization said in a press release. The SLCPP in collaboration

with Operation Warm, was able to donate approximately 400 pairs of sneakers to local elementary students.

The non-profit organization has been able to donate winter coats for the past four years but this is the first time for the athletic shoes, the press release said.

"Our students are looking forward to many opportunities to play sports, use the walking trail, and get outside and enjoy the warm weather with these shoes on their feet," said a Heuvelton school representative.

"The response from the districts has been really positive!" said Mary Wills, Executive Director for the SLCPP. "I have been told they are flying off the shelves and the kids

are very excited to pick from all the bright colors. Our goal is to help make life better for the residents of SLC. If that includes making children smile and giving parents one less thing to worry about, that's fabulous."

Donations are always greatly appreciated and can be made out to SLC People Project, PO Box 763, 431 State St. Ogdensburg, NY 13669.

The People Project is a non-profit organization and a registered 501 (c) (3). The mission of the organization is to strengthen education, along with health and wellness and the economy in St. Lawrence County, and advance its residents by coordinating community initiatives, activities, and resources for all.

## Nurse Practitioner Pesold joins Massena Hospital pediatric team

MASSENA – St. Lawrence Health's Massena Hospital is thrilled to announce that Nurse Practitioner Alexandra Pesold has joined its Pediatric team. Her office


is located in Kids Korner, Bushnell Medical Office Building, 17 Hospital Drive, Massena.

Pesold earned her Masters of Science Family Nurse Practitioner degree at State University of New York at Upstate, Syracuse, and comes to Massena Hospital with experience from regional health care facilities. While earning her degree as a Registered Nurse, Pesold gained clinical experience at both Massena (Memorial) Hospital, and Canton-Potsdam Hospital.

A North Country native, NP Pesold noted she is looking forward to working in and giving back to the community that helped raise her.

As a Nurse Practitioner, Pesold provides wellness exams, diagnoses illnesses, prescribes appropriate medications, reviews imaging results, interprets lab results, and educates her patients on treatment. She further develops, implements, and manages a plan of care for her patients with acute and chronic illnesses.

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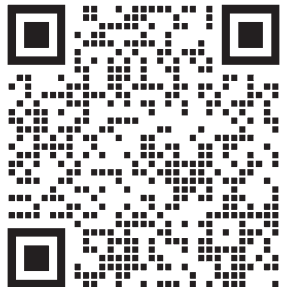
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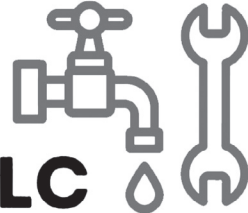
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

Answers found elsewhere in this paper.

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### 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)



## ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

### 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.

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The Research Foundation for SUNY (State University of New York), a private, not for profit organization, invites applications for Telephone Interviewers for Potsdam Institute for Applied Research (PIAR). Responsibilities include conducting telephone interviews with recent high school graduates and their families utilizing a prepared script. Keyboarding, good communication and customer service skills are required. Several bilingual interviewers are needed, especially to accommodate Spanish speakers. Once hired, on-site training will be provided. The employment period will begin on or about May 15, 2024 and end by September 30, 2024. Interviewers will need to be available for mostly evening and weekend hours. Various shifts will run 11:00 am to 11:00 pm, with most work to be done between 3:00 pm and 11:00 pm. Starting wage is from \$16.00 to \$20.00 per hour based on qualifications and experience. Review of applications will be accepted and reviewed until all positions are filled. For more information please e-mail Sandra Morris at [morrissd@potdam.edu](mailto:morrisd@potdam.edu) To apply, submit Research Foundation Employment Application, a cover letter and resume. Upload documents here: <https://webspace.potsdam.edu/PIAR> The Research Foundation is an equal opportunity employer/affirmative action employer.

Dog walker needed. Massena. Call 210-323-7111

Part-Time Clerk Position opening in the Town of Potsdam. Up to 15 hours per week, Monday through Friday 9-4. Minimum qualification: graduation from high school and one-year clerical/computer experience required in office setting. Court experience preferred. Resume and three references will be accepted at 35 Market Street, Potsdam until 4PM on April 11, 2024. The Town of Potsdam is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Bestway is seeking a Forklift Operator. M-F, 8-5, pay based on experience. Email [ward@bestwaylumber.com](mailto:ward@bestwaylumber.com)

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**HERMON-DEKALB CENTRAL SCHOOL** is accepting applications for the following: Elementary Special Education Teacher • 7-12 Special Education Teacher • 7 - 1 Math Teacher. Applications are available at <http://www.hdcsk12.org> or at HDCCS. Please send a letter of interest, application, resume, letters of recommendation and official transcripts to: Mark White, Superintendent, Hermon-DeKalb Central School District, 709 East DeKalb Road, DeKalb Junction, NY 13630. The Hermon-DeKalb Central School District offers employment and educational opportunities without regard to sex, race, color, national origin, or handicap. Application deadline is 3:00 pm on April 19, 2024.

Agriculture Laborer: The Agriculture Labor-



### 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>.

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### BRUSHTON-MOIRA CENTRAL SCHOOL



### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

**(2) School Counselor/School Psychologist**

**Social Studies Teacher**

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

**8-hour Custodian (anticipated)**

Deadline to apply- Until filled

Applications can be found at

<https://www.bmcscd.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**



### 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 1/2 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.



### Part-Time Teller

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Twin Rivers Federal Credit Union is currently seeking a **part-time teller**. Responsibilities include greeting members in a professional and enthusiastic manner, performing member transactions (deposits, withdrawals, loan payments, money orders, etc.) accurately and efficiently, providing excellent member service, directing members to the appropriate department for services and building lasting relationships with members and potential members.

After an appropriate training period, the position will consist of approximately 20 to 28 hours per week (including Saturday rotations). The starting rate will be \$19.00/hour to \$23.00/hour. Actual rate will depend on experience. Previous teller experience is preferred but not necessary.

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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**Administrative Assistant:** Under the direction of the Tribal Clerk, Administrative Assistant is responsible for performing clerical work to include providing Tribal Clerk Staff with direct assistance, scheduling appointments and organizing and maintaining membership and land records. Status: Full-Time, Permanent. Salary: \$15.02 - \$26.48 Deadline: April 10, 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).

**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 applicant successfully passing a background (including criminal records) check.

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

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 quali-

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## ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

### Testing Coordinator

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

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

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



## 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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## HEALTHY FAMILIES FAMILY SUPPORT SPECIALIST HOME VISITOR (St. Lawrence County)

The North Country Prenatal/Perinatal Council, Inc. is seeking an individual for a full-time position as **Healthy Families Family Support Specialist Home Visitor (St. Lawrence County)**.

**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/>



## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Franklin-Essex-Hamilton BOCES (EO/AEE) is accepting applications for the following positions **FEH District Wide:**

**Speech and Language Pathologist (Per-Diem)**

**Occupational Therapist (Per-Diem)**

**School Counselor (1-Per-Diem) (1-Full Time)**

**School Psychologist (Per-Diem)**

Application Deadline: **April 29, 2024**

Qualifications, job description and application can be found online at

[www.fehb.org/careers](http://www.fehb.org/careers)

Queries should be directed to:

**Candance Poitras- Administrative Assistant**

Franklin-Essex-Hamilton BOCES  
PO Box 28, Malone, NY 12953

(518) 483-6420, Ext 1013 • Email: [cpoitras@fehbo.org](mailto:cpoitras@fehbo.org) EOE



## 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.

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## RN Nurse Manager

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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.

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## ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

### Bookstore Director

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

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

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## ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

### Skilled Trades HVAC

**St. Lawrence University has a Skilled Trades HVAC full time opening.** Perform journeyman level work in the installation, maintenance, modification, overhaul, service, and repair of all types of heating, ventilating and air conditioning and related systems and equipment. Install, maintain, adjust, modify, and perform major overhaul and repair of heating, ventilating, and air conditioning systems by interpreting blueprints, manufacturer specifications, written and verbal instructions. Make initial settings and final adjustments of heating, ventilating, and air conditioning system and modifying existing installations to obtain required results. Install, troubleshoot, repair, or calibrate, and maintain air handling and all related equipment dealing with heating and cooling. Check and adjust complete HVAC systems after installation. Thorough working knowledge of high and low pressure boilers. Charge all types of refrigeration equipment. Follow a predetermined schedule of preventive maintenance; make recommendations regarding major overhaul of systems. Provide technical guidance and direction to other maintenance personnel. Perform other related duties incidental to the work described herein including coverage for Boiler Tender. Schedule – Monday – Friday 7:00 am – 3:30 pm (Flexible Schedule)

**Qualifications:** High School diploma (or equivalent) required. A.S.in HVAC technology or related field preferred. Five (5) years' experience at journeyman trade level. Requires operation of equipment related to the trade.

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## ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

### Skilled Trades

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

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

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fications 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/jobposting/C-00406](http://employment.potsdam.edu/jobposting/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.

AUTO SERVICE MANAGER; experienced preferred but not necessary. Pay based on experience. Apply in person at Scott's Auto Center, 152 Market Street, Potsdam.

LINE COOKS at Cactus Grill. Will train. Call Larry at 315 212 2707.

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Caregiver needed for elderly woman in Morristown. Contact Judy 518-203-3271 ext. 160 or [Judy@horizoncares.com](mailto:Judy@horizoncares.com)

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

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/jobposting/No.C-00402](http://employment.potsdam.edu/jobposting/No.C-00402). EOE

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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.

Wastewater Operator: Under the direction of the Water/Wastewater Manager, the Water/Wastewater Operator is responsible for general duties required to operate and maintain (inside and outside) the Water Treatment Plant, Wastewater Treatment Plant, lift stations, and collection and distribution systems. This position is responsible to sustain the vision of providing clean, safe drinking water as well as the proper collection and treatment of wastewater for the community of Akwesasne and its visitors. Status: Full-time, Non-exempt Salary: \$17.09 - \$26.48 Deadline: April 24, 2024. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: [www.srmt-nsn.gov](http://www.srmt-nsn.gov).

Caregiver Support Counselor: Under the direction of the Informational Coordinator, the Caregiver Support Counselor is responsible for providing information, assistance, training, support groups, counseling, respite services, and supplemental services to caregivers of older persons (60 years and older). The Caregiver Support program is designed to support informal caregivers (family, friends, and neighbors) as they carry out their caregiving responsibility. Exempt: No Salary: 15.02 to \$21.71 Deadline: May 1, 2024. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at [www.srmt-nsn.gov](http://www.srmt-nsn.gov)



## RN Nurse Manager

**No Nights! No Holidays! No Weekends!**

Northern Lights, is seeking a RN Nurse Manager to deliver high-quality services to adults with developmental disabilities in northern New York.

Responsibilities include overseeing the preparation of medication administration and treatments prescribed by physician, completing QA audits, maintaining 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.

RN Nurse Managers will also complete reports including, 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.

A valid driver's license is needed, as travel is required.

Salary: \$68,000 - \$75,000

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

Northern Lights Home Health Care is supported by the consortium of Canton-Potsdam Hospital, Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center, and United Helpers Management Company.

To apply online, visit:  
[www.mynorthernlights.org/main-home/employment](http://www.mynorthernlights.org/main-home/employment)

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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.



## The Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority

The Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority has openings for summer work for college enrolled students:

### GROUNDKEEPER

**Duties to include:** maintaining lawns and garden areas by mowing lawns, trimming hedges, planting or weeding, mulching; operating garden and landscaping equipment; painting curbing. Anticipated a 40-hour work week, Monday through Friday, 7:00am – 3:30pm.

**Wage:** \$18.00 per hour.

The Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority is hiring

### SEASONAL BRIDGE MAINTENANCE CREWMEMBERS

Bridge Maintenance Crewmembers work as members of a maintenance crew performing routine tasks that require heavy physical exertion while working on the bridge structure. Crewmembers use hand and power tools and, as qualified, operate power driven equipment.

**Specific duties include:** assisting in maintaining bridge structure, bridge deck, guide rails, suspension cables and piers; and assisting with traffic control during bridge maintenance. Job requirements include: working knowledge of methods, materials, tools, and equipment used in bridge structure maintenance; working knowledge of rigging and scaffolding, applicable safety standards and rules/regulations of the Authority.

**Qualifications:** must have high school diploma or GED equivalent; be able to obtain a Canadian work visa; be able to lift a minimum of 50 lbs., kneel, bend, walk or be on your feet for long periods of time; be able to operate various types of machinery; have no fear of heights and be able to climb ladders and high steel structures; be able to work in inclement weather; and have reliable transportation.

The Bridge Maintenance Crewmember will work Monday through Friday, schedule to be determined.

**Wage:** \$25.50 per hour.

Please submit cover letter, resume, and application to [kblackburn@ogdensport.com](mailto:kblackburn@ogdensport.com); in person or by mail to **Karin Blackburn, Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority, 1 Bridge Plaza, Ogdensburg, NY 13669**. Applications can be picked up at the Bridge Administration Building or requested by phone (315-393-4080, Ext. 221).

All applications/resumes must be received by **Tuesday, April 16, 2024**.

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## 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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## City of Ogdensburg Employment Opportunity

# LIFEGUARDS

The City of Ogdensburg is seeking applications for lifeguards.

### Qualifications:

- Minimum 16 years of age
- Red Cross Certified
- CPR Certified

### Salary:

- \$16.50 per hour - lifeguard
- \$17.50 per hour - head lifeguard

Applications are available at the City Clerk's Office at City Hall, or online at [www.ogdensburg.org](http://www.ogdensburg.org). The deadline for applications is **May 20, 2024**.

Applications must include copies of lifeguard certifications and ID as well as proof of college for the fall of 2024 semester, if applicable.

Completed applications and supporting documentation should be returned to the **Office of the City Clerk, 330 Ford Street, Ogdensburg, NY**. Application packets can also be placed in a sealed envelope and deposited in the City Hall drop box on Caroline Street just left of the handicap entrance.



STEEL AND ENGINEERING COMPANY

## WELDERS

We are a steel fabricator with open positions for welders in our Potsdam Branch, 145 Maple Street, Potsdam.

- Mig welding experience, cutting, grinding and material handling.
- Fabrication/Layout experience, beam, channel, angle, railings, plate, etc.
- Able to read a tape measure.

This is a full-time position M-F with some overtime and the option of Saturdays. This position pays \$18.00+ based on experience.

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**Camp Caretaker (Saranac Lake, NY)**

St. Lawrence has a unique opportunity for a **seasonal caretaker** at the University owned property on Upper Saranac Lake (NY). "Canaras" is a private camp with more than two thousand feet of scenic shoreline and several buildings including a main lodge, dining hall, guest cabins, boat houses, docks, tennis court, and conference center. It is operated as a seasonal destination for St. Lawrence University functions and guest accommodations for alumni, faculty, and staff. Our primary operations run from May - August with additional work expectations in April, September, and October. The Caretaker will be required to maintain a presence on-site and be on call during the occupied season.

Salary \$37,000 - \$42,000.

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Northern Lights Home Health Care seeks qualified individuals who want to make a difference in home care. We are dedicated to supporting professionals to do what they do best in a home-based environment.

**RN Case Manager**

Are you an RN struggling with

- Day care
- Children's sports and activity schedules
- Making time for routine appointments and/or
- Overall work-life balance?

We are seeking full-time RNs and offering schedules built around **YOUR** life. If you are seeking a position that gives you the flexibility needed to complete your work and life's every day tasks, then contact us to discuss how Northern Lights can make that happen.

We currently have openings in the Potsdam, Ogdensburg, Edwards and Russell communities.

Salary for these positions start at \$65,000 to \$72,000, based on experience.

To apply, visit [mynorthernlights.org](http://mynorthernlights.org) or mail resume to:

**Northern Lights Home Health Care**

Attn: Kathy Race  
91 Main Street, Canton, NY 13617  
[kathyrace@nlchha.org](mailto:kathyrace@nlchha.org)  
(315) 714-3135

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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

The Salmon River Central School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, creed, national origin, political affiliation, gender, age, marital status, sexual orientation, pregnancy, military status, veteran status, genetic pre-disposition or carrier status, ancestry, disability or any other legally protected status in regard to employment opportunities or educational/vocational programs or activities which it operates.



**Dining & Conference Services Utility Worker**

**St. Lawrence University** has a full time **Utility** opening the Dining and Conference Services Department. Duties include: Under direct supervision, performs a variety of tasks concerned with the sanitation, maintenance and upkeep of a Dining Service unit. Cleans and maintains utility rooms, loading docks and trash areas. Thoroughly cleans and polishes dining service equipment, fixtures, and furniture. Transport and stores dishes, utensils, equipment, and supplies to the proper stations and/or storage areas. Maintains and replenishes the beverage stations. Cleans and mops the kitchen and public areas such as the dining room, lobbies, and rest rooms in the Dining Service Unit. Washes, mops, cleans, waxes, and maintains equipment, furniture, walls, floors, ceilings in the dining service unit. Washes and maintains the hoods, vents, ducts, filters, and grease traps. Operates the dish washing machine including regular cleaning of the machine. Maintains the correct standards of cleanliness and safety in the workplace. Delivers and picks up catered events as needed. Contributes to the total function of the dining service operation.

**Minimum Qualifications:** High School diploma or equivalent required. Must have the ability to operate mechanical cleaning devices and to correctly measure, weigh and apply simple cleaning solutions. Move 25 lbs. or more a distance of 10 ft or more.

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**Trivia Test**

1. GEOGRAPHY: Where are the Seychelles islands located?
  2. TELEVISION: In which sitcom is the catchphrase "Hello, Newman" used often?
  3. FOOD & DRINK: What is a cornichon?
  4. HISTORY: According to a WWII government slogan, what should citizens do after they "Keep calm ..."?
  5. MOVIES: What is the name of John Wayne's character in "True Grit"?
  6. LANGUAGE: The Latin word "genu" refers to which part of the human body?
  7. U.S. STATES: How many states begin with the letter "R"?
  8. MEDICAL: The first vaccine was created to protect against which disease?
  9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the name of Helen Keller's teacher, who taught the blind and deaf girl how to communicate?
  10. ANATOMY: What is the smallest organ in the human body?
- Answers found elsewhere in this paper.



**Brasher Falls Central School District (St Lawrence Central High School)**

is accepting applications for the 2024-2025 year for a:

- Secondary ELA Teacher

Candidates must be NYS Certified.

Applications are due on **April 19, 2024.**

Applications are obtainable on our website or contact the Superintendent's Office

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## 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**.

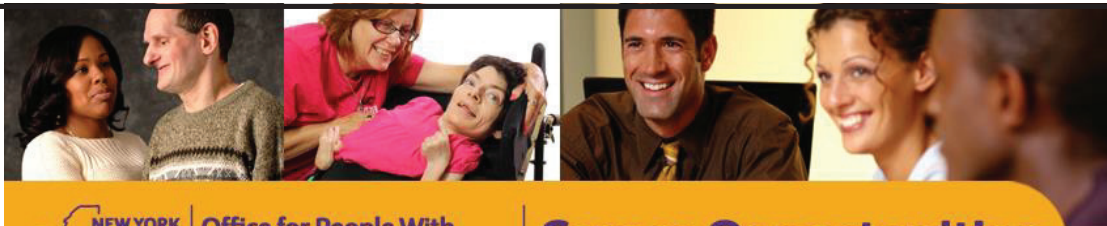
These full-time positions are responsible for the implementation of a teen pregnancy prevention program in accordance with stated Department of Health goals and objectives.

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/>



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**As a Developmental Disabilities Secure Care Treatment Aide**  
**Salary Range: \$62,321 - \$67,169** (\* Includes Geographic Pay of \$4,000)

The Sunmount Developmental Disabilities State Operations Office (DDSOO) is seeking DSAs and DDSCTAs.  
**Minimum Qualifications:** A High School Diploma or GED and a valid Driver's License.

**As a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)**  
**Salary range: \$53,448\* to \$57,708\*** (\* 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  
or [Sunmount.Careers@opwdd.ny.gov](mailto:Sunmount.Careers@opwdd.ny.gov)  
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#### Requirements:

**Both Jobs:** Must possess a valid drive's license and are able to travel outside of St. Lawrence County, positive attitude, a willingness to learn, the ability to work independently, excellent communication skills and must be able to work in Microsoft Office along with some computer & networking skills.

**Security Alarm:** A minimum of 3 years' experience is recommended but not required with the right candidate.

Some over time is needed, traveling to work sites in the Franklin, St. Lawrence, and Jefferson Counties areas. Work environments include residential and commercial with extreme weather and temperature changes and some outdoor work. There will be heavy lifting with ladders and products as well as working with your arms over your head.

These positions will also require a lot of walking, working on ladders and kneeling, bending, and crawling.

Pay will depend on experience and the range of pay is \$18.00 - \$28.00 an hour, Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm. Barkley's will provide a service vehicle as well as tools. Serious candidates can send their resume to [Barkleylock@gmail.com](mailto:Barkleylock@gmail.com) or they can be dropped off at our office.

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San Diego, California 92128  
ATTN: Jonathan Geldard, Project Developer Grid Scale Power - NY  
Phone: (833) 333-7369  
Email: NewYorkSolar@edf-re.com

**Facility Location:** Town of Canton, St. Lawrence County

### **Applicant's Attorney:**

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**ORES Permit Application No.:** 22-00031

**Facility Description:** Applicant applied to the New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting (Office or ORES) for a permit pursuant to Executive Law § 94-c to construct and operate a 240-megawatt (MW) solar energy facility and a 20 MW battery energy storage system located in the Town of Canton, St. Lawrence County.

Applicant filed the application with the Office on March 31, 2023. A notice of complete application was issued on January 3, 2024 (see <https://ores.ny.gov/permit-applications>, click on Project Permit Application Number 22-00031).

ORES staff published draft permit conditions on March 4, 2024. The draft permit conditions may be accessed at <https://ores.ny.gov/permit-applications>, click on Project Permit Application Number 22-00031.

**ORES Staff Position:** On issuing the draft permit conditions, ORES staff takes the position that the proposed facility, together with the uniform and site-specific standards and conditions contained in the draft permit, would comply with applicable laws and regulations. ORES staff recommends that the Office elect not to apply, in whole or in part, any local law or ordinance that as applied to the facility is unreasonably burdensome in view of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act targets and the environmental benefits of the proposed facility.

**Public Comment Hearing:** A public comment hearing pursuant to 19 NYCRR part 900 to hear and receive unsworn comments from the public will be held at the **Best Western University Inn's Laurentian Room, 90 East Main Street, Canton, New York 13617 on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.**

All persons, organizations, corporations, or government agencies who may be affected by the facility are invited to attend the hearing and comment on the application and the draft permit conditions. Lengthy comments will not be accepted and instead should be submitted in writing. Equal weight will be given to both oral and written comments. To ensure that all interested persons have an opportunity to speak, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) may limit the time available for oral comments to three (3) minutes per person. The public comment hearing will be transcribed for inclusion in the administrative record.

The hearing location is reasonably accessible to persons with a mobility impairment. Interpreter services shall be made available to deaf persons, and English language translator services shall also be made available, at no charge for either service, upon written request to Chief ALJ James T. McClymonds, Office of Renewable Energy Siting, Empire State Plaza, P-1 South, J Dock, Albany, NY 12242, (518) 473-4590, [hearings@ores.ny.gov](mailto:hearings@ores.ny.gov). All requests must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23, 2024.

In the event that the in-person public comment hearing needs to be canceled, rescheduled, postponed, or conducted virtually, notification of any change will be available at the ORES website at <https://ores.ny.gov>.

**Written Public Comments:** Written comments concerning the application and the draft permit conditions must be filed with ORES by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 10, 2024**. Persons filing written comments are strongly encouraged to post their comments on the ORES Permit Application Portal (ORES Portal) system. To post a comment, go to <https://ores.ny.gov>, click on "Permit Applications," click on Project Permit Application Number 22-00031, and click on "Post Comments" in the upper right-hand corner of the screen.

Written comments may also be emailed to ORES at [hearings@ores.ny.gov](mailto:hearings@ores.ny.gov) or mailed to the Office of Renewable Energy Siting, Empire State Plaza, P-1 South, J Dock, Albany, NY 12242. Written comments will be considered equally with oral statements delivered at the public comment hearing, provided they are postmarked by **Friday, May 10, 2024**, or e-mailed or posted on the ORES Portal by 5:00 p.m. on that date.

Please take notice that written public comments will be publicly posted on the ORES Portal. ORES reserves the right not to post duplicate or repeat comments. In addition, ORES reserves the right to remove, without notice, comments containing any defamatory, infringing, obscene, indecent, discriminatory, confidential, or unlawful material or information of any kind.

**Issues Determination Procedure:** Pursuant to 19 NYCRR 900-8.3(b), a pre-adjudicatory issues determination procedure will be conducted by the assigned ALJ. The procedure will be conducted solely on papers and briefing unless the ALJ, in the judge's sole discretion, determines that oral argument is necessary. The purpose of the

issues conference is to determine party status for any person or organization that has properly filed a petition (as indicated below), and to narrow and define those issues, if any, that will require adjudication in this matter. Participation in the issues determination procedure is limited to ORES staff, applicant, and those persons or organizations requesting party status.

**Filing for Party Status and Proposed Issues:** Persons seeking to participate in the issues determination procedure and any subsequent adjudicatory hearing must register on the ORES Portal and file a written petition explaining whether their request is for full party status or amicus status. For the required contents of petitions for full party status, see 19 NYCRR 900-8.4(c)(1) and (2). To determine whether an issue is substantive and significant, see 19 NYCRR 900-8.3(c)(2) and (3). For the required contents of a petition seeking amicus status, see 19 NYCRR 900-8.4(c)(1) and (3). Petitioners may also file written briefs making arguments in support of their petitions.

All petitions requesting party status and briefs in support must be E-Filed on the ORES Portal no later than **4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2024**. Instructions for registering on the ORES Portal and E-Filing documents may be found at: [https://ores.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2022/06/ores-pap-registration-user-guide-v3\\_0.pdf](https://ores.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2022/06/ores-pap-registration-user-guide-v3_0.pdf).

Address all petitions to Dawn MacKillop-Soller, Administrative Law Judge, New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting, Empire State Plaza, P-1 South, J Dock, Albany, NY 12242, telephone: (518) 473-4590, email: [dawn.mackillop-soller@ores.ny.gov](mailto:dawn.mackillop-soller@ores.ny.gov); and Christopher McEneny Chan, Administrative Law Judge, New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting, Empire State Plaza, P-1 South, J Dock, Albany, NY 12242, telephone: (518) 473-4590, email: [christopher.mcenenychan@ores.ny.gov](mailto:christopher.mcenenychan@ores.ny.gov).

At the same time petitions and briefs are E-Filed on the ORES Portal, a copy of all papers must be emailed to the ALJs at the email addresses above, and furnished to applicant Rich Road Solar Energy Center's attorney, James A. Muscato, II, Esq., Young / Sommer LLC, Executive Woods, Five Palisades Drive, Albany, NY 12205, (518) 438-9907 Ext. 243, [jmuscato@youngsommer.com](mailto:jmuscato@youngsommer.com); and to ORES at the Office of Renewable Energy Siting, Empire State Plaza, P-1 South, J Dock, Albany, NY 12242, (518) 473-4590, [hearings@ores.ny.gov](mailto:hearings@ores.ny.gov). Service of petitions and briefs by email is authorized provided they are received by all of the above parties and the ALJs by the 4:00 p.m. deadline.

Any questions about filing requirements or other hearing procedures may be addressed to Chief ALJ James T. McClymonds by telephone at (518) 473-4583. ORES's regulations may be found at <https://ores.ny.gov/regulations>.

**Statement of Compliance with Local Laws and Regulations:** Any municipality, political subdivision or an agency thereof that received notice of the filing of the application pursuant to 19 NYCRR 900-1.6(a) must file a statement indicating whether the proposed facility is designed to be sited, constructed and operated in compliance with applicable local laws and regulations in effect as of January 3, 2024, if any, concerning the environment, or public health and safety. The statement must be filed and served by **4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2024**, in the same manner as petitions for party status. **Any municipality, political subdivision, or an agency thereof that proposes to adjudicate any issues related to a facility's compliance with local laws and regulations must file a petition for party status as provided for in 19 NYCRR 900-8.4(c) and include the statement of compliance with local laws and regulations.**

**Applicant Statement of Issues:** No later than **4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2024**, applicant shall file and serve on ORES staff and the ALJs a statement of issues applicant intends to raise with respect to any determination of the Office, and briefing in support. Applicant shall serve the statement of issues and brief on persons filing petitions for party status within five (5) days of such filing. For the required contents of an applicant's statement of issues, see 19 NYCRR 900-8.4(b)(1).

**Responsive Briefing and Response to Comments:** No later than **4:00 p.m. on Monday, June 3, 2024**, ORES staff may file and serve a response to any petitions for party status, any statement of issues by applicant, and the statement of compliance with local laws and regulations. By the same deadline, applicant may file and serve a response to any petition for party status or statement of compliance with local laws and regulations. In addition, the applicant shall file and serve on ORES staff a response to public comments received during the public comment period, including any supplemental information.

**Document Availability:** Copies of all application materials and draft permit conditions are available for inspection at the Office's Albany office during normal business hours: contact the Office of Renewable Energy Siting, W.A. Harriman Campus, Building 9, 4th Floor, 1220 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12227, (518) 473-4590, [hearings@ores.ny.gov](mailto:hearings@ores.ny.gov). Electronic copies are available at <https://ores.ny.gov/permit-applications>, click on Project Permit Application Number 22-00031.

Copies of all application materials are also available at:

**Canton Town Hall**  
ATTN: Heidi L. Smith, Town Clerk  
Municipal Building  
60 Main Street  
Canton, NY 13617

**Canton Free Library**  
ATTN: Emily Owen Hastings, Library Director  
8 Park Street  
Canton, NY 13617

**Statutory and Regulatory Provisions:** The application is being processed and this proceeding is being conducted according to Executive Law § 94-c and 19 NYCRR part 900.

James T. McClymonds  
Chief Administrative Law Judge  
March 4, 2024  
Albany, New York