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The Robinson Bay has served the St. Lawrence Seaway since 1958, one of the longest serving tugs in GLS history.

Robinson Bay tugboat retires

Ceremony held to celebrate legacy of safety

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- After serving more than 60 years on the St. Lawrence Seaway the Robinson Bay tug boat will soon be off to its new home at the Great Lakes Maritime Academy.

The vessel received a grand send off from GLS Administrator Adam Tindall-Schlicht who called the tug a "vital piece of the Seaway for more than 60 years."

Tindall-Schlicht said the transition of the vessel from active service to the Academy is "an exciting chapter" in the history of the Robinson Bay.

"Built in 1958, the Robinson Bay has been a symbol of resiliency, of reliability and of steadfast service on the St. Lawrence River for more than six decades. This vessel has played an essential role in ensuring the safe passage of vessels through these important waters for us. For us, the Robinson Bay is not just a tug boat. She is a legacy of safety, a legacy of operational excellence and a legacy of the work conducted on the seaway," he said.

Tindall-Schlicht said many of



Rear Admiral John Hickey of the U.S. Coast Guard was on hand as the Robinson Bay transitions from full-time service to a training vessel for the Great Lakes Maritime Academy.

the former crew members who served aboard the "Robbie Bay" as it is known were in attendance for the ceremony, marking the end of a storied career.

He said the vessel will serve as an important learning tool for future mariners who will utilize the tug to earn their licenses to operate similar tugs on the seaway.

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City appoints ethics watchdogs

City clerk, former city manager and teacher among those appointed

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG -- Ogdensburg has a Board of Ethics.

Making good on earlier statements, Ogdensburg City Council officially appointed five members to the board that will investigate reported violations of the city's code of ethics.

Those appointed include City Clerk Cathy Jock, Ogdensburg City School Board member Angela McRoberts, St. Lawrence County



Chamber of Commerce Ogdensburg Coordinator Laura Pearson, former City Manager John Pinkerton, and Kennedy School teacher Thomas

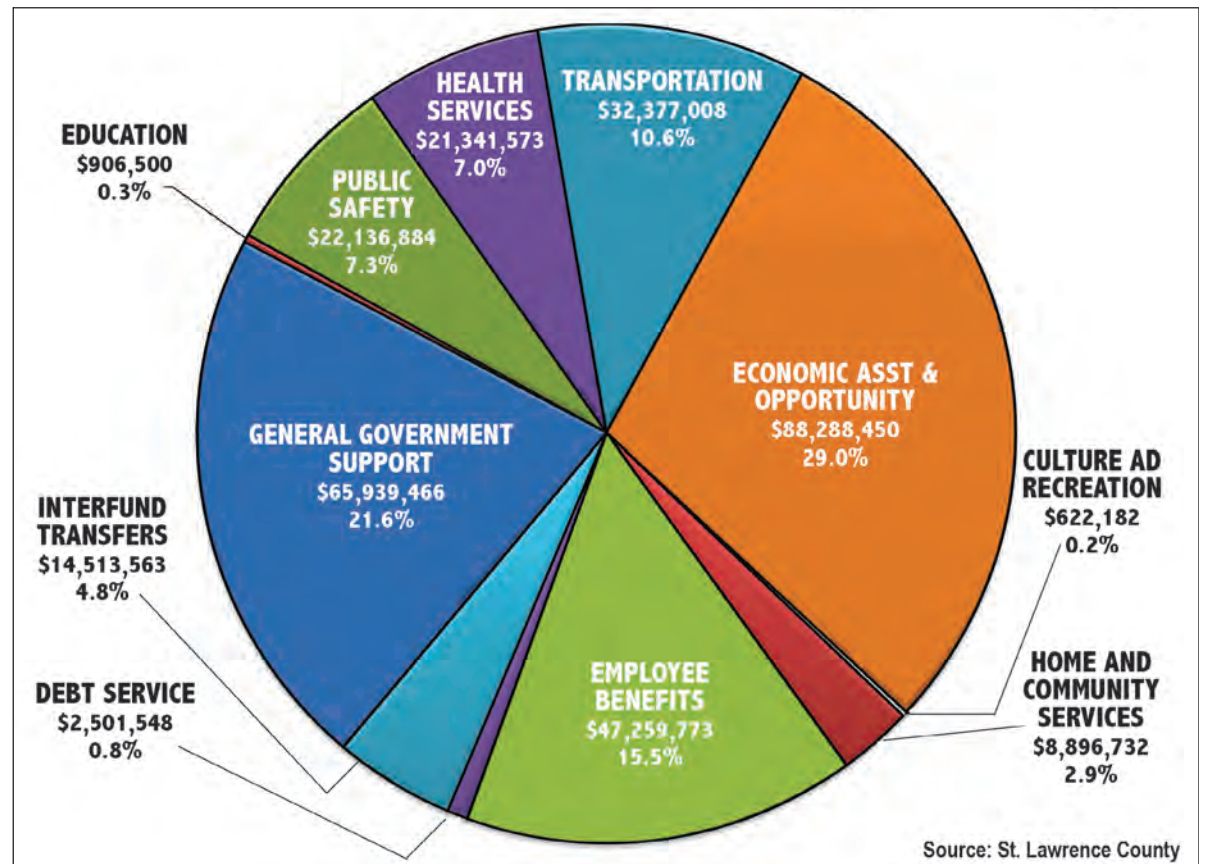
Pinkerton.

City councilor Jennifer Stevenson said that despite the last name, John and Thomas are of no immediate relation.

City Mayor Michael Tooley said the city also checked with its attorney to ensure there was no conflict of interest for McRoberts due to her position as a city school board member. The attorney advised that there was not.

Ogdensburg City Council has

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St. Lawrence County's spending plan was discussed at the recent finance meeting, but still needs approval from the full board. This pie chart shows where your tax dollars are spent by category.

County hikes tax levy, cuts rate

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

CANTON -- St. Lawrence County residents will see a drop in the tax rate despite a more than \$2 million increase in the tax levy.

The tentative budget, which still needs final approval from the full board, raises spending overall by \$8.5 million and cuts the tax rate by 18 cents.

The county has decreased the tax rate nearly every year for the past decade, the only exception was in 2020, when the rate was held flat.

County Administrator Ruth Doyle recently presented the county's tentative 2025 budget, detailing the various expenses related.

"We are proud of and remain proud of this budget," County Administrator Ruth Doyle said. Doyle said the tentative 2025

budget accomplishes three key goals, including lowering the true value tax rate once again, preserving programs for county residents and ensuring the people who administer those programs remain in place.

According to Doyle, the True Value Tax Rate (TVTR), or the amount per \$1,000 of assessed valuation

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Three adults, cat and dog displaced by Massena house fire

MASSENA -- Three adults, a dog and a cat were displaced after a Sunday morning fire in the town of Massena.

According to Chief Patrick O'Brien, the call for service went out at approximately 8 a.m. on Nov. 24, with Massena Fire responding to a structure fire at 2257 State Highway 420.

In a press release, O'Brien said crews encountered heavy smoke and fire conditions upon arrival just minutes later.

He said the blaze was brought under control through coordinated efforts between responding firefighters.

Fortunately, all three adult residents, a dog and cat were able to be



Lawrence County Fire Investigators actively investigating the incident to determine a cause and origin.

No injuries were reported among residents or responding personnel.

The Massena Fire Department was assisted at the scene by the Massena Rescue Squad, New York State Police, Massena Electric Department, and the Municipal Water Department.

"We extend our gratitude to all involved agencies for their support during this emergency. We remind the public to ensure working smoke alarms are present in all homes and to have a fire escape plan in place," O'Brien said.

Further updates will be provided as new information becomes available.

rescued from the fire.

O'Brien said the residents were displaced due to extensive damage to the property and are being assisted by local resources, including the American Red Cross.

The cause of the fire remains undetermined at this time, with St.

Heuvelton Central School's Durant named soccer 'Coach of the Year'

HEUVELTON — The Heuvelton Central School District Boys' Varsity Soccer Coach Bruce Durant was named the 2024 Section X West Class D coach of the year.

The team ended their 2024 season at SUNY Plattsburgh Nov. 9 where they competed against

Chazy High School in the New York State Class D quarterfinals. The 2-0 loss comes on the heels of an impressive 17-3-0 season, and an exciting victory against Chateaugay in the Section X Championship game.

Coach Durant has been coaching the team for five years along with assistant coach, Logan Ladouceur, who has been coaching for three years.

"Our mantra this season was 'soccer is situational.' Like life, we all face challenges that test our determination and adaptability. As the team grew throughout the season, sportsmanship, tenacity and perseverance became more and more evident," Coach Durant said. "These young men learned invaluable lessons this season that can be implemented in life."

Heuvelton Athletic Director Jonathan Putney, felt that the team's success stems from strong coaching.

"Our coaches did an excellent job of leading the boys through the season. It was clear early on that these student athletes were willing to receive and implement instruction from their coaches," Putney said. "The team's momentum built as they earned wins throughout the season and they have a lot to be proud of."

There are six seniors who played for the team this season, including Seth Larock, Brayden Dawson, Landyn Ashlaw, Cooper White, Shane Mudge, and Willem Gleeson.

The Bulldogs goalie, Brody Kelly, had 9 shutouts and a total of 125 saves throughout the season.

Kelly is a junior and will be returning to play next season along with fellow juniors Devin Johnson, Levi Biller, Isaac Murdock, Drew Carpenter, Andrew Cole, Leighton Vaughan, and Owen Joannette; as well as sophomores Jude Spooner, Parker Felt, Colt McAllister, Landon Crews, and Lyshan Young.

Two freshmen, Dylan Ashlaw and Cory Ethridge, also competed at the varsity level this season. "I would like to thank the HCS administration, transportation and custodial staff, and our Athletic Director, Mr. Putney," Coach Durant said. "I'd also like to thank assistant coach Logan Ladouceur."

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Drug treatment and substance abuse program costing more than expected

County officials allow Sheriff to spend more on jail programs

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

Legislators have approved a number of budget modifications to accept grant funding for the Sheriff's Office and cover unexpected expenses related to the county jail's MAT Program.

The St. Lawrence County Probation Department has received \$102,867 in funding from the state Division of Criminal Justice Services.

Legislators approved accepting the funds, which can be used for an alarm system, defensive tactics, de-escalation training and new two-way radios.

The unique funding opportunity from DCJS will enable the department to upgrade critical equipment and undergo advanced training in the near future, officials say.

In other action, legislators also approved a budget modification for the Sheriff's Office to accept \$1,100 after donations from the community came through to support the Office's K9 unit.

The Sheriff's Office will be able to utilize the funds to purchase supplies and cover the various expenses related to the K9 officers and their dogs.

Legislators also approved a second budget modification for the Sheriff's Office, this time for prescription medication costs at St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility.

Officials say the cost of prescriptions associated with general medical care has exceeded the 2024 budget, necessitating the \$90,000

budget modification. "The challenges of pharmaceutical prices rising, along with the challenge of predicting the population in the jail and medications that may be needed throughout the year, makes establishing an annual budget difficult," county officials said.

Federal law mandates that incarcerated individuals receive health care but prohibits the use of Medicaid funds for services provided to an inmate of a public institution, officials said. Prescription medication expenses for general healthcare were not the only costs to rise at the county jail.

Legislators were also required to modify the budget for the Sheriff's Office again for the mandated Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Program, which treats inmates suffering from substance use disorders.

County officials say the program has exceeded the budget for 2024, forcing legislators to approve a \$150,000 budget modification to fund the program.

The funds will come from opioid settlement funds secured by New York State, officials said.

"extraordinary increases in pharmaceutical prices along with the unpredictability of the jail population and their medication requirements require careful monitoring and when necessary, staff to make recommendations to modify the budget to support the Program," officials said. In just its second year, the MAT

Program has required a number of mid-year modifications due to limited information to analyze the program's expenses.

County officials say they hope to be able to better budget for the program next year when more data will be available for analysis.

Legislators also approved three further budget modifications for the Sheriff's Office, including one for \$8,184 to accept funding through the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee.

The funds will be used. To cover overtime costs related to planned events intended to increase seat belt usage in efforts to reduce dangers driving behaviors.

Legislators also approved accepting funds from a 2023 Domestic Terrorism Prevent Grant through the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services.

The funding, totaling \$172,413, will cover a contract period from Sept. 1, 2024 through Aug. 31, 2026.

"This grant is directed to be utilized to support the capability of the County to prevent targeted violence and domestic terrorism through the utilization of Threat Assessment and Management (TAM) Teams and the development of comprehensive Domestic Terrorism Plans," legislators said.

The final modification legislators approved for the Sheriff's Office was for the purchase of equipment and supplies.

Legislators approved a budget modification to accept the \$89,082 in funding.

Officials say the funds have been

received from workers compensation reimbursement and housing inmates from nearby counties that was not budgeted in the 2024 budget.

"These funds will be utilized to purchase technical equipment to

provide transparency, liability, and safety enhancements in the Sheriff's Office Correctional Facility, as well as, building and food supplies for the Correctional Facility," officials said.

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Police set sights on drunk drivers for holiday

STOP-DWI Impaired Driving High Visibility Engagement Campaign runs Nov. 27 through Dec. 1.

St. Lawrence County police agencies along with STOP-DWI Coordinators will participate in special efforts to bring awareness to the dangers of impaired driving during the upcoming Thanksgiving Holiday Weekend.

This Thanksgiving, millions of people will hit the roads eager to spend time with family and friends. Thanksgiving is the most traveled holiday of the year and the night before Thanksgiving, known as "Black Wednesday", is one of the busiest nights for bars. Unfortunately, that combination makes Thanksgiving one of the deadliest holidays. The period between Thanksgiving and New Year's sees an estimated 25,000 injuries from alcohol-related crashes across US roadways each year.

In a combined effort to bring awareness to the dangers of impaired driving, prevent injuries and save lives, law enforcement officers across New York State and STOP-DWI programs will be participating in special engagement efforts.

The STOP-DWI Thanksgiving High Visibility Engagement Campaign is one of many statewide initiatives promoted by STOP-DWI NY and the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee. Highly visible, highly publicized efforts like the STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaign aim to further reduce the incidence of drunk and impaired driving. You can help make a difference by Having a Sober Plan!

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Books will be sold in the Friends group's monthly used book sale to raise funds in support of the library. Donated books should be in good, clean condition and less than 10 years old. Magazines, textbooks, and encyclopedias cannot be accepted.

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Doreen A. Gates, 92
Ogdensburg

OGDENSBURG: With heavy hearts we are saddened to announce the passing of Doreen A. Gates, age 92 of Ogdensburg who passed away on Monday (November 18, 2024) at her home with her son by her side.

As per her request there will be no funeral services at this time.

Surviving are her children Lester Gates of Ogdensburg and Valerie (Larry) Puccia of Fort Myers Beach, FL; two grandchildren Justin Gates of Albany and Kory Gates of Potsdam; two great-grandchildren Elijah McDonald and Nikayla Lemieux; two brothers Richard Weatherdon of Kingston, Ontario and Dennis Weatherdon of Barry's Bay Ontario Canada; along with many nieces, nephews & cousins.

She was predeceased by five brothers Leonus (infant), Hillary, Roy, Lloyd, Robert Weatherdon, and four sisters Doris Sheffer, Isabelle Nash, Ruth Cappello and Iona Masson.

Doreen was born on March 14, 1932 in Buckingham, Quebec a daughter of Samuel & Edith (Biehler) Weatherdon. She attended schools in Canada and was later married to Cameron Gates on February 18, 1950. The marriage later ended in divorce but remained friends. He passed away on November 18, 2021.

During her career she worked at

Fenton's Bakery and sold AVON in Ottawa, and relocated to the United States in 1962 and worked as a nanny for the Hannan family of Ogdensburg. Doreen will be best remembered for working in Loblaws, Great American and Walmart where she raised over \$130,000 for Children's Miracle Network as their store front greeter. She retired in 2019.



Doreen Gates

She enjoyed walking, playing bingo, going to the casino with friends, watching old classic movies, word search books, playing Sudoku, watching NASCAR races.

She loved music, but most of all she enjoyed the company of her family, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She will be remembered as a devoted, loving, caring, humble gift for everyone to share.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Children's Miracle Network, 205 West 700 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84101 or a charity of ones choice.

Condolences and fond memories can also be shared online at www.foxandmurrayfuneralhome.com.

Ronald "Ronnie" Peter Dunn, 86
Canton

CANTON -- Ronald "Ronnie" Peter Dunn, 86, of County Route 29, Canton died Friday, November 22, 2024 surrounded by his loving family at Rochester Regional Hospital.

Calling hours will be Tuesday, November 26 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM with a funeral service to follow at Lawrence Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Canton. Additional off-street parking is available behind "LUNA" at 18 Park Street.

Burial will be held at a later date in Morley Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers Memorial contributions are suggested to Morley Wesleyan Church, Morley Cemetery Association or Hospice & Palliative Care of St. Lawrence Valley.

Ronnie was born August 16, 1938 in Ogdensburg, NY. He was a son of the late Lawrence and Ruth (Myers) Dunn and attended Madrid High School.

On November 3, 1962 he married Roxanna Liscum in the Morley Church Parsonage. The couple just celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary.

Ronnie was a truck driver and more specifically a milk hauler for 50 years. He started out doing a can route and then with Harry

Lawrence and retiring from Ray Burns & Sons Trucking.

In addition to his wife Roxanna, he is survived by a son, Gregory (Lori) Dunn of Waddington; three daughters, Lori (David) Smith of Canton, Cindi Perkins of Morley and Kelly (Roger) Jackson of

Depeyster; a brother, Kenny Dunn of WA and a sister Janet Day of FL; eleven grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his twin sister, Rita Sanderson; a sister, Linda Hurlbut; an infant son, Timothy Dunn; and a son-in-law, Mike Perkins.

Ronnie was a member of Morley Fire Department for 40 years where he served as Chief for 25 of those years. He was also a huge fan of country music, attending a number of shows and often times traveling the US to see his favorite artists.

Tributes, photos and memories may be shared by visiting www.lawrencefuneralhome.org.



Ronald Dunn

Paula M. Niles, 71
East Dickenson

EAST DICKENSON: On Thursday November 21, 2024 the angels took Paula M. Niles of East Dickenson, New York, home to be with God and her deceased loved ones.

Being ill for only three weeks she passed peacefully under the care of Hospice, at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, Maryland.

Paula was born in Malone, New York on June 13, 1953, the daughter of Paul and Alice Goyea Follett. She attended Brushton-Moira Central School and graduated in 1971.

She then attended Mater Dei College in Ogdensburg, and State University of New York at Potsdam, graduating in 1975.

She was married to her high school sweetheart, Terry Niles, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Brushton on December 20, 1975, he survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Paul Niles and his wife Brandi of Northeast, Maryland, Ryan Niles and his wife Lara of Hannawa Falls, New York, and Graham Niles and his wife Jamie of Cumberland Head, New York; three sisters, Jill Agne of Syracuse, Jody Southworth of Malone, and Jacqueline Harris of Roscoe, New York; her grandchildren Cole, Ryan Tom, Mason, Cora, Sydney, and Vayda; and several nieces and nephews.

Her family was the most important part of her life.

She was extremely proud of all her children and grandchildren, exhibiting a limitless passion to be with them at every opportunity.

Paula loved her home in East

Dickinson and camp at Lake Ozone. At home she spent much of her time gardening, sewing, quilting, knitting,



Paula Niles

and especially baking. As part of her hobbies she maintained a pie stand, making well over a thousand pies a year, including providing pies for several local restaurants.

She enjoyed traveling to Florida, the Outer Banks in North Carolina, and Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

Paula was a junior high math teacher for several years, retiring in 1999. She was a past member of the Brushton-Moira Home Bureau.

She also served on the Brushton-Moira Board of Education for two terms.

This loss will be deeply felt by her family for some time to come, while the memories of her love of family, and selfless kindness to others will help comfort the pain.

Calling hours will be held from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Monday December 2, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Brushton, N.Y.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday December 2, 2024 at 12:00 noon. Father Francis Flynn will officiate.

Memorial contributions in Paula's name may be made to Wounded Warrior or the Ronald McDonald House.

Walter T. Clark, 76
Massena

MASSENA - Walter T Clark of Rotonda West FL, formerly of Massena, NY passed away suddenly on November 20, 2024.

Walt was born in Potsdam, NY on August 27, 1948 to Walter H and Virginia Clark of Parishville, NY. He graduated from Parishville High school in 1966 where he excelled in football, basketball and baseball.

He also served as a lifeguard at the Parishville town beach. He graduated from Potsdam State in 1970 with a degree in English. On November 8, 1980 he married Lynn M. Moore at St. John's Episcopal Church in Massena.

Walt taught English at Massena Central Schools for 33 years, retiring in 2003. He spent the majority of those years teaching at the high school.

He served as the President of the Massena Federation of Teachers for 26 years, working tirelessly to advocate for teachers and students to provide the best tools and education possible.

He was immensely proud of his past students and loved to talk about what they were up to. Walt also served as the high school

English department chairperson for several years.

He enjoyed attending high school sporting events to cheer on his students, and especially enjoyed assisting in keeping stats for WMSA's broadcasts during hockey season in the 1990's.

In the 1970's and 1980's Walt was a member of the Massena Rescue Squad, serving for several years as chief.

During his time as chief, he was instrumental in the affiliation of the Rescue Squad with the Town of Massena.

He also served on the MVEU

advisory board.

Walt was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying hunting, fishing and



Walter Clark

four wheeling. He was a past member of the Sylvan Falls Hunting Club in Parishville, NY. In retirement Walt took up golf and enjoyed playing with friends multiple times a week.

Walt is survived by his loving daughter Danielle (Matthew) Fox of Boston, MA.

He is also survived by his grandson Kelley Walter Fox, who bears not only his name but also his red hair.

Walt is survived by his niece Gina (Shey) Doane and family of Batavia, his sister-in-law Shirley Clark of Parishville and Lynn Clark of Rotonda West, FL.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his brothers Scott Clark and Terry Clark. Arrangements are under the care of Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena. A graveside committal service at Hillcrest cemetery in Parishville, followed by a celebration of life will be held early in the new year, date and celebration of life details to be announced.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the Massena Rescue Squad, or Parishville Historical Association.

Arrangements are under the care and guidance of the Donaldson Funeral Home where friends and family are encouraged to share memories and condolences online at www.donaldsonfh.com.

MWCS seeks hall of fame nominations

MADRID — The Madrid-Waddington Central School Athletic Hall of Fame Committee has been working diligently to catch up on our inductions after a twelve year hiatus.

This past summer, the group reached that goal. They are now gathering information on former student-athletes for the next induction ceremony which will be homecoming weekend in August 2026. Nominations are encouraged.

Criteria for nomination are as follows:

- An athlete must have been out of school a minimum of 10 years and have played in at least 2 sports and obtained a minimum of 3 All Northern Awards (not all in the same sport).

- Coaches must have coached a minimum of 10 years in a sport for which they are nominated, and must be out of coaching a minimum of 5 years.

A community member can be nominated at any time.

Those athletes who were previously nominated, but not selected, will remain under consideration for up to 5 years.

If you would like to nominate a deserving individual, coach, community member, or an administrator, forms can be obtained on the Madrid-Waddington Athletic website.

All nomination forms and required material are to be submitted by February 7th, 2025. Please send the information to Justin Richards, MWCS Po Box 67 Madrid, NY 13660. As per last year, donations will be very appreciated. Send donations to Marsha Watson at Po Box 53 Madrid, NY 13660.

RECENT DEATHS

LINDA TUTTLE, 72, Ogdensburg, Nov. 15. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

DOREEN GATES, 92, Ogdensburg, Nov. 18. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

WALTER CLARK, 76, Massena, Nov. 20. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

REBECCA TESSIER, 58, Massena, Nov. 22. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

NANCY FETTERLY, 65, Massena, Nov. 23. Arrangements with

Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

PAUL LAMBERT, 74, Massena, Nov. 24. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

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City secures sandstone from SLPC, will share with Village of Potsdam

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG -- Ogdensburg will share sandstone salvaged from the demolition of the St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center with Potsdam.

Ogdensburg Mayor Michael Tooley said the New York State Office of Mental Health paid for and completed a study on the sandstone removed during demolition of buildings at SLPC and determined they were not contaminated.

Tooley said the state covered the cost of the study.

The large sandstone pieces are about four feet wide and eight feet long, according to the mayor.

He said the City Department of Public Works will store Ogdensburg's share of the material, but

added that some will also go to Potsdam.

Tooley said discussions with Potsdam Mayor Alex Jacobs-Wilke have been positive and helped the city secure the materials which will be shared by both communities.

The goal is to have the sandstone on hand in the future when existing structures in Potsdam and Ogdensburg are in need of repairs.

Tooley expressed his appreciation with OMH and the state's decision to preserve and salvage the materials. He also offered appreciation for state representatives like Scott Gray who helped facilitate the agreement.

Tooley said the city wanted to be on record in support of the efforts. He said Potsdam and the City were working well together on taking advantage of the opportunity.

Ogdensburg's student of the month is McKenna Rafferty

OGDENSBURG -- The Ogdensburg Community office of the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that McKenna Rafferty, a senior at Ogdensburg Free Academy, has been selected as the October BOCES Student of the Month. McKenna is enrolled in the Digital Media Design Program at Northwest Tech BOCES in Ogdensburg.

McKenna was nominated by Mollie Ladouceur, Digital Media Design instructor at Northwest Tech, BOCES. Ms. Ladouceur had this to say about her, "McKenna goes above and beyond in all her projects, showing a great deal of effort, skill, and creativity. In addition to the Digital Media Design program, McKenna was elected to the secretary position of both the National Technical Honor Society and the SkillsUSA and is incredibly dedicated to making those organizations better while proving her skills in leadership." McKenna plans on attending SUNY Oswego to major in Broadcasting and Mass Communications.

To celebrate her accomplishments, McKenna received a Certificate of Achievement from BOCES and a plaque from the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce, Ogdensburg Community Office.

The Student of the Month Program is sponsored by the Ogdensburg Community Office of the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce.

"The program recognizes a student from BOCES and OFA as an outstanding student and an all-around good citizen - building future leaders of tomorrow - one student at a time," the chamber says.



From left are student McKenna Rafferty and St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce Ogdensburg coordinator Laura Pearson.



Debbie Hubbard | Submitted

Winter gifts in Lisbon

Lisbon American Legion Auxiliary collected and donated hats, scarves, mittens, gloves and socks to Lisbon School on Nov. 22. From left, Kristin Davidson, school nurse; Debbie Hubbard, membership; Christine Dupra, chaplain; Nancy McCullough, secretary; and Shelia Day, president.

Local National Guard members receive promotions

Two North Country residents have been promoted in the New York Army National Guard in recognition of their capability for additional responsibility and leadership.

Thomas McCarthy, of Winthrop, and assigned to the Company C, NY Army National Guard Recruiting & Retention Battalion, received a promotion on Sept. 15 to the rank of private.

Jesse Schwartz, of Hammond, and assigned to the Company C, NY Army National Guard Recruiting &

Retention Battalion, received a promotion on Sept. 8 to the rank of private.

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Stefanik keeps office in Ogdensburg

Despite plans to accept a position in President Trump's cabinet her lease at city hall has been renewed

BY JIMMY LAWTON
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OGDENSBURG — Congressman Elise Stefanik has renewed the lease on her satellite office in the basement of City Hall, despite her nomination to President-elect Donald Trump's plan for her to serve as the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations.

On Monday, city council approved the lease for \$1,000 per month. The new lease will run from Jan. 3, 2025 through Jan. 2, 2026.

City Councilors remained hopeful that whoever replaces the outgoing Congresswoman, will continue

to operate the satellite office in the city.

Although he did not provide a reason why, Ogdensburg City Councilor Storm Cilley voted against the measure, which passed 6-1.

At a previous meeting he offered critical remarks of Stefanik, whom he said does not visit the district. However, that was countered by his fellow councilors who said they've met with her personally on multiple occasions in Ogdensburg.

Ogdensburg Mayor Michael Tooly noted that the vote for leasing property required six affirmative votes.

The space had been previously



leased by New York Senator Patty Ritchie.

And later Sen. Mark Walczyk, but the Senate district now includes a much smaller portion of St. Lawrence County and although the district still includes Ogdensburg he no longer maintains a satellite office there..

Some city council members have said the satellite office allows for smoother communication between the congresswoman and the city as well as St. Lawrence County Constituents.

Stefanik recently secured a sixth term in Congress, but is expected to vacate the seat after being hand picked by President-elect Trump to serve as U.S. Ambassador for the

United Nations.

When she leaves a special election will be held to determine who will represent the 21st Congressional District. The massive district includes all of St. Lawrence County and a large swath of Northern and Upstate New York.

Once Stefanik officially leaves office, Gov. Kathy Hochul will have 10 days to call for a special election, which will need to take place within 70 days after that.

The election won't include primary races, instead the county party chairs are expected to select the Republican and Democratic candidates.

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SLC Legislators cut vacancy review after 10-years

County officials say micromanagement no longer necessary; decisions now reside with administrators

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

CANTON -- County legislators unanimously voted to dissolve the vacancy review committee, which in turn vests the power to fill and abolish positions with the county

administrator. The move came during the Nov. 25 finance committee meeting and was brought to the floor by Legislator John Gennett. Reestablished in August of 2015, the vacancy review committee was assigned the role of evaluating

positions within the county government where department heads were requesting positions be abolished, created or filled, officials said. But the time has now come to move on and allow the department heads and County Administrator Ruth Doyle to oversee the process,

according to Chairman David Forsythe. "I support this wholeheartedly. There was a time and a need for this in a very critical time of need in the county's past but it's ran its course," he said. Since 2016, the county administrator has been providing the board of legislators with an annual summary of the actions of the vacancy review committee, making recommendations for changes to be considered to improve the efficiency of the committee and county staff as a whole.

Under the committee, the county administrator had the authority to fill positions that had been filled for less than a year and to create and fill part-time and transitional positions, an authority that "has been utilized carefully, benefiting the departments by expediting the process to fill positions," officials said. The administrator will now have the necessary authority to fill budgeted positions as well, along with that preexisting authority, according to the resolution. Legislators will not be entirely out of the loop, however, as any positions requested to be created would still require consideration and approval by the board of legislators.

Forsythe said the county is in a much stronger position financially right now but should the need arise, legislators could step in again. "If it's needed again we can always reinstate it again in the future," he said.

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With over 70 vacant positions currently, Forsythe said removing the committee would speed up the hiring process for the various departments currently in need.

"The work of the Committee has held its value, including better working knowledge by Legislators of the roles and responsibilities of positions in departments and the Board of Legislators has benefited from

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Employment up in SLC

SLC unemployment rate drops significantly when comparing Oct. 2024 to Oct. 2023. The unemployment rate in St. Lawrence County dropped significantly in October 2024 when compared to October 2023. According to the state Department of Labor, the unemployment rate in October was 3.6 percent, compared to 4.2 percent during the same period in 2023. The state unemployment rate for September is 4.4 percent, which was the same rate in October, 2023.

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Community foundation seeks grant proposals

The Northern New York Community Foundation's Youth Philanthropy Council welcomes grant proposals from nonprofit organizations of all types for programs, projects, or initiatives that strengthen the quality of life in St. Lawrence counties. The council will evaluate each proposal for a share of up to \$20,000 in available grant funding. For consideration, completed grant applications must be submitted no later than Friday, Jan. 3, 2025. Council members will notify finalists selected to present proposals. The Council will recommend grants for funding to the Community Foundation's board of directors. This past round, the Youth Philanthropy Council awarded six grants totaling \$20,000 in support to nonprofit organizations that serve tri-county residents.

tions throughout the tri-county region will thoughtfully consider bringing programs or projects to present to the students," said Rande S. Richardson, Community Foundation executive director. "It is essential to continue to increase awareness of the important work local groups are doing to improve the quality of life for the residents of Northern New York." The Youth Philanthropy Council grant application may be completed online through the Foundation's Grant Lifecycle Manager (GLM) portal at bit.ly/grant-portal. All 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations are invited to apply. Organizations should register as a user in GLM before applying. Nonprofits already registered with a GLM account should use existing login information to access and start the application. Contact Kraig Everard, Community Foundation director of stewardship and programs, kraig@nnycf.org, or 315-782-7110, with questions or to learn more.

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"This leadership program relies heavily on active participation from the community. We are hopeful that charitable organiza-

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The Ogdensburg City School District hereby invites the submission of sealed proposals from reputable and qualified companies for the selection of an **Energy Services Company (ESCO)**. The District will receive sealed proposals on or prior to 3:00 p.m. on December 6, 2024 c/o Kevin Kendall, Superintendent, Ogdensburg City Schools, 1100 State Street, Ogdensburg, New York 13669.

Proposals will be opened on the stated date. Proposals received after the stated date and time will be returned to the sender unopened. The Request for Proposals (RFP) may be obtained at the District's Offices by calling (315) 393-0900 or for an electronic copy, by visiting our website Ogdensburg12.org. The RFP will be located under the Our District tab (Energy Performance Project). Proposals must be submitted in sealed envelopes plainly marked on the outside: **Proposal for ESCO**.

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Ogdensburg City Schools Board of Education
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Notice is hereby given that the Annual Election of the Madrid Fire District will take place on December 10th, 2024 between the hours of 6 PM and 9 PM at the Madrid Fire Station, located at 6 Church St., Madrid, NY for the purpose of electing one Commissioner for a five (5) year term and 1 Treasurer for a three (3) year term. The commissioner whose term is up in 2024 is Bernie Moulton, The Treasurer whose term is up in 2024 is Megan Moulton. In order to vote in this election, voters last day to be registered with St Lawrence County is November 18th, 2024.

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MORRISTOWN ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID
Please Take Notice, the Town of Morristown is soliciting sealed bids for a **3-year Cemetery Interment Agreement for all Town operated cemeteries**. Bid specs are available at the Town Clerks office. Sealed Bids can be mailed to: Town of Morristown, PO Box 240, Morristown, NY 13664, or submitted in person at 604 Main Street, Morristown, NY 13664, by 4:00 PM, December 10, 2024. For more information, please call 315-375-6510.

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Candidates of the Parishville Fire District who wish to have their name placed on the Ballot shall file their name, address, and the specific position they are seeking, in writing to the Secretary of the Board of Fire Commissioners, PO Box 547, Parishville, New York 13672 no later than November 20, 2024.

This notice is being published in accordance with Town Law §175 (1) and by order of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Parishville Fire District.

COLTON PUBLIC NOTICE
The TOWN OF COLTON will hold a special meeting to discuss salaries and any other business that may arise on December 2, 2024 at 2pm. The location of the meeting will be held at the Colton Town Hall, 94 Main St., Colton NY 13625. All are welcome to attend.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Things Hammond man is thankful for

It's Thanksgiving, and there's much to be thankful for. For starters, our nation has just come through a presidential election cycle with very few reports of irregularities, especially compared with the election of 2020. To see the final results of this year's election, and the complete sweep by President Trump of every swing state that was "won" by Joe Biden four years ago, is validation that something "funny" took place in 2020.

We can be thankful that the Republican and Conservative voters, including evangelical Christians, turned out in such numbers

that the election this time was "too big to rig."

CNN reports Donald Trump received over 76.9 million, or 50%, of the votes cast, while Kamala Harris only garnered 74.3 million, or 48% of the votes.

I give thanks that the all-important Electoral College, one of our Founding Fathers greatest creations, gave Trump a 312-226 win over Harris. The Republican "Red Wave" carried over to the House of Representatives where the GOP holds a 220-213 edge and, miraculously, to the Senate where the Dems will relinquish control to the Republicans who will hold a 53-47 advantage.

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Hammond

Next January 20th at noon, our nation begins recovering from four years of backsliding under Biden-Harris which took America perilously close to the edge of the abyss and the point of no return. President Trump pledges to reverse course beginning on Day One, while many "A-list" actors and so-called "entertainers" in Hollywood threaten to pack up and leave the U.S. The smart money says the President will keep his promise, while the Tinseltown blowhards will not. Meanwhile, Canada is tightening security to prevent a "mass exodus" of disgruntled Liberals from flooding across the U.S./Canadian border.

Give thanks that 2025 is when America will regain its forward momentum and turn its economy around while becoming energy independent again. It would be wonderful if the citizens of our country pulled together to make America great again. Keep your eyes open, however, for the puppeteers behind the scenes may not "go quietly into the night."

Pray that, as we enter this new era, righteousness will prevail over evil, and may "God bless America, land that we love; stand beside her, and guide her, through the night with a light from above."

Dixie Dave Ellis
Hammond

The GOP has its victory

Billionaires don't worry about getting or losing a job - paying rent or medical debt - qualifying for a loan to pay their bills - buying groceries - or having enough money to retire. They're driven to get money, increase their wealth and keep it. That's why nine out of ten billionaires contribute to the Republican Party. They're not interested in low and middle class Americans getting tax cuts or better wages; although

their puppet Republican politicians have to claim they are in order to get elected.

If the GOP were truly interested in helping average Americans, why has "the party of business" used their influence to widen the present wealth gap in our country, with the top 10% attaining 70% of US wealth? Right-wing billionaires control everything: Wall Street, banking, corporate America and 90% of media conglomerates (not the "liberals", as the GOP likes to falsely claim). The GOP nurtures their "economy" and financial empire; not the crumbs - the remaining 30% of wealth left over for wage and salary workers.

Hate to break it to you, but billionaires have no reason to worry or care about any of the over-hyped election issues Republican voters got worked up about: non-whites overrunning America - immigrants stealing jobs - saving "unborn babies" - reducing crime - keeping their guns - banning gays - exalting Christianity - or owning the "libs". Those may have been the reasons people chose to vote Republican. But those issues don't necessarily impact the lives of billionaires - whether Republican or Democrat.

But there is a difference. Wealthy Democrats donate to politicians supporting that "inconvenient" thing that gets in the way of helping the rich get richer. It's called democracy "for the people". Imagine that life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness isn't just about money! Imagine granting women the same status as men - respecting those of a different race, culture or religion - government legislation helping average American families - regulatory safeguards - or people considering others instead of only caring about themselves.

But once again Republicans conned their voters into believing that Democrats are elitists "looking down on real Americans". What a clever manipulative twist to distract voters from the reality of their money-grabbing, ultra-rich friendly (not working-class) agenda. The astute voters will notice how easily GOP politicians like Stefanik swayed her voters - as she laughs all the way to living in the UN Ambassador \$15.85M penthouse condo at the Manhattan UN Plaza.

Martha Hodges
Massena

Youth Garden Club thanked by mayor

Editor's note+: The following letter from Ogdensburg Mayor Michael Tooley dated Aug. 21, to the Ogdensburg Youth Garden Club was submitted by Desiree Charleston.

Dear Friends:

When Ogdensburg City Councilors arrived in Council Chambers in City Hall for our August 12 meet-

ing, how surprised and pleased we were to find waiting for us a beautiful bouquet flowers! We were informed that Amelia Lesperance, Juliet Bond and Mariah Stull delivered this floral arrangement to us shortly after 4 PM that day. I am disappointed that I was not in my office to receive your gift, greet the students and thank you personally.

Please know that at the start of our August 12 meeting I informed the public of your gift, and on behalf of the entire City Council expressed our appreciation for the Ogdensburg Youth Garden Club's thoughtfulness.

I commend all students who are members of the Ogdensburg Youth Garden Club for your participation in this organization. Learning about and developing the skills needed to create a garden will help you in the future as you look to enhance the beauty of your home or business.

Gardens help make our community a nice place to live, and help express the pride we have for the City of Ogdensburg.

Also, thanks to your instructors who share their valuable time with you to help you learn about creating and nurturing a garden.

I commend you for your interest and membership in the Ogdensburg Youth Garden Club.

Sincerely,
Michael J. Tooley
Mayor
City of Ogdensburg
cc: Ogdensburg City Council

Republican Party to save country?

I read the recent opinion by "Dixie" Dave Ellis regarding what he is thankful for.

He talks about how Trump and the Republican Party are going to save the country from "4 years of backsliding" by Biden and the Democratic Party.

So he is for destroying the economy again after 4 years of record breaking growth through the Democratic economic policies?

Or against holding massive corporations accountable for their treatment of workers and the overpricing of products for the consumers?

Or he is for a raise in tariffs and affecting our international relations for it?

Or for a rise in white supremacy and racism that surged under Trump's first term? I mean, he calls himself "Dixie" Dave.

I state these things because he is rooting for them to happen. He claims that Biden "won" when Biden did win, he just likes to deny it like other maga. He is willing to shred the constitution of its powers and destroy the rule of law, because Trump is willing to do this to support his racist agenda and his terrible trade decisions.

It is sad that people like this are considered intellectuals now.

Jeffrey Wilson
Massena

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Last week's question

How many meats have you consumed from a harvest of wild game?

HOW MANY OF THE FOLLOWING meats -- Venison, Turkey, Bear, Rabbit, Fish, Squirrel, or Waterfowl -- have you consumed from a harvest of wild game in St. Lawrence County?

on Thanksgiving, but what pie is your favorite on turkey day -- pumpkin, apple, pecan, berry, chocolate cream, peanut butter or sweet potato?

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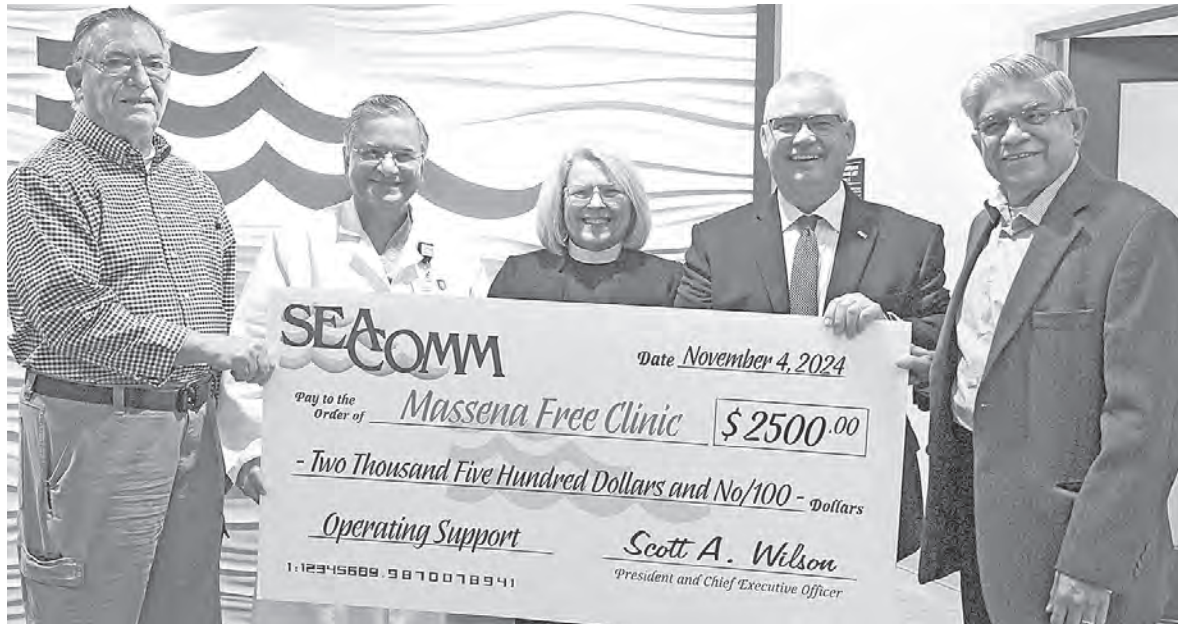
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SeaComm | Submitted

SeaComm Federal Credit Union recently donated \$2,500 to the Massena Free Clinic in support of their ongoing mission to serve uninsured adults in Massena and surrounding communities. The clinic provides an array of free services to uninsured individuals, including primary medical care, testing, and prescriptions. From the left are Massena Free Clinic Board Treasurer Mac Shoen, Dr. Jayant Jhaveri, Massena Free Clinic Board President Reverend Sonya Boyce, SeaComm President and Chief Executive Officer Scott Wilson, Dr. Nemes Desai.

Life's Journey In Active Recovery: Felix's Story with Canton-Potsdam Hospital

POTSDAM – In 2021, Felix Ramirez was charged with driving under the influence, and was ordered to go into rehabilitation services through Canton-Potsdam Hospital (CPH). He said that arrest was the best thing that ever happened to him.

The now 31-year-old Ramirez has been in active recovery since that time, and admitted, because he's not perfect, he slips up sometimes.

The Massachusetts native grew up in a small community where there was a heavy drug-related business, which he was part of.

"That was how I made a living in the hood. I started dealing heroin when I was 16. It was the norm. I was expelled for assault, and was thrown out of high school. As a teenager I did coke (cocaine), Percocet, and weed, but because I wasn't shooting up I rationalized that I was not a druggie."

Ramirez came from a large family, and noted the majority of his siblings have had encounters with drugs and/or alcohol. His father had moved to Plattsburgh, and after not seeing each other for five years, his dad asked him to come and live with him. The teen took his father up on the offer and was hopeful he would have a new way of life.

"Before long I was attracted to the same type of people I knew and took up with my old habits of selling again," Ramirez said. "When I was about 28 I gave up making money that way, but I was smoking weed and overdoing it with the drinking on weekends. I would pass out and have black outs, but because I wasn't doing it every day it was hard for me to see myself as an alcoholic. This dragged on for months, and something in me told me to get out of that area."

It was around this time when Ramirez received that fateful driving under the influence charge. In January 2022 he was sent to CPH for a 28-day treatment program, and ended up losing his job, car, and license.

"I had no other choice but to get help. I would have done anything to not go home and face the embarrassment of what had happened,"

he said.

"I'm always a happy partier – I like to celebrate things, and in February (2022) I went home for my mom's birthday and I celebrated that," he recalled. "I was back at CPH for rehab from May to June."

During his treatment, Ramirez knew he had to make some changes. "I wasn't happy with my life and where it would go if I kept following the same path," he said.

"In talking with the counselors, I realized I kept comparing myself to others. It wasn't until I worked with them and was able to talk about what was making me sad and breaking me inside that made me see what was going on," he added. "Rehab gave me the time to gather my thoughts and talk about things."

CPH Operations Manager of Behavioral Health William Doyle noted recovery looks different for each person. For some people treatment may work, meetings may work, and others may quit trying altogether.

"To start recovery, you have to know what caused the addiction. There is always a reason," he said. "Finding the right path for each person is important. We evolve as humans and have to give grace to ourselves if we fail – that is very important."

Upon release from the program, Ramirez lived in a half-way house in Canton and decided to grab hold of some opportunities in front of him. He earned his GED (general equivalency diploma), started working out and got in shape, and in January 2023 he began attending SUNY Canton.

"While I was growing up my mom and grandma always said to put God first. Where I came from,

the belief was always there," he stated.

That part of his childhood led him to the local Calvary Baptist Church, where the pastor befriended him. In finding another non-judgement group of people to be around, like when he was in rehab, Ramirez began delving more into the bible and believing the church is a guide for him.

"The pastor is one of my closest friends. I now have productive interests that I share with people I know. It's nice to have people who look out for me because I earned that friendship. It wasn't bought, and it's not because they are scared of me," he said.

As Ramirez continues on this active recovery journey, he was asked by a CPH counselor to come and speak with the individuals who are undergoing the same rehabilitation program he went through.

"I tell them I stumbled a lot, and it's hard to break bad habits. What it comes down to is, don't you want to live? There is somebody who loves you, someone who looks up to you. They are waiting for you to get it together," Ramirez stated. "It's not easy to put your pride to the side, but living trumps all of that."

Doyle pointed out the recovery community is very tight, and the entire process is about finding yourself.

To learn about Rochester Regional Health's St. Lawrence Region Substance Use Disorder services, visit <https://www.stlawrencehealthsystem.org/Services/Substance-Use>. Information on Behavioral Health services can be found at <https://www.stlawrencehealthsystem.org/services/behavioral-health>.

JRECK Subs customers can win Xmas stocking

JRECK Subs is spreading holiday cheer with a festive giveaway just in time for the season.

From December 1 to December 20, 2024, customers at area JRECK Subs locations will have the chance to win an 8-foot Christmas stocking, packed full of exciting toys and games for kids. Whether you're stopping by for a delicious sub or just to take part in the fun, entering is simple and free.

To enter, simply visit any participating JRECK Subs location and fill out an entry form with your contact information. Drop the completed form into the entry box at the store, and you'll be entered into the draw-

ing for a chance to win the grand prize. No purchase is necessary, and each person can submit one entry. One lucky winner will receive an 8-foot Christmas stocking filled with toys and games for children.

The giveaway is open to all customers 18 and older at participating JRECK Subs locations. Winners will be randomly selected at the end of the giveaway period. No purchase is necessary. One entry per person. Winners will be contacted via the contact information provided on their entry forms.

For more information about the giveaway or any questions, customers are encouraged to email the

SeaComm donates \$1,000 to Massena Neighborhood Center

MASSENA – SeaComm recently donated \$1,000 in support of the Massena Neighborhood Center.

The funds will be used to assist the organization in providing nutritious food and necessary services to local families in need during the

holiday season.

The Massena Neighborhood Center operates Monday through Friday by the generosity of dedicated volunteers and donors like SeaComm.

Four Rotary Clubs support ARC

Members of the Rotary Clubs of Canton, Massena, Ogdensburg and Potsdam recently presented a check for \$8,500 to The Arc Jefferson - St.

Lawrence CEO Lynn Pietroski.

The money will be used in support of its summer 2024 summer camp for children with disabilities.

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Gretchen Braun and her family participated in a scholarship signing celebration on Tuesday, Nov. 19, at the Canton High School Learning Resource Center. Braun, a student from Lisbon Central School, recorded seven Section X records and earned All-American status in the 100 backstroke and 100 freestyle as a member of the Canton Bears swim team. Braun will continue her swimming career at Division I Northwestern University.

Students named to high honor roll, honor roll at Massena High School

MASSENA – Students in grades 9-12 at Massena Central High School have been named to the High Honor Roll and Honor Roll for the 1st marking period of the 2024-2025 school year.

To qualify for the High Honor, students need to have an average of 92-100 and have at least 85% in all subjects and maintain a 92% average.

Criteria for the honor roll is having a 85-91% average and students will have at least 80% in all subjects and maintain an 85% average.

High Honor Roll

Grade 9: Lilly Barksdale, Karli Bigness, Madelyn Binion, Bostin Caldwell, Sadie Cameron, Gabriel Coe, Zoe Cook, Colin Cyrus, Logan David, Gabrielle Debien, Brynn DeVivo, Jason DuBray, Aiden Edwards, Marcus Firnstein, Madden Herne, Stella Kelso, Cooper Kennedy, Zaleigh King, Madelyn Laraby, Cohen LaShomb, Karissa LaShomb, Tayte Lincoln, Bella Love, Kylie Murtagh, Gauge Northrup, Jakob Page, Reese Prentice, Wyatt Preston, Brayden Richards, Keegan Roberts, Rori Siddon, and Summer Thompson-Garrow.

Grade 10: Jaydenlee Alvarado, Jasalyn Arcet, Alexander Cichetti, Kyla Donahue, Karynn Dow, Collin Earl, Kohl Goodfellow, Lexsi Greco, Mary Hamilton, Coleton Henry, Natalie Hurlbut, Abigail LaBarge, Kaylie Ledbetter, Mackenzie Matthes, Peyton McDermott, Elijah

Morgan, Lauren Oliver, Austin Richards, Hannah Roundpoint, Monteiro Salvador, Kadya Spoon, Kristy Summers, Kole Topa, Emma Tyo, Noah Westmacott, and Aubrey White.

Grade 11: Hailey Boulais, Christopher Boyea, Devan Butterfield, Andrew David, Brooke-Lynn Demo, Jordan DuBray, Sadie Fent, Gemma Girard, Cheyenne Goodspeed, Emma Gushlaw, Lauren Henning, Michael Herrick, Benjamin Hoxie, Jeremiah Hurlbut, Joie-Lynn Jabaut, Jack Jarrett, Zachary Johnson, Jaeden LaFleur, Allie Lincoln, Colin Mayer, Brody Miller, Jacob Monroe, Bethany Myers, Mackenzie Oldenburgh, Trinity Osgood, Carson Roberts, Deacon Tsibulsky, and Hannah Worthley.

Grade 12: Brennan Aldous, Samantha Arney, Mercedes Barse, Isabel Beard, Evan Bovay, Owen Cyrus, Katelyn Earl, Meghan Firnstein, Shelby-Lynn Firnstein, Natalee Gooshaw, Sophia Greco, Austin Hardy, Trent Howland, Laila Jarrett, Adele LaBarge, Madison LaDuke, Hailey LaShomb, Isabelle Laughlin, Molly LaVack, Tyler Lippassaar, Ella Matejeik, Leah Morgan, Thomas Murray III, Andrew Peets, Emma Pollack-Marashian, Ameerah Premo, Ananda Premo, Sophia Prentice, Sydney Rochefort, Garrett St. Hilaire, Haileigh St. Louis, Kaitlin Stowell, Adrianna Summers, Xavier Taddonio, Cullen Taraska, Connor Trimboli, Alexandra Westmacott, and Zander Wilhelm.

Honor Roll

Grade 9: Samantha Beard, Easton Bingham, Andrew Boyea, Samuel Brand, Alyssa Bullock, Konner Butler, Victoria Castro, Ciara Chapman, Jessalyn Collier, Sebastian Fent, Aurora Hance, Austin Hannah-Albon, Jordyn Jabaut, Jordan Klught, Kira

McGee, Gavin Mitchell, Christopher Moore Jr., Quinten Morris, Jake Paller, Addison Pelletier, Natalia Sunday, Aaden Tarbell, and Peyton Weaver.

Grade 10: Luke Arno, Luke Bogart, Josey Bonilla, Tyson Brown, Tucker Connor, Emmalyn Faucher, Reese Faucher, Bryce Flynn, Millie Gamble, Connor Gardner, Nevaeh Gardner, Gabriel Gilbert, Chloe Gooshaw, Kamryn Jandrew, Christine LaBar, Vivianne Martinez, Kimber O'Donnell, September Page, Mason Phelix, Jenna Pryce, Armani Rife, Gwendolyn Sharp, Taven Tassie, Alyssa Therrien, Zada Torrey, Noah Trombly, Jose Verdugo III, Kairi Weber, Wiley White, Nicholas Winston, and Jeric Wolstenholme.

Grade 11: Owen Baker, Mason Deshane, Joel Dinovo, Morgan Farnsworth, Kate Finnegan, Camron Francis, Lanie Gollinger, Ava Goodspeed, Julianna Hubbard, David LaDue, Rory Lawrence, Arieonna Murphy, Vanessa Stanaka, Mason Thomas, Kaniehtentha Thompson, Drake Villnave, and Makenna Webb.

Grade 12: Lauryn Arnold, Macie Ashley, Aiden Beckstead, Nickolas Binan, Elizabeth Birdou, Cole Bogart, Lillian Carr, Madison Deragon, Hunter DeRushia, Alister Donnelly, Jeffery Ford, Nicholas Gilbert, Nathan Goolden, Gracie Granger, Nolan Hurlbut, Bella Jolley, Deanna Konkowski, Tapeni LaBrake Jr., Kaiden LeRoux, Haylee Love, Alex Mather, Justin Monroe, Dominic Murtagh, Parker O'Neil, Hannah O'Shea, Nathan Page, Christian Riddle, Kayla Topa, and Landon Ward.



Submitted Photo

From the left are SAC Board President, Helen Edelstein, Laura Jandrew, Barbara M. Burnie, President, North Country Chapter.

Senior Action Council honors Laura Jandrew

MASSENA – Laura Jandrew, Massena, an active new-member recruiter for the North Country Chapter of The New York State-wide Senior Action Council (StateWide) since the 1990's, was awarded The Robert O'Donnell Award, an honor given to a member who has done extraordinary work to promote the growth and development of the organization at its annual convention in Saratoga

Springs. Laura has been an active recruiter of new members and has participated in uncountable outreach events for three decades, actively working chapter "tables" to promote StateWide and selling raffle tickets. Even as it became more difficult for her to walk, she would still attend. She said, "As long as I can, I can provide information and sell tickets!"

Area student presented Key Awards from Elmira College

Several Massena and Ogdensburg area students are recipients of Key Awards from Elmira College.

A tradition that goes back to 1935, the Key Award is presented to outstanding students in their junior year of high school or preparatory school. Recipients receive an \$88,000 scholarship over a four-year period, \$22,000 per year, upon enrolling at Elmira College.

Local students include: Brasher Falls: Shania Stewart. Depeyster: Emma Jackson and Cassidy Pray. Hammond: Kinsey Wurzburg. Heuvelton: Madison Burnett, Hannah Trombley, and Cooper White.

Lisbon: Jaryn LaRock. Ogdensburg: Abby Williams, Isabelle Woodcock, Leland Brown, Averie Farrand, Madailynn Fennessy, Mackenzie Richards, Jazmine Carpenter, Julia Johnson, Addison Graveline, Raelee Downs, and Laughlin O'Donnell. Rensselaer Falls: Mackenzie Thurman.

Brown releases music video

MASSENA – Local recording artist Eddie Brown has just released a music video for "Country Club," the lead single off his debut album, "Versatile."

Shot on location in Massena, the video brings local energy and humor to the screen, with a celebration of North Country's culture and love for a good time.

Directed by Neil Albito, the video captures the lighthearted vibe Eddie is known for, blending playful scenes and country traditions in a lively visual story.

The video casting was open to any resident across the region, giving local people a chance to step in front of the camera alongside Eddie. This community-centric approach has created a music video that feels authentic and relatable, with scenes of BBQs, dancing, and the camaraderie that is the essence of living in Northern NY.

View the music video at <https://youtu.be/w1wOq5c19-0>
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Massena Seniors have new officers

MASSENA – The Massena Senior Citizen's, 61 Beach St., have a new slate of officers.

Bonnie McCarthy is the organization's new president.

Carol Shoen-Carney is the new vice president.

Valerie Harrington is the new secretary, Carroll LaDue is the new treasurer and Tim Mittace is assistant treasurer.

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'Light Up the Night' parade steps out in O'burg



Photo courtesy of Kathy LaRock

Santa and Mrs. Claus make an appearance at the "Light Up the Night" parade in downtown Ogdensburg Saturday, Nov. 23. Ogdensburg celebrated the holidays Saturday as Santa and Mrs. Claus arrived in a colorful nighttime parade featuring many floats. Santa then visited with children at the Dobisky Center. Earlier, over 100 vendors filled the Kennedy Elementary School. The events were a fundraiser for Ogdensburg International Seaway Festival.



Photo courtesy of Ogdensburg International Seaway Festival.

An inflatable snow globe was atop one of the trucks in the "Light Up the Night" parade in downtown Ogdensburg Saturday, Nov. 23.



Photo courtesy of Ogdensburg City Recreation

Inflatable polar bears, penguins and snowmen were among the themes in the "Light Up the Night" parade in downtown Ogdensburg Saturday, Nov. 23.



Photo courtesy of Ogdensburg International Seaway Festival

Attendees at Ogdensburg's Dobisky Center pose with the Grinch, following the "Light Up the Night" parade.

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Polar Plunge returns to Lisbon

OGDENSBURG – The Saint Lawrence Polar Plunge to benefit Special Olympics New York will be returning to Northern New York after a five-year absence on Saturday, Dec. 7. Attendees from across Northern New York will gather at Lisbon Beach, 9975 State Highway 37, to raise funds and awareness for Special Olympics New York athletes in the North Country Region.

The Polar Plunge, with the slogan “Freezin’ for a Reason”, is one of the most popular, profitable, and exciting fundraisers for Special Olympics New York. Participants raise money by asking friends, family,

colleagues, and acquaintances for donations.

Registration is 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Plunge at 12 p.m.

The 2019 Saint Lawrence Polar Plunge had 117 participants and raised over \$10,000 for the athletes of Special Olympics New York. Register online today at polarplungeny.org to be a part of this year’s event.

For more information, contact Carolyn Braunius at cbraunius@nyso.org or (518) 930-4882 or Tim Welpé at timwelp@gmail.com or (315) 212-1876.

Holiday fun at the library

OGDENSBURG – Celebrate the holidays at the Ogdensburg Public Library.

Pick up a free dreidel and learn how to play the dreidel on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 11 a.m.

Paint a holiday themed ceramic tree ornament to bring home on Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 5 p.m.

The craft is designed for ages 5 and up.

Lego Play at the Ogdensburg Public Library will be held Wednesday, Dec. 18, at 5 p.m. for ages 5-12.

Complete a challenge or just experiment on your own with Lego bricks.

Take home crafts are available for pick up at the front desk during library hours.

Library hours are Mondays 1:30-5:00p.m.; Wednesdays 11:30 a.m.-7:00p.m.; Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 9:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Saturdays 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

The library will be closed for the holidays on Dec. 24-26, Dec. 31, and Jan. 1.

‘HO, HO, HO’ celebration planned

MASSENA – The second annual “HO, HO, HO, Celebration” will be held Saturday, Dec. 14, at Massena Public Library with a visit from Santa Claus from 10 a.m. - noon.

Also, a book sale will be held from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., and a bake sale from 9:30 until everything is sold.

The Adirondack Singers will be performing seasonal music at 1 p.m. Santa will read a special story to children at 11:00 a.m. Bring a camera and capture the event.

Sponsor a Child for Winter program dinner

OGDENSBURG -- The SLC People Project is once again raising funds for their Sponsor a Child for Winter project by hosting a spaghetti and meatball dinner and chance auction on Dec. 3 starting at 4:30 p.m. at Ogdensburg Elks Lodge, 322 Caroline St. The meal will include tossed salad and Italian bread. Cost is \$12 and the meal is eat-in or take-out.

The “Sponsor A Child for Winter” campaign was created to help provide warm winter gear to area children during the long cold winters in the North Country.

Tickets for a lottery basket raffle worth \$150 of lottery tickets can be purchased at the front desk starting Nov. 30, with the raffle at 3 p.m. on Dec. 14.

Later in the day, Fever International Music Group and Todd Page will sponsor a Massena Public Library fundraiser at the Massena Massena Moose Lodge, 6 Ames St., starting at 3 p.m. with live bands playing until closing. Admission is \$5 at the door.

Last year, through donations, the SLC People Project was able to help 200 local children stay warm.

Help by “sponsoring” a child or two, or even sponsoring a group of children.

Sponsor levels: Sponsor 1 child for \$50; sponsor 2 children for \$100; sponsor a group for \$500; sponsor a grade level for \$1000; sponsor a school for \$5000

Donations can be sent to: SLC People Project, PO Box 763, 431 State St., Ogdensburg, NY 13669.

Also donate via Paypal: @slc1pp1 .

Library organization hosting quilt raffle

BRASHER FALLS - Friends of the Badenhause Public Library are raffling off a handmade quilt to raise funds in support of the library through December 22. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20 and can be purchased at the library during their regular hours:

- Monday 10-6
- Tuesday 10-6
- Wednesday 10-6
- Thursday 9-4
- Saturday 9-4

The full-size quilt was donated for the fundraiser and is on display at the library.

Tickets: Christmas Magic on Main Street, Lavish Salon at 2 p.m. on Dec. 1, at Sweet Starts with Santa at the St. Lawrence Central elementary school at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7; and at the monthly Friends used book sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7.

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WHAT'S GOING ON

SATURDAY, NOV. 30

Rotary Holiday Market

MASSENA Rotary Holiday Market Saturday, November 30, 2024 There will be a wide variety of vendors to help you with your holiday shopping for your friends and family. This is a fundraiser for the Massena Rotary Charity fund. Free.

Bob Ross paint class

NORWOOD -- A Paint Just Like Bob Ross class will be held Saturday, Nov. 30 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Norwood Municipal Building with certified Bob Ross instructor Aaron William Markel. All supplies included. Fee is \$65. Call 315-514-5616 to reserve a spot.

Dawn Snyder jamboree

MASSENA -- There will be a jamboree of Dawn Marie Snyder on Nov. 30 starting at 2 p.m. at the Rusty Wheel. The event is being held to celebrate Snyder and raise money to properly put her to rest, say organizers. All are welcome. There will be music, karaoke and food. 50/50 tickets and numerous raffles. Free.

Public skating

OGDENSBURG -- Public skating is being held at Lockwood Arena Nov. 30 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Entry fee is \$2. Skate rentals are \$3.

Merry Market

OGDENSBURG -- Get into the holiday spirit at Remington's Merry Market, a charming holiday market event showcasing local artisans, unique gifts, and seasonal treats, on Saturday, Nov. 30, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at The Frederic Remington Art Museum, 311 Washington St. The market will feature a curated selection of local artisan's products in the expanded gift shop and several food and drink vendors offering samples and products. Members: Free entry + an additional 5% discount on all gift shop purchases (on top of existing membership

discounts). Non-members: \$5 admission fee, with a 5% discount on all gift shop purchases. FredericRemington.org.

SUNDAY, DEC. 1

Safe driving course

OGDENSBURG - Ogdensburg City School District is offering a 5-hour safe driving course, Sunday, Dec. 1 from 9-2:30. Call Mrs. O'Grady at 315-393-0900 x31920 to register.

Small Town Ramblers

HEUVELTON - Amvets Post 1997, 107 State St., will host a dance featuring the Small Town Ramblers band on Dec. 1 from 1-5 p.m. \$5 cover.

MONDAY, DEC. 2

Auxiliary meeting

HEUVELTON - Amvets Ladies Auxiliary 1997 will meet Dec. 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the post, 107 State St.

TUESDAY, DEC. 3

Spaghetti benefit

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Tabletop roleplaying Q&A

POTSDAM -- The Dice Tell A Story: A Brief Overview of Tabletop Roleplaying a presentation by Sara Cantwell will be held at Creative Spirit Community Arts Center, 6-8 Raymond St., on Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 6 p.m. Cantwell will cover what a Tabletop Roleplaying Game is and their origins. Exploring the current landscapes of TTRPGs with an open Q&A conversation. Cantwell among many things is a lead writer for Illuminacrum Studio Arts

LLC and her most recent publication is the TTRPG How to Survive... Zombies if you are a Zero. Open and free to the public. Donations welcome.

WEDS., DEC. 4

'GriefShare' seminar

LISBON -- Lisbon Wesleyan Church is hosting a "GriefShare" seminar, "Surviving the Holidays," to provide encouragement, support and valuable tools to navigate the season. The seminar takes place Dec. 4 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the church at 48 Church St. To register email pastorray@lisbonwc.org. For info: Barb Shoemaker, 315-394-0898.

Suicide support group

GOVERNEUR - Rochester Regional Health's St. Lawrence Region and the Suicide Awareness Coalition are sponsoring a monthly Suicide Loss Survivor's Support Group meetings on first Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at Gouverneur Community Center, 4673 NY-58. Next group session will be Dec. 4 and is free and open to the public. Offers a safe space to be heard, understood, and supported. Info: mary.dousharm@rochesterregional.org, or call (315) 261-5415, extension 5638.

Wing Nite

NORWOOD -- Wednesday Nite Wing Nite will be held Dec. 4, 4-6 p.m., at the Norwood American Legion, 10 Maple St. \$1/wing, eat-in only.

THURSDAY, DEC. 5

Featured artist

WADDINGTON - Carol Backus, a talented oil painter, will be the featured artist at the Gallery at Lake Saint Lawrence Arts from December 5 through December 27. The Gallery is located at 14 Main Street, Waddington. The exhibit runs Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

FRIDAY, DEC. 6

Friday Fun Night

HEUVELTON - Amvets Post 1997, 107 State St., will host a Friday Fun Night on Dec. 6, 6-9 p.m. Prizes for the best 80s theme outfit. Featuring KC Karaoke. Free. Queen of Hearts drawing at 7.

Holidas ale

GOVERNEUR -- The Gouverneur Hospital Auxiliary Holiday Sale will be held Dec. 6 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Gouverneur Community Center, 4673 State Highway 58. Many nice items for sale: holiday decor, homemade items, stocking stuffers, gift baskets, and unique gifts. Also, soup/roll, desserts, cookies, and fudge available to purchase. \$0.

SATURDAY, DEC. 7

Christmas party

MASSENA -- Liberty Utilities sponsors this free annual Christmas party for the community on Dec. 7, from 1-3:30 p.m. at the Massena Moose Lodge, 4 Ames St. Snacks and Refreshments are provided. Children can make a craft that will be donated to a resident of St. Joseph's Home in Ogdensburg. Grinch and Cindy Lou Who will be on hand. Face paintin, tattoos, ugly sweater contest. Free.

Book sale

BRASHER FALLS - Friends of the Badenhausen Public Library will be holding a used book sale on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Badenhausen Library, 897 Main St. Featured this month will be a selection of coffee table books which make great holiday gifts. A selection of holiday themed books for all ages will also be featured. All other book genres will also be available. Book prices are as follows: Adult Hardcover \$2, Adult Paperback \$1, Children's Hardcover \$1, and Children's Paperback and Board Books 2/\$1. Children and young adults can select one free book at each monthly book sale. Funds raised will benefit the Badenhausen Public Library. Book sales on the first Saturday of each month as an on-going fundraiser.

Holiday bazaar

NORWOOD -- The Annual Holiday Bazaar at St. Philip's Episcopal church, 42 S. Main St., will take place from on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. This year we will have attic treasures, holiday items, baked goods, hot foods to takeout, and our popular raffle theme baskets. Complimentary refreshments.

Holiday book, bake sale

NORWOOD -- The Friends of the Norwood Public Library are hosting a Holiday

Book and Bake Sale on Saturday, Dec. 7, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Books will be priced at \$5 per bag. Children's books are free. The Friends would appreciate donations of used books, in good condition for the sale. Fiction and large print books are especially wanted. They are overwhelmed with non-fiction, children's and young adult books. All profits from the sale benefit the many programs that the library has to offer. Friendly Bookroom is open during all library hours.

Holiday parade

MASSENA -- Horizons Youth Clubhouse is hosting a Holiday Parade for the Massena community on Saturday, Dec. 7. This will follow the regular Massena Parade route; starting on Center Street, hop on Main Street, then go all the way down to Springs Park. The parade will begin at 5 p.m. There will be 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes for floats. Anyone and everyone can sign up to participate. Visit <https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/sdr487b> to register a float.

Learn to play dreidel

OGDENSBURG -- Celebrate the holidays at the Ogdensburg Public Library. Pick up a free dreidel and learn how to play the dreidel on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 11 a.m.

Pancakes with Santa

MASSENA -- Massena First United Methodist Church, 189 Main St., will host Pancakes with Santa on Saturday, Dec. 7, 9-11 a.m. Doors open at 8:45 a.m. and close at 9:05 a.m. There will be gifts, crafts, and a Bible story. The event is free. RSVP to Fae at 315-769-8036. Limited to the first 120 people.

Polar Plunge

OGDENSBURG - The Saint Lawrence Polar Plunge to benefit Special Olympics New York will be returning to Northern New York after a five-year absence on Saturday, Dec. 7 at Lisbon Beach, 9975 State Highway 37, to raise funds and awareness for Special Olympics New York athletes in the North Country Region. Registration is 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Plunge at 12 p.m. For more information, contact Carolyn Braunius at cbraunius@nyso.org or (518) 930-4882 or Tim Welpé at timwelpé@gmail.com or (315) 212-1876.



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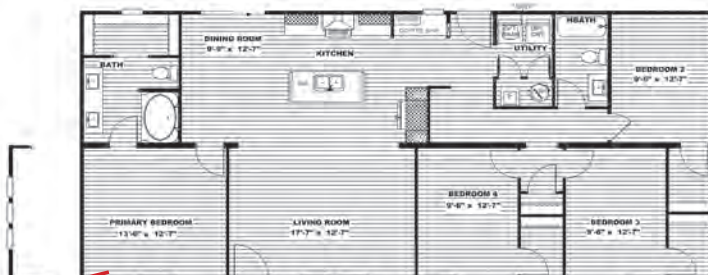
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been working to establish the board due to a host of accusations of ethical violations that were alleged in recent years.

The council is hopeful the board will create a non-biased oversight to ensure that the city code of ethics is followed.

In recent weeks the City Council approved changes to the ethics code following a public hearing that will create a new board that will offer advisory opinions on grievances that come before it.

Members of the board must reside in the city and will serve without compensation at the pleasure of the City Council.

A majority of members had to be persons other than officers or employees of the City of Ogdensburg and at least one member who is an elected or appointed municipal officer or employee.

According to the resolution, "the board shall have the powers and duties prescribed and will render advisory opinions to the officers and employees of the City of Ogdensburg with respect to the Code of Ethics as the Board may prescribe."

In addition, the Board may make recommendations with respect to the drafting and adoption of a Code of Ethics or amendments thereto upon request of the City Council. The legal counsel of the Board of Ethics shall be the City Attorney.

Mayor Tooley said the board will meet in January to establish bylaws.

Council members offered appreciation for those who stepped up to serve on the board.

TUGBOAT . . .

"They will make the Robinson Bay their own, continuing her legacy as a critical asset to the Great Lakes maritime community,"

Commander of the ninth district of the U.S. Coast Guard Rear Admiral Jon Hickey took a moment to compliment the men and women who have served aboard and maintained the Robinson Bay, saying she was one of "the best maintained, cleanest and best labeled vessels" he had ever seen.

He also took time to compliment the numerous Seaway employees who execute the day-to-day operations of the shipping lane.

"It's wonderful what they do to ensure the safety and security and efficient flow of commerce and goods across the MTS, the marine transport system, every single day," Adm. Hickey said.

He commented that with the Robinson Bay soon to be used as a training tool, it will only enhance the readiness of the maritime fleet that serves the Great Lakes and Seaway as a whole.

"It's a special moment in maritime history because the Robbie Bay has had such a storied history... it is going to help the Maritime Academy execute its mission," he said.

Adm. Hickey said having a "qualified, a trained, a documented

maritime workforce is so critically important to our maritime industry, our maritime execution of our maritime duties, our national security, our economic prosperity."

"That workforce is a critical element of us, our ability to execute the flow of goods and people over our marine transportation system," he said.

He said the Coast Guard does not do it alone, working closely with partners like merchant mariners and Canadian counterparts alike to ensure the shipping channel remains a viable source of commerce for both the United States and Canada.

"This is another demonstration of the vitality and health of the relationships that connect across all our kinds of stakeholders. I can tell you that without the partnership across our federal, state, local, tribal, industrial, international partners, the Coast Guard simply couldn't do its job. We all execute our collective mission stronger when we're working together," Adm. Hickey said.

Jerry Achenbach, superintendent of the Great Lakes Maritime Academy, also touched on what the donation of the vessel means to the academy as well.

He said in recent years the academy, and by extension its students, have rented a tug part-time to allow for training and licensing in the use of such vessels.

But with limited availability, he said that meant only about 25% of graduates would be full licensed by graduation.

Now with the Robinson Bay available to them full-time, all students will now graduate ready to provide service anywhere on the Great Lakes.

He said that readiness will prove essential to ensuring commerce and services remain uninterrupted.

AFGE Local 1968 Union President Fred Carter took a moment to praise the many crews that took to the waters of the Seaway, utilizing the tug for duties from ice breaking every spring to buoy installation from the mouth of Lake Ontario to Cornwall.

He said the Robinson Bay always stood ready to serve the Seaway and "always ensured that she brought her crew home safely" despite the inherent dangers of conducting such duties that are essential to the shipping industry on the Seaway.

Former Tug Master Danny Bradon said he could attest to the resilient tug, having served on her for more than 28 years prior to his retirement.

He, along with numerous other retired GLS employees, were on hand to bid the Robinson Bay farewell.

Bradon said it was a "good thing she can't talk because we'd all be in a lot of trouble."

He reminisced about his time working on "the Robbie Bay," calling it "a big deal to serve on her."

"As a kid from St. Regis Falls, that was unbelievable to serve on the Robbie Bay. For the next 28 years we did our thing. She always brought us home. I had some of my

most memorable moments in my life on that old girl and some of the most terrifying," he recounted.

Bradon said the most memorable by far was pulling into port near Montreal right after 9/11 happened.

He said visitors could watch as vessels came and went still, with many waiting for the Robbie Bay to pull in.

"As we came in we heard them chanting. 'Robbie Bay, U-S-A, Robbie Bay, U-S-A. Needless to say, when we got tied up I had tears coming down my cheeks,'" Bradon said.

He called the moment "one of the most emotional" he experienced in his 28 year career aboard the vessel.

"That's how much respect that little tug boat had. Whether we were in Montreal, we were in Cleveland, every time we talked on the radio, all the lakers would check in at one time or another. It's a sad day for me to see her go but she's going to be in good hands. I know a lot of young folks get to learn from her," he said.

One of the longest serving tugs on the Seaway, the Robinson Bay was the last of her kind to be in full-service as newer vessels phased in over the years.

"We entrust the Great Lakes Maritime Academy with our legacy and superintendent, we have every confidence that you, your faculty, your board, your staff and your students will continue to shape a brand new future for the Robbie Bay and our maritime industry," Tindall-Schlicht says.

BUDGET...

in the total taxes is expected to decrease from \$7.15 to \$6.97.

Appropriations in the budget will rise from \$296.5 million to \$304.7 million, while revenue is also expected to increase \$5.5 million, from \$242.4 million to \$247.9 million.

The property tax levy is also slated to increase, rising from \$54,051,752 to \$56,545,493.

Contributions to the New York State Retirement System are also expected to increase \$1 million, from \$6.9 million to \$7.9 million.

Health insurance expenses will rise \$2.7 million, rising from \$30.9 million to \$33.6 million.

Sales tax revenue is expected to decline, with county officials budgeting \$78.5 million for 2025, down from the \$80 million they budgeted last year.

Another major change will be the use of appropriated fund balance revenue, with \$300,000 slated for use in the 2025 budget. Legislators opted to not use any fund balance in the 2024 budget.

According to Doyle, county officials will be able to maintain the current service levels while recognizing and responding to increased need for services with the 2025 budget.

Though the budget includes an increased tax levy, Doyle said county officials were cognizant of changes in revenue streams that could affect the budget.

One area of concern in particular was the expected revenue from sales tax.

According to Doyle, sales tax projections in previous years led to a nearly \$10 million deficit due to an over reliance on tax revenue.

That in turn fell to taxpayers, she said.

But with the county now in a financially stronger position, Doyle said projections for sales tax collections were lowered slightly as "no revenue is ever guaranteed."

She said the occupancy tax projections were also adjusted modestly as well.

Projected revenue from the county clerk's office was also lowered \$300,000 this year, with Doyle noting that cycles attached to registrations greatly impact revenue as well.

"We're lowering expectations to better meet what is budgeted," she said.

Healthcare costs are also projected to rise \$2.9 million this year, Doyle said.

"Our FTEs (full-time employees) are immediately tied to what we pay in healthcare costs. So, that is expected to rise next year," she said.

Hospital and medical expenses are going to rise nearly \$1.5 million alone to \$19.7 million.

Pharmacy expenses are projected to rise \$800,000 to \$10.3 million, while administrative expenses will rise \$200,000 to \$1.4 million.

Dental expenses are projected to be flat at \$1.1 million, with vision expenses projected to rise \$2,000 to \$220,000.

Life insurance costs should remain flat at \$121,000, along with opt-out costs which remain flat at \$275,000.

Total tentative budget healthcare costs and benefits comes to \$33.1 million, up \$2.9 million from \$30.2 million in the 2024 adopted budget.

County contributions for highway capital projects are also slated to cost \$671,000 as the county contributes a portion of expenses related to four bridge projects in order to secure grant funding.

Among the projects will be the County Route 49 bridge over the east branch of the St. Regis River, which will require \$200,000 from the county, along with the County Route 36 bridge over the Grasse River, which will also require a \$200,000 contribution.

The County Route 22 bridge over Sawyer Creek will require \$133,500 from the county, while the County Route 34 bridge over Trout Brook will cost \$137,500 from the county.

A number of other projects are also in the works for the county, including roof and facade work on the former Sheriff's House and jail roof, which will take place in the fourth quarter of 2024.

Renovations to the Public Safety Complex are also slated to be completed in the first quarter of 2025.

Once those projects are complete, work will begin on the court house renovation project to the 1993 court house, which will also include window replacements.

Equipment purchases for the County Highway Department will also be part of the next budget, according to Doyle.

The budget would also maximize flexibility to absorb short and long-term cost increases associated with operations that would be related to inflation.

Under the budget, the county would also begin preparing for a number of 2025 capital projects, notably numerous improvements to the Court House and numerous window replacements around county facilities.

Additional miles of county roads will also be paved as well. This year alone the County Highway Department paved nearly 30 miles of county highways, despite also completing a number of road repairs following flooding on Aug. 9 and 10.

The 2025 budget would also allow the county to continue to fund reserves following the close of the year, Doyle said.

The 2025 budget would also see

an increase of 1.2% in the number of full-time equivalent positions, rising to 893.46 jobs.

A net staffing impact of +10.93 FTE is expected due to personnel changes in the 2025 budget, Doyle said.

Four FTEs were created, including a fiscal officer position in the Planning Office, a buildings and grounds supervisor in the Buildings and Grounds Department and two Social Welfare Examiners in the Social Services Department.

An increase of 6.93 FTEs is the result of the Vacancy Review Committee's actions during the year, which were recommended by department heads and approved by the board of legislators, Doyle said.

As part of the next budget, legislators will have to request an override of the 2% state tax cap as they plan to utilize the full \$1,538,287 of the tax cap, plus an additional \$955,454, for a total tax levy of \$2,493,741.

The next budget will also maintain an un-targeted contingency to include \$1 million to absorb unanticipated inflationary impacts on materials and supplies.

The budget would also include a targeted contingency for energy and an additional \$100,000 to assist with the unpredictable costs of energy, including gasoline, heating fuel and utilities, along with the increase in department budgets, Doyle said.

The Finance Committee is expected to pass the budget when they meet on Nov. 25, with the budget then moving to the full board on Dec. 2 for final approval.

With the tentative budget adopted by the Finance Committee, with a public hearing scheduled for Dec. 2 for the public to weigh-in.

Once complete, the full board will then move to adopt the budget, which must be done by Dec. 20.

Once adopted, the budget must be advertised two times within 20 days of adoption.

On January 1, 2025, the budget becomes available for use to support operations.

Trivia Test

- MOVIES: What is the name of the necklace that Rose throws into the sea at the end of "Titanic"?
- GEOGRAPHY: Where was the ancient city of Carthage located?
- TELEVISION: What are the names of the FBI agents on "The X-Files"?
- LITERATURE: Who wrote the short story "The Gift of the Magi"?
- HISTORY: When was the United Nations organization created?
- SCIENCE: What is the addictive substance in tobacco?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president signed into law the Sherman Antitrust Act?
- CHEMISTRY: What is the lightest of metallic elements?
- MYTHOLOGY: What is the name of the half-man, half-bull creature that inhabits the Labyrinth?
- FOOD & DRINK: What is challah?

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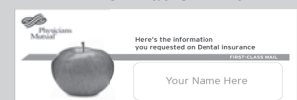
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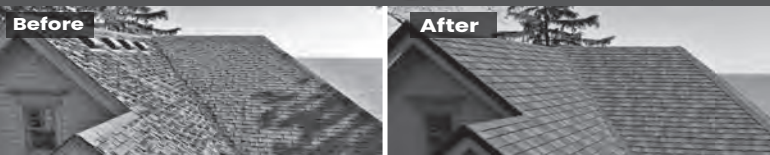
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Salary: \$52.00/hr-\$62.00/hr (pay based on level of education and experience)

Contact Kimberly Davies DNP, RN for more information.
Email: ferreek@canton.edu
Phone: 315-386-7172

Responsibilities: Clinical instruction using criterion referenced methods of evaluation; collaboration on course content, implementation, and evaluation; maintain an effective relationship with clinical sites.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree required and Master's Degree preferred.
- Must possess a valid, unencumbered RN license in New York State, and the American Heart Association Healthcare Provider BLS for Adults, Infant, and Child.

Application Deadline: open until filled; application review begins immediately.
Persons interested in the above position should send their resume to hr@canton.edu

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 a criminal background check.

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Application Deadline: **December 4, 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



ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

Administrative Assistant II Donor Relations Department

St. Lawrence University invites applications for a 12-Month, **Administrative Assistant II** position.

The salary range is \$18.84-\$25.94/hr.

To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, as well as application instructions please visit: <https://employment.stlawu.edu/postings/3910> or <https://employment.stlawu.edu/> for all positions available.

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ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

Dining Services Leader Dining & Conference Services Department

St. Lawrence University invites applications for a **Full-time, Seasonal, Dining Services Leader**.

The salary is \$18.63 - \$27.09/hr.

To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, as well as application instructions please visit: <https://employment.stlawu.edu/postings/3901> or <https://employment.stlawu.edu/> for all positions available.

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HEUVELTON Central School District has an opening for Clerk of the Works

The Heuvelton Central School District has an opening for Clerk of the Works/Resident Project Representative for a Capital Project. **The \$24.9 million Capital Project will cover approximately a 24-month period beginning on or about February, 2025.**

Applicants must be responsible for reviewing plans and specifications to ensure that all phases and divisions of construction comply with the contract documents. A detailed list of roles and responsibilities of the Clerk can be obtained by contacting the District Office.

Interested applicants should send a letter of interest, resume and letters of reference no later than December 2, 2024 to:

Ms. Tessa Herron, District Clerk
Heuvelton Central School District
87 Washington Street, NY 13654
therron@heuvelton.k12.ny.us

MASSENA PUBLIC NOTICE THE TOWN OF MASSENA HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT IS SEEKING A FULL-TIME MOTOR EQUIPMENT OPERATOR (MEO). Starting salary is \$27.97 per hour, along with a generous benefits package. Applicants must have a valid NY State CDL Class B driver's license and possess good mechanical ability. Applications may be obtained at the Massena Town Hall located at 60 Main Street Room 3 (Town Clerk's Office), Massena, NY 13662 beginning November 25, 2024 and dropped off to the same location no later than 4 PM on December 6, 2024. Additional requirements and complete job description will be included in the application packet. Successful candidates must live in the Massena Electric Department service area. The Town of Massena is an equal opportunity employer.

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

Hospice seeks a full-time Social Worker to provide support to patients and families at end-of-life. Primary responsibilities: caregiver support, end of life counseling for patients and families, and developing and updating care plans based on individual need. Must demonstrate flexibility, knowledge of community resources, the ability to work with a team, strong time management skills and experience in the health care field. Candidates must possess either a Bachelor's or Master's degree in Social Work (LMSW) with NYS licensure. Driver's license and vehicle required. Salary Range is \$24-\$28/hr plus competitive benefits. Send resume to Mary Jones, Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley, 6805 US Highway 11, Potsdam NY, 13676 or mjones@hospiceslv.org. Application deadline is December 20, 2024.

EDWARDS-KNOX CENTRAL SCHOOL has an anticipated opening for a FTE Twelve Month Tenure Track School Building Leader. School Building Leader certification is required, a candidate on an administrative track of coursework may be considered. Applications are due by noon on Monday, December 16, 2024. Applications can be submitted at www.ekcsk12.org. Transcripts should be sent to the attention of Brandi Graham, District Clerk, 2512 CR 24, Hermon, NY 13652.

SENIORS Helping SENIORS has an immediate opening for a male caregiver to provide part-time service (10 - 14 hrs weekly) to an older gentleman with dementia living in Canton. Have you worked with or cared for seniors with dementia? Are you a mature caregiver who loves to help others? Do you have a reliable vehicle? We are seeking to fill this position by 12/02. Daytime hours. Starting pay rate is \$17.55/hr. Join our team! Apply online: <https://shswatertown.clearcareonline.com/apply>. Call our office to inquire, 315-405-4950.

CAREGIVER - family in Canton is seeking a male caregiver 60+ to provide part-time companionship (10 - 16 hrs weekly) to their father with dementia. Experience working with seniors with dementia required. Must have clean driving record, a reliable vehicle, flexible schedule and be able to start by 12/02/24. Starting pay rate \$17.55/hr. Criminal background check required. To inquire call 315-405-4950. Apply online at: <https://shswatertown.clearcareonline.com/apply>

Solid Waste Program Manager: Responsible for overall program development and administration and staff of the Tribe's Solid Waste programs to ensure compliance with Tribal, Federal, and applicable state policies, procedures, and regulations. Provides team leadership to ensure waste management schemes are effectively designed and implemented to achieve waste reduction. Status: Non-exempt, Full-time, permanent Salary: \$15.63 - \$36.75 Deadline: December 18, 2024. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

Potsdam Co-op hiring FT Front End Manager. Starting at \$17/hr. Apply online: www.potsdamcoop.com/employment

College Association, Inc. at SUNY Canton has the following position open for the Spring 2025 academic semester: Facilities Associate-Under the supervision of the Facilities & Operations Manager/Supervisor, the Facilities Associate uses established work procedures, performing all tasks related to the operation of Chaney Dining Center and the Retail Food operations as assigned. Maintains cleanliness and sanitary conditions including but not limited to main dining hall, all retail dining and concession locations on campus, and residential laundry rooms. Receives and stocks daily deliveries from outside vendors and operates forklift and large cube trucks.

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Vice President for Advancement

The State University of New York College of Technology at Canton (SUNY Canton) invites nominations and applications for the position of Vice President of Advancement. The Vice President is the chief advancement officer of the College, reports directly to the President, and serves on the Canton College Foundation. The Vice President also serves as a voting member on the College's Executive Cabinet. Pending Canton College Foundation Board approval, the Vice President for Advancement serves as the Executive Director of the Canton College Foundation.

Salary: \$140,000 - \$160,000

Job Requirements and Essential Functions of the Job

The College seeks an individual with a record of accomplishment as an advancement leader, development officer, and a fundraiser. A strong background in alumni relations is a major plus. The Vice President will provide leadership, vision, and direction for Advancement and Alumni Affairs activities and personnel. They will actively participate in identifying, cultivating, and nurturing the relationships that lead to development of major and planned gifts. The Vice President will work with all constituencies of the College and Foundation to understand the mission and priorities of the college and to develop strategies to provide support for those priorities. They will have an effective leadership style conducive to establishing collegial relationships with community and industry leaders.

Required Qualifications

- An earned bachelor's degree from an accredited college is required.
- At least seven years of successful experience in fundraising in positions of increasing authority including a history of strong staff management skills.
- Ability to work and communicate effectively with faculty, staff, and foundation to translate College priorities into compelling cases for support.
- A strong record of developing and cultivating

relationships with alumni and prospective donors from industry and foundations.

- A successful background in most of the following areas of solicitation: major gifts, estates, planned gifts, and developing annual giving.

Preferred Qualifications

- Experience in launching and leading a capital campaign and other successful fundraising activities.
- An earned master's degree from an accredited college.
- A successful record of writing and winning competitive grants.
- Experience engaging with a broad range of potential donors and supporters from diverse backgrounds, ensuring that fundraising strategies are inclusive and accessible to all.

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 a criminal background check.

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Hours for this position are Tuesday-Friday 2:30pm-10:00pm, Saturday 12noon-10:00pm. This is a full-time seasonal position based on the academic year and includes a generous benefits package. Starting pay is \$15.00 per hour. Send resumes to Nichole Todd, Human Resources Representative, College Association, Inc. SUNY Canton, 34 Cornell Drive, Canton, NY 13617 or at oshea109@canton.edu. College Association, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All offers of employment are subject to the applicant successfully passing a background (including criminal records) check.

REPORTER-EDITOR REPORTER-EDITOR

North Country This Week and NorthCountryNow.com will soon be hiring a full-time Reporter / Editor to cover local government, handle general assignment stories and edit a large volume of press releases. Other duties may include website updating, processing photos, and page layout. Ability to write accurately and quickly required, along with excellent typing, spelling and grammar skills. Familiarity with word processing programs, e-mail and web browsers necessary. Knowledge of St. Lawrence County, ability to effectively interact with a variety of people, and familiarity with news writing style helpful. Experience preferred but we will train the right person. The job will be 37.5 to 40 hours per week Monday through Friday, with flexible hours, mostly between 7:30 am and 6 pm, along with an average of one evening assignment weekly. Occasional weekend hours]. Benefits include company-paid dental and vision insurance, choice of Blue Cross-Blue Shield Health Insurance plans, 401k-type retirement program with company match (Simple IRA), paid vacation and personal days, and enhanced disability insurance. Pay is \$20 to \$24 per hour, depending on experience and ability, with opportunity for twice-yearly merit increases. This is an opportunity to work where every employee makes a significant contribution. To apply, visit our office at 4 Clarkson Ave., Potsdam between 9 am and 4 pm weekdays or e-mail letter of interest, resume and clips if available to News Editor Jimmy Lawton at Jimmy@NorthCountryNow.com. For information, call Jimmy at 315-265-1000 ext. 26.

Registered Health Information Technician: The Registered Health Information Technician will work collaboratively with department staff to perform Registered Health Information Administrator/Technician related functions under the supervision of the Director of Health Services. Technicians will need to be familiar with or be able to learn, EHR computer software, follow EHR security and privacy practices, and ana-

Massena Central School District is currently accepting applications for the 2024-25 school year for the following positions:

- Speech & Language Pathologist**
- DTT Special Education Teacher**
- Elementary Art Teacher**
- English Language Learner Teacher**
- Teacher Aides**
- Bus Drivers/Monitors**
- RN & LPN Substitutes**



Applications can be accessed at www.mcs.k12.ny.us

Application Deadline is **Dec. 6, 2024** or until the positions are filled.

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City of Ogdensburg Employment Opportunity

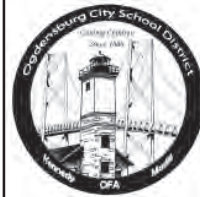
Head Facility Maintenance Worker

The City of Ogdensburg is accepting applications for a full-time **Head Facility Maintenance Worker** position in the Ogdensburg Public Works Department. Starting salary is \$31.49 per hour, 40 hours per week. Applications will be accepted through **Friday, December 13, 2024 at 3:30pm.**

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: A) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with an Associate's Degree in building trades, electrical technology, heating and cooling technology or closely related field and one year of experience in building maintenance and repair work, including environmental control repair, electrical and/or mechanical work; OR B) Graduation from high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma and three years of experience as described in (A) above.

Civil Service applications are available at the Department of Public Works, City Clerk's Office at City Hall or at www.ogdensburg.org. Completed applications must be returned to the Department of Public Works, 901 Champlain Street, Ogdensburg, NY 13669 by Friday, December 13, 2024 at 3:30pm.

The City of Ogdensburg is an equal opportunity employer.



Ogdensburg City School District

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

- *CERTIFIED ELEMENTARY SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER***
- *CERTIFIED SECONDARY SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER***
- *FULL-TIME CERTIFIED TEACHER for HOME TUTORING***
(BA+30+M / STEP 1 = \$52,706.00/yr. or Salary Commensurate with Experience)

Opening for the 2025-2026 School Year

- *CERTIFIED TEACHER OF THE DEAF & HEARING IMPAIRED***
(BA+30+M / STEP 1 = \$54,450.00/yr. or Salary Commensurate with Experience)

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- Cover Letter
- Application (can be obtained in the Superintendent's Office at OFA or downloaded from our school website)
- Resume`
- Copy of New York State Teaching Certificate(s)
- Original College Transcript(s)
- Letters of Reference (3 Current)
- **Application deadline is December 2, 2024**
- Failure to provide all requested materials will result in disqualification of the candidate's application

All requested materials are to be submitted to:

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



Brasher Falls Central School District (St Lawrence Central Schools)

is looking for the following position:

Confidential Secretary to the Superintendent/District Clerk

Seeking a qualified candidate with at least 3 years of recent secretarial experience. This is a full-time, 12 month, Exempt Civil Service position offering competitive benefits. Salary is commensurate with education and experience.

This position performs highly complex secretarial duties and is accomplished in accordance with applicable procedures, rules, regulations and laws. Candidate is expected to have excellent communication and computer skills, ability to multi-task and work independently in a fast-paced environment. Must possess strong organizational and public relations skills and maintain confidentiality of information.

Please see our website (www.bfcsd.org) for further specifics and the application.

Application deadline: December 2, 2024



ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

General Laborer

Facilities Operations Department

St. Lawrence University invites applications for a Full-time **General Laborer**. The salary is \$15.00 - \$20.38/hr. To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, as well as application instructions please visit: <https://employment.stlawu.edu/> for all positions available.

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**St. Lawrence County
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, INC.
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 \$19.63 per hour.

Assistant Teachers – Gouverneur (1) and Potsdam (1) 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 \$15.52 - \$16.38 per hour depending on the degree.

Classroom Aide – 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 \$15.52 per hour.

Health Professional for Brasher/Norwood Areas: Experience in the Medical Field. Medical Professional, CNA, Home Health Aides, etc. Experience with young children a plus. The salary range is \$16.38 to \$17.47 per hour depending on the degree.

Bus Monitors for Brasher (1) and Parishville (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 \$15.52 per hour.

Home Based Visitors (2) 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 \$16.38 to \$17.47 per hour depending on the degree.

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

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

Positions follow the BOCES Calendar.

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.

Ogdensburg Boys & Girls Club

Assistant Director

The Ogdensburg Boys and Girls Club is seeking interested applicants for the position of Assistant Director. The assistant director will be expected to work collaboratively with the executive director in all aspects of the operation to achieve the mission of enabling all member young people to reach their full potential as productive, responsible, caring citizens.

Responsibilities will include:

- Supervising and scheduling staff
- Assist in fundraising efforts.
- Assist in recruiting and training staff & volunteers.
- Assist in the maintenance of the Club.
- Assist in implementing all Club policies & procedures.
- Participate in training & educational opportunities.
- Assist in the promotion of all Club programs & activities.
- Other duties as assigned.

Candidate Requirements:

- Pass local, state, & national background checks.
- Insurable by the Club's policies.
- CPR/First Aid Certification or ability to complete these trainings.
- Able to work flexible hours, including some nights & weekends.
- A valid driver's license & clean driving record.

Hours:

Schedule will include evenings & weekends, dependent upon the needs & activities of the Club

Salary Range and benefits:

- \$42,000-\$50,000
- Retirement with a 5% match
- (dependent on qualifications & experience)
- Vacation, sick, & personal time
- Health insurance
- Overtime opportunities are available
- Life Insurance

Application Requirements:

- Letter of interest • Resume • Copies of degrees, certifications, or other credentials
- Recommendation letters may be requested
- Preference will be given to candidates with a college degree & similar or related experience.
- Other candidates with multiple years of similar or related experience may also be considered.
- Please forward application materials by **Friday, December 13, 2025** to:
Dr. Diane Para, c/o Ogdensburg Boys and Girls Club, PO Box 555, Ogdensburg, NY 13669
- Anticipated start date: January 2025



Staff Accountant

Accounting firm seeks Staff Accountant with an accounting degree with a strong background in all areas of taxation and financial statement preparation preferred. Strong computer skills are required. Salary is negotiable based on qualifications.

Fax your resume & cover letter to 315-393-2398, e-mail to hjenkins@wdlcpas.com, or mail to Chris Herrick, 414 Jay St., Ogdensburg, NY 13669



**Coordinator
Small Business Development Center**

Department: Small Business Development Center
Salary Range: \$23,000-\$24,000

The Small Business Development Center at SUNY Canton invites qualified applicants for a part-time Coordinator position, beginning immediately.

Duties:

The Coordinator of the Small Business Development Center will support the SBDC Regional Director and the SBDC Advisors to meet the goals identified by SUNY Canton, the US Small Business Administration (SBA) and the New York State SBDC.

Administrative Functions:

- Maintenance of client files consistent with compliance requirements.
- Maintain client confidentiality per NY SBDC and regional center standards.
- Record-keeping of client activities.
- Management of client archives.
- Manage client intake process per NY SBDC and SBA Guidelines.
- Respond to phone and internet requests with appropriate information.
- Distribute, collect, and report client and stakeholder surveys and evaluations.
- May be required to move client files or training materials as needed.

Marketing Functions:

- Develop and implement a marketing plan for the SUNY Canton SBDC to promote their services and programs in conjunction with NY SBDC guidelines and Regional Director approval.
- Create regularly published e-newsletter as well as SBDC marketing materials for classes, events, and programs.
- Create and source content to be posted regularly on SBDC social media platforms and website.
- Maintain and update SBDC website on a regular basis.
- Promote SBDC services, classes, events, and programs through various regional and statewide outlets.
- Create and distribute updated materials to regional stakeholders.

Training /Events:

- Manage online registration system for training participants.
- Responsible for creating, organizing, and maintaining training records in SBDC client management system.
- Administer and support the Center's online educational tools and platforms.

- Support the management and execution of training programs in conjunction with the director, business advisors and consultants as required.
- Promote classes and events through various digital channels, including but not limited to the SUNY Canton SBDC, NYS SBDC and SBA websites and social media platforms.
- Coordinate support for events, classes and programs as needed.

Other Responsibilities:

- * Attend yearly SBDC Staff training at various locations in NY.
- All other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- Associate's degree and two (2) years of professional work experience in an office setting.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

- Ability to effectively represent SUNY Canton and SBDC in a professional manner to community organizations and clients.
- Ability to collaborate effectively within a group setting.
- Strong verbal and written communication skills.
- Experience working with diverse constituencies.
- Effective organizational and time management skills.
- Ability to manage multiple priorities with overlapping deadlines.
- Computer proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel, Publisher, PowerPoint.
- Ability to learn new software/systems as needed to keep pace with changing center needs.

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EOE

lyze electronic data to improve healthcare information as more health care providers and hospitals adopt EHR systems. Status: Full-time, Non-exempt, Permanent Salary: \$15.02 - \$31.68 Deadline: December 4, 2024. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

The Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam is accepting on-line applications for a half-time Assistant Audio and Video Engineer to assist with production of rehearsals and events at the Crane School. The Assistant Audio and Video Engineer will work in coordination with the Crane Audio/Video Engineer. Primary duties include: sound-reinforcement mixing for rehearsals and performance; supporting performances of music with electronic elements and amplified instruments; assisting with video projection and screens in rehearsals, performances, and events; assist with setup and maintenance of audio and audio-visual systems in Crane facilities; and supervision of the recording of student-recitals. For full detail, including required and preferred qualifications, and to apply please visit <https://employment.potsdam.edu/postings/5255>. Review of materials will begin on December 9, 2024 and continue until the position is filled.

Desk-Table-Packaging jobs available. There are jobs where you will be on your feet and there are sit down jobs as well, so we can accommodate your needs to a certain degree. These jobs starting at \$16.00 an hour. Also salesman/marketing jobs available, will need to discuss in person. This job is commission based. Contact Andy by text at 315-262-6389 or Aubriyle at aubrimaslin@gmail.com

Registered Nurse: Provide discharge planning for community residents and provide skilled nursing in the community through home visits, telephone consultations, and case management. Status: Non-Exempt, Full-Time Salary: \$27.29-\$41.03 Deadline:

December 25, 2024. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

Home Health Aide: Under the supervision of the home health care supervisor, the home health aide is responsible for providing personal care, housekeeping, range-of-motion exercise, and companionship to patients in their homes in accordance with an established care plan. Status: Full-time, Non-exempt Salary: \$15.02 - \$19.26 Deadline: Open Until Filled. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

BOOKKEEPER FOR RESTAURANTS, RETAIL, AND APARTMENTS: Potsdam Monday - Friday 9 am - 3 pm. Send resume to Pamela-Trezz@gmail.com

Full-Time Temporary Food Service Worker 1 SG-5 & Food Service Worker 2 SG-9: Ranger school Wanankena, NY. SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry (SUNY-ESF) is seeking applications for Temporary Food Service Worker and Food Service Worker 2. For a complete job description and to apply please visit our website at: <https://www.esf.edu/hr/>. EOE/AA including Veterans and Disabled.

Ducharme Goldie & Adams P.C. is seeking a legal assistant in Canton, New York. Job Duties include but are not limited to, collections, answering phones, drafting documents, new client input/conflict checks, running errands, processing outgoing mail. Please send resumes to Human Resources at info@dgalawny.com.

The SUNY Potsdam Audience Services Coordinator (a 10-month position), will join a dedicated team of professionals tasked with engaging the campus and community in a range of events throughout the year. This position is responsible for Community Performance Series events which include a guest artist series, events for K-12 audiences, the LoKo Arts series and an annual Summer Musical. This will require coordination of student intern schedules and volunteer assignments; box office management, including gaining mastery of the ticketing platform; audience touchpoints in person, by phone, by email and through website as well as social media contact methods; and contributing to fundraising goals through annual giving initiatives. The successful candidate will bring exceptional interpersonal, organizational, and customer service skills along with professionalism and inclusiveness with the capability to manage multiple events, projects and deadlines. The ability to work nights and weekends, as needed, will be necessary. Bachelor's degree required. SUNY Potsdam alumni are encouraged to apply. Learn more by visiting <https://employment.potsdam.edu/postings/5263>

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Potsdam Co-op is hiring! Starting pay is \$15/hour. For more information or to apply online, visit www.potsdamcoop.com/employment

Full Time Kennel Attendant/Dog Handler at No Dogs Left Behind, Canton, NY. We are a 501(c), 3 charitable organization that saves dogs Beyond Borders from the meat trade in China, to Afghanistan, Ukraine, and the US. We continue to grow to be able to help dogs from all over the world. We go where no one else will go to help these animals. We are looking for a compassionate, hard-working person who loves and appreciates animals. We ask for 2 years dog handling & 2 years pet daycare & boarding experience or some other position that involves animal care. This position would involve providing a high level of sanitation, and taking care of the dogs, kennels and common places. You would also interact with veterinarians, kennel techs, and animal care specialists to ensure the dogs receive the best care. Responsibilities include cleaning cages, kennels, outdoor park areas and daily maintenance routines. Various shifts needed, including weekends as needed. Pay \$ 15 per hour. Send resume, cover letter to Kathy@nodogsleftbehind.com. EOE

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As an equal-opportunity workplace and affirmative-action employer, we celebrate and support a diverse workplace for the benefit of all: our employees, customers and communities.


Community Bank, N.A. is currently recruiting for a Call-In Courier in Canton, NY.
The Call-In Courier, works as needed, to cover routes and is responsible for following a schedule to transport interoffice mail and stock supplies between branches and Bank operation centers. Bank vehicle is provided.

Qualifications:
High School Diploma or GED
Valid Driver's License
Safe Driving Record
Ability to be flexible and adapt to change

Compensation: Salary is commensurate with experience.

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is accepting applications for a **TOWN / VILLAGE HISTORIAN**

Duties: The Town/Village Historian will preserve, gather, evaluate, and interpret historical records/archives; analyze information to determine its authenticity and significance, interface with the public in identifying historical structures, updating records, education and documentation of the past through a variety of publications.

19 hours/week at \$20.24/hour • Benefits Not Included

Submit letter of interest,
Town application, resume, 3 written references to:
Heidi L. Smith, Town Clerk
60 Main Street, Canton, NY 13617

Application Deadline: December 10, 2024 at 1 p.m.

Application is available on Town Website www.cantonny.gov
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School Based Mental Health Therapist
Salary: \$31,241 to \$80,392

Under the direction of the Mental Health Services Director, the SBMHT will provide individuals and their families counseling/psychotherapy services to promote optimum mental health in the Salmon River Central School District satellite offices.

EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE:	BENEFITS:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NYS licensure or eligibility for licensure as an LMSW, LCSW, or LMHC includes an MSW, MSN, or a Master's degree in a mental health setting or working towards obtaining a Master's degree within the next year. OR The above conditions and 2 years' experience working with youth and families in a behavioral health setting preferred. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full-time/ 40 hours per week Flexible spending account 40 hours Personal time annually Vacation & Sick Time 14 paid Holidays 401k 6% Match

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Responsibilities include creating educational content, as well as conducting in-person and online training sessions. Our staff educator is also expected to evaluate the effectiveness of their training programs and make adjustments as needed.

Benefits include, paid vacation, health insurance with a vision plan, dental insurance, 401-K, an employee assistance program (EAP), and free telemedicine service.

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PURPOSE OF THE POSITION:
To provide administrative coordination and support to the Plant Manager, as well as operations and functional departments at the Canton, New York Corning Plant. Front facing role that serves as the initial contact to provide welcoming, helpful assistance to employees, visitors, and customers both in person and on the phone. Fulfill the role as the plant's Trusted Agent and HR Data Steward, comprising of the generation and oversight of employee personnel records and transactions.

DAY TO DAY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Answers phone, greet customers, route calls to appropriate staff.
- Create and administer budget plans for plant donations and Corning Foundation community grants.
- Assist with data entry, filing, and other clerical tasks to maintain an organized workflow and access to information.
- Fulfill the role as the plant's Trusted Agent and Data Steward, comprising of the generation and oversight of employee personnel records and transactions.
- Ensure adherence to administrative processes, practices and operations so that a consistent standard of support is delivered.
- Main point of contact for in-coming communication.
- Executive Support for Plant Staff.
- Facilitates visits and provides helpful and welcoming assistance to Visitors and Customers.
- Acts as an information source on organization policies and procedures.
- Coordinates events and activities, including plant reviews, engineering reviews, audits, annual service luncheon etc. Includes booking conference rooms or venues, managing schedules and agendas, coordinating catering, room arrangements, and overall event logistics.

EDUCATION, SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE PREFERRED:

- Associate's Degree with 2+ years of relevant work experience
- Must have strong attention to detail.
- Requires ability to troubleshoot and problem solve using available resources.
- Able to initiate and manage multiple tasks and projects as necessary.
- Must have strong customer service skills and carry themselves with a high level of professionalism.
- Must be proactive and self-motivated, but also comfortable to work as part of the team.

To view the complete position description as well as the application instructions please visit: <https://corningjobs.corning.com/job/Canton-Plant-Admin-AssistantData-Steward-NY-13617/1230723000/> EOE

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This position interacts with employees, management, service agencies, and bank regulators to provide quality service, solve problems and achieve goals. Maintains efficient and accurate processing of deposit functions including transaction processing, data entry, reconciliation, documentation, audit and compliance, information management, and related functions. Works with manager to ensure success in various departmental projects, system upgrades, and bank and branch acquisitions. Implements strategies to achieve goals, developed for the department, as part of the Bank's annual operating plan. Ensures the department's compliance with operating policies, procedures and outside regulatory requirements.

Qualifications:

Bachelor's degree or equivalent in experience required. Management or supervisory experience in the banking or financial services field, required. Strong interpersonal and organizational skills; ability to manage multiple responsibilities, prioritize, and delegate while delivering results; ability to supervise, guide and develop staff; analytical, research and problem resolution skills; understanding of banking policies, procedures and government regulations; strong verbal and written communication skills, adaptability to changing environments and ability to navigate multiple computer systems and applications.

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Maintenance II

We're seeking a full-time maintenance worker to handle maintenance responsibilities for yet to be determined locations in the greater Ogdensburg area.

Responsibilities will include assisting with the maintenance of facility grounds, vehicles, equipment and the facilities themselves. The ability to assist with general repairs utilizing skills like engine repair, plumbing, masonry, carpentry, painting, and electrical work is beneficial.

Applicants do not need to be skilled in all of these areas, but general knowledge in multiple areas is required.

Benefits include, paid vacation, health insurance with a vision plan, dental insurance, 401-K, an employee assistance program (EAP), and free telemedicine service.

Salary for this positions begins at \$17.32 to \$19.05 per hour, based on experience.



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To apply, visit mynorthernlights.org.

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Full Time Employment Opportunity Reporter / Editor

North Country This Week and NorthCountryNow.com will soon be hiring a full-time Reporter / Editor to cover local government, handle general assignment stories and edit a large volume of press releases. Other duties may include website updating, processing photos, and page layout.

Ability to write accurately and quickly required, along with excellent typing, spelling and grammar skills. Familiarity with word processing programs, e-mail and web browsers necessary. Knowledge of St. Lawrence County, ability to effectively interact with a variety of people, and familiarity with news writing style helpful. Experience preferred but we will train the right person.

The job will be 37.5 to 40 hours per week Monday through Friday, with flexible hours, mostly between 7:30 am and 6 pm, along with an average of one evening assignment weekly. Occasional weekend hours].

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To apply, visit our office at 4 Clarkson Ave., Potsdam between 9 am and 4 pm weekdays or e-mail letter of interest, resume and clips if available to News Editor Jimmy Lawton at Jimmy@NorthCountryNow.com. For information, call Jimmy at 315-265-1000, ext. 26.



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EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE:

- Registered Nurse/Licensed Practical Nurse with NYS licensure AND 3 years clinical experience in a hospital/clinical setting
- OR
- Registered Nurse/Licensed Practical Nurse with NYS licensure and 3 years experience in a pediatric setting preferred.

BENEFITS:

- Full-time/ 40 hours per week
- Flexible spending account
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6 Modern messages
11 "Queen of Soul" Franklin
12 Used a modern car service
14 Irish singer O'Connor
15 More promising
16 " - Mine" (Beatles song)
17 "Zorba the Greek" star
19 Hit CBS series
20 Morning droplets
22 Pump up the volume
23 Bit of dust
24 Road curves
26 Test monitor
28 Wardrobe malfunction
30 Sharing word
31 Driving instructor?
35 Flavor
39 "Les Etats-"
40 Hosp. areas
42 Earth sci.
43 Astern
44 "Star Trek" doctor
46 Computer acronym

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1 Tony winner
2 Extends, as a lease
3 Devoured
4 Cager O'Neal, for short
5 City near Venice
6 Start playing for pay
7 Black, in verse
8 Ballot marks
9 Lingerie fabric
10 Handles
11 Stage comment
13 Less damp
18 Little rascal
21 Feudal farmers
23 Jazz singer
25 Use a straw
27 Ump's call
29 Method
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The St. Lawrence Health Foundation supports the mission of Canton-Potsdam Hospital and Gouverneur Hospital by raising, investing, and managing funds for the benefit of the hospitals and their patient's.

Our mission is to provide funds to support the strategic priorities of CPH and GH, and this would not be possible without philanthropic support.

Each year, gifts from individuals, corporations, foundations, and friends allow the Foundation the means to invest in new technology and life-saving medical equipment, launch innovative new programs to improve the health of our community, and move forward with new and updated facilities.

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