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## Speed reduction on Miner St.?

**BY PAUL MITCHELL**  
 North Country This Week

CANTON – After agreeing in June to submit a request to reduce the speed limit on a stretch of Miner Street Road, the Canton Town Board made that request official by unanimously adopting a resolution on Wednesday night.

The call for the speed reduction coincides with the Miner Street Road reconstruction project that is currently underway.

At the board's June monthly meeting, a few Miner Street Road residents spoke about the excessive speed.

"The Town of Canton Board formally requests the St. Lawrence County Department of Transportation considers establishing a lower maximum speed on Miner Street Road; and the Highway Superintendent and Town Board recognizes that this road's current 30-mph starts at the town line and extends out Miner Street 1,676 feet. The 40-mph zone is an additional 5,764 feet. This road is populated by pedestrians, children, bikers and motorists traveling to and from the Village of Canton to Jingleville Road," the resolution reads.

"And whereas the Town Board recognizes that a speed limit reduction from 45 mph to 30 mph would thereby promote an environment of safety for all residents, motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists and would increase public safety; and now

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Cheryl Shumway | NCTW

### Taking the plunge

Janelle Tyler, a Potsdam Central School physical education teacher, plunges into the dunking booth at the Potsdam Summer Festival Friday after a ball hit the target. NCTW photo

## Potsdam eyes SLPC's sandstone

**BY ADAM ATKINSON**  
 North Country This Week

POTSDAM — A potential cache of used Potsdam sandstone from the state psych hospital buildings in Ogdensburg which are to be demolished and destined for a landfill could be rescued and used for future restorations in Potsdam.

That is the proposal by former Potsdam Museum director Mimi Van Deusen who made the pitch to the village board at its meeting Monday, July 15.

Van Deusen, who was speaking as a member of the Bayside Cemetery Association board, asked the board to consider a proclamation to support the idea of diverting the stone from its trip to the landfill and instead stockpile the material for future rehab work on the village and town's 28 classic sandstone structures.

Van Deusen said the cemetery board is planning restoration work at the cemetery which features sandstone walls and a lodge.

"A group of us have gotten together and when we found out they were tearing down the state buildings at the state hospital and they're going to take the Potsdam sandstone that got shipped over there by ox cart and they are going to put it in dump trucks and they are going to send it somewhere and landfill it. We think that's a bad idea," Van Deusen said.

She said the group would like to get the support of the community and the village to convince the state to "pallet up" some of the stone and move it to Potsdam instead.

"Clarkson has offered to store some onsite. And Bayside, we have offered to store some. We have 45 acres,"

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## Potsdam changes water rates

**BY ADAM ATKINSON**  
 North Country This Week

POTSDAM — Village residences and businesses now have new water and sewer rates.

The new rates come after a great deal of discussion and research over the last year on how the rates are calculated and the amounts themselves for those who use village services.

Several apartment owners in the village have raised concerns since 2022 about what they felt were rates that were too high for the services.

Both services are based on a usage rate and a rate for an address's equivalent dwelling unit or EDU.

Village officials, notably Trustee

Monique Tirion, have been taking a closer look at the rate structure and the new rates approved by the board July 15 have developed from that.

The trustees and mayor approved the new yearly water EDU (Equivalent Dwelling Unit) rate at \$138.63, which equates to \$34.66 per quarter billing.

The yearly water usage rate was approved at \$5.02 per 1,000 gallons of metered water recorded.

The board also set the yearly sewer EDU (Equivalent Dwelling Unit) rate at \$148.70, which equates to \$37.18 per quarter billing.

Finally, the yearly sewer usage rate was approved at \$5.38 per 1,000 gallons of metered water recorded.

All of the new rates will be reflected on bills received after Aug. 1.



Meghan Richardson | Submitted

### Park closed due to flooding

It appears Taylor Park on the Miner Street Road in Canton will remain closed for a couple weeks to recover from damage from last week's major rain storm. Canton Recreational Director Meghan Richardson said Monday that they still have to wait for the current to calm down before starting work in the water. Taylor Park in Canton was closed Friday due to high water, flooding and large floating debris.

# Reps condemn Trump assassination attempt

State and federal representatives are condemning an assassination attempt on former President Donald Trump that occurred Saturday

during a campaign rally. One man was killed and the former president was injured after a 20-year-old Pennsylvania man attempted to take the president's life.

Reports from various media outlets say spectators noticed Thomas Matthew Crook acting strangely outside the campaign event.

Crook was killed by Secret Service agents but not before taking the life of former local fire chief Corey Comperatore.

According to reports a tip sparked a frantic search but officers were unable to find him before he managed to get on a roof and open fire.

The FBI is investigating, but at this time a motive remains unclear. Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand called for an end to political violence and said her thoughts are with Trump.

"My thoughts are with former President Trump and all of those affected by this horrible act, and I'm grateful to law enforcement for their swift response. Political violence is completely unacceptable and has no place in American democracy."

Avid Trump support and House Republican Conference Chairwoman Elise Stefanik called on the public to pray for Trump and his family.

"Please pray for President Trump, his family, and all of the patriots at today's rally in Pennsylvania. The American people stand strongly with President Trump. I am grateful for the statement provided by President Trump's team and share their gratitude for first responders and medical personnel."

New York State Sen. Dan Stec also shared comments on assassination attempt and said he was hopeful a transparent report would be released regarding what he called a failure of the Secret Service.

"Elections are resolved at the ballot box, not from the barrel of a gun. There is no place in American politics or society for the despicable act of domestic terrorism we witnessed yesterday."

"I'm relieved by the news that President Trump is safe after this cowardly attempt on his life, and my heart goes out to the families of the individual who was killed and the two innocent bystanders that were injured while exercising their right to free speech and attending a peaceful political rally."

"Thank you to our brave law enforcement officers for their immediate response to this appalling act, preventing further tragedy and eliminating the apparent shooter."

"As we move forward with this year's election, let's stop stoking the flames of extreme behavior and focus on whose vision and capabilities will best serve our nation. The presidential election should be resolved with votes, not violence."

"In the very near future, there will be opportunity for a thorough, transparent and hopefully honest and independent analysis of the obvious tremendous failure of the Secret Service and the years of constant vitriol that led to yesterday's assassination attempt. For now, I'm relieved that yesterday's events didn't prove to be more catastrophic."

# New law requires firearms warning signs

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

Gun dealers throughout the state will likely have to post another sign in their shops after state legislators approved legislation earlier this year that requires additional safety notices.

In legislation passed along party lines before the end of the legislative session, state lawmakers passed a bill that would require dealers to post signs in their shops to warn potential customers about the potential risks associated with firearms.

The sign, which must be "conspicuously located" within the shop must state the following:

"Access to a weapon or firearm in the home significantly increases the risk of suicide, death during domestic disputes, and/or unintentional deaths to children, household members and others. If you or a loved one is experiencing distress and/or depression, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 988."

Those signs must also be made available to purchasers in the form of a handout with at least size 26 font, according to the bill.

Though the legislation passed both houses, Governor Kathy Hochul has yet to sign it into law. She is expected to in the coming weeks.

If a dealer fails to post the sign within 90 of enactment of the bill, they would be subject to fines of at least \$1,000 or 15 days in county jail, per offense. Each day the signs are not posted would be considered individual offenses, according to the legislation.

Local police departments would be responsible for enforcement, the legislation said.

Sen. Michael Gianaris, a Democrat from Queens, sponsored the bill and issued a statement shortly after it was passed.

"Making our communities safe starts with education. Every gun related injury is preventable, and every safety measure we implement can help save a life. New York has one of the lowest firearm mortality rates in the country and it's because of common sense proposals like this," he said.

## BRIEFLY

### Error

COLTON — The story regarding an upcoming Colton Country Days which appeared in the print copies of North Country This Week's Friday, July 12 edition was incorrect. The entire story should be disregarded as being not relevant to St. Lawrence County and Colton, N.Y. North Country This Week apologizes for the error. The Town of Colton will host its annual community celebration, the Hazy Lazy Days of Colton, on Saturday, July 27 and Sunday July 28.

### Road closure

MADRID — The Buck Road between County Route 30 and County Route 31 will be closed to through traffic tentatively on July 25 and 29 for road construction. Motorists are advised to plan for an alternative route on those days from 6:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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# Village applying for grant to develop comprehensive plan

BY ADAM ATKINSON  
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — The village is going after two different state grants to help fund a new comprehensive plan for the village.

The village board met July 15 and authorized Village Mayor Alexandra Jacobs Wilke to submit applications for the two grants, each of which require a local share.

"We are proceeding with two CFA proposals to fund our comprehensive plan," Wilke said.

The first grant the board authorized the mayor to apply for is from New York State Department of State's Smart Growth and Community Planning and Zoning Grant Program in the amount of \$117,000.

Under the grant, the village would provide \$13,000 from the general fund for the local share.

The board also authorized the mayor to submit an application for additional grant funding through the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Climate Smart Communities Grant Program in the amount of \$104,000.

That grant would require a local share of \$26,000 from the village's general fund.

The second grant provides funding for communities to develop comprehensive plans which incorporate sustainability options, Wilke said.

"Both are good options. One has a slightly higher local match compared to the others but it just gives us a stop gap. And, I've talked extensively with the state Department of State and others. There is nothing that precludes us from just applying to both and seeing what happens," Wilke said.

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# SLC aims to roll over Board of Election funds

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

CANTON -- St. Lawrence County officials are taking steps to assist the Board of Elections after legislators passed four resolutions to accept grant funding and modify the Board of Elections' budget.

The first resolution passed during the July 8 operations committee meeting allows the chair to sign contracts requesting grants extension for the 2024 absentee ballot pre-paid postage grant.

According to Jennie Bacon, Democratic Chair for the Board of Elections, the state has extended the grant deadlines to March 31, 2025 for grants that have an unexpended balance. The state Board of Elections is also increasing the amount available to the St. Lawrence County Board of Elections, officials say.

"This grant will pay for the postage for all absentee and early vote by mail ballots," she told legislators.

She said the grant will pay for postage both ways, going to and from voters, since the county is now required to cover all expenses.

The second resolution passed allows the chair to sign an Early Voting Expansion Grant extension,

which will allow the county to roll over the funds from the grant. State officials again extended the grant deadline to March 31, 2025.

County officials say the balance of the grant is currently \$19,653 and will be rolled over.

Bacon said those funds will only be used for expenses related to early voting and will likely be used for on-demand printers for early voting sites.

"We seem to be slowing down a lot because the printers just don't last that long, unfortunately," she said.

She said in election years like 2024, which is a presidential election year, the Board of Elections always sees a significant increase in voter turnout. She said that in off-year elections turnout drops, something they would like to change.

Republican Chair Tom Nichols said the Board of Elections continues to attempt to get stories to the public to increase voter turnout.

But Nichols commented that despite those efforts, "it's a crap shoot to get stories printed."

"We keep trying to get something that will catch people's eye," he said.

In response, Legislator Ben Hull asked Bacon and Nichols how the legislature could assist in publicizing elections.

Both Bacon and Nichols responded, saying social media posts and shares can be helpful, along with engaging with town and village governments to better publicize the dates related to each election cycle.

Nichols said those watching online would then be able to learn more and help further disseminate the information.

Though efforts to raise awareness have ramped up in recent years, both Bacon and Nichols said voter turnout remains about the same.

"As far as brand new voters, I don't think it's changed very much," Nichols said.

The third resolution passed is to accept a Cybersecurity Remediation Grant to cover expenses related to technical equipment.

The funds remaining for St. Lawrence County currently is \$42,275.

The final resolution authorizes the chair to sign contracts for grant extensions for the Technology Innovation and Election Resource (Tier) Grant Program.

The resolution would allow for \$219,823.28 to be rolled over with the state extending the grant deadline to March 31, 2025.

The resolutions move to the full board for final approval in August.



Cheryl Shumway | NCTV

# Potsdam moves forward with reroute review

BY ADAM ATKINSON  
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — The village is moving forward on the first part of an environmental review for a planned project to reroute a utility crossing from the bed of the Raquette River over the water as part of a pedestrian bridge.

At the village meeting Monday, July 15, the mayor and board of trustees passed several resolutions on various steps of a State Environmental Quality Review assessment for the project.

David Powers of engineering firm Barton & Loguidice gave an update on the SEQR to the board and said having the first part of the full environmental review process completed would help the village in securing state grant funds for the work.

"For this project we are going to be targeting the DEC's water quality improvement project program," he said. Powers said he had completed part 1 of the SEQR and was asking the village to sign off on the first part.

"To have a SEQR, at least part 1, done by the end of July would go a long way to make the project more fundable. They are really emphasizing project readiness and SEQR is one of those check boxes that we at least need to have underway," he said.

During his presentation, Powers said the SEQR for the project should be pretty straightforward. The two species of local endangered wildlife, the long-eared bat and the monarch butterfly, would likely not be impacted by the work. He said there was nothing during the project that was going to cause a long-term impact to

the environment, and there would be no additional contamination from the work.

He said overall there were no significant findings in part 1 of the SEQR.

The board passed a resolution authorizing and directing Mayor Alexandra Jacobs Wilke to execute a contract amendment with Barton-Loguidice for the preparation of a SEQRA Full Environmental Assessment for the proposed Raquette River Utility Crossing Project.

The firm will be paid \$3,500 for the work. The funds are to be provided through the village's general fund reserve.

A second resolution declaring the village as the lead agency for purposes of conducting the SEQR assessment of the project was also passed.

## Sweet summer fun

Enjoying their show cones and cotton candy at the Potsdam Summer Festival Thursday afternoon are, from left, Hayden Morehouse of West Potsdam, Amelia Luther of Morley, and Rowen McHenry, of Potsdam.

# Town Supervisor has new confidential secretary

CANTON — A new confidential secretary/bookkeeper will assume her duties on Monday, July 15, in the Canton Town Supervisor's office.

On Wednesday night, the town board accepted the resignation of Shelby Bacon from that position. Bacon had served in the town supervisor's office since April 20,

2023. Also on Wednesday night, town leaders approved Town Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley's appointment of Christy Dekay to the position at a prorated salary of \$44,671. Dekay had served as a part-time employee in the town assessor's office.

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## OBITUARIES

**Kristian N. Daley, 33**

Waddington

WADDINGTON -- Kristian N. Daley, age 33, passed away unexpectedly at his family's home on Wednesday, July 10, 2024.

Arrangements are under the care and guidance of the Phillips Memorial Home in Waddington.

Friends and family may be received on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, from 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Phillips Memorial Home, 28 Clinton St. Waddington.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at 10:00 am at St. Mary's Church in Waddington with the Rev. Garry Giroux officiating, with burial to follow in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Waddington.

Born on May 25, 1991, to Matthew and Elizabeth (Hollembaek) Daley in Potsdam, NY, Kristian graduated from Canton Central School in 2009 and received a bachelor's degree from SUNY Canton in Criminal Investigations in 2013.

As a high school student, Kristian lettered in Varsity Soccer, Hockey and Golf. He furthered his athletic career at the collegiate level by playing hockey and lacrosse for the Suny Canton Kangaroos.

He is survived by his parents, Matt and Beth of Waddington and his sister, Tori Daley of Raleigh, North Carolina. He is also survived by numerous aunts, uncles, and

cousins, whose company he cherished.

Kristian was predeceased by his paternal grandparents, Gordon "Bud" and Mary "Bev" Daley of Waddington; and maternal grandparents, Bob and Isabelle Hollembaek of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. He was also predeceased by his Uncle Brett Hollembaek of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

An avid golfer, Kristian was a member of Partridge Run Golf Course, where he enjoyed friendly competition with close friends and family. Always tinkering with his swing, he was often seen working with club professional Kevin McGinn, fine tuning the basics and seeking advice on lowering his score.

Kristian also continued his hockey career by participating with his childhood brothers on various adult hockey teams throughout the area.

At the time of his passing, he was employed as a Project Manager for Schneider Electric Co., based in Nashville, Tennessee.



Kristian Daley

**Adalynn Mae McCollum, Infant**

Hermon

HERMON - It is with great sadness and heavy hearts that we, Kelsey and Logan McCollum, the parents of Adalynn Mae McCollum, must relay that she was born silent into this world but her little presence spoke volumes.

Adalynn Mae will be remembered by her parents, grandparents, great grandparents, aunts and cousins.

Family and dear friends are invited to a memorial gathering on Thursday, July 18 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Lawrence Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 21 Park Street, Canton.

Additional off-street parking is available behind "LUNA" at 18 Park Street.

Kelsey and Logan would like to take the time to thank the nursing and clergy staff at Canton-Potsdam Hospital.

A special thanks is given to Dr. Brian Thompson, RNs Savannah Hays and Ramsey Thomas.

In lieu of flowers, please consider sending memorial contributions to Rachel's Gift, 992 Highway 81 East, # 153, McDonough, GA 30252 (rachelsgift.org)

"Some only dream of angels, we held one in our arms..."

Condolences, thoughts and prayers may be shared with the family by visiting [www.lawrencefuneralhome.org](http://www.lawrencefuneralhome.org).

**Curtis M. Connor, 66**

Madrid

MADRID -- Curtis M. Connor, age 66, passed away after a brief illness on Sunday June 30, 2024, at Upstate Medical University Hospital.

In accordance with his wishes, there will be no public calling hours and services will be private and at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Phillips Memorial Home in Madrid.

Curt was born in Colton, NY to the late Donald J. and Doris E. (Matott) Connor on August 4, 1957.

He attended Madrid-Waddington schools and was later married to Deborah Montroy, who predeceased him.

Curt enjoyed reading books, watching television, and spending time with friends and family.

He worked for several years as a self-employed handyman.

Curt had a life-long love of dogs and shared his home with many throughout the years.

Anyone who had the pleasure of knowing Kristian, fully understood that family, friends, and athletics carried the upmost importance in his life.

He was a caring and compassionate brother and son, as well as a fiercely loyal friend.

He was passionate about the Detroit Red Wings and prided himself as a pure student of the game, reciting nearly every NHL player's statistic at the "flick of a switch".

Sunday afternoons were often spent in front of the television watching PGA golf, rooting on the likes of Scotty, Rory, and Jordan Speith.

A very bright guy with a small-town mindset, Kristian reveled in the company of close friends while always displaying the upmost respect for his elders. In short, he possessed all the human traits essential for success that would make any parent proud.

We will never forget his broad smile and bright blue eyes.

In lieu of flowers the family would like to acknowledge any memorial contributions with the Canton Pee Wee Association; P.O. Box 523, Canton, New York 13617.

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



Curtis Connor

Curt is survived by his brothers James Connor of Madrid, NY and William and wife Vicki Connor of Massena, NY, and sister Donna Dardaris and husband David of Ballston Spa, NY, along with his beloved nieces Kathryn and Erin Connor and nephew Seth Connor, who enjoyed their uncle's humor and his affectionate texts.

He also leaves several great-nieces and great-nephews and his last K-9 companion "Astro".

In addition to his parents and wife, Curt was predeceased by his sister, Diane Conran.

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

**Brett A. Grant, 76**

Canton

CANTON - Brett A. Grant, age 76, of Judson Street, Canton died at his home under Hospice care on July 13, 2024.

He is survived by his wife Lynella Grant; two children Sherm Grant and wife Karen Reynolds and Shanna White and husband Darren White; four grandchildren Alexandra, Miles, Reed and Jude Grant; and a sister Ellen Leach and husband Chris Leach.

Brett served in the US Navy during the Vietnam War from 1969-1971 in the South Pacific.

He worked various jobs in his life including Corning Glass, St. Lawrence University, Town of Russell and Rex Hardware.

He was also part owner of The Hotel Russell.

Brett loved the outdoors and his furry pets.

He was an avid photographer for friends and family and the various athletic teams where his children played.

He was a great neighbor who freely fixed equipment, did odd jobs and plowed snow.

He will be missed by many!

Memorial contributions are suggested to Hospice & Palliative Care of St. Lawrence Valley or to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Lawrence Funeral Home & Cremation Services has been entrusted with Brett's care and arrangements. Condolences may be shared by visiting [www.lawrencefuneralhome.org](http://www.lawrencefuneralhome.org).

**John E. Moulton, 80**

Madrid

MADRID - John E. Moulton, age 80, passed away from a brief illness at the University Medical Center in Burlington, VT surrounded by his family.

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

Calling hours for John will be held on Sunday afternoon (July 14, 2024) from 2:00 to 4:00 pm and evening, from 6:00 to 8:00pm.

Funeral services for John will be held 10:00am on Monday, July 15, 2024, at Phillips Memorial Home in Madrid with Pastor Richard Lenz officiating.

Burial to take place at Madrid Cemetery with a luncheon to follow at the Madrid Community Building.

John was born in Potsdam, NY to the late George and Olive (Chattel) Moulton on June 29, 1944.

John attended school in Madrid-Waddington and graduated in 1961.

He worked on the family dairy farm and later purchased it from his father where he continued farming until the mid-90s'.

He then worked for Fuji Film Corporation driving and delivering film throughout the North Country, as a drug and alcohol counselor for North Country Freedom Homes, and for Dave Tyo as a limo driver.

He was married to Marianne Carnal in 1966 at the Nevin Memorial Church in Lisbon, NY. The marriage later ended in divorce.

In his past time, John enjoyed participating in tractor-pulls around the North Country with his John Deere 6030, spending time at camp building his home and on his boat.

John is survived by a daughter, Lisa and husband, Scott Flack of Macedon, NY, a son, Brian and wife, Megan Moulton of Madrid, NY, and many foster children including, Charlie Rafter, Clifford Rafter, David Burns, Alton Geer, Steve Boutot, Scott Simons and John Lavare.



John Moulton

He is also survived by his loving grandchildren, Michael Wright, Melinda and husband, William Cornwell, Annie Fuller, Tyler and Trevor Moulton. John is also survived by great-grandchildren; Katrina, William Jr., Jaiden and Glorianna, along with nieces and nephews, great-nieces and nephews, Great-great-nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, John was predeceased by two sons, Joseph L. and Jonathan E. Moulton, a brother, Earl Pete Moulton, a sister, Georgia and brother-in-law, Hubert Brothers.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be shared with The JoElla Craig Fund; P.O. Box 382, Canton, NY 13617. All donations received are used for children in St. Lawrence County foster care for any needs that would not otherwise be covered.

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

**Rusty Austin Todd, 51**

Canton

CANTON -- Rusty Austin Todd, beloved husband, father, and friend, passed away peacefully on March 14, 2024, at the age of 51.

He leaves behind a legacy of kindness, strength, and unwavering love.

Born in Canton, New York on June 19, 1972, Rusty was the son of Richard and Mary (Durham) Todd.

He graduated from Canton Central School in 1991.

Rusty had many different jobs within construction from building houses to highway road paving and everything in between, during which he made lasting friendships and earned the respect of colleagues.

Rusty's true passion was his family. He married Kathy (McDowell) in July of 2003, and within their union they were blessed with their daughter Morgan.

Rusty was a devoted father who loved spending as much time as he could with his Monkey.

They enjoyed their time together driving around quizzing each other about different songs and artists, cooking, camping, riding 4 wheelers and all-around enjoying life in the outdoors.

As many of us would say Rusty was a gypsy soul that loved to move around. He never liked to stay in one spot for very long and in 2008 he moved to Idaho with help of his dear friend Jill to work within the construction industry.

On his birthday in 2008 he met his wife, Christina. They married

on New Years Eve 2011 and made their home in North Carolina and later back in Idaho.



Rusty Todd

deeply missed by his wife of 12 years, Christina, his daughter, Morgan, father, Richard, sister, Joye (Jim), and brother, Mickey (Wendy), mother and father in laws, Esther, Ted, Mike, and Sue, sister in laws, Jackie (Jeff) and Cheyenne (Ty).

He is also survived by his nieces, Nikole (Andy), Rylyn, Makayla, Josey, and Gracie, nephews Wyatt and Ryan, bonus daughter, Rachel (Zach), bonus sons, Trae (Kelly) and Gabriel, and three bonus granddaughters, Layla, Lynleigh and Gracie.

Rusty was preceded in death by his mother, Mary, nephew, Ryan, grandparents, Evelina, Rollie, Austin and Flossie.

A celebration of Rusty's life will be held on July 27, 2024, at 12:00 pm at The White Silo at the SapHead Complex 5355 County Route 27 Canton. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, a cause Rusty cared deeply about.

Rusty's legacy of love, integrity, and dedication to family will forever live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved him.

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# Opioid treatment, addiction, mental health services numbers steady

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

CANTON -- Numbers remain steady in the St. Lawrence County Community Services clinics, which includes addiction services, a mental health clinic and Opioid Treatment Program (OTP).

County officials say the numbers remain steady, with monthly clinic counselors visit averages sitting at 69% overall. Monthly visits for addiction services sits at 67.9%, while mental health clinic visits sit at 74.2% and OTP visits sit at 64.9%.

Though initial figures showed 13 individuals sitting on the waitlist, officials say that number is actually at just two right now.

Seven individuals who were on the waitlist are now receiving treatment and seeing counselors,

while four were not reachable to enroll or are now receiving outpatient counseling.

Efforts to utilize Methadone instead of Suboxone are also going well, with the majority of individuals receiving such treatment using Methadone, officials say.

County officials say they are able to treat patients more efficiently in addiction services with Methadone, something that saves staff time and storage of Suboxone.

For OTP, addiction services and outside sources utilized to treat patients was nearly even in May, with 83 people using addiction services while 82 utilized outside sources.

Across the three clinics operated by Community Services, the total services average sits at 2,043.

In May, there were 1,866 total visits that served 712 total patients.

While numbers remain steady for treatment, county officials say billing and reimbursement rates have changed significantly for both the mental health and addiction services clinics.

From Dec. 2023 to Feb. 2024, reimbursements for mental health rose from 84% to 102%, while reimbursements for addiction services rose from 86% to 99%.

Officials say the billing department is beginning to conduct write offs, many related to COVID copays that could not be collected during that time frame.

Due to those write offs figures may fluctuate in the coming months, officials say.

In other action, legislators unanimously approved a bud-

get modification of \$12,700 for Community Services for medical malpractice insurance with Allied World Surplus Line Insurance Company.

Officials say a handful of

accounts were over budget based on what came through from the initial quote for insurance, necessitating the resolution to modify the eight accounts.

## OBITUARIES

### Michael C. Murphy, 68

Hannawa Falls

HANNAWA FALLS -- Michael C. Murphy, 68, a resident of Birch Drive, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, July 7, 2024, at Canton-Potsdam Hospital.

Mike was born November 14, 1955, in Syracuse, the son of the late Patrick and Jane (Woods) Murphy.

He attended and graduated from Jamesville-Dewitt High School in 1973 and Cornell University in 1977 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering. He continued his education at CalTech achieving his Master of Science Degree in Aeronautics in 1978 and was awarded his Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering in 1990 from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston.

In 1977, Mike did a summer internship at the NASA Lewis Research Center in Cleveland before moving to California and starting work with Hughes Aircraft Company in Canoga Park. He spent most of his professional career as a professor of Mechanical Engineering at Louisiana State University (LSU) in Baton Rouge from 1992 until his retirement in 2015.

He remained research active guiding students as an Emeritus Professor until his death. He was recently honored as Fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. As a mechanical engineer, he was a member of the ASME and IEEE. He was an avid Rugby player, enjoyed hiking, reading anything about history, and traveling.

Mike is survived by his loving wife, Elizabeth "Lisa" Podlaha-Mur-



Michael Murphy

phy, whom he married on August 17, 2003, in Lake Placid, NY; his sisters, Margo Murphy of Chesapeake, VA and Monica Murphy of Newport News, VA; his brother, Mark Murphy of Dewitt, NY; his aunt, Nancy Woods; his cousins, Wendy (Sean) Hanley and their sons, Dan and Tim,

Bruce (Virginia) Woods and their daughter, Lydia, and Craig (Barbara) Woods; his wife's brothers, Anton T. Podlaha, Fredrick (Debbie Cardona) Podlaha, Frank (Martina) Podlaha, and Gregory Podlaha; and their children, Julia and Jonathan Podlaha, Ashley and Sage Bedard, Katelyn and Brandon Podlaha, Rachel Rice, and Jake Wiezoreck.

Arrangements are under the care and guidance of the Donaldson-Seymour Funeral Home, 4 Cedar Street, Potsdam, where friends may call Monday, July 29th from 1:00 PM until the time of the service at 3:00 PM. Burial will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery, Potsdam, NY.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to Huntington's Disease Society of American, 505 Eighth Street Suite 1402, New York, NY, 10018 or by visiting [www.hdsa.org](http://www.hdsa.org). Friends are encouraged to share memories and offer condolences online at [www.donaldsonseymour.com](http://www.donaldsonseymour.com).

### Paul Randall, 80

Potsdam

POTSDAM -- Paul Randall, 80, passed away Monday July 1, 2024 at home. Paul was born November 28, 1943, in Potsdam, NY, son of the late Frank and Ivalue (Spring) Randall and was a 1961 graduate of Parishville-Hopkinton Central School.

After graduation, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. After leaving the service, he decided to stay in Massachusetts. He later moved to Enfield, Conn. where he resided at the time of his death.

He was the former owner of the former Randall Auto Sales, Inc. in West Springfield, MA for over 30 years.

Paul enjoyed playing cards with his friends, playing golf, and going to his camp in West Parishville, NY, where he spent time with his family.

Paul was also a member of the Dante Club in West Springfield, MA and the Knights of Columbus.

He leaves his former wife, GERAL-

dine Loya with whom he lived, two children; Jessica Hoya of New Haven, CT, Michael Loya of Springfield, MA, five brothers and their wives; Elbridge and Joan Randall, Richard and Nancy Randall, Ralph and Connie Randall, Douglas and Joan Randall, Keith and Rose Randall, and three sisters; Veronica and her husband Carl Ward, Shirley Butterfield and Pauline Hartson, and predeceased by three brothers; Frank Randall, Jr., Robert Randall, Dean Randall, and three sisters; Harriett Randall, Rose Randall, Teri Randall, two brothers - in - law; Charles "Sonny" Butterfield, Ivan Hartson, and a nephew, Bruce Butterfield.

The funeral was held July 12, 2024 at 10 a.m. at Curran Jones Funeral Home, 109 Main Street, West Springfield, MA, followed by a burial in the Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

## RECENT DEATHS

**JOHN E. MOULTON**, 80, Madrid. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Madrid.

**ADALYNN MCCOLLUM**, Hermon. Arrangements with Lawrence Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Canton.

**MICHAEL MURPHY**, 68, Hannawa Falls, July 7. Arrangements with Donaldson Seymour Funeral Home, Potsdam.

**SARAH RAYBURN**, 38, Gouverneur, July 8. Arrangements with French Funeral Home, Gouverneur.

**BLANCHE REOME**, 86, South Colton, July 9. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Colton.

**BRETT GRANT**, 76, Canton, July 13. Arrangements with Lawrence Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Canton.

**MARILYN WOOLSTON**, 79, South Colton, July 14. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Colton.

**CHARLES DAVIS**, 92, Colton, July 14. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Colton.

## DEC, deputies locate man lost in forest

BRASHER -- Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) officers helped rescue a lost person in the Brasher State Forest.

A 24-year-old subject with reported mental health issues ran out of his residence into the woods

around noon on July 10.

Rangers responded to the wilderness search at 7:30 p.m., following a request from St. Lawrence County Sheriff's deputies.

Around 9 p.m. Ranger Dempf located the subject on Bush Road.

The subject was reportedly lost in the woods, wet, cold, and hungry.

Ranger Dempf warmed the subject, provided food and water, and turned him over to Sheriff's Deputies for further evaluation.

## Village okays appointment of new fire driver

BY ADAM ATKINSON  
North Country This Week

POTSDAM -- The village board has accepted two expected resignations and approved probationary appointments.

At a special board meeting

held July 9, the mayor and trustees approved the resignation of Matthew Kroeger, Potsdam Fire Department fire driver, effective July 18.

The board passed a resolution approving the appointment of Scott Gray of Norwood to the position

of fire vehicle driver with the fire department.

Gray will be paid a salary of \$24.23 per hour. The appointment was effective July 11 with the probationary period not to exceed 12 months.

Later at the board's regular meeting on July 15, the resignation of DPW motor equipment operator Jay Bradish was approved, effective July 19.

The board then approved the probationary appointment of Ronald Addison of Ogdensburg to the position of water and wastewater treatment operator trainee with a salary of \$26.51 per hour effective Aug. 5. Addison's probationary period will not exceed one year.



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# New exterior signage complete at CPH

POTSDAM — St. Lawrence Health (SLH) announced the completion of the newly installed exterior signage on the Regional Care Pavilion at Canton-Potsdam Hospital.

As part of Rochester Regional Health (RRH), this new addition to the Hospital is the first throughout SLH to prominently display the RRH name, demonstrating our collective pride and commitment to expanding access to essential and critical care locally.

On schedule to open this fall, the Pavilion will significantly increase bed capacity and transform the delivery of care through enlarged, private, modern inpatient rooms; an expanded emergency department; additional resuscitation/trauma rooms; and an entirely new main entrance with registration, gift shop, and coffee kiosk. The public will be invited to its grand opening celebration later this year.

Since its affiliation with RRH in 2021, SLH has offered community members in the St. Lawrence Region a wide breadth of new services, both virtually and in-person. Among the first was access to Maternal Fetal Medicine, followed

by a centralized patient access scheduling center to maximize efficiencies between provider offices, ensuring patients receive faster answers, earlier appointments, and an enhanced patient experience.

In 2022, SLH launched EPIC's Care Connect electronic medical record system and the RRH MyCare patient portal, a safe platform for patients to manage their appointments, access test results, request prescription renewals, and pay medical bills. SLH acquired the Massena-based Seaway Valley Ambulance Service, a dedicated EMS, inter-facility transport, and ambulance service servicing the Massena-area market. Additionally, The Rochester General College of Health Careers opened an extension campus of the Isabella Graham Hart School of Practical Nursing (IGH) in Potsdam, enabling individuals to continue their higher education goals by pursuing nursing licensure and hopefully remain an active member of the SLH family, providing high-quality care to local communities.

In 2023, SLH launched its Fast Pass program, where patients needing a referral to another pro-

vider are scheduled before they leave after an appointment. If that referred appointment is more than seven days away, patients can be added to Fast Pass and notified if an earlier appointment becomes available.

SLH also acquired a new da Vinci Xi Robotic Surgical System in 2023, with SLH team members and providers visiting Rochester General Hospital to receive further hands-on training for optimal outcomes. The availability of the new da Vinci Xi Robotic Surgical System has enabled SLH to now offer thoracic surgery and hiatal hernia repair locally. Rochester-based Cardiothoracic Surgeons work hand-in-hand with SLH's Surgeon Apostolos Kandilis, MD, to provide advanced thoracic care to residents across Greater Rochester and the St. Lawrence County region.

In 2024, the St. Lawrence County community gained the ability to schedule virtual urgent care visits, which can be accessed through the MyCare portal or SLH's Urgent Care webpages. And, most recently, SLH opened its newly constructed Wound Care Center in Massena, affording patients across the region local access to advanced care for complex wounds as an outpatient or inpatient, including specialized physical therapy.

RRH's expansion into the St. Lawrence Region allows its residents to receive the highest-quality health care close to home. Through SLH, we will demonstrate our commitment to improving access to care by bringing the best in primary care, medical, and complex surgical services to the region, improving the quality of life for all who live, work, and study at any of the outstanding colleges and universities in the region.

SLH President Donna McGregor and RRH President of Healthcare Operations & COO Jennifer Eslinger extended their warm welcome to all residents of the North Country into the more extensive Rochester Regional Health System. They recorded their personal message for everyone to watch. The two presidents discuss the entirety of RRH, including nine hospitals (three through SLH), 20,000 team members, and service to 1.5 million patients. As the entire system continues to expand healthcare services throughout Central and Northern New York, Ms. McGregor and Ms. Eslinger stated they are excited about the organization's future.



Cheryl Shumway | NCTV

## Bounce buddies

The Elks Lodge bounce houses were packed with children with a variety of choices, including water slides, at the Potsdam Summer Festival on Friday.

# Town of Canton's ARPA fund account finalized

BY PAUL MITCHELL

North Country This Week

CANTON — The Town of Canton has exhausted its American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

Town Supervisor Mary Ann Ashley informed the board on Wednesday night, July 10, that one penny remained in the ARPA account.

The \$434,665.36 in ARPA funds was used to pay for seven expenditures, including \$242,084.55 to purchase 12 Stiles Avenue for the proposed sand/salt facility.

"The Town of Canton evaluated all the needs of the Town. We used a data based decision making process. We knew the ARPA funds could not become part of our ongoing budget items because they were not sustainable," said Ashley.

"I am proud of how the Town manages its 15 projected revenue

sources for the best interests of the people. The interesting part is that not one of them is absolutely guaranteed," she added.

Besides the Stiles Avenue expenditure, ARPA funds were spent on a down payment for an ice resurfacer for the Canton Recreation Department (\$12,169), Broadband study for the village and town (\$4,000 — \$2,000 reimbursement from village), Atlantic Testing services for 64 Main Street (\$8,495.50), purchase of the former McDonald's restaurant at 64 Main Street (\$152,094.19), security construction in the Canton Town Clerk's office (\$10,620), and a tractor for the Recreation Department (\$7,202.12).

"The nice thing about the ARPA funds is that they were given to us upfront. Then we submit proper documentation and reporting later," Ashley stated.

# Sports tourism survey for SLC

CANTON — The St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce is launching a new initiative to enhance sport tourism in the North Country, aimed at fostering economic growth and community development through strategic planning. As part of this effort, the Chamber invites residents, businesses, and stakeholders to participate in a brief survey to gather insights crucial to shaping the future of sport tourism in the region.

With the consultation and expertise of Cimarron Global Solutions, the "St. Lawrence County Sport Tourism Initiative" seeks to capitalize on the area's natural beauty, recreational assets, and vibrant community spirit to attract visitors and stimulate local economies. By understanding the perspectives and preferences of community members, organizers aim to develop a comprehensive strategy that maximizes the impact of sport tourism on both economic and community levels.

"At this stage of the process, we

are collecting input from a variety of stakeholders with a perspective on sport tourism in St. Lawrence County," said Tif Amo, Director of Tourism for the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce.

The survey, designed to be completed in under 10 minutes, encourages participants to share their thoughts and ideas regarding opportunities, challenges, and preferences regarding existing and future sport tourism efforts to help inform strategic decisions moving forward.

To participate in the survey, community members are invited to visit [www.VisitSTLC.com/sport-tourism-survey](http://www.VisitSTLC.com/sport-tourism-survey), where they can provide their feedback by August 2, 2024. The insights gathered will be analyzed to guide the development of initiatives that not only attract sport tourism but also strengthen community ties and support local businesses.

For more information visit [www.VisitSTLC.com/sport-tourism-survey](http://www.VisitSTLC.com/sport-tourism-survey) or contact Tif Amo at [Tif@slcchamber.org](mailto:Tif@slcchamber.org) or 315-386-4000.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**Public thank you for GardenShare dinner**

On Thursday June 27, a group of 47 diners from across the North Country community enjoyed a lovely evening of delicious food and friendship in celebration of GardenShare, a local organization that promotes local food security for all of St. Lawrence County residents. The seated dinner was held outside on the beautiful grounds of St. Lawrence Nurseries <https://www.slngrow.com/>, just south of the village of Potsdam on Rt. 56.

Proprietors Connor and Alyssa Hardiman, who took over the nursery in 2015 and recently moved it to its new location, were in attendance. Dinner was prepared and served by the talented staff at Big Spoon Kitchen <https://bigspoonpotsdam.com/>, and consisted of a creative, multi-course menu crafted from local ingredients provided by Brandy

View Farm, Madrid; Cedar Hedge Farm, Lowville; Kent Family Growers, Madrid; Martin's Farmstand, Potsdam; and Theobald Farm, Potsdam. Martin Bregg and Larry Goodspeed, from Bregg Winery in Norfolk, were on hand to offer a variety of their handcrafted wines produced from locally grown fruits.

I would like to publicly thank all who devoted their time and talent to put this fabulous fundraising dinner together – the early summer evening spent in such a beautiful location among new friends and old was memorable. This was the first of a 3-part GardenShare Dinner Series planned for this summer. The second dinner will be provided by Foster the Plant, on Thursday August 22nd at the Dobisky Center in Ogdensburg, and the third by the Blue House Wednesday October 9 in the Madrid Community Center. To register for a dinner, GardenShare has a long history of addressing

hunger in St. Lawrence County by ensuring everyone who lives here has access to nutritious local food grown right here in the North Country. I encourage you to come out and support the important work of this local nonprofit organization. For more information, or to register for a dinner, visit <https://gardenshare.org/>.

Jan DeWaters  
Potsdam  
GardenShare volunteer

**Bureaucracy invades Fall Island**

Potsdam's Fall Island is one of my favorite places. On one side sits the historic and beautiful Trinity Chapel. On the other sits a string of local businesses, including the phenomenal Jernabi Coffeehouse.

A real treat lies behind Jernabi: a public park with wonderful benches next to multiple waterfalls. I have watched people fish, read books, drink Jernabi coffee, eat Lee's Hawaiian Grill, and enjoy themselves countless other ways in this park. The park and all nearby businesses are serviced by a small parking lot. That lot held the distinction of offering stress-free all-night parking, a symbiotic service that benefited all of downtown Potsdam. Until today.

Today the boney finger of bureaucratic miserdom defiled this little Eden of mutualism. Today half of Fall Island's parking has become permit based (whatever that means) the rest no longer available all night. I wouldn't have even noticed the change, and might have received a parking ticket, if a kindhearted fellow citizen had not pointed out the new parking signs to me in warning.

The Village's new hobby seems to be monomaniacally altering parking arrangements, with an eye towards restricting available hours and increasing monetization. Their reasoning seems to be that in light of unprecedented inflation, rising cost of living, and of course the fact we live in one of the poorest counties in all of New York State, the logical course of action is to shake down working class North Country People for nickels and dimes whenever they attempt to park their cars and feed themselves or make appointments.

The sages comprising that aforementioned body of local governance do not seem to have considered the negative effect their monkeying has on our town's morale and our local restaurant owners' livelihoods. It doesn't feel good to watch your own town search for ways to soak you for money, like the landlord in Les Misérables. It is absolutely foolish to

make it harder for customers to drop their cars off for a late-night of safe fun at Maxfield's.

We don't live in Rochester or NYC. There are only half a dozen red lights downtown. Why should parking here be monetized/directed? Casual parking was fine for the last forty years;

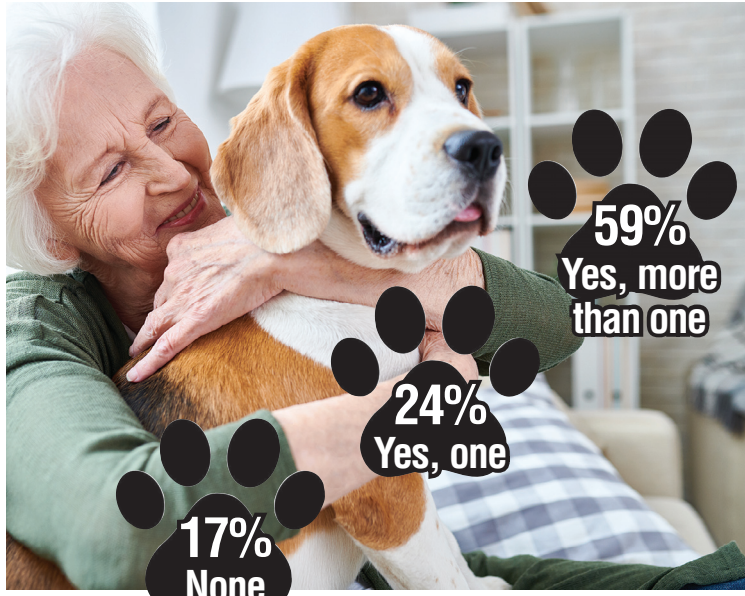
why not leave it that way?

Mr. Krabs and Scrooge McDuck themselves would show more restraint, because even they understand that to make money in the long run you first have to let people park.

Silas Smith  
Norwood

NCNOW SURVEY

**Majority of homes have pets**



Debbie Morgan | NCTW

Last week's question

**Do you have a pet in your home?**

If the meows and barks seem a bit louder at the local animal shelter, there is a good reason. Too many homeless pets. The Potsdam Humane Society is full, nearly unable to accept any pets that may come through their doors. On top of that, the number of volunteers needed to take care of the animals is shrinking, according to Eudora Watson, Potsdam Humane Society Animal Enrichment and Adoption Volunteer Coordinator. Do you have a pet in your home?

**THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:** It is fair season around the state, and this year the Gouverneur and St. Lawrence County Fair will be held July 30 through August. 4. In nearby Franklin County, the fair runs Aug. 3-11. Also, the New York State Fair in Syracuse is held Aug. 21 through Sept. 2. Do you plan to attend any of the fairs listed above this year?

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Parade at 10a on Saturday! Starts at Cold Brook Drive Trail Head & will continue to Swift Field. All are welcome to participate!

**Saturday, July 27**

**Colton Community Church**

8a - 11a Pancake Breakfast  
8a - 1p Craft Show

**Book Nook**

9a - 1p

**CPCS Gymnasium**

9a - 5p Free Clothing Giveaway

**Colton Museum**

10a Featuring Stark & Hollywood

**Colton Volunteer Fire Department**

11a Chicken BBQ (until sold out)

**Swift Field 11a - 3p**

Water Slide - Baker's Sizzling Grill  
Craft & Vendor Show - Mr. Ding-A-Ling

**Racquette River Pub**

12p Beer Garden & Live Music  
8p Live Music Continues Inside the Pub

**Sunday, July 28**

**CPCS Gymnasium**

9a - 12p Free Clothing Giveaway

**Colton Museum**

1p - 3p Featuring Stark & Hollywood

**Robideau's Mahogany Ridge Bar & Grill**

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**Seeking Fairy Godmothers and Fairy Godfathers**

Are you feeling overwhelmed with all that is going on in our world

today? Looking for a way to bring some joy into your life? We may have the answer for you. The Community Lunch Program for Kids (CLPK) is looking for people who would be interested in being a fairy godmother or godfather to a local child living in poverty. You can help make dreams come true by "earning your wings" and helping make the first day back to school "magical" by purchasing socks, sneakers, underwear and a backpack for a local child.

If parents struggle to provide food for their children over summer vacation, where are they supposed to find the extra money to purchase these basics for the beginning of a new school year for their children?

You can earn your wings in one of two ways:

1) You can contact Wendy at 315.212.0520 or wchambers384@gmail.com and agree to sponsor a

local child. We will then send you a tag with the child's age, and sizes and you will do the shopping. On August 22nd, you will bring the items you purchased to Fairy Godmother/Godfather Reception and receive your authentic Fairy Godmother/Godfather Certificate, as well as a complimentary wand, and some very rare fairy dust. We will celebrate your accomplishment with cake and punch.

2) You can make a donation to our project by sending a check made out to The CLPK (Fairy Godmother Project on memo line). Any donation will get you a fairy godmother/fairy godfather certificate and complimentary wand (and this will look great on your resume)

If you are interested in donating the cost of preparing one child for school, we estimate the cost to be about \$55 for an elementary student and \$75- \$100 for a middle or high school student.)

Checks can be made out to CLPK (FGMP on memo line) and mailed to P.O. Box 225, Norwood, New York 13668.

If you decide to help support The Fairy Godmother Project, I promise you will be flying high with those new wings before you know it.

**Wendy Chambers**  
The Fairy Godmother Project,  
Head Flight Instructor

**Open letter to Rt. 56 property owners**

Looking back on the hearing held last month, it appears that the C2AE Engineering Co. is driving this train

right over a cliff, while our Town Board meekly pays all the bills, no questions asked, with money borrowed in our name.

An awful lot of confusing, misleading, and downright false information was handed out. The mantra has been that the only way out of our constantly growing debt of over \$1 million is to borrow another \$20 million on top of it to activate a grant which would magically repay it. This is nonsense.

I believe that the true cost of this project would be a minimum of \$20 million, based on C2AE's own estimate from a year ago. Their financing projection of \$15 million ignores the elephant in the room of interest cost, which is huge: even grants have to be financed until project completion. Add the BAN loans rolled in, plus inflation, and the price could go even higher.

Totally not addressed was that the main USDA grant expires this month, and the almost \$2.6 million heedlessly borrowed 3 years ago comes due at the same time; that insisting on going to bid will "ONLY" cost another \$20,000 overlooks all the other wasteful spending that will continue unabated – for how much longer?

With this project, the grim reality is that each resident would be saddled with an astronomical debt – well over \$3,000 annually, on top of usage fees for at least 36 years. Even NY State insists that these projects be needed, benefit all the property owners, and not be an excessive burden on them.

We are, indeed, being driven like sheep to the slaughter. If you want to survive, stand up, get informed, and let us together put an immediate stop to this travesty.

**Kinga Snell**  
Potsdam

**Imperial presidency, says Potsdam resident**

Founding Father John Adams observed at the beginning of our Great Experiment: "There never was a democracy yet that did not commit suicide." I never thought in 70 years of living in America that Adams' ominous pronouncement would occur in my lifetime. But here we are.

Apparently a majority of Americans currently believe the preposterous: Only an imperial presidency can save democracy. Without a king, the Constitution we were taught to revere and so many people have died to protect is a useless piece of paper. Democracy as we've known it has

wasted and exhausted itself. America will only be great again when that democracy is dead.

Long live the King. Throughout human history, Corruption has always rewarded betrayal with power, money, and position. Women who attack other women's rights and freedom are rewarded mightily. Whole careers are built upon this betrayal. Likewise, minorities who undermine justice and equal opportunity for minorities receive the same compensation: Power. Money. Do whatever Corruption wants and all this world's oysters are piled on your plate. Land of the Free?

Home of the Brave? American ideals are in the toilet just waiting to be flushed away. People who don't care anymore about truth, honor and principle, just winning at any cost, are standing by clapping and cheering while Corruption gleefully flicks the handle. God Bless America because the truly free and brave citizens of this "Shining Light on the Hill" are all "suckers and losers" rotting in the ground.

**Jane Barrett**  
Potsdam

**Is it America first or Earth first?**

There's a lot of buzz nowadays about making America first. And many think the way to do that is to put up a big wall around the country, both literally along the border with Mexico and figuratively in the form of sky-high tariffs.

But what about greenhouse gases? How do we prevent them from getting into our country? Are you aware that China produced 26% of all greenhouse gas emissions last year? The US is number two with a paltry 12% followed by India with 7%. Source: World Resources Institute.

How do you get the Chinese to reduce their emissions if we're not talking to them? Same for India. Climate change is a worldwide problem that requires world wide action. More than anything else, climate change tells us we must all act together, or we will surely drown separately, or starve, or die of heat exhaustion.

China now has the second largest population in the world. India has surpassed China with 1.48 billion people. When India reaches China's level of development, their GHG emissions will also surpass China's.

So let's forget all of this saber rattling and chest pounding. We are in a race to save ourselves from climate disaster. If China has better electric car technology than we do, let's license it from them. Let them teach US car companies how to do what they've done so well: make affordable electric cars. Also cheap solar panels and solar heaters. We all have to start pulling on the oars in the same direction.

Right here in Canton we have one of the very few food scrap drop off sites in the North Country. And it's free! Do you compost? If not, maybe it's time you did. Charity begins at home. Food scraps that end up in the landfill breakdown into methane, a climate gas 80 times more powerful than carbon dioxide. The drop off site is on Lincoln Street just before Bend In The River park.

If you have questions about how to compost, send an email to nococompost@gmail.com.

If you want a sympathetic ear to listen to your earth concerns, we are sharing EARTH-Friendly concerns and ideas on a weekly conference call on Sunday evenings at 7 p.m.

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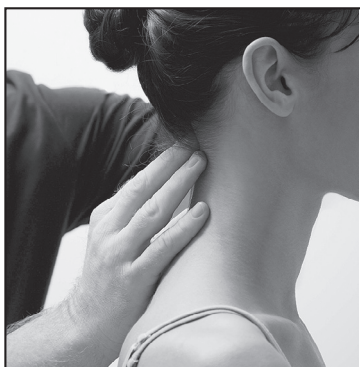
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When things look bad, put one foot in front of the other

# In hiking and life, you just have to push forward

In the early days of my backpacking trips I often carried too much gear. We were somewhere in the middle of a multi-day journey near Cranberry Lake. It was hot. I was chafing. It was humid and rainy.

The bugs were thick and the misery and exhaustion were thicker. We'd been in the woods for a night and had greatly reduced our alcohol stores leaving us in a less than ideal state for hauling full wet backpacks up mountains, but there we were easily dozen of miles from rest in either direction.

I wasn't panicking, but I could see how someone might be. I've read and written stories about hikers and backpackers needing rescues and I count myself fortunate to have never been one. But morale was certainly low, conversations had halted and I was left

with nothing but my thoughts and the knowledge that the only way out was to put one foot in front of the other.

Have you ever been so tired,

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Jimmy Lawton



worn out and exhausted that it took nearly everything you had to take one more step? That feeling that there is no way you can continue the task at hand and the finish line, whatever it might be feels unattainable.

Thoughts creep into your head offering you a number of reasons or excuses to turn back, or justifications for giving up.

After all, at this point you've given it your best shot and you've done all you can, except you haven't.

I'm not sure everyone knows they have an extra gear that allows

them to continue pushing on when they think they can't, but I'm fairly certain we all do once we tap into it.

I was fortunate enough to have found it at around age 12 after picking stones in a dusty field amid sweltering heat with little shade.

To pass time I'd pretend I was on some prison planet in a science fiction tale waiting to plot my escape. Hours would go by as I'd write the story in my head.

It was in this near meditative state of fantasy that I was able to continue my task and keep moving, nearly forgetting completely about the reality I was facing.

Later as I grew, I'd taken on various forms of labor that felt overwhelming, like hoofing endless bundles of shingles up roof ladders or carrying hundreds of trash cans full of roofing debris to dumpsters in scorching summer heat.

They were tasks that felt impossible. Staring at what seemed like an acre of roof on the ground wondering how it can even be physically done, but it could.

I think athletes are probably the first to tap into this extra gear.

I've certainly seen my friends who spent time in the military use it and I know first hand that farmers and laborers often find it.

I've read some amazing stories of survival and nearly every time I think more about what motivates a person to continue on despite impossible odds and it always brings me back to that feeling. Putting that one foot down and moving forward.

When you push past that point, and runners will back me up on this, something happens. The weight begins to ease, your steps begin to sharpen and that second wind takes hold.

You begin to wonder why it was so bad 30 minutes ago and the finish line begins to feel attainable again. Note that this cycle may repeat many times before you finish.

Now while what I'm describing is both a physical and mental phenomenon that occurs during extreme physically challenging situations, the real secret lies in the fact that the emotional and mental struggles we face in life can often be overcome in the same way.

Sometimes the road ahead looks so bad, one wonders how they can barrel through it. Mentally exhausted with nothing pulling you forward. But I'll say to you, that if you can push on, just keep moving through it and don't succumb to the voices of doubt in your head, better times await you. Although life can get complicated, sometimes the solution is really as simple as not giving up.

And so on we pushed that day. It seemed like endless valleys and hills, but in the end we came to a lean-to set upon a small pond and dropped the shoes from our blistered feet.

We enjoyed food that tasted better, the way things often do when you feel like you've earned them. And we shared stories as we polished off the remainder of our alcohol telling tales around the fire.

In the end, it was a good day and one I might not remember so clearly, if it hadn't been for the challenge.

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

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Aldous family says thank you

The Family of Lawrence Aldous would like to thank everyone for their outpouring of love and support that we received after his passing. We continue to collect cards and letters that add to our memories and paint a picture of a life well lived.

Special acknowledgement to Canton Fire and Rescue for their fast and efficient service, The Staff at Claxton-Hepburn Hospital for their kind and compassionate care, Northern Lights Home Health for attentive support, White's Florists for capturing a final memory, and to Lawrence Funeral Home who tended to every detail during this sad time.

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## SLC IDA awards over \$180K in ARPA and CDEIP funds

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI  
North Country This Week

CANTON -- Local businesses and organizations are set to receive an influx of American Rescue Plan Act funding through the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency.

According to IDA officials, Potsdam Specialty Paper Inc. will receive \$35,000 to assist with operational efficiency and employee separation improvements. The company will also receive \$2,125 to assist with training in environmental compliance requirements.

St. Joseph's Nursing Home in Ogdensburg will receive \$23,000 for upgrades to the cooling, heating and ventilation system.

ConTech in Gouverneur will receive \$15,000 to create three,

new full-time equivalent positions.

The Decker Family Farm in Winthrop will receive \$7,500 in small business/non-profit assistance, while Deep Root Center, Whole Learners Inc. will receive \$2,500 for the same.

A total of \$2,108 has been awarded to St. Lawrence Health to send an employee to an EKG class.

According to IDA officials, a number of municipalities and non-profit organizations were also awarded funding through the Community Development Environmental Improvement Program.

In announcing this year's program awards, St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency Chairman Robert McNeil stated, "the Community Development and Environmental Improvement

Program has awarded over \$4.4 million in funding over the past fourteen years for a variety of projects throughout St. Lawrence County. This unique local program has supported many community organizations, attractions, and initiatives and we are proud to announce these awards in partnership with the IDA." The original funding for the program was provided by the New York Power Authority.

The Black Lake Fish and Game Association has been awarded \$10,000 to purchase kitchen equipment for the Ames Youth Outdoor Education Center.

The Hermon Volunteer Fire Department has been awarded \$10,000 to purchase and install a generator at the fire station.

The town of Lisbon has received \$20,000 to upgrade IT for real-time monitoring and rapid response to the Lisbon Beach Campground.

The town of Louisville has been awarded \$10,000 for new flooring in the municipal building, while the town of Macomb has been awarded \$5,000 to renovate the Macomb Historical Building with a new handicap bathroom, gazebo and generator hook-up.

The village of Massena has been awarded \$10,000 to install a new retaining wall system and ADA accessible walkway at Veteran's Memorial Park.

The town of Oswegatchie was awarded \$15,000 to purchase an eco weed puller and cutter for water chestnut reduction treatments.

St. Lawrence County Trails was awarded \$10,000 to relocate a four-mile center section of trail between Long Pond and the Grasse River in Colton.

The town of Waddington has received \$10,000 to create a prep kitchen on the second floor of the old town hall.

## Cascade Inn diner reopens in Canton

BY PAUL MITCHELL  
North Country This Week

CANTON – The Cascade Inn has reopened serving the classic fare dished out for decades by the late owner Gary Barcomb.

The business is currently under the management of Carolyn Mouthorp who has entered into a one-year lease with owner Whitney Verkade who purchased the 4 West Main St. property in January. The first day of operation was May 31.

"Business is starting to catch on," said Mouthorp who worked at the diner for many years when it was open. "We are not just renters, we're family. We are looking forward to what the future holds."

The Cascade Inn is open seven days serving breakfast, lunch and dinner from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. They offer daily specials, a fish fry on Fridays, fresh baked goods, and a salad bar, said Mouthorp. The diner employed 6 to 7 full and part-time employees.

"We are hearing from the community that they're happy to have us back. We're glad everybody,

including old friends, are coming back," she said.

The diner is not selling alcohol. For more information or to place takeout orders, call (315) 854-8019.

The Cascade Inn and its motel closed in December 2021 following the death of Barcomb on Nov. 12, 2021. The property sat idle for several months, was eventually posted by Palmer Realty and later sold to Verkade, chief executive officer of High Cap NY LLC, Elk Grove, Calif. for \$300,000.

The 20-unit motel has yet to reopen. Mouthorp noted she has the option to renew her lease.

The diner is located on the Grasse River at the intersection of Main and Gouverneur Streets.

By serving the long-time diner classics, Mouthorp is working to return the business to its popular past.

In a January article in North Country This Week, Verkade stated he was looking for a team to continue the tradition.

"I would like to see it run as it was for years and tears. I want this to be brought back to its original glory," Verkade told NCTW.

## Ice cream shop ribbon-cutting

POTSDAM – The Potsdam Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony for NJ's Homemade Ice Cream & Treats, Potsdam's newest ice cream shop.

There was a wonderful showing of support from members of the Potsdam Chamber Board of Directors, several community members, business owners and town officials.

NJ's Homemade Ice Cream & Treats is located at 1 Market St. and is owned by Allison Burris.

"I really want to give my deepest gratitude to everyone that came out to share this special moment with me and my team and to take the time out of their busy schedule to

support us. I am overwhelmed with joy as this is the Potsdam I remember and love," said Burris.

NJ's Homemade Ice Cream & Treats is open 7 days a week from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

All ice cream flavors and treats are made on site and include a fun atmosphere to dine in. They offer vegan and gluten free ice cream options and several bakery items.

For more information about Chamber membership, email director@potsdamchamber.com or call 315-274-9000.

Potsdam Chamber of Commerce, 6 Market St, has office hours 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday - Friday

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## Civil War Weekend in Madrid

MADRID – The fourth annual Civil War weekend at Fort Tribute will be held Saturday, July 27, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., and continues through Sunday, July 28, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. held at Fort Tribute on the grounds of the St. Lawrence Power & Equipment Museum, 1755 State Highway 345.

Highlights of the event include, visiting Union and Confederate camps, historical demonstrations, such as period cooking (common soldier's meal), and 1860s women's fashion.

Rudely Stamp'd will perform the play "Grant on the Eve of Victory" which stars Derek Maxfield as Gen. U. S. Grant and Jess Maxfield as George Alfred Townsend, a reporter for the New York World. The play will not include a performance by Tracy Ford as Gen. Sherman as he has retired from that role.

There will also be music; book lectures, plus demonstrations of artillery firing and a Children's Muster, which illustrates how members in a military unit are formally gathered, especially for inspection.

Live battle reenactments are held on Saturday at 4 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m. The culture and lessons of reenactments help us understand the sights, smells, and sounds of history.

Balladeer Linda Russell will entertain the "civilians" and soldiers with "The New York

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Photo submitted

Wounded from the 2023 battle reenactment is taken from the field on a stretcher and heading to the 11th Corp Union Field Hospital.

## Hazy Lazy Days of Colton to be celebrated

COLTON – The Town of Colton will host its annual community celebration, the Hazy Lazy Days of Colton, on Saturday, July 27 and Sunday July 28.

Pancakes, parades, flea market, food, drink, cornhole, live music and fireworks will all be part of the two-day community event.

Editor's note: A previous story regarding an upcoming Colton summer festival which appeared in the print copies of North Country This Week's Friday, July 12 edition was incorrect. The entire story should be disregarded as being not relevant to St. Lawrence County and Colton, N.Y. North Country This Week apologizes for the error. The Town of Colton will host its annual community celebration, the Hazy Lazy Days of Colton, on Saturday, July 27 and Sunday July 28.

A pancake breakfast and craft show will kick off the day Saturday, July 27 at the Colton Community Church, 11 Church St., beginning at 8 a.m.

Pancakes will be served until 11 a.m. Costs are adults \$10, and kids under 12 \$5; younger than 5 eat for free.

The craft show will feature home-made items and an assortment of crafts including: sweaters, quilts, wreaths, cozies, soaps, totes and bags, dish cloths, shawls, table runners, wood burnt plaques and more.

The craft show concludes at 1 p.m.

For more information contact Sandy at 315-212-4134 or Sharon at 843-560-



Photo submitted by New Horizon Band

The Colton Historical Society is sponsoring an outdoor concert by the New Horizon Band of NNY on Sunday, July 28 as part of the Hazy Lazy Days of Colton summer festival.

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There is no charge for admission.

A community parade steps off starting at 10 a.m.

The parade will start at the trailhead on Cold Brooke Drive and end at Sugar Bush Lane at Swift Field.

All are welcome to join in the procession.

The following events will take place from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Swift Field, 14 Sugarbush Lane:

- Flea market, crafts and vendors under the Pavilion;

- Food and drinks will be available from Baker's Sizzling Grill;

- Corn hole tournament sponsored by Robideau's Mahogany Ridge Bar and Grill; and a

- Waterslide.

The bridge portion of Main Street will be blocked off on Saturday, July 27th, starting at noon, for the annual block party hosted by the Raquette River Pub. There will be games, a beer tent and live music outside throughout the day.

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## WHAT'S GOING ON

**FRIDAY, JULY 19**

**Ben Todd**

**POTSDAM** -- Ben Todd will perform at The Barn at 1844 House, 6885 Route 11, on July 19 from 6-9 p.m. [www.1844house.com](http://www.1844house.com).

**Community paddle**

**CANTON** -- Nature Up North will host a Community Paddle - A Hunt for History on July 19, 6:30-8 p.m. On this paddle, we'll leave the Little River Boat launch in search of buried treasure (stone piles) deep beneath the waves of the Grasse River. Long ago, loggers would pile stones in the Grasse River to block it in the fall and log through the winter. In the spring, they would remove the dams and let the spring floods carry logs downstream to mills along the shore. At low water, the remnants of these dams are still visible beneath the waves. <https://www.natureupnorth.org/form/community-paddle-registration-da>.

**Double Axel**

**WADDINGTON** -- The Music on the Shore-2024 series continues July 19, everyone's favorite group Double Axel from 6:30-9:30 p.m. in the pavilion at Island View Park overlooking the St. Lawrence River, at the end of Main St., rain or shine. Alex, Rob and Frank have been making music together since 1971. All concerts are free.

**Red Cross blood drive**

**POTSDAM** - A Red Cross blood drive will be held July 19 from 12:30 p.m -5 p.m., at New Hope Community Church, 33 Grant Street. Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information.

**Seaway Festival**

**OGDENSBURG** -- Fireworks, Battle of the Bands, classic cars, tug of war, great food and excellent local entertainment are just some of what's in store for the annual Ogdensburg International Seaway Festival set for July 19-28. Things kick off July 19th with a Movie Night in the Library Park featuring "Toy Story." For more information about events, volunteering or sponsorship opportunities visit [www.ogdensburgseawayfestival.org](http://www.ogdensburgseawayfestival.org).

**The BackWater Duo**

**MASSENA** - The BackWater Duo will perform Friday, July 19 from 7-10 p.m. at Chase's Riverside Dining, 829 State Highway 131.

**Third Friday Bonfire**

**BRIER HILL** -- First Congregational Church of Morristown will hold another of its popular Third Friday Bonfire nights on Friday, July 19 starting at 6:30 p.m., at the parsonage across the street from the church, 541 Sand Street Road, Brier Hill. The action commences with the lighting of the bonfire plus hot dogs on the grill. There will be marshmallows, s'mores, snacks, non-alcoholic beverages, and a bounce house for the kids. It's all free. Info: Dixie Dave Ellis at (315) 276-1878.

**Toy Story movie**

**OGDENSBURG** -- Toy Story movie will be shown under the stars at Ogdensburg's Library Park Friday, July 19, at 8 p.m. The free,

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family event will include popcorn, snow cones and cotton candy. Bring a chair or blanket. The park is located at 312 Washington St., Ogdenburg. The kickoff to the Seaway Festival is sponsored by Seaway Valley Prevention Council.

SAT., JULY 20 Energy workshop

POTSDAM -- An energy workshop to learn how to eliminate energy 'phantoms' that draw energy even when they are not in use will be held at Potsdam Public Library. The workshop will be Saturday, July 20, from 1-2 p.m. Attendees can bring their energy bills and someone will help you to understand it better and save. The event is sponsored by Northern Power and Light and North Country Clean Energy Hub.

Adult Bible study group

CANTON -- The Good News Fellowship group will gather to reading, study and discuss the Bible for comprehension every Saturday at 30 Court St. starting at 12:15. Good News Fellowship is a non denominational group that welcomes thoughtful discussion. Look for sign in parking lot. Free Bibles available. Info: (315) 870-6120.

Talcott Golf Tournament

POTSDAM - The 18th Annual Cindy Talcott Memorial Golf Tournament, for the benefit of Helping Hands, will take place on Saturday, July 20, at the Potsdam Town & Country Club with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. The format is Captain & Crew. Multiple contests are planned, including "Hole In One" prizes on all Par 3s. Team Registrations are available at \$360 per foursome. Proceeds from the Tournament support Helping Hands' many programs that include the Food Pantry, Daily Hot Meals, the Christian House

Memorial Furniture Barn and other assistance programs. For more information, call Helping Hands at 315-268-0633.

Science Workshop

CANTON -- Nature Up North will host a Community Science Workshop - MOW The Grasse! On July 20, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Join Nature Up North to learn more about how community members, that's you, can monitor the waterways near you! Our MOW the Grasse (Monitor Our Water) community science initiative provides an opportunity for hands-on experience with the tools and methods needed to check water quality. We'll walk you through the step-by-step process of checking physical conditions (temperature, flow, and others), chemical conditions (pH, agricultural runoff), and finally biological conditions (macroinvertebrates, and e-coli). Finally, we'll be able to draw conclusions about water quality based on what we find the day of the tests. This workshop will be co-hosted by Grass River Heritage as part of their Walk in the Park series. This is a great chance to learn more about Grasse River Heritage, their events, and ways you can get involved with maintaining some of Canton's community parks. Register: https://www.natureupnorth.org/form/july-20-mow-signup .

Double Barrel Blues Band

NORFOLK -- Double Barrel Blues Band will be held the Norfolk Concert Series at Memorial Garden Park on July 20 at 6 p.m. Concert is free.

Fireworks in Colton

COLTON -- The Higley Association will hold its annual fireworks event on Saturday, July 20 at the Colton Firemen's Field, Gulf and Hanson Roads. Gates will open at 7:30 p.m. The event is free with ice cream and refreshments available for sale and musical entertainment provided until 9 p.m. The fireworks display will commence shortly thereafter. Rain date

in case of severe weather only is Sunday, July 21 at the same time and location. Donations towards the fireworks are greatly appreciated and can be made at the gate.

Fort Fest

OGDENSBURG - The St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce's Ogdensburg community office is hosting the 2nd Annual Fort Fest and Artist Festival on Saturday, July 20 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Fort Fest will be held in conjunction with the Fort LaPresentation Association's "LeSiege du Fort de La Presentation" - a live re-enactment of land and water battles of the French and Indian War, scheduled for July 20 and 21, both taking place at Fort La Presentation. The Fort La Presentation site is located at 22 Albany Ave. (State Highway 68 and Commerce Street/Van Rensselaer (Light-house) Point) and has plenty of space for vendors and re-enactment activities - such as French, British, Native, and Maritime encampments; children's activities; historical talks; demonstrations; art & history exhibits and food offerings. Fort Fest is fun for the whole family with admission to LeSiege du Fort de La Presentation at \$5 for adults and \$2 for children aged 6-16. Free admission will be granted for children on Sunday with paid adults (re-enactment only).

Fritz's Polka Band

WANAKENA -- The 2024 Clifton-Fine Summer Series concerts continues Saturday, July 20 at 4 p.m., with Fritz's Polka Band, with a polka party for all. Several more performances are scheduled throughout the summer, including: Friday, Aug. 3 at 7 p.m., The Makers, a global roots folk duo; Saturday, Aug. 17 at 7 p.m., Bella's Bartok, joyful circus punk; Saturday, Aug. 31 at 7 p.m. Adirondack bluegrass from the Atkinson Family. All shows are free and open to all and are held rain or shine in Wanakena's gazebo at 6 Hamele St. Performances are organized by the Clifton-Fine Economic Development Corporation. For more information visit CliftonFineArts.blogspot.com .

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Jaynie Trudell

RENSELAER FALLS -- The Summer Night in The Falls Concert Series will feature four acts and food trucks at Pioneer Park, hosted by The Falls Festival Committee. Scheduled are: July 20, 3-8 p.m. Jaynie Trudell. Food Truck: Morgan's Munchies (Rain Date: July 21).

Food Pantry Distribution

NORFOLK -- The Norfolk Raymondville Food Pantry will be holding its monthly food distribution on Saturday, July 20th from 9-11 a.m. The pantry is a five day pantry meaning that we give the equivalent of 15 meals per person in the household. The pantry is open to families/ individuals living in Norwood, Norfolk and Raymondville. We follow the financial eligibility guidelines set by the Food Bank of Central New York. If you have questions, please call 315-212-0520.

Red Cross blood drive

NORTH LAWRENCE - A Red Cross blood drive will be held July 20 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Lawrence Christian Fellowship, 88 County Route 5. Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information.

Russell-Fest 2024

RUSSELL - Russell-Fest 2024 will take place Saturday, July 20 with a variety of events throughout the day on Pestle Street, including a craft fair, races and live music. Town Hall scavenger hunt, art contest display/bake sale/book sale at the library, and craft fair at the firehouse at 10 a.m. KMCS Alumni Celebration will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Pierrepont Fire Hall. Craft hour at the library gazebo will take place at noon. Bird feeder workshop will be held at 1 p.m. at the library gazebo. Three wheeler races will be held at 2 p.m. at Town Hall. Duck Pluck behind the Courthouse takes place at 3 p.m. Live music by The BackWater Duo on Pestle Street will happen at 5 p.m.

Seaway Festival

OGDENSBURG -- Fireworks, Battle of the Bands, classic cars, tug of war, great food and excellent local entertainment are just some of what's in store for the annual Ogdensburg International Seaway Festival set for July 19-28. Competition gets fierce at 8 a.m. on July 20 at the annual pickleball tournament at Greenbelt Park Courts. Then the best river run in the county takes place when the Rip Friot/Remington Canoe Race launches at 9 a.m. from the Heuvelton Boat Launch. Kid's Fishing Derby on the Oswegatchie River casts off starting at 9:30 a.m. and for the sippers and craft shoppers the annual Summer Arts, Wine and Craft Show begins at 10 a.m. at Lockwood Arena. Firefighter Kid's Games start in Library Park at 1 p.m. Later on that evening the band Atom Ghost gets things rocking in the part at 6 p.m.

Teen tennis lessons

CANTON -- Learn and play tennis for teens on July 20 and Aug. 10 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at the St. Lawrence University outside courts. Fee: \$20 per day. Teams will be set up by school district. Bring a racket and sneakers. Only 24 spots available. Call 315-514-1612 for more info and to sign up.

The BackWater Duo

RUSSELL - The BackWater Duo will perform at Russell-Fest 2024 on Saturday, July 20 from 5-8 p.m. on Pestle Street.

SUNDAY, JULY 21 Ilabaca and Fauna

NORWOOD -- The Norwood Village Green Concert Series will continue its 51st Annual Season on Sunday, July 21st

at 7 p.m. with "Pascuala Ilabaca and Fauna," featuring original and folk-rock music of the Andes and Chile. At 5 p.m., a workshop featuring a participatory demonstration of Chilean rhythms on the Village Green. Hailing from Valparaiso, Chile, singer-songwriter Pascuala Ilabaca is a unique and treasured voice in both the Latin American and World Music scenes. In little over a decade, she has released six albums and performed on multiple world tours. She is known for her flamboyant and refreshing performances. Info: nvgs.org, 315-261-2866.

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MONDAY, JULY 22

Apprenticeship talk

CANTON - SUNY Canton's Center for Workforce, Community and Industry Partnerships (WCIP) and the Canino School of Engineering Technology will host a roundtable discussion for manufacturing industry representatives throughout the North Country to learn about apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship opportunities. The event, organized by the New York State Department of Labor (NYSDDL) and the State University of New York (SUNY), will be held from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday, July 22 in the Richard W. Miller Campus Center. Info, register: (315) 514-2519 or angelina.blank@suny.edu.

Dig Safe training

CANTON -- SUNY Canton's Center for Workforce, Community and Industry Partnerships and UDig NY will host free in-person evening "Dig Safe" training to the community, as well as in-person excavator recertifications for professionals, throughout July and August. The Dig Safe training is open to the public and designed for homeowners, construction personnel, businesses, landscapers and others interested in learning how to dig safe. Two sessions will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, July 22 and 5 to 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 26. In Nevaldine Hall Room 125 (South). Parking is available in Lot 10B. Sessions will be taught by Will Liddell from UDigNY, and participants will learn about the five steps to safe digging, as well as how to place a request by calling 811 or using UDig's Exatix online platform. To register, visit https://www.canton.edu/wcip/noncredit/udig/safe/. In-person free recertifications for the Excavator in Safe Digging Best Practices will be offered to professionals from 4 to 5 p.m. Monday, July 22 and from 4 to 5 p.m. Monday, August 26 in Nevaldine Hall Room 125 (South). Parking is available in Lot 10B. Info, register: https://www.canton.edu/wcip/noncredit/udig/renewal/.

Red Cross blood drive

CANTON - A Red Cross blood drive will be held July 22 from 1-6 p.m. at Best Western University Inn, 90 E. Main St. Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit Red-CrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information.

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# Fiddle trio to perform in DeKalb Junction

DEKALB JUNCTION -- Don Woodcock, Annie Davey, and Jeremy Rusu, a three-piece combo called A Reel Tradition, will perform for free at the Meetinghouse Museum, 696 E. DeKalb Road at 7 p.m. on July 27.

Don Woodcock is widely recognized as having a great repertoire of fiddle tunes is a life-long resident of the town of DeKalb.

He has been playing music in pub-

lic since he was 10 years old.

At 14 he began playing fiddle and was soon playing at dances with country bands.

Recent years have seen him playing piano with a Dixieland group, fiddle with a bluegrass band, two regular Sunday church services at two churches on both the piano and fiddle and fiddle with many other musicians and groups.

With no lessons ever, completely

self-taught he has been a three-time New York State Fiddle Champion, inducted in North American Fiddlers Hall of Fame in 1987 and received the TAUNY Heritage Award in 1997.

Whether it's on jazz piano, drums with a big band, country lead guitar, bluegrass mandolin, accordion or bagpipes, Jeremy Rusu is right at home on a stage as long as he's making music.

Blind since birth Jeremy's entire life has revolved around music.

Jeremy is a favorite accompanist for prominent fiddlers in Canada playing often with Patti Kusturok and Calvin Vollrath.

He is also busy working as a studio musician and recording engineer.

Jeremy's wife, Annie Davey, is a librarian and fiddler originally from Northern New York and President of the North Country Fiddlers, which was founded by her father, Carl Davey.

Annie grew up surrounded by fiddle music and studied classical violin from a young age. She enjoys musical adventures of all kinds, but most of all playing on the banks of the St. Lawrence River with Jeremy.

Annie and Jeremy recently released their pandemic project, an album of lullabies titled "Songs About Rainbows" which is available wherever you stream music.



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## Youngsters compete in triathlon

A dozen kids ages 10 and under participated in the first-ever youth sprint triathlon at Postwood Park, Hannawa Falls, on July 13. Among them were Daisy Lock, Brian Tartakoff, Owen and Liam Spriggs, finishing the 100 yard swim, and moving to a two-mile bike and one-mile run to complete the triathlon.

## Double Barrel Blues Band to play on Norfolk stage

NORFOLK -- The Double Barrel Blues Band will perform at the Norfolk Concert Series on Saturday, July 20 from 6-8 p.m.

Rain date is Saturday, July 27.

The Double Barrel Blues Band is a 4-piece, rocking blues outfit that features the stinging guitar playing of Mark Cloutier and the slide guitar playing of John Hart.

Many influences and interpretations will be heard throughout the

course of a show -- old time traditional blues, modern rocking blues, as well as original material by band members.

This band has performed at the New York State Blues Fest, Blues in the Bay, Watertown Summer Fest, The Iron Block Harley Davidson 105th anniversary party, and the Uncle Sam's Blues Boat Cruise, just to name a few.

## Program on dinosaurs to be staged at Children's Museum

POTSDAM -- There will be a dinosaur program at the Children's Museum on Saturday, July 27 from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Dinosaurs -- What did they look like, how did they move, and what did they eat? Children and parents attending the program will discover some surprising things about these giants of the past.

Join Dr. Nagel-Myers from St. Lawrence University and a group of her students for hands-on activities exploring these fossil organisms.

The museum is geared for children ages 12 and under and their families.

Special weekend programs are included with the cost of membership and admission.

No need to pre-register for this drop-in program.

The North Country Children's Museum is located at 10 Raymond St. in downtown Potsdam.

Visit the website calendar for more info: <https://northcountry-childrensmuseum.org/events/>.

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## More than 40 bands perform at Summerfest

Station 45 performs at the Potsdam Summer Festival Thursday. Over 40 bands and performers are planned to appear in the three day festival that started Thursday.

## Andean, Chilean folk rock at Village Green

NORWOOD — The Norwood Village Green Concert Series will continue its 51st Annual Season on Sunday, July 21st at 7 p.m. with “Pascuala Ilabaca and Fauna,” featuring original and folk-rock music of the Andes and Chile.

At 5 p.m., a workshop featuring a participatory demonstration of Chilean rhythms on the Village Green.

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In little over a decade, she has released six albums and performed on multiple world tours. She is known for her flamboyant and refreshing performances.

Ilabaca’s debut album, “Pascuala Canta a Violeta”, was released in 2008 featuring her arrangements of legendary singer-songwriter Violeta Parra’s songs.

By 2012, she had completed her first two European tours, which included two nights of performances at the German TFF Rudolstadt Festival.

She also released her second album, “Busco Paraiso”, that same year.

In 2013, Ilabaca and her band Fauna were the Audience Award winners for Best World Beat Album at the Independent Music Awards.

In 2014, Ilabaca released her third and fourth albums: the solo project “Me saco el sombrero” and her second album with Fauna Diablo rojo, “Diablo verde”.

In addition, she completed an 11-concert tour in England that includes a performance at the London Jazz Festival.

2015 brought the release of Ilabaca’s fifth album “Rey Loj.”

She also received the Pulsar Prize, the most important Chilean music industry award, and she was named Best Artist by Songlines Magazine in the company of Mariza, Seckou Keita and Lura.

In 2017, Ilabaca performed 22 concerts in Europe that included stops in Belgium, Holland, Germany and Spain.

This European tour was followed by her first US tour with concerts in 12 cities across 9 states and performances at such festivals as iGlobalquerque! and the Chico World Music Festival.

In 2018, Ilabaca released her sixth and most recent album “El mito de la pergola.”

She spent the next two years touring Chile, Europe, Colombia and the United States.

Some of the standout concerts include the main stage of the Montreal Jazz Festival in front of 26,000 people, Lollapalooza Chile, and the closing ceremonies of the 2023 Pan American Games.

Additionally, in 2022, Pascuala was named 1 of 12 Spotify Equal Artists and was featured on billboards in Times Square, and in 2023 she was invited to perform on Chinese National Television.

The Series is supported in part by the Northern New York Community Foundation helping establish and maintain the series endowment fund. Public monies from the Town of Potsdam and the Village of Norwood also support the series. It is also supported in part by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and New York State Legislature.

Info: nvgs.org, 315-261-2866.

## Ms. Conducts women’s floor hockey planned

CANTON — Ms. Conducts Women’s Hockey Team is sponsoring free summer floor hockey every Sunday in July and August.

Women who want to work on endurance and stick skills can join us at the Canton Pavilion at 4 p.m.

Bring a hockey stick, sneakers,

and water bottle.

No hockey experience is required.

During the winter season, Ms. Conducts skates at the Canton Pavilion at 5 p.m. on Sundays.

The group is always looking for new members.

They have women in the club who played hockey in high school, women who learned how to skate in adulthood by playing hockey with the group, and plenty of women somewhere in between.

Questions? Email mardsullivan@gmail.com.

## Museum to be open Saturday

POTSDAM -- Beginning Aug. 3, the Potsdam Public Museum will expand its hours of operation to now include being open to the public every Saturday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The introduction of regular Saturday hours will afford patrons with even more opportunities to view the museum’s collections and ongoing summer exhibits and programs pertaining to hydroelectric power in Potsdam, the ecological history and impact of Fall Island, and local Pride and LGBTQ history and culture, among other displays.

Officially founded in 1940, the Potsdam Public Museum occupies a nationally registered historic space that originally was erected as a sandstone Universalist church in the 1860s before serving as the village’s first public library throughout the early 20th century.

The museum’s mission is to strive to collect, preserve, study, and exhib-

it artifacts and materials relating to the history of Potsdam, New York, and the surrounding area.

For more than 80 years, the museum has been a repository of the region’s historic artifacts, archived photos, local history research, and genealogical records, offering multiple exhibits and social events, while also serving as a support institution for researchers and interested community members wishing to explore the area’s past.

The museum will also remain open Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All are welcome.

## Old Hollywood at exhibit

COLTON -- Old Hollywood, Stark and Sevey’s is the theme for the new exhibit at the Colton Museum this summer. Visitors will be able to learn about the history of the Old Backwoods of Colton.

Included on display are artifacts saved from the Old Hollywood Inn, which was flooded in the 1950’s to make room for a new power station and Carry Falls dam construction.

The Colton museum is open through September on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Sundays from 1 to 3 p.m. Also by appointment by calling 315-262-2524 or 315-262-2944, free admission.

## Superheroes flotilla planned

ST. REGIS FALLS — The Alexander MacDonald Fish and Game Club is staging a fiver flotilla with the theme “Superheroes” on Saturday, July 27, starting at 11 a.m. at 169 South River Road.

The flotilla will end at the SRF beach around 3 p.m. There will be food, prizes, raffles, and music at the sportsmen’s club afterwards. Prizes will be awarded for the most sponsor money collected and best decorated and best costume.

There is a \$10 donation to participate. Transportation will be provided from the beach parking lot to the launch site. Proceeds from the event will help support local youth activities.

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Michael Griffin | Submitted

Viola Partridge of Potsdam was awarded the "Potsdam Rotary Scholarship Sponsored by Brookfield Renewable U.S." at the Potsdam High School Senior Awards Night on June 6. Left to right: Potsdam Rotary President-Elect Sunday Smith and Partridge.

## PCS senior receives Brookfield Scholarship

POTSDAM – Viola Partridge of Potsdam, daughter of Ruth Policella and Sean Partridge, was awarded the "Potsdam Rotary Scholarship Sponsored by Brookfield Renewable U.S." at the Potsdam High School Senior Awards Night on June 6.

The \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a Potsdam High School senior pursuing higher education who exemplifies the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self."

Partridge will attend Binghamton University to study business administration and potentially concentrate in marketing.

"Thank you so much to the Potsdam Rotary Club and Brookfield Renewable U.S. for honoring me with this award," said Partridge. "I sincerely appreciate your help in funding my education! I am excited to pursue a career in sustainable and ethical business that will empower me to make a difference in my community and worldwide."

Brookfield Renewable U.S. partners with more than 300 charities and community projects across the United States.

"Brookfield is pleased to be working with Potsdam Rotary in making this scholarship available to a student who shows so much promise, like Viola," says Brookfield Renewable U.S. Stakeholder Rela-

tions Manager Mark Luciano. "We believe that it is our responsibility to make investments like this in the youth of the communities where we live and work. Congratulations to Viola. We wish her much success in her future."

In addition to this Potsdam High School Scholarship, Potsdam Rotary sponsors a monthly Vocational Excellence Award for BOCES students as well as end-of-the-year awards to a student in each BOCES program.

"Potsdam Rotary is grateful to Brookfield Renewable U.S. for supporting this important scholarship," says Rotary President Duane Pelkey. "We look forward to a continuing partnership with them in the future and wish Viola a fulfilling college experience."

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## SLC students receive Rotary awards

POTSDAM – Thanks to the generosity of many local business sponsors, 14 students at the BOCES Seaway Career & Technical Education Center have received \$200 Potsdam Rotary business scholarship awards.

The 14 Potsdam Rotary business scholarships were made possible by donations from the businesses listed with the students below.

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**Health Careers:** Kalei McDonald of Massena Central School (Midwife Sunday, \$200)

**HVAC/R:** Max Crosby of Parishville-Hopkinton Central School (Northern Mechanicals, \$200)

**Metalworking:** Alejandro Guevara of Massena Central School (Northern Mechanicals, Exclusive Sponsor \$200)

**Natural Resource Management:** Logan Clark of Norwood-Norfolk Central School (Putney Tree Service, \$200)

**New Visions-Medical Careers:** Margaret Wagstaff of Norwood-Norfolk Central School (Core Access Therapies, Dr. William Pena, \$200)

**Software Development & Business Design:** Tobi Morin of Potsdam Central School (Community Bank, \$200)

**Luc Eddy of Massena Central School, a student in the Electrical Technologies Program, also was selected as the Potsdam Rotary Student of the Year from among all of the Potsdam Rotary**

## Potsdam Music Friends awards music scholarships

POTSDAM – Potsdam Music Friends, the booster club for the Potsdam Central School District, recently awarded several music scholarships. These scholarships aim to recognize and support the outstanding musical talents and dedication of students within the district.

The College Award, given based on an essay submission, was awarded to Julia VanWagner, Lillian Dow, Emma Hubbard, Viola Partridge, and Talia Mohideen.

The Frick Harmony Award was bestowed upon Seamus Hudson for his exceptional contributions to musical harmony and collaboration.

The Thorn Wolf-Kedar Award was awarded to Annika Mackey for her excellence in musical performance and leadership.

The Summer Camp Award, also

based on an essay submission, was granted to Constantine Darie, Sarvesh Sitaraman and Sophia LeRoux.

The Middle School Award recipients, recognized for their promising musical talents, were Megan Sullivan-Catlin and Sarvesh Sitaraman.

"We are thrilled to support these talented students in their musical journeys," said Alisa Woods, of Potsdam Music Friends. "Their dedication and passion for music are truly inspiring, and we look forward to seeing their continued growth and achievements."

Potsdam Music Friends continues to be a strong advocate for music education and opportunities within the Potsdam Central School District, ensuring that young musicians receive the recognition and support they deserve.



Submitted

From left are Doug Dominy, high school principal; Brian Barry, scholarship creator; Maxwell Henry; and Dr. Dana Barry, widow of Jim Barry and researcher professor at Clarkson University.

## Canton HS senior awarded scholarship

CANTON – Canton: Senior Maxwell Henry was presented the second annual Jim Barry Memorial Science Scholarship at the Canton High School graduation ceremony on June 28.

The Scholarship was created by educator Brian Barry in memory of

his father who was a science teacher at the high school for 33 years.

Maxwell was involved in Environments, musicals, and the Jazz Band playing the Upright Bass.

He will be studying Environmental Science at Paul Smith's College in the fall.

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## Safety tips to prevent common summertime injuries

Summer is the season of fun.

Warmer, longer days bring us together for pool parties, campfires, barbecues and road trips.

Children get a break from school, families take vacations, and more time is spent outdoors in the sun.

Unfortunately, however, summer is also the season of injury.

In June, July and August, more preventable injuries and deaths occur in the United States than at other times during the year.

Workplace injuries are also highest during these summer months, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

— and all year — use these safe driving practices:

- Don't drive distracted. Pull over to a safe location if you need to use your cell phone.
- Don't drink and drive. If you plan to drink alcohol, use a designated driver or ride service.
- Don't speed. Risking injury or death is not worth it, even if you are in a rush.
- Follow the rules of the road.
- Always wear a seatbelt, no matter where you are sitting in a vehicle.

### Fire and Fireworks Injuries

Campfires, barbecues and fireworks are summertime staples, but they are also hazards.

Burns are common summer injuries, especially around Independence Day and Labor Day when many celebrate with fireworks.

"Year after year, we see visits to our emergency department spike around the summer holidays," says Dr. Maja Lundborg-Gray, Samaritan Emergency Medicine Physician.

"Many patients we treat around this time have preventable injuries like burns, fractures or other trauma caused by a mishap at a party or outdoor gathering."

Unfortunately, Dr. Lundborg-Gray says, children are especially prone to this type of injury since they may not understand the risks associated with fires and fireworks.

Adults should never leave children unattended near an open flame and should be cautious about store-bought fireworks like sparklers, which can quickly ignite clothing or shoes.

Following these tips from the U.S. Fire Administration will further prevent burns this summer:

- Don't use fireworks at home. Instead, watch fireworks at a public show put on by experts.
- Build campfires at least 25 feet away from tents, shrubs and anything that can burn.
- Only use barbecue grills outdoors. Indoor use can cause a fire or carbon monoxide poisoning.

### Bicycle, Skateboard and Related Accidents

Warmer weather and summer vacation mean more opportunities for families to ride together on bikes, scooters and skateboards.

As much fun as these activities are, they commonly cause injuries such as scrapes, fractures and concussions.

Accidents involving motor vehicles can

**As we enjoy the beginning of summer, let's take a closer look at some of the most common forms of summertime injuries and how you can take steps to prevent them.**

### Motor Vehicle Accidents

Motor vehicle accidents are the third most common cause of preventable injury-related death in the U.S., responsible for 20% of all preventable deaths in 2022.

Car accidents happen all year, but they see an uptick in the summer months as more drivers take road trip vacations, road construction increases, and more people drive under the influence of alcohol.

Some motor vehicle accidents are unavoidable, but many can be prevented with responsible driving habits.

Wherever you are driving this summer

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cause more serious, life-threatening injuries.

Wearing a helmet is essential when riding a bike, skateboard or similar sports equipment.

The American College of Surgeons reports that helmets reduce the risk of head injury by 48%, traumatic brain injury by 53%, facial injury by 23%, and fatal injury by 34%.

Riders of all ages, including adults, should wear a properly-fitted helmet at all times. Knee and elbow pads are also recommended to protect joints during a fall or collision.

### Swimming Injuries and Drowning

As summer progresses and temperatures rise, many people take to the water for swimming, boating and watersports.

Swimming is great exercise and a fun way to beat the heat, but it comes with its risks. Just like with fire-related injuries, accidents on the water frequently involve children.

The CDC reports drowning as a leading cause of death for children ages 14 and younger. Injuries from jumping into pools, boating accidents and slips and falls are also common over the summer months.

Parents can prevent swimming injuries by remaining vigilant while children are around the water.

Never leave your child alone near water; if you have to leave, take your child with you.

Enrolling your child in swim lessons is a good idea, but does not make it safe for them to swim alone.

Parents can also get training in CPR and First Aid to further protect their children and others. The CDC's Top Ten Tips for Water Safety are recommended for all who plan to

swim this summer:

1. DO learn to swim.
2. DO take a friend along. Using the buddy system is safer and more fun!
3. DO know your limits while swimming.
4. DO swim in supervised (watched) areas only, and follow all signs and warnings.
5. DO wear a life jacket when boating, jet skiing, water skiing, rafting, or fishing.
6. DO stay alert to currents. If you get caught in a strong current, don't fight it. Swim parallel to the shore until you have passed through it.
7. DO keep an eye on the weather.
8. DON'T mess around in the water.
9. DON'T dive into shallow water. If you don't know how deep the water is, don't dive.
10. DON'T float where you can't swim.

### When Accidents Happen, Samaritan is Here

Summer is an exciting time, and while it can be easy to get swept up in the fun and celebrations, it is important to take precautions to prevent injuries.

If accidents happen, Samaritan is here with 24/7 emergency care.

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**SANDSTONE...**

Van Deusen said. The former village historian pointed out several restorations of sandstone buildings recently. She said when the Potsdam Catholic Church recently did work on its towers, they had to ship sandstone in from Arizona to get the proper raw material to fix and point the old stonework because there was little available in the area. "We would like the village to support this idea. We are going to the town. We are going to every organization," she said. Van Deusen said there 28 sand-

stone buildings in and around the village and when restoration work needs to be done its difficult to find sandstone to do the maintenance. "So it makes a lot of sense," she said. Van Deusen said she also heard a rumor that the sandstone in Ogdensburg was to be trucked out of state but she couldn't confirm that. Van Deusen said the sandstone could be made available for anyone to use that needed it. During discussion of the issue, Van Deusen said the state of New York owns the psych center properties, including the four buildings there faced with Potsdam sandstone. However, the

state has signed a contract with a firm to tear down the buildings and get rid of the debris. "So what will have to happen is we will have to have the state of New York interfere, (and) allow this to happen," she said. Van Deusen said the association board is conferring with the local state representatives on the issue and they may have to go to the governor. "This has to be an altered contract from the state I think," she said. "Everybody's got sandstone buildings and they are all almost over 200 years old and they are in need in of restoration," Van Deusen said. The association is holding a

meeting on Monday, July 22 at noon in the village community room and has invited stakeholders who have sandstone structures or an interest in the fledgling "Save the Sandstone" movement to attend. "We've invited all these people to come and just talk about this," she said. Trustee Steve Warr said it seemed like it would be cheaper for the contractor to ship the sandstone to Potsdam 29 miles away rather than hauling it all the way to a landfill, potentially out of the state. After discussion, Village Mayor Alexandra Jacobs Wilke voiced village support for the effort. "We would be happy to put

together a resolution of support for consideration at our next meeting, and we'd love to be in touch with our elected representatives," Wilke said. **SPEED...** therefore be it resolved the Town of Canton Board that the St. Lawrence County Highway Department is requested to consider a speed limit reduction on Miner Street Road from 45 mph to 30 mph. The county Highway Department, in turn, will submit the speed reduction request to the New York State Department of Transportation who will make the final determination.

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4 Baseball's Ty  
8 Get wind of  
12 Have bills  
13 "Beetle Bailey" dog  
14 Sax range  
15 Pasadena arena  
17 Texter's "As I see it"  
18 Complete  
19 Newt  
21 Ozone, for one  
22 Elevated  
26 Weary sounds  
29 Watch chain  
30 Sardonic  
31 Slightly  
32 In medias —  
33 Harvard rival  
34 Baseball's Hodges  
35 Singer Scaggs  
36 Avid  
37 Proverbs  
39 eBay offer  
40 Haw preceder  
41 Draw forth  
45 Corporate symbol  
48 Brisk tempos  
50 Sacred bird of Egypt  
51 Yarn  
52 — loss  
53 Shade

**DOWN**

1 Traditional tales  
2 Victor's cry  
3 Nuisance  
4 Hooded snakes  
5 Some Oklahoma natives  
6 Texter's "Incidentally"  
7 Waist-length jackets

8 Part of Hispaniola  
9 Stately tree  
10 Sports fig.  
11 Aussie hopper  
16 Octet count  
20 "Terrif!"  
23 Booty  
24 Perry's creator  
25 Color worker  
26 Long story  
27 Footnote abbr.  
28 Arizona river  
29 Shriner's cha-peau

32 Optimistic  
33 "Get what I'm sayin'?"  
35 Garden buzz-er  
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		2	9					1
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		3		2			4	
6					5	9		
	8		1					7

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- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the traditional stone associated with the July birth month?
- MYTHOLOGY: Which mythical creature has snakes for hair?
- MOVIES: Who voices the character Joy in the animated movie "Inside Out"?
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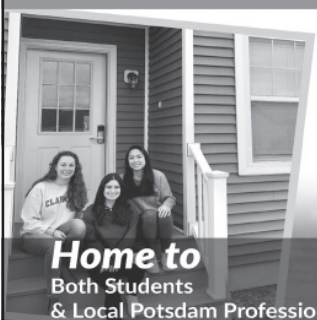


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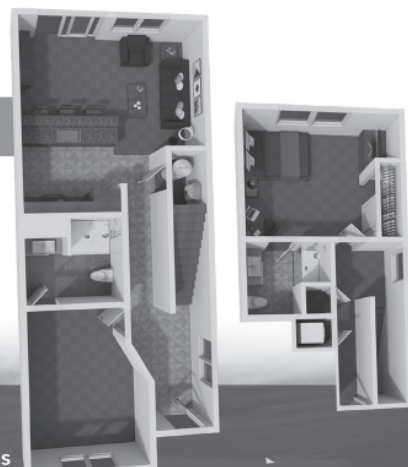
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### FRIDAY, JULY 19

- **MOVIE NIGHT IN THE PARK: TOY STORY:** 8:30 p.m., Library Park

### SATURDAY, JULY 20

- **PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT:** 8 a.m., Greenbelt Park Courts
- **RIP FRIOT/REMINGTON CANOE RACE:** Registration 8:30 a.m., Race Begins 9:30 a.m., Heuvelton Boat Launch
- **KID'S FISHING DERBY:** 9:30 a.m., Wheathouse Bay
- **SUMMER ARTS, WINE & CRAFT SHOW AND FARMERS' MARKET:** 10 a.m., Lockwood Arena
- **FIREFIIGHTERS' KIDS' GAMES:** 1 p.m., Library Park
- **CONCERT IN THE PARK, ATOOM GHOST:** 6 p.m., Library Park

### SUNDAY, JULY 21

- **PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT:** 8 a.m., Greenbelt Park Courts
- **SANDBAR CLASSIC FISHING DERBY:** 8 a.m., Hosmer's Marina
- **OSWEGATCHIE GOLF CHALLENGE:** 10 a.m., Trafalger Park
- **BATTLE OF THE BANDS:** 6 to 8 p.m., Ogdensburg Free Academy Athletic Facility



### MONDAY, JULY 22

- **OGDENSBURG DANCE STUDIO PERFORMANCE:** 6 p.m., Main Stage, Library Park

### TUESDAY, JULY 23

- **DON SWAN HYPNOTIST:** 6:30 p.m., OFA Auditorium

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

- **CLASSIC CAR CRUISE IN:** 6 p.m., Library Park
- **CONCERT IN THE PARK, ELDERLY BROTHERS BAND:** 6 p.m., Gazebo, Library Park
- **SEAWAY FESTIVAL 5K RACE:** 6:30 p.m., Maple City Trail

### THURSDAY, JULY 25

- **CONCERT IN THE PARK, JAYNIE TRU:** 6 p.m., Library Park
- **DUNKING BOOTH:** 5:30 p.m., Library Park

### FRIDAY, JULY 26

- **CONCERT IN THE PARK, SHANDI GAR,:** 3 p.m., Main Stage, Library Park
- **CONCERT IN THE PARK, DAWN & DAVE MERZ':** 5 p.m., Gazebo, Library Park
- **FUN TRAIN RIDES:** 5 - 10 p.m., near Dobisky Center
- **CONCERT IN THE PARK, COMMON REV':** 7 p.m., Main Stage, Library Park
- **FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR,** 9:45 p.m., Library Park

### SATURDAY, JULY 27

- **SEAWAY FESTIVAL PARADE:** 11 a.m., Ford St.

### SUNDAY, JULY 28

- **SEAWAY CRUISERS CAR SHOW:** 9 a.m., Ford de La Presentation Area
- **DUCK RACE:** 11 a.m. Ogdensburg City Pool
- **CRAFT & FARMERS MARKET:** 11 a.m. City Property at Lighthouse Point
- **PETTING ZOO:** Noon, City Property at Lighthouse Point
- **TUG OF WAR:** noon, Greenbelt area
- **CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT:** 1 p.m. Ogdensburg Moose Lodge

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## Train ride by the docks, music before Seaway Festival fireworks

Join us at the Ogdensburg International Seaway Festival Friday, July 26 for a fun train ride by the docks, fireworks, music, and vendors.

Tickets and boarding of the Locomotive Rides train will be near the Dobinsky Center from 5 - 10 p.m. Tickets are \$5 per rider. Children under 2 years ride free.

Music will be provided by Shandi Gar at 3 p.m. on the main stage in Library Park and Dawn and Dave Merz at 5 p.m. in the Gazebo in Library Park.

Then, Common Rev will perform at 7 p.m. on the main stage.

The fireworks will begin at about 9:45, with viewing available in Library Park.



## Seaway fest parade

The Ogdensburg Free Academy marching band will be one of a number of performing groups in the annual Ogdensburg International Seaway Festival Parade Saturday, July 27. The parade begins at 11 a.m. and will travel down Ford Street.



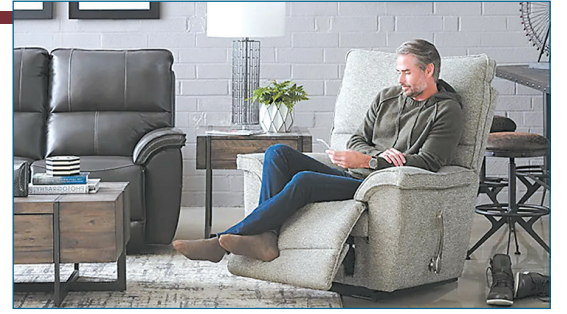
## Kids' games

Ogdensburg firefighters will host Kids Games Saturday, July 20 at 1 p.m. in Library park. Here, kids participate in a penguin waddle race during a previous Seaway Festival.

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## Rip Friot canoe race set for July 20

The Frederic Remington/Rip Friot Memorial Seaway Festival Canoe Race is a 10-mile downstream race that takes place Saturday, July 20 on the Oswegatchie River from Heuvelton to Ogdensburg.

Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. with races starting at 9:30 and 10 a.m.

The course is flat water but there is one shallow water section by Eel Weir State Park and one short portage around the Eel Weir Dam at the six-mile mark.

The event is co-sponsored with the St. Lawrence Valley Paddlers.

Launch is at the Heuvelton Boat Launch off Lisbon Street/Horseshoe Road in Heuvelton.

Race finish is 12:30 p.m. at the boat launch under the Lafayette Street bridge in Ogdensburg. Portable toilets will be available at the start and finish launch and landing sites.

Results will be posted following the race.

Pre-registration entry fees: are for a \$20 solo canoe, kayak or SUP; \$35 for a tandem canoe or kayak; and \$50 for a C-4 canoe. Pre-register at <https://forms.gle/4dTowGk-pUmPuePgc6>

On race day, fees are \$5 additional. Make checks payable to: Ogdensburg International Seaway Festival is due on race day.

All participants must sign a liability waiver prior to competing.

## Tug-of-war battles to take place

A tug-of-war featuring teams of six people will take place Sunday, July 28 in the Greenbelt area in Ogdensburg, as part of the International Seaway Festival.

Cash prizes will be awarded for each division — men's, women's and co-ed. Co-ed teams must have at least two women.

First place teams will receive \$200 and second place teams \$100.

Entry fee is \$50 by July 25 and \$60 the day of the event. To pre-register, visit [www.OgdensburgSeawayFestival.org/Participate](http://www.OgdensburgSeawayFestival.org/Participate).

In-person registration is at 11:30 a.m. and the first tug is at noon.

All tuggers must be age 18 or older and sign a disclaimer form.

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## 3-on-3 hoops

A "3-on-3 On the River" basketball tournament takes place Sunday, July 28 at the Morrisette Park basketball court, 2 Caroline St., Ogdensburg.

Two divisions are planned — for age 14 - 17 and 18 and over. Fee is \$30 per team.

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In-person registration will take place at 2 p.m. the day of the event. Games start at 2:30 p.m.

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## How DIY can be bad for homeowners' bottom lines

Homeowners know it can be tempting to go the do-it-yourself (DIY) route when starting a home improvement project. Home repairs and renovations can be costly, and the notion of saving

money on such projects compels many homeowners to try their hand at home improvements.

However, the DIY approach can be costly as well, and if things go awry, homeowners may end up

with empty pockets and unfinished projects.

Online tutorials and advertisements for home improvement retailers can make DIY seem like a snap.

However, there are potential pitfalls to consider that could make the ostensibly less expensive DIY route far more detrimental to the bottom line than homeowners may recognize.

· **Permits:** Permits ensure work is done in accordance with local codes, which are designed to ensure the safety of residents and their neighbors. Licensed contractors know which permits are necessary for projects they're hired to work on, and many even procure permits for their clients (homeowners are urged to read estimates and contracts to determine who will be responsible for acquiring the appropriate permits). DIYers may not know about local permits, and therefore go ahead with projects without procuring any. That can be harmful in the short- and long-term. In the

short-term, a failure to procure the appropriate permits can make a home less safe and potentially lead to costly fines and necessitate a complete do-over of the project. In the long-term, homeowners who did not secure the appropriate permits may not be given a certificate of occupancy (CO) when putting their homes on the market, which can make it very difficult to sell the home.

· **Ancillary costs:** The ancillary costs of DIY are not often noted in online tutorials. However, such costs can dramatically increase the amount of money DIYers shell out in order to complete projects on their own.

Ancillary costs include but are not limited to the price of tools and equipment; disposal fees for materials that will need to be discarded; and the cost of permits. These costs are often included in estimates provided by contractors, but they're easily overlooked by novice DIYers.

· **Repairs:** Even experienced contractors make mistakes, so

DIYers, particularly novices, can anticipate making a few errors along the way. Minor mistakes may not prove too costly, but more significant mishaps can quickly negate any cost savings associated with DIY renovations.

The cost to fix DIY mistakes varies depending on the project, but a 2019 survey from Porch.com found that the average DIY mistake cost homeowners \$310 and added five and a half hours to the overall time spent to complete a project.

It's worth noting the Porch.com survey was conducted prior to the dramatic increase in materials costs related to inflation in recent years. So it's reasonable to assume that fixing DIY mistakes in 2024 could end up costing considerably more than a few hundred dollars.

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## FAQs about remodeling your garage

Homeowners tend to want to maximize all of the space they

have in their homes. For some this may involve turning a garage from a utilitarian space into one that serves multiple purposes.

According to The Mortgage Reports, a home-buying and improvement resource, garage renovations can increase the value of a home and add living space. Garage remodels can create additional storage space, provide an area for a home gym or even create room for a home office. Prior to beginning a garage remodel, homeowners may have some common questions about the process.

How much does the renovation cost?

Several factors will ultimately determine the final price of a garage remodel, but HomeAdvisor says the national average for a garage remodel falls between \$6,000 and \$26,000. Most homeowners come in at around \$15,000 for a total garage conversion.

Will I recoup the investment?

A garage conversion adds value to a home if it creates new and usable living space. The firm Cottage, which pulled together a team of builders, architects and technologists, advises the average garage conversion provides an 80 percent return on investment. That ROI varies depending on location.

How can I upgrade the flooring?

Garages traditionally feature concrete floors. Although durable, concrete floors can feel damp, hard and cold underfoot. Both vinyl plank and epoxy flooring options

can elevate the design and functionality of the garage.

Can I have the best of both worlds?

Sometimes a garage needs to serve many purposes. Lofting the garage means a homeowner can still park cars or utilize the lower space as a living area, all the while items are stored overhead. Some flip this design scenario and have the loft area as a bedroom or finished living space, while the lower portion remains a traditional garage area. Another thought is to finish only a portion of the garage. This works well for two- or three-car garages where there will be room to park a car and the remainder will serve another purpose.

What are other ways to improve the garage?

Installing more windows or improving on the lighting in the garage can be important. The garage improvement experts at Danley's say window installation enables people to circulate air in the garage without having to open the garage door. Improving the lighting means the garage can still be enjoyed or utilized after dark. Spread out lighting in the garage, and use a combination of overhead and task lighting just as one would in the home itself.

How do I deter bugs or other pests from entering?

Insects often want to hunker down in garages, and they may find it easy to get inside a garage. Keeping the garage clean and organized is the best way to deter pests and to spot infestations before they become problematic, indicates Mosquito Joe pest control company. Reducing water and humidity in the space, weather-proofing at the base of the garage door and other entry spots and utilizing insect repellents to make the garage less hospitable also can decrease the risk of insect infestation.

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# HEAD START has the current openings:

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

**Mental Wellness Coordinator:** A MSW or LSW master's degree in social work, psychology, counseling, or related field. A social worker, psychologist, professional counselor or mental health counselor, or clinical license, with experience with young children and families. Must be licensed or certified. Estimated 30 hours per week for 42 weeks a year. The salary is \$38.00 per hour.

**Anticipated Teacher – Gouverneur Center:** Bachelor Degree in Early Childhood or related field preferred (24 credit hours of early childhood). Supervisory experience is a plus. The salary range is \$17.95 to \$19.01 per hour depending on degree.

**Teachers – Massena (2) Center:** Bachelor Degree in Early Childhood or related field preferred (24 credit hours of early childhood). Supervisory experience is a plus. The salary range is \$17.95 to \$19.01 per hour depending on the degree.

**Assistant Teachers – (1) Gouverneur, (1) Norwood and (1) Potsdam Centers:** Person must have a minimum of a CDA (Child Development Accreditation), or a written plan of study. Early childhood experience preferred. The salary range is \$15.00 - \$15.84 per hour depending on the degree.

**Classroom Aides – Brasher, Canton (Anticipated), Massena (Anticipated) and Potsdam Centers:** Person must have a minimum of a high school diploma or its equivalent. BOCES Certificate of Early Childhood, CDA, or substantial experience in early childhood daycare preferred. The salary is \$15.00 per hour.

**Family Advocate/Bus Monitor – Parishville Center:** This is a 28 hour position. Prefer Associate Degree in Human Services, Family Development Credential, or Social Service Competency Based training. Person will be responsible for parent involvement in the program. Home visits are required with families to assist them in securing services. Individual must have a valid NYS Driver's License and mode of transportation in order to complete job requirements. Prefer candidate with good communication, organizational and computer skills. The salary range is \$15.84 to \$16.90 per hour depending on the degree.

**Classroom Aides/Bus Monitor – (2) Gouverneur Center:** Person must have a minimum of a high school diploma or its equivalent. BOCES Certificate of Early Childhood, CDA, or substantial experience in early childhood daycare preferred. The salary is \$15.00 per hour.

**Health Professionals for various areas in St. Lawrence County:** Experience in the Medical Field. Medical Professional, CNA, Home Health Aides, etc. Experience with young children a plus. The salary range is \$15.84 to \$16.90 per hour depending on the degree.

**Bus Monitors for Brasher (1), Massena (1 Anticipated) and Potsdam (1) Centers:** Persons must have a minimum of a high school diploma or its equivalent. Person should enjoy working with preschool aged children. The salary is \$15.00 per hour.

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

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

**Floating Aide (2) in various areas in St. Lawrence County:** Person must have a minimum of a high school diploma or its equivalent. BOCES Certificate of Early Childhood, CDA, or substantial experience in early childhood daycare preferred. The salary is \$15.00 per hour.

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

**Substitutes in the following positions are needed:** Teacher, Assistant Teacher, Classroom Aides, Cooks and Bus Drivers.

Job Description are available on our website at [www.slccd.org](http://www.slccd.org). Substitutes in all positions are needed. Positions follow the BOCES schedule/holidays. Send letter of interest, resume and three current, signed and dated written letters of reference including phone number, address, and email address to Head Start, One Commerce Lane, Canton, NY 13617. Deadline is until the positions are filled. Head Start is an EOE. Call 315-386-8574 ext.: 111, 114 or 119 for further information.



## City of Ogdensburg Employment Opportunity MAINTENANCE WORKER

The City of Ogdensburg is accepting applications to fill a full-time City Maintenance Worker position in the Ogdensburg Public Works Department.

Starting salary is \$22.18/hour, 40 hours per week.

In accordance with the collective bargaining agreement, following completion of the 12-month probationary period, salary is \$27.48/hour.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

One year of full-time paid experience in general laboring; construction; road building and/or maintenance; or building and grounds maintenance; or any equivalent combination of training and/or experience.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENT FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION:**

Eligibility for any appropriate class New York State driver's license and possession of license at time of appointment.

Civil Service applications are available at the Department of Public Works, City Clerk's Office at City Hall or at [www.ogdensburg.org](http://www.ogdensburg.org).

Completed applications must be returned to the Department of Public Works, 901 Champlain Street, Ogdensburg, NY 13669 by **Friday, August 2, 2024 at 2:00 PM.**

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## CIVIL ENGINEER

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

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Join our team! The Health Initiative is hiring a Health Educator Supervisor for its Comprehensive Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Program (CAPP). CAPP offers comprehensive, age-appropriate, medically accurate, and unbiased evidence-based sexual health education and positive youth development programming for tweens and teens in St. Lawrence and Jefferson counties. 37.5 hours/week at \$23.54/hour plus benefits. Flexible hours and work environment. Learn more and apply at: [www.getthehealthyslc.org/work-with-us/](http://www.getthehealthyslc.org/work-with-us/)

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Nurse Supervisor: The Nurse Supervisor, under the direction of the Medical Director will collaborate with all members of the health care team to develop and maintain high quality nursing care. The Nurse Supervisor will be accountable for directing and coordinating the delivery of patient care and the general functioning of the organizational goals through cooperative efforts with staff. Status: Full-Time, Exempt, Permanent. Salary: \$56,763.20 - \$85,342.40. Deadline: Open



## SAMHSA Grant Coordinator

St. Lawrence University invites applications for a **SAMHSA Grant Coordinator** position. This is a part-time, temporary position, averaging 20 hours per week (August 15 – November 8, 2024). The **salary range** is \$21.00 - \$23.90/hour.

The grant coordinator will be responsible for assisting with implementation of the goals and activities of the SAMHSA GLS Grant. Grant goals and activities focus on substance abuse prevention, suicide prevention, and increased access to emotional and mental health support for St. Lawrence University students. To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, as well as application instructions please visit: <http://employment.stlawu.edu>.

## POTSDAM CENTRAL SCHOOLS

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### POTSDAM CENTRAL SCHOOL VACANCIES FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

## Special Education Teacher (6:1:2)

Preschool Level - NYS Special Education Cert. Required

Application Deadline: **July 19, 2024**

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

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



## MALONE CENTRAL SCHOOL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Malone Central School District is currently accepting applications for the following positions for the 2024-2025 School Year:

**Administration: Assistant Superintendent, School Business Executive II/ School Business Administrator**

**Teachers: Middle School Math Teacher, Special Education Teacher**

**Support Staff: Administrative Aide- Pupil Personnel Office**

**Substitutes: Teachers, Teaching Assistants, Teacher Aides, School Monitors, Clerical, Laborer, Bus Driver, Bus Monitor, Nurses, Cleaners**

Application due date: **Until Filled**

Applications available at [www.maloneschools.org](http://www.maloneschools.org)

Please submit applications to:  
**Heather Hardy, Human Resources Assistant**  
**Malone Central School District,**  
**PO Box 847, Malone, NY 12953**  
**518-483-7800 • hmhardy@maloneschools.org**

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## Financial Technician - Recent College Grad Vacancy

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## General Laborer

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

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

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

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



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## Full-time Cook & Housekeeper for Bishop's Residence.

The Diocese of Ogdensburg is seeking a **full-time Cook and Housekeeper for Bishop's Residence**. The position is responsible for preparing meals and organizing elements of hospitality for events held at the Bishop's Residence. The position is also responsible for general housecleaning. Applicants should have experience preparing meals for gatherings of up to twenty-five people. Applicants should also have experience in housekeeping. Pay rate: \$16/hr. - \$17/hr. Submit letter of interest, resume and three professional references to: Human Resources Office, Diocese of Ogdensburg, P.O. Box 369, Ogdensburg, NY 13669 or email: [ksnover@rcdony.org](mailto:ksnover@rcdony.org).



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**DIOCESE OF OGDENSBURG**

## Part-Time Cook at Wadhams Hall

The Diocese of Ogdensburg is seeking a **Part-Time Cook at Wadhams Hall**. The cook is responsible for meal preparation and cooking for planned meals for groups ranging from 15 to 80. (Meal planning is done by the Facilities Manager.) Hours of work will vary depending on scheduled use of the facility and will include some weekend hours. Prior experience with cooking for groups is preferred. The pay rate is \$15 per hour. Interested persons should contact the Human Resources Office at [ksnover@rcdony.org](mailto:ksnover@rcdony.org) or 315-605-1091.



## Mental Health Counselor SL-3

**DEPARTMENT:** Counseling Center

**SALARY:** \$48,000 - \$60,000

**DESCRIPTION OF JOB:**

The SUNY Canton Counseling Center seeks a counselor for a full-time, 11-month position. Qualified applicants will have demonstrated clinical and outreach experience working with a diverse population.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- The counselor will provide personal/group counseling, assessment interviews, and community & on-campus referrals, along with delivering educational programs to staff and students.
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- Counselor will perform other related duties such as assisting with development & implementation of relevant programming to the campus community, consultation with other departments, and training of other college staff members.
- Some evening and weekend hours are required.
- The counselor will maintain licensure during the course of employment and participate in ongoing training to provide quality therapeutic interventions.

**KNOWLEDGE/SKILL QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Required:**

- NYS licensure as a Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LMHC), Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), Licensed Psychoanalyst, or current permit holder able to obtain licensure as a LMHC within one year of start date.

**Preferred:**

- Experience with college and/or diverse populations.
- Proficiency with electronic medical records, crisis interventions skills, and educational programming.

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

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

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



## Facilities Operations Assistant 1

SUNY Canton is seeking applicants for the position of **Facility Operations Assistant 1** to work in our Athletics Complex. Candidate must have one year of experience in the operation of tractors, mowers, and other equipment. Candidates must possess a valid NYS Driver's License Class D minimum. Incumbents of positions in this class also perform routine cleaning tasks as well as, repair and maintenance of roadways, grounds, landscape, and ice rink maintenance on a variety of different work shifts.

Facility Operations Assistant 1 performs routine equipment maintenance and other maintenance tasks and laboring duties, as necessary. Prior to final offer of employment, the selected candidate will be required to submit to a background check including, but not limited to, employment verification, educational and other credential verification, and criminal background check.

**Starting Salary:** \$35,177

Candidates should send a SUNY Canton Application, letter of interest, resume and three professional references to [hr@canton.edu](mailto:hr@canton.edu) or by US mail to Facility Operations Assistant 1 (CARC) Search Committee, Human Resources Department, SUNY Canton, 34 Cornell Drive, Canton, NY 13617

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## HEUVELTON Central School District

is accepting applications for the following position:

### .5 Music Teacher

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**Deadline to apply July 31, or until filled.**

NYS certification required.

Online applications available at

<https://www.heuvelton.k12.ny.us/>

Direct Inquiries to:

**Tessa Herron, [therron@heuvelton.k12.ny.us](mailto:therron@heuvelton.k12.ny.us)**

or **315-344-2414 x28891**

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## CHATEAUGAY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chateaugay Central School District (EO/AEE) is currently accepting applications for the anticipated vacancy for the 2024-25 school year:

#### 7-12 SPANISH TEACHER W/ CERTIFICATION

Salary: \$50,858 plus \$473 for Masters and \$337 for every 6 Master credits

**Application Deadline: Until Filled**

Application can be located at

<http://www.chateaugaycsd.org/employment>

Please submit completed application, cover letter, resume, letters of recommendation, and official transcripts to:

**Mary Legacy, Chateaugay Central School**

**42 River Street, PO Box 904**

**Chateaugay, NY 12920**

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St. Lawrence County  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, INC.

## HOUSING DIRECTOR

St. Lawrence County Community Development Program, Inc., is accepting applications for a **Housing Director** position within the Housing Choice Voucher Program. This is a full-time position (40 hours per week). Associate's Degree in Human Services or related field and two years of relevant housing experience. Three years of supervisory experience is also required. Experience in grant writing is desirable. The candidate must also have a valid driver's license to attend field visits, training seminars, and elsewhere as deemed appropriate. Perform responsible administrative work involving coordination, monitoring, planning, and analysis of the Housing Choice Voucher Program. Perform administrative duties requiring initiative, discretion, and judgment. Ability to communicate effectively and establish effective working relationships with others. Work effectively with other housing programs in the county, New York State housing directors, and agencies. Treat customers with respect and maintain confidentiality. Complete required monthly and annual reports and maintain appropriate contact with funding sources.

The starting annual salary is \$58,000.00. The full job description is located on our website: [www.slccdp.org/employment](http://www.slccdp.org/employment).

Please send a cover letter, resume, and three references to the following:

**Barbara Adams, Executive Director**

**St. Lawrence County CDP, Inc.**

**One Commerce Lane**

**Canton, NY 13617**

Applications can also be accepted via email at [info@slccdp.org](mailto:info@slccdp.org)

## POTSDAM CENTRAL SCHOOLS

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### POTSDAM CENTRAL SCHOOL VACANCIES FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

#### • Elementary Teachers (3)

Two Academic Interventionist and one classroom teacher.

#### • Teacher Aides (2)

Application Deadline: **July 25, 2024**

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

For questions, contact:

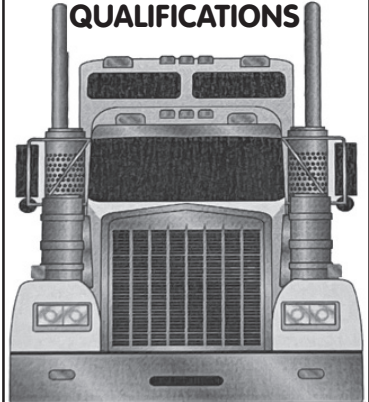
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Northeast Migrant Education Program 2024 Adolescent Outreach Advocate/Field Specialist - The Research Foundation for SUNY, a private, not-for-profit corporation, seeks a passionate and enthusiastic full-time Adolescent Outreach Advocate/Field Specialist (Teacher's Assistant) for the Northeast Migrant Education Program at SUNY Potsdam. The successful candidate will assess needs, mentor and tutor students, provide career education and secondary and post-secondary planning, assist director with networking with families and the community, recruit for summer programs, and arrange trips for youth in grades 7-12 in Franklin County, St. Lawrence and Clinton Counties. Associate's degree in education or equivalent combination of education and experience. Experience working with adolescents preferred. Cell phone with voice-mail, dependable vehicle and valid driver's license required. Some weekend and evening hours required. Annual Salary is \$36,075.00 - \$40,950.00, with paid mileage and benefits including health, dental, vision and life insurance. Renewal of appointment is subject to The Research Foundation for SUNY policies and procedures, sponsor guidelines, and the availability of annual funding. Send Research Foundation employment application, cover letter, resume, and reference letters immediately to Laura Burnett, NMEP, SUNY Potsdam, 282 Van Housen Hall Ext., Potsdam, NY 13676, or upload to <https://webpace.potsdam.edu/NMEP>. For more information, please email Lisa Colby at [colbylm@potsdam.edu](mailto:colbylm@potsdam.edu). Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. The Research Foundation is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

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### BRUSHTON-MOIRA CENTRAL SCHOOL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Brushton-Moira Central School District (EO/AEE) is currently accepting applications for the 2024-25 School Year for the following positions:

- Science (Chemistry) Teacher (Anticipated)
- School Counselor or School Psychologist
- School Registered Nurse
- High School English Teacher (Anticipated)
- Student Counseling Program Assistant (Anticipated)
- 6.5-Hour Food Service Helper/ 1- Hour Monitor
- 3.75-Hour School/Bus Monitor

**Substitutes:** Teachers, Teaching Assistants, Bus Drivers (will train), Teacher Aides, Monitors, Cleaners, Food Service Helpers, Custodians, Clerical

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

Individuals should submit a letter of intent, resume, application, transcripts and certification (if applicable), and 3 letters of recommendation to:  
**Brushton-Moira Central School, Attn: District Office, 758 County Route 7, Brushton, NY 12916**

### St. Lawrence County Community Services Department

is in search of the following positions:

- **Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LMHC)** - \*NO civil service exam required
- **Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW)** - \*NO civil service exam required
- **Registered Nurse**  
\*NO civil service test required
- **Peer Advocate**

Applications accepted until position filled.  
You can apply online at <https://stlaw-portal.mycivilservice.com>.

Applications can also be obtained from St. Lawrence County's website, <https://stlawco.org/Departments/HumanResources> or by contacting Human Resources  
**315-379-2210**  
Send application to:  
St. Lawrence County Human Resources Office  
48 Court Street, Canton, NY 13617  
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### MALONE CENTRAL SCHOOL VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Malone Central School District is currently accepting applications for the following position for the 2024-25 School Year:

## Special Patrol Officer

(Must meet Civil Service Requirements)  
**Salary: \$45,000**

Applications are due date **July 31, 2024**

Applications available at  
[www.maloneschools.org](http://www.maloneschools.org)

Please submit applications to:  
**Heather Hardy, Human Resources Assistant**  
**Malone Central School District,**  
**PO Box 847, Malone, NY 12953**  
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The Edwards-Knox Central School District has an anticipated opening for a FTE Twelve Month Director of Student Support Services and Special Education for the 2024/2025 school year. School Building Leader certification required, a candidate on an administrative track of coursework may be considered and experience working with students with disabilities preferred. Application deadline is Monday, July 29, 2024. Applications for substitutes in all areas for the 2024/2025 school year are also being accepted, this is an ongoing search without a deadline. Applications can be submitted online at [www.ekcsk12.org](http://www.ekcsk12.org). Please address questions to Erin E. Woods, Superintendent of Schools. Transcripts should be sent to Edwards-Knox Central School, Attention: Brandi Graham, District Clerk, 2512 CR 24, Hermon, NY 13652

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## Project Coordinator Workforce & Strategic Initiatives

Salary: \$44,000 - \$47,500

### Description of Duties

SUNY Canton is accepting applications for a full-time Project Coordinator for Strategic Initiatives. The successful candidate will work half-time in the Center for Workforce, Community & Industry Partnerships (CWCIP), reporting directly to the Executive Director, and half-time supporting the Vice President for Strategic Relations & Communications (which oversees the CWCIP).

### Center for Workforce, Community & Industry Partnerships:

The Project Coordinator will be responsible for coordinating scheduling, invoicing and administrative duties associated with workforce development and relevant campus grants/initiatives. The incumbent will coordinate microcredential initiatives, community engagement, and workforce trainings. This position will work with other staff, faculty, and administrative units on campus when required. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Perform administrative coordinating duties related to the Center for Workforce, Community & Industry Partnerships.
- Facilitate project operation by creating timelines, milestones, and deliverables to contribute to effective planning and implementation.
- Coordinate invoicing, scheduling, and tracking of workforce development trainings and other initiatives, including summer camps.

### Strategic Relation & Communications:

The successful candidate will provide administrative and program support for the Vice President of Strategic Relations and Communications in the areas of economic development, community relations, government relations, and special projects. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Perform administrative coordinating duties related to the Office of Strategic Relation & Communications.
- Budget tracking.
- Draft/edit/proofread communications and other documents.
- Aid in administrative details for planning and implementation of projects/initiatives.
- Facilitate communication and coordination between internal and external constituencies.
- Special projects as assigned.

We seek candidates with a combination of most of the following qualifications. If your experience does not align perfectly with these qualifications but you believe you would be a good fit, we encourage you to apply.

### Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree and/or 2 or more years of related professional experience.
- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills, independent judgment, ability to work collaboratively, and initiative to accomplish goals.
- Excellent communication skills (oral and written.)
- Familiarity with project management tools and office software, including the Microsoft Office Suite.
- Class D driver's license.

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

**Application Deadline:** Review will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Prior to a final offer of employment, the selected candidate will be required to submit to a background check including, but not limited to, employment verification, educational and other credential verification, and criminal background check. Persons interested in the above position should apply online at <https://employment.canton.edu/>

All appointments are contingent upon continued receipt of State funding and renewal of appointment is subject to the Research Foundation of SUNY policies and procedures, sponsor guidelines, and the availability of annual funding.

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## GOVERNEUR CENTRAL SCHOOL has an immediate opening for a:

### Middle School Assistant Principal or Dean of Students:

Candidates must have or be eligible for New York State certification as School Building Leader or equivalent.

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## Director of Student Health Services

DEPARTMENT: Student Affairs

SALARY: \$110,000 - \$120,000

### Job Description:

The State University of New York at Canton is searching for a talented individual to join the College community in the position of Director of Student Health Services. This is an eleven-month position.

### Responsibilities:

Reporting to the Vice President of Student Affairs, the Director of Health Services/ Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant is responsible for the overall design and coordination of a comprehensive student health program that provides consistent, quality, primary care to the undergraduate students of Canton College, and has a strong focus on educating students about developing behaviors that will enhance their long-term quality of life.

### Specific responsibilities include:

- Provision of competent, confidential, and respectful direct patient care.
- Working with colleagues across campus to organize and deliver comprehensive health education.
- All tasks consistent with the position as the administrator of the Health Services functional unit including hiring and supervising of staff; management of clinical protocols and record keeping; development and oversight of annual budget; participation in the divisional leadership team.

### Required Qualifications:

- New York State licensure as a Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant
- Candidates must have experience supervising professional staff, have excellent oral and written communication skills, demonstrate an ability to work in a fast-paced environment and manage multiple assignments concurrently, and demonstrate comfort working with diverse populations.

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

**Application Deadline:** Open until filled; application review begins immediately.

Persons interested in the above position should apply online at <https://employment.canton.edu/>. SUNY Canton, a unit of the State University of New York, is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. SUNY Canton is building a culturally diverse and pluralistic faculty and strongly encourages applications from minority and women candidates.

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