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Holiday of Lights in park Friday night in Canton

BY PAUL MITCHELL
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CANTON – Each year, the Village of Canton offers its own version of Black Friday geared for area children as a prelude to Christmas.

The day after Thanksgiving is Santa's Holiday of Lights, a tradition for the past 40 years or so in Canton. Festivities get underway at 6 p.m.

"Santa will give you a book and a candy cane and there will be sleigh wagon rides, music, hot chocolate and cookies," noted Brad Mintener in his annual advertisement for the event. Dress warmly and we will see you at the Canton Village Green.

Santa will arrive at the park on a horse-drawn sleigh then greet a large number of children with their parents. Santa will be joined at the park by Frosty and his friends.

The Holiday of Lights serves as the kickoff to a host of holiday-themed events throughout December and into the new year.

The St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce has created a special shop local cam-



Jay Benson, son of Katy Basham and Jordan Benson of Barre, Vt., visited with Santa at last year's Holiday of Lights in Canton. Jay is the grandson of John and Karen Basham of Canton.

aign titled "Holly Jolly Canton."

"This holiday season, we are looking to pursue a cooperative shop local marketing campaign, "Holly Jolly Canton." In addition to promoting shopping locally, we want to market Canton (town-wide) as the jolliest place to be during the holiday season,"

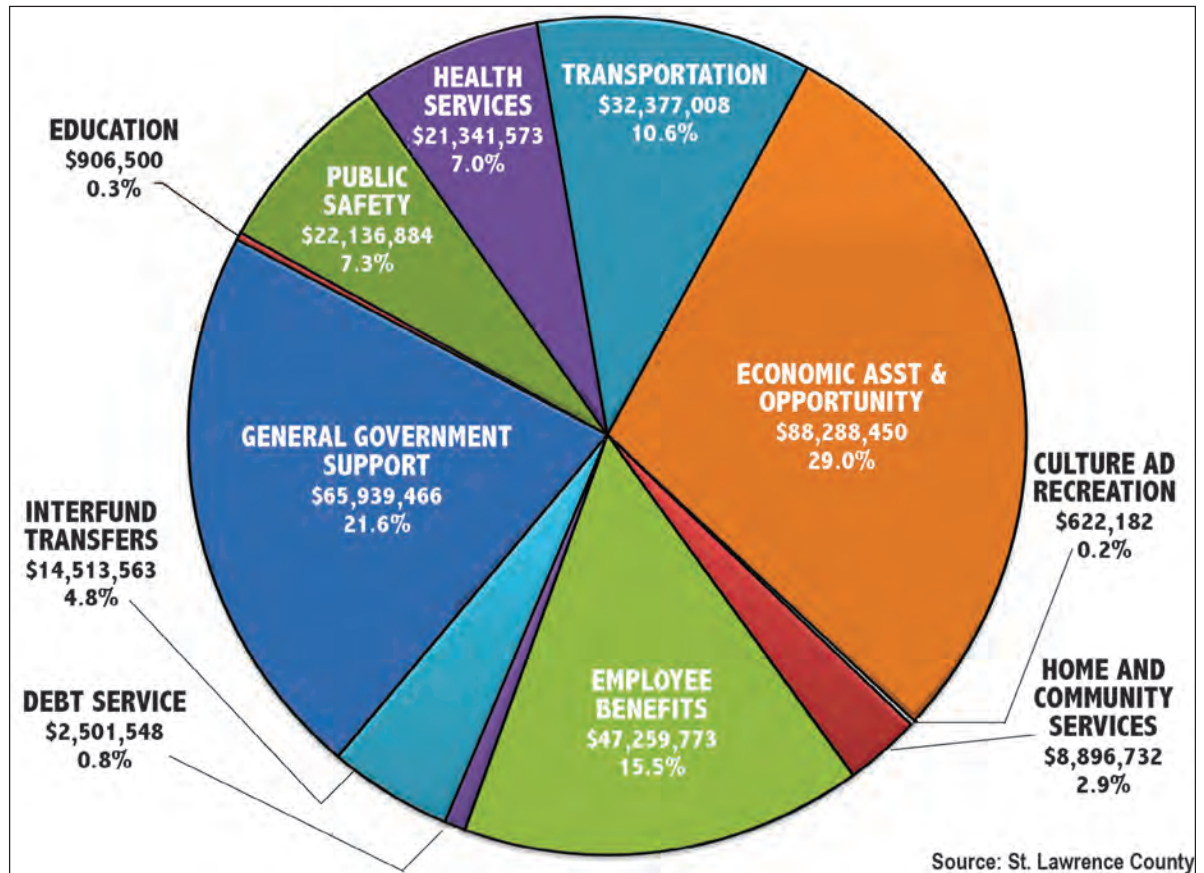
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Holiday season underway

Laurie Swinyer, Norwood, takes a video of Christmas crafts displayed at the Holiday Craft Fair held earlier this month at Norwood American Legion.



Source: St. Lawrence County

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; budget adds 10 jobs

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 vari-

ous expenses related.

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

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Potsdam freezes ElectroScan payments

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — After a bout of no-shows and missed appointments and now improperly done lead scans, village officials are still not happy with the firm subcontracted to conduct a lead survey of water lines supplying residences.

Village Administrator Isabelle Gates-Shult told village board

members at their meeting Monday, Nov. 18 that ElectroScan, the subcontractor hired to do a federally required lead survey inventory, is still not living up to expectations.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is requiring municipalities to inventory all water service lines and identify sections containing lead. Sections containing lead can then be removed over the next decade as required by the EPA. The

cost of the inspection in Potsdam is 100 percent covered thanks to a million dollar grant received by the village. There is no cost to residents.

ElectroScan was hired by North Country engineering firm Barton & Loguidice, the lead contractor on the survey project to conduct the initial phase of onsite inspections at village residences of their water

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Jailed after domestic dispute

POTSDAM – A Potsdam man was sent to the St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility following a domestic dispute on the May Road on Nov. 21.

Allen W. Washburn, 49, was arrested after Potsdam police responded to a domestic complaint on May Road. Washburn was found to have physically harassed the victim which violated a previous no harassment order of protection in place protecting the victim.

Washburn was charged with aggravated family offense, second-degree harassment, and first-degree criminal contempt (physical contact) at 11:20 p.m., according to Potsdam police.

Washburn was arraigned in Norfolk Court and a no contact order of protection was issued in favor of the victim. Washburn was remanded to the county jail with bail set at \$5,000. He is scheduled to return to Norfolk Town Court on Nov. 27.



Submitted photo

Pictured with Sandra Huckle from the Neighborhood Center with items for a Thanksgiving dinner are Travis Bronson, Sandra Huckle, Illyssa Premo, Emma Showers, Harley Hanson, Darci Oakes and Jon Weitz. Kneeling is Kendra Young.

LPN students help out with Thanksgiving dinner

POTSDAM – The LPN students at Isabella Graham Hart School of Practical Nursing gathered the

trimmings for a Thanksgiving dinner to be donated to the Colton Pierrepont Parishville Neighborhood Center.

Isabella Graham Hart School of Practical Nursing is located in Potsdam. It is a satellite campus with Rochester General College of Health Careers in partnership with St Lawrence Health Systems. These students will be graduating from the program in June.

Enrollment for the fall semester starts January 15, 2025.

Officer bitten while responding to domestic

POTSDAM – A Potsdam man allegedly bit two people, including a police officer, following an alleged domestic dispute Wednesday morning, according to village police.

Police responded around 12:30 a.m. to a Market Street apartment following a report of a domestic incident, officers said.

Police say 22-year old Jonathan P. Vercellotti, 22, was charged with second-degree strangulation, three counts of second-degree assault, unlawful imprisonment, resisting arrest, third-degree criminal tampering and second-degree harassment.

He allegedly choked the victim unconscious, bit the victim several times, struck the victim with punches and kicks, and restrained the victim from leaving the apartment.

Items belonging to the victim were damaged during the incident as well, police said.

Vercellotti attempted to strike an officer and resisted arrest on scene, officers said.

He is also accused of spitting, blowing his nose and smeared blood in the processing room of the police station, police said.

This created a hazardous condition for officers.

While being secured to the processing room bench by officers, Vercellotti reportedly bit a sergeant.

He was arraigned in Potsdam court and jailed on \$10,000 bail, officers said.

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Pre-Thanksgiving pie sale raises money for parish

The ladies of the Altar and Rosary Society of the Parish of Visitation, Norfolk, held a Pre-Thanksgiving Pie Sale fundraiser. Pictured making the pies, from left, around table: Tracy Lamica, Peggy Molnar, Natalie LaBarge, Kathie Ashley,

Kathy Wolfe, Laurie Dufresne, Jean Gang. Other helpers, not in picture: Carol Gonthier, Ilona Joy, Elaine Sherman, Nancy Barlow and Donna Raab. Courtesy of Carol Gonthier.

Statewide burn ban still in effect

St. Lawrence County on drought watch

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

After an incredibly dry summer St. Lawrence County has been placed under a drought watch by Governor Kathy Hochul.

While St. Lawrence County has been listed under the drought watch warning, 15 other counties in the Mid-Hudson region and New York City were also elevated to a drought warning and urged to conserve water when possible in the coming weeks.

“Recent unseasonably warm weather and lack of precipitation have led to dry conditions for many counties in New York, resulting in Hudson Valley and New York City area counties being elevated to drought warning status and a statewide drought watch,” Governor Hochul said.

“Across the state, local water restrictions and educating New Yorkers about how to help conserve water resources are crucial steps to help prevent a more severe shortage until conditions improve.”

State officials opted to elevate the 15 counties to a drought warning due to a shortage of rainfall and declining levels of streamflow and groundwater.

In a release, state officials also encouraged residents who are dependent on private groundwater wells to conserve water whenever possible during the coming weeks.

There are four levels of State drought advisories: watch, warning, emergency, and disaster. There are no mandatory restrictions under a State drought watch. Under a drought warning, voluntary water conservation is intensified and public water supplies and industries are advised to update and implement local drought contingency plans. Local agencies make plans in case of emergency declaration. This will not impact any wildfire efforts. New York State encourages ongoing water conservation to ensure adequate supply for all emergency uses.

To protect water resources, homeowners in regions under the drought watch or drought warning are encouraged to voluntarily reduce water use and follow these tips:

- Reuse water collected in rain barrels, dehumidifiers or air conditioners to water plants.
- Use a broom, not a hose, to clean driveways and sidewalks.
- Fix leaking pipes, fixtures, toi-

lets, hoses and faucets.

- Wash only full loads of dishes and laundry.
- Take shorter showers or fill the bathtub partly.
- Install water saving plumbing fixtures.
- Don't run the tap to make water hot or cold.
- Wash cars less frequently.

For water wells that may be affected by drought, see the information and links below. Contact a registered water well contractor to discuss appropriate options for your individual situation.

• Check that the well is dry due to drought and no other issues. Sometimes the solution is quite simple, like a broken valve or electrical issue. The only way to definitively tell if a well is dry is to measure the water level in the well.

- Conserve water year-round to help prevent the effects of drought on water wells.
- Consider adding a water storage tank to help get through dry periods.
- Clean or redevelop existing wells.
- Deepen existing wells or drill a new well. If drilling a new well, properly decommission the old well to protect groundwater quality.

Another side effect of the dry weather is the risk of wildfires as well.

Earlier this month, Hochul also announced a statewide burn ban to help prevent wildfires.

St. Lawrence County was listed as

“high risk” as part of the burn ban issuance.

Any outdoor fire can spread quickly, especially if the wind picks up. It is illegal to burn leaves anywhere in New York State. Brush of a certain size may be burned. See the burning regulations for details.

Campfires are among the top five causes of wildfires. While camping in the backcountry, New Yorkers are advised to:

- Use existing campfire rings where possible.

Potsdam school district voters to decide on \$1.5 million capital project

POTSDAM — Potsdam Central School District voters will soon be asked to approve a nearly \$1.5 million capital project to upgrade some areas of the high school and middle school.

The district is hosting a public forum 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3 in the high school auditorium to present details of the plan.

Voting on the proposal will take place from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17.

The project includes:

- Updating of the middle school main corridor restrooms with new tile walls and floors, replacement of toilet fixtures and sinks, and new stall doors
- Redesign of the high school art classroom, including new casework and the addition of modern amenities to support the art program
- Replacement of the current

pneumatic control systems in the middle school with a Direct Digital Control system for more reliable and efficient building management

- Installation of a digital sign on Leroy Street to announce student events and district updates

Total project cost would be \$1.498 million, with 85.6% reimbursed through state building aid. Another \$300,000 would come from the district's capital reserve fund, resulting in no expected increase in taxes, district officials say.

If approved, the project is expected to begin next summer.

Items in the proposal there were not able to be included in the major \$23.5 million capital improvement project approved in 2021 that is currently being wrapped up, school officials said.

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Online tool highlights county drug overdoses; 5 deaths so far in 2024

CANTON – A new tool launched by the county shows that there have been 66 overdoses in St. Lawrence this year, including five that resulted in death.

The St. Lawrence County Public Health Department, in partnership with the St. Lawrence County Planning Office, has launched the Overdose Dashboard to provide data on the county's drug problem.

The Overdose Dashboard, accessible to the public, offers insights into overdose incidents, including geographic distribution, demographic data, and trends over time. This platform aims to enhance the county's response to the opioid epidemic by enabling more targeted interventions and resource allocation.

Key Features of the Overdose Dashboard:

- 1. Time/Data:** Access to the latest overdose reports, supporting up-to-date information, and informed decision-making.
- 2. Geographic Mapping:** Visual representation of overdose hotspots, helping to identify areas in need of urgent attention.
- 3. Trend Analysis:** Historical data to track the progression of the opioid crisis and measure the impact of public health initiatives.

The development of the Over-

dose Dashboard was made possible through collaboration with St. Lawrence County Community Services, North Country Crime Analysis Center, and High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA).

The dashboard

The dashboard is part of a broader strategy to enhance public health surveillance and response capabilities in St. Lawrence County.

To access the dashboard please follow this link or visit the SLCPHD website: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/ofa80c9146a-44013828bc4f4d60acb4a/>

For more information about

the Overdose Dashboard or to get involved in local opioid prevention initiatives, please contact the St.

Lawrence County Public Health Department at (315) 386-2325 or email phogle@stlawco.gov.

Psych center sandstone will be salvaged

As state officials continue a major demolition project at the St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center, Assemblyman Scott Gray says calls to preserve historic sandstone have been successful.

"I am thrilled to share fantastic news regarding the ongoing Phase 1 SLPC demolition project. OMH, in collaboration with DASNY, has informed me that the sandstone window headers, which were being separated from the other building materials, are now available for community use," he said. "Our appeal to make this a trial run has been successful, providing us with a unique opportunity to experiment on a smaller scale before tackling larger structures in the future."

Both Ogdensburg and Potsdam officials were working to ensure the sandstone could be preserved.

Gray said that to ensure the sandstone blocks are safe, municipalities must arrange for an engineer to go onsite and test them for contamination. If contamination is found, a plan for decontamination and safe transportation will be necessary.

"This initiative not only benefits the community by making use of valuable materials but also allows us to refine our processes for future projects," Gray said.

Gray said one caveat is he will have to provide some determination of interest and onsite inspection prior to Thanksgiving and because Ogdensburg has expressed interest

the municipalities will have to work it out unless they forego the initial offer.

In August a group of local people, one of whom was former Potsdam historian Mimi VanDusen, learned that the contractor charged with clearing the structures would take the debris to a landfill out of the area.

The group began lobbying the state to allow the Potsdam sandstone used in some of the structures to be rerouted to Potsdam and be stockpiled so it could be used in future restoration and construction projects on some of the community's historic structures.

Potsdam sandstone is a "well-cemented sandstone of nearly pure quartz, renowned for its reddish

hues, ranging from salmon pink to orange-red, and its strength in construction," said the resolution passed by the village board on Aug. 19.

The village and town have 28 buildings made of Potsdam sandstone which are also listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Those include the Civic Center and the Potsdam Museum and several buildings in the downtown business district. The stone, which was quarried in the 19th century, was also used extensively around the community in various applications including in sidewalks and grave-stones. It also was used to construct the Canadian Parliament in Ottawa and the Cathedral of All Saints in Albany.

Cascade Inn motel opening denied by ZBA

CANTON – The motel at the Cascade Inn will not be opening following a ruling on Wednesday, Nov. 20, by the Village of Canton Zoning Board of Appeals denying an application for use variance.


Owner Whitney Verkade made the written request for the use variance but was not in attendance at Wednesday's ZBA public hearing. Verkade, who is chief executive officer of High Cap NY LLC, Elk Grove, Calif., purchased the 4 West Main St. property in January for \$300,000. The owner cited financial hardship in his application for the use variance.

The ZBA board ruled that the written application failed to prove hardship thus denying the variance.

The 13,256-square-foot property is now up for sale with an asking price of \$1.25 million. The sale includes the restaurant, motel (20 plus unit) and bar. The property is listed with Dufrane Real Estate, Massena.

The diner opened May 31 under the management of Carolyn Mouthorp who entered into a one-year lease with Verkade.

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MBA students at Clarkson University cleaned their portion of Route 11 recently. From the left are Ally Lloyd, Calvin Sage, Cole Bennet, Leah French, Phyllis Banga, and Ropafadzo Gavera.

CBP cuts hours of operation at 38 ports of entry to 'increase border security'

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- While Customs and Border Protection officials plan to adjust the hours of operation for 38 ports of entry along the northern border, ports of entry in St. Lawrence County will not be affected.

The news comes from CBP officials as they aim to "increase border security while facilitating legitimate cross-border trade and travel," according to a release from the agency.

"CBP officers will be deployed to busier ports of entry, enabling the agency to use its resources most effectively for its critical national security and border security missions," CBP officials wrote.

The move comes in collaboration with Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA), as 38 ports of entry will see their hours of operation reduced from 24-hour service beginning at midnight on Jan. 6, 2025.

"These adjustments formalize current operating hours that have been in effect for more than four years at 13 ports of entry across the northern border, with eight ports of entry expanding hours. A small number of ports will see reduced hours in an effort to continually align resources to operational realities. Travelers who use these affected crossing locations will have other options within a reasonable driving distance," CBP officials wrote.

They wrote that the adjustments have been made in close coordination with Canadian authorities to "ensure aligned operational hours that further enhance the security of both countries."

"CBP continually monitors operations, traffic patterns, and volume, and analyzes the best use of resources to better serve the traveling public. CBP will remain engaged with local and regional stakeholders, as well as communities to ensure consistent communication and to address concerns," CBP officials wrote.

Though some ports of entry will see modified or reduced hours, the vast majority of the 118 northern border ports of entry will continue to operate at existing hours, CBP said.

Numerous ports of entry in the Swanton Sector will be affected by the move to adjust hours.

- Those affected in New York include the following:
- Chateaugay will reduce its operating hours from 24 hours to 6 a.m.-6 p.m.
 - Overton Corners will reduce its operating hours from 24 hours to 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
 - Rouses Point will reduce its operating hours from 24 hours to 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
 - Trout River will reduce its operating hours from 24 hours to 6 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Those affected in Vermont include the following:
- Alburg (joint port) will reduce its operating hours to 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
 - Canaan will reduce its operating hours to 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
 - North Troy will reduce its operating hours to 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
 - West Berkshire will reduce its operating hours 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
 - Alburg Springs will permanently maintain current hours of 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
 - Derby Line (Route 5) will permanently maintain current hours of 8 a.m.-8 p.m.

In New Hampshire, the following port will be affected:

- Pittsburg will permanently maintain current hours of 8 a.m.-8 p.m.

The move to increase border security comes after months of lobbying by state and federal officials who say the northern border has been "in crisis due to the current administration's 'open border' policies."

While visiting the North Country on Oct. 7 state Sen. Dan Stec visited the St. Lawrence County legislature to offer an update on his attempt to repeal the "Green Light

Law."

The legislation, which was first passed in 2019, has come under significant scrutiny in recent months as illegal border crossings in the Swanton Sector continue to surge.

The sector covers the State of Vermont; Clinton, Essex, Franklin, St. Lawrence and Herkimer counties of New York; and Coos, Grafton and Carroll counties of New Hampshire.

According to Stec, 19,000 illegal migrants have been apprehended by Border Patrol here this year alone.

Compare that to the next closest sector in terms of figures and the Swanton Sector paints the real picture, he said.

"The next closest is out near Seattle. They've had around 1,100 over the same time frame. So, they know it's easier to cross in the Swanton Sector," Stec said.

That's because flights into Canada are cheap and regulations allow them to enter the country with impunity, Stec said.

Stec commended St. Lawrence County Sheriff Rick Engle "for his leadership in his role on the border."

He commented that it was Engle who brought up the "Green Light Law" again to him.

"It's an old issue, an old law. I saw that and it jogged my memory. As it happens, there's a bill in the legislature that's been in the legislature for a while...we are carrying a bill to repeal the Greenlight Law," Stec said.

But that bill faces long odds and has failed to advance for multiple legislative sessions.

The legislation would exempt seven border counties from being subject to the "Green Light Law," allowing police agencies to share vital information regarding migrants who entered the country illegally, Stec said.

Stec explained that the Green Light Law restricts the sharing of information between local and federal agencies. He said they can't access driving records or criminal records, which can create a dangerous situation for police officers and Border Patrol agents.

Stec pointed toward the Driver's License Access and Privacy Act as a large catalyst for ongoing communication issues for law enforcement agencies.

The Driver's License Access and Privacy Act was enacted on June 17, 2019 and took effect on Dec. 16, 2019. It allows all New Yorkers age 16 and older to apply for a standard, not-for-federal purpose, non-commercial driver license or learner permit regardless of their citizenship or lawful status in the United States.

"This law made it very easy for someone not here legally to obtain a driver's license that is indistinguishable from yours or mine," Stec said.

He said police officers conducting traffic stops won't know the difference.

"There is no information on their immigration status. No information on their criminal record in that case," Stec said.

Stec questioned whether such licenses would also allow illegal migrants to vote in elections.

"Voter registration and integrity of the ballot are of the utmost concern to us," he said.

According to multiple online sources, including the Bipartisan Policy Center, the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 explicitly prohibits noncitizens from voting in federal elections.

"It is not legal in any state for a noncitizen to cast a ballot in a federal election," the website states.

As well, no state currently allows noncitizens to vote in statewide elections, according to the Center.

Stec commented that he, along with Senator Mark Walczyk, Assemblymen Scott Gray and Ken Blankenbush will continue to call on Governor Hochul to suspend the state's sanctuary status so the state can address the migrant crisis.

"If she doesn't repeal it with executive action we hope she will at least have a discussion about it," Stec said.

Clarkson MBA students clean up on U.S. Route 11

POTSDAM – Clarkson University MBA students cleaned their portion of Route 11 this past weekend.

This cleanup was organized by the Graduate Business Association officers as part of the commitment to community service and outreach.

"This is a great picture repre-

senting our program which boasts enrollment from 13 countries, many of whom have never seen fall and soon winter," stated Joshua LaFave, MBA '04, Director, Graduate Operations, David D. Reh School of Business.

Raquette River Lions donate \$850 to Helping Hands

HANNAWA FALLS – The Raquette River Lions gave an \$850 donation to Helping Hands in Hannawa Falls for their Thanksgiving Food Box giveaway to needy families.

Lion Rich Burns, Lion Carrie Livernois and Laura Gregory volun-

teered to help distribute food and turkeys on Nov. 21. More than 200 families were helped in eastern St. Lawrence County.

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Jack Davis	Gianna Parow	Niyley Yeomans
Dalton Dumas		

Norwood Green series awarded \$20,000

NORWOOD – The Norwood Village Green Concert Series has been awarded \$20,000 for its efforts in presenting its 52nd annual season in 2025.

Governor Kathy Hochel has announced the recipients of the New York State Council on the Arts Support for Organizations grants for 2025.

The grant application was written and submitted by Amanda Mason this past July as Mason has assumed new duties for the organization. In addition to writing this foundational grant application she has written and administered its 2024 press releases and is the newly elected Vice President.

The series has received funding from the New York State Council on the Arts since its incorporation for a variety of projects including the recently constructed all purpose ramp. The most important part of the series mission is in programming. This grant will primarily be used for programming with a small portion of the

grant money reserved for the series on-going leadership transitions.

A good share of programming for the 2025 season has already been done but with this grant and the series on-going fundraising campaign, programming will now be completed in the near future.

The series has launched its fund raising campaign for 2025 with a recent mailing. To assist the series financially donations can be made as follows: Write a check payable to the Norwood Village Green Concert Series Inc. Mail it to Norwood Village Green Concert Series, 3 Bicknell Street, Norwood, NY 13668. All donations are tax deductible. The Norwood Village Green Concert Series is a 501-C3 not-for-profit founded to impact our home communities via inspiring and spirit-up-lifting public outdoor performances.

For further information peruse the series website: nvgs.org or email: liotta@northnet.org

HOLIDAY...

Santa to arrive in horse-drawn sleigh

said Katie Berry, Canton Coordinator & Communications Specialist, in an email to North Country This Week.

There are several ways for local businesses to get involved, noted Berry.

Decorate your storefronts by Dec. 4 to be entered in a contest and business owners are asked to let Berry know if they plan to participate.

Host seasonal events and activi-

'This is a great opportunity for our community to support local businesses while shopping for friends, family, co-workers and more.'

Katie Berry

County Chamber coordinator

ties that are fun for the community and encourage shoppers to come through your doors. Suggestions from the county chamber include promotional offers/bundles, seasonal events, demonstrations and workshops, sampling days, stay open later one day a week, seasonal drink and food offerings at local eateries, offer gift wrapping, create a shopping challenge, and anything that benefits the business and its customers.

Berry says the county chamber is there to help promote the seasonal events and activities.

The chamber website: <https://bit.ly/HollyJollyCanton24>, will include all things shared with Berry and a link to the Canton Business Directory.

Another seasonal promotion of the Canton Gift Certificate Program.

"This is a great opportunity for our community to support local businesses while shopping for friends, family, co-workers, and more," Berry remarked.

Local businesses are encouraged to be a redemption location. The county chamber has sold \$2,000 worth of Canton Gift Certificates since its soft launch in April 2024. Community gift certificates allow local dollars to stay local, helping your business and the local economy overall.

Gift Certificates are sold to shoppers at the STLC Chamber office. Shoppers will present the gift certificate to the business for redemption in the amount indicated on the certificate. The business will return the used certificate to the Chamber. The Chamber will then issue a check to that business in the amount on the

returned certificate. The certificates are on light green cardstock and will have the official St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce seal stamped on them to verify their authenticity.

Down the road is the 29th annual Canton Winterfest 2025 set Feb. 7-16.

"This is a town-wide event filled with ten days of community programming, shop local promotion, and recreational activities to highlight local businesses and celebrate everything that makes Canton a great place to live, work, study, and play," stated Berry.

Businesses and community members can contact Berry Katie at katie@SLCchamber.org or 315-386-4000 ext 6.

ELECTROSCAN...

Many complaints with firm testing for lead in water

supply lines from the village water mains, looking for lead. The firm is one of the only companies available that uses an electrolysis process to determine if lead is found in underground water lines, sidestepping the traditional process of digging up the lines to visually inspect the pipe.

However, residents and village officials have complained about no-shows, lack of communication and other issues since ElectroScan began the process several weeks ago.

Gates-Shult gave the board a run-down on where the project stands at the moment, reporting to village board members that the initial inventory for the survey project was completed on Oct. 16. But, she said the numbers of the scan inspections that were to have been done by ElectroScan were not where they were expected.

She said about 1200 residences have received letters notifying them that the lateral water lines to these buildings are still listed as unknown because testing has not been completed at these sites.

"By now most village residences should have received one of two letters. One of the letters went out to 1200 property owners. This letter went to any property that we have not confirmed any portion of the lateral and the lateral must by (federal) rule be identified as unknown until testing takes place," she said.

About 180 letters went out to village residents to notify them that their lateral service lines were non-lead, this either verified by ElectroScan's site survey, through village records or from verification from the residents themselves, the administrator said.

"And in many of these cases ElectroScan could not or did not progress the scan far enough to reach the public side of the lateral," Gates-Shult said. "So without village records the public side of the lateral must be identified as unknown until it can be retested."

The administrator said she knows there will be many questions from

'Right now there is a freeze on payment, we are not giving any money to ElectroScan.'

Isabelle Gates-Shult
Village administrator

residents regarding the follow up testing and urges village residents to reach out directly to the village offices which are in contact with Barton & Loguidice on the project's progression.

"Are we to assume that ElectroScan lied to the customers?" asked Village Deputy Mayor Steve Warr.

"I don't know if we can assume that ElectroScan lied, but I think what happened is they weren't testing correctly. So the folks that were hired were local I believe. When they went in to do the testing they did not go far enough. So they didn't reach the other end of the lateral. They were only going in about 15 feet, and I think they needed to go further from what Barton and Loguidice told us," Gates-Shult said.

"Who does that fall on? I would say ElectroScan," Gates-Shult said.

"I think it's no secret that we have certainly had some issues with ElectroScan and I think that a lot of us have been less than impressed with the services we have received so far," Gates-Shult said.

"I think we've given them several opportunities to correct their actions and to rectify the multitude of issues we have experienced and unfortunately I don't feel that that is happening," the administrator told board members.

However, Gates-Shult suggested that the village continue with the project with the current contractors until an alternative could be found.

"Right now there is a freeze on payment, we are not giving any money to ElectroScan," Gates-Shult said.

"That being said, the laterals that are being tested right now, that were not tested the right way, until we find an alternative solution it's my strong suggestion we utilize the resource we do have, not lose any money, and try to rectify the issues we are experiencing, which are the laterals not being tested correctly," the administrator said.

She said there are still 1200 properties that still need to be tested.

Gates-Shult said the village is in direct contact with Barton & Loguidice every other day on the issue. Unfortunately, she said ElectroScan is the only firm currently which offers the more non-invasive electrolysis scanning process and the village would be looking at the more traditional digging option to survey the lines if the contract with the company ends.

BUDGET...

18-cent tax rate cut expected

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.

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.

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COLTON FIRE DISTRICT CHANGE IN MEETING TIME

On December 10, 2024
The regular meeting of the Colton Fire District previously scheduled for Tuesday, December 10 at 6pm, has been rescheduled to 7:30pm at the Colton Fire Station, 80 Riverside Drive.

Dated November 24, 2024
Mary Jane Watson, Secretary
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
COLTON FIRE DISTRICT

ANNUAL ELECTION OF THE COLTON FIRE DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Election of the Colton Fire District will take place on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. at the Colton Fire Station located on Riverside Drive in the hamlet of Colton, NY for the purpose of electing one Commissioner for a five (5) year term, commencing January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2029.

All Colton Fire District voters registered with the St. Lawrence County Board of Elections on or before November 21, 2024 and who have resided in the Colton Fire District for at least thirty days preceding such election shall be eligible to vote.

Candidates for District office must be residents of the Colton Fire District and shall have filed their names with the Secretary of the Colton Fire District, Mary Jane Watson, PO Box 238, Colton, New York 13625 no later than Friday, December 1, 2024.

Dated November 24, 2024.

Mary Jane Watson, Secretary
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
COLTON FIRE DISTRICT

To: The last known owner or owners of the following burial lots located in the **Bayside Cemetery, St. Lawrence County, NY**, and all persons having or claiming to have an interest in said burial lots:

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| D 11 Morgan | I 10 Charles King |
| D 17 Hewitt/Peck | I 17 Felton |
| D 29 Lewis | I 30 Bates |
| D 36 Wheeler | I 35 Haywood |
| D 37 Anstead | I 45 Clark |
| D 49 Dove | I 61 Shepard |
| D 121 Duby | I 66 Anderson |
| E 29 Darling | I 87 Maxfield |
| E 170 Baker | I 88 Wicox |
| E 174 Brown | I 96 Loveland |
| E 189 Pratt | I 117 Robinson |
| F 6 Spear | I 147 Goulding |
| G 3 Baum | I 149 Welch/Burton |
| G 7 Clinton/Jones | I 150 Austin |
| G 8 Simmons | I 155 Swift/Austin |
| G 17 Bump/Allen | I 156 Small/Call |
| G 25 Loucks | I 158 Jackson |
| G 47 Williams/Helena Wright | I 172 Cole |
| H 5 Barclay | I 178 Olmstead |
| H 8 Allen/Hunt | I 210 Reynolds |
| H 45 Johnson | I 215 Partridge |

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Legal Notice Request for Proposals

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**.

The Board of Education reserves the right to waive any informality in the proposal, or to reject any or all proposals, or to accept any proposal which in the opinion of the Board of Education will be in the best interest of the School District. The District reserves the right to consider all relevant reasonable criteria in selecting the successful proposal. All proposals and accompanying documentation become the property of the Ogdensburg City School District. The District shall not divulge any information presented in the Request for Proposal to anyone outside the District without the written approval of the firm. No proposer shall have any legal, equitable or contractual rights of any kind arising out its submission of a proposal.

Ogdensburg City Schools Board of Education
November 21, 2024

OGDENSBURG LEGAL NOTICE

City of Ogdensburg
330 Ford Street
Ogdensburg, NY 13669
Legal Notice – 2024
November Water Rates
November water rates are now due and may be paid at the City Comptroller's Office, Room 5, City Hall, 330 Ford Street, Ogdensburg, NY during the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, for thirty (30) days from date of notice without penalty. **Please note that we do have a drop box on the Caroline Street side of the building marked "Envelope Depository".** After **Monday, December 9, 2024**, a penalty of 10% will be added. Invoices have been mailed and should be presented when making payment. Failure to receive a bill does not entitle the customer to the net rate. You may now pay your City of Ogdensburg taxes and utility bills by Internet. Visit the City website at www.ogdensburg.org to pay current and past due bills by credit card, debit card or e-check. **Please see the acceptance agreement for service charges.** If you have any questions, please contact the City Comptroller's Office at 393-1860. Dated: November 12, 2024
Andrea Smith City Planning & Development

MADRID PUBLIC NOTICE

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.

PARISHVILLE LEGAL NOTICE

ANNUAL ELECTION OF THE PARISHVILLE FIRE DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Election of the Parishville Fire District will take place on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M., at the Parishville Fire Station located at 1714 State Highway 72, Parishville, New York, for the purpose of electing one (1) Fire Commissioner for a five (5) year term, commencing January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2029. Only residents registered to vote with the County Board of Elections for the Parishville District on or before November 20, 2024, shall be eligible to vote.

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.

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

Notice of Formation of Empire Spiral Solutions, LLC . Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/16/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to The Limited Liability Company: 39 South Gordon Street, Gouverneur, NY 13642. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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.

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
SOLE SUPERVISORY DISTRICT
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PO BOX 231, 40 WEST MAIN STREET
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Cooperative Educational Services, St. Lawrence/Lewis Counties, in accordance with Sections 103 of Article 5-A, of the General Municipal Law, hereby invites the submission of sealed bids for **RFB # 25 SLL CAFÉ FEB-AUG & RFB # 25 CLIN CAFÉ FEB-AUG**. Bids will be received until **Monday, December 9, 2024 @ 11:00 AM** at the St. Lawrence/Lewis BOCES Cooperative Purchasing Office, 40 W Main Street, PO Box 231, Canton, NY 13617.

Bids documents may be downloaded from www.bidnetdirect.com/nw-york or may be obtained by contacting the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Purchasing Agent at dbessette@slbooces.org or (315)386-4504.

Bids opened and read shall remain irrevocable for a period of sixty days. The award of contracts, if at all, shall be made as soon as practicable after the bid opening.

MORRISTOWN ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

Please Take Notice, the Town of Morristown is soliciting sealed bids for a **3-year Cemetery Internment 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.

By Order of the Town Board
November 6, 2024
Jill M. Sullivan, Town Clerk

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

Notice of Formation of Mike's Trophies LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/07/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Jennifer Middlemiss: 565 County Route 33 Madrid, NY 13660. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

OGDENSBURG NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of Hazen's Horse Haven . Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/18/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Hazen's Horse Haven : 738 Haggert Rd Ogdensburg NY 13669. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

POTSDAM NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of The Third Wheel Pottery Studio, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/10/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Robin M. Wolpin: 47 Marie Street, Massena, NY 13662. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

CANTON NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of Boak Enterprises LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/11/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Nathaniel Boak: 10 Church St., Canton NY 13617. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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

Notice of Formation of TOFNYS, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/15/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to: Joshua S. Hayden, 15 Countryside Court Drive, Gouverneur, NY 13642. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

LISBON NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of The Laundry Rm. LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 07/16/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Kendra Quinlan: 58 Sparrowhawk Point Road, Lisbon, NY 13658. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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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.

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ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of the qualified voters of the Potsdam Central School District shall be held at the Potsdam High School Auditorium in said District, on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, between the hours of 7:00 AM and 6:00 PM The following proposition will be submitted for voter approval at said meeting:

PROPOSITION

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Potsdam Central School District is hereby authorized to undertake certain capital improvements consisting of reconstruction and improvements to existing school buildings and facilities, site improvements and the acquisition of certain original furnishings, equipment, and apparatus and other incidental improvements required in connection therewith for such construction and school use, all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$1,500,000; and to appropriate and expend from the existing capital reserve fund \$300,000 for such costs, and that the balance of such cost, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments, with such tax to be offset by state aid available therefor; and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed \$1,200,000 shall be issued.

The School District, acting as lead agency to the extent necessary, if any, for this purpose under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder ("SEQRA"), has completed its environmental review and, on October 8, 2024, has duly determined and found the purpose to be a type II action under SEQRA which will not have a significant impact on the environment and is not subject to any further environmental review under SEQRA.

AND NOTICE IS GIVEN that qualified military voters may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at (315) 265-2000 x36733 or dmartin@potsdam.k12.ny.us For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 PM on November 21, 2024. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or email.

AND NOTICE IS GIVEN, that applications for early mail and absentee ballots shall be obtainable during school business hours from the District Clerk; completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the vote and election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the vote and election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Early mail and absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 PM on December 17, 2024.

A list of persons to whom early mail, absentee and military ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the office of the District Clerk on and after December 3, 2024, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM on weekdays prior to the Election; and on December 17, 2024, the day set for the Election, said list will be posted at the polling place.

The District Clerk is authorized to amend or modify this notice to comply with applicable legal requirements.

DATED: October 8, 2024
Potsdam, New York

David M. Martin, District Clerk
Potsdam Central School District
New York

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Outgoing trustee encourages involvement

It has been my pleasure serving as a Village Trustee for Canton over the past year and welcoming Kara McLuckie to the board.

Civic service is an important part of the community, and I encourage other younger community members to get involved.

Whether it be volunteering for the fire department or serving on one of the volunteer boards, such as the Zoning Board of Appeals or Housing Authority.

I know there is a lot of great talent and knowledge in our community.

The first step is simply reaching out to your local public officials to see how you can get involved.

As we approach the Thanksgiving Holiday, I want to give thanks to those that put in time and effort to serve Canton and surrounding communities in the North Country.

This past year has had its challenges with extreme weather events.

I feel it's important we appreciate how well the storms were handled and the ongoing efforts to improve.

Jonathan Pinckney
Canton Village Trustee

Expresses views on illegal immigration

The November 22-28 edition included a letter from Nancy Foster that spoke out against illegal immigration.

Unfortunately, it mostly repeated the dishonest claims of the Trumpican Party and the propaganda of Fox News.

Most people are rightly concerned about the disorder at the Mexican border and indeed it is a major problem. US immigration law is in dire need of a comprehensive revision.

However, it is not a crime to present yourself at the border and seek asylum. Large numbers of people are leaving the odious dictatorships of Cuba, Venezuela, and Nicaragua, and many have legitimate reasons to flee for safety.

When they enter our country, they are supposed to be scheduled for a hearing. This is what the Trumpicans are calling "Catch and release", but is really just "innocent until proven guilty". Like anyone suspected of a non-violent crime, they should not be detained until a hearing.

But the majority of people in the United States illegally sneak in by less well publicized methods. A couple of illustrative cases will shed some light:

Ivana Marie Zelníčková was born in communist Czechoslovakia in 1949. As a young woman she desperately wanted to live in a free country, just as so many asylum seekers do today. Instead of requesting asylum though, she committed "marital fraud" by having a sham marriage with her Austrian friend and ski coach.

This enabled her to get an Austrian passport so she could travel to Canada and then to the United States. Marital fraud was and is a crime in the US, Canada, and Austria, but it worked out for her.

She ended the sham marriage, and in 1977 married the future president of the United States, Donald Trump.

Melanija Knavs was born in the communist dictatorship of Yugoslavia in 1970, and you can see where this is going. Her part of Yugoslavia seceded in 1991 after just ten days of war, and became Slovenia—a parliamentary democracy. Ms. Knavs started fashion modeling at age 16 and 10 years later was recruited by an agency to move to New York City. She violated US immigration law by starting work in the United States while still on a traveler's visa. She wasn't caught, jailed, or deported, and in 2005 became the third Mrs. Donald Trump.

What harm did either of these illegal immigrants do to the United States? Well, none—just like the vast majority of other immigrants. The last comprehensive overhaul of US immigration law was during the Reagan administration when we were said to be "A shining city upon a hill" which welcomed people from all over the world. The law desperately needs to be updated, but I fear we'll become instead "A rusty razor wire barrier on the river."

John Dewar
Potsdam

Trying to deal with the big picture

It's the human heart that's at the very root of all this trouble.... It's a flawed heart.... It's a heart that desires the "high" standard of living at the expense of so much harm to The EARTH.

It's a heart multiplied and compounded by H sapiens' billions.... A flawed species.... O! H sapiens.... Yours are the teeming masses with hearts driven by greed.

O! H sapiens.... Why can't you see that it's all those greedy hearts that drove industrialization.... That fathered the climate crisis.... Fathered extinctions and worsening prospects for all of your Fellow Living Things?

O! H sapiens.... Why are you so blind?

Why can't you see that your technological changes to make your energy uses less harmful will do nothing whatsoever to fix your flawed heart? The EARTH-Aware Reality here is that you, H sapiens, have been living at a harmful level of consumption for many centuries now

It's your insatiable greed for living at the "high" standard of living that's causing all this harm

The economic development that you use to satisfy your greed must come to be seen for the harmful thing that it is.... Rampaging economic development is a pox on The Face of The EARTH"

Many thanks for doing your part in educating our fellow human beings.

Dave Hassig
Colton

Thank you from Community Lunch Program

I know there are so many great organizations asking for donations throughout the year, and it can be tough to choose where to give your hard-earned money.

We here at The Community Lunch Program for Kids can't claim to end world hunger, eliminate poverty in our small community, or even assist all those in need.

But, we feel that if, as a result of our efforts, even one less child in the North Country is going to bed hungry at night, then we have made a difference and that makes it all worthwhile.

This summer alone, because of your support, we were able to assist 541 children with food (the equivalent of 8,115 meals). And these were just seven of our eleven food distributions for 2024.

In addition to providing food, you have helped us provide 121 children with socks, sneakers, underwear, and backpacks for our Back2School event in August.

And because of your generosity, over 123 local children will be "nestled, all snug in their beds" as you helped us provide warm winter pjs, a blanket and a book for the upcoming cold winter nights.

None of this would have been possible without your kind support! We are so blessed to have you on Team CLPK.

We know we would not even exist without all those who believe in our mission, and support us.

Since we began in 2016, we have placed 120 orders with the Food Bank of CNY to purchase 287,468 pounds of food valued at \$139,077.65.

The Food Bank of Central New York may be our lifeline, but you are our cheerleaders, who encourage us with your generous support and your kind words.

As we wind down 2024, I am writing to you to say thank you.

Thank you for believing in us, and supporting our mission.

Thank you for trusting us with your hard earned money, so that we can help the children of our neighbors in need; whether that need is food, or socks, sneakers, underwear, and a new backpack for the beginning of a new school year or winter pajamas and a blanket to stay warm on cold winter nights.

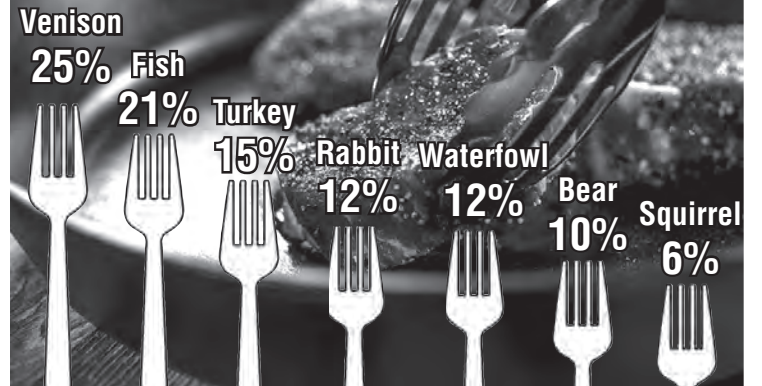
Because of your support, we have their backs.

From all of us at CLPK, to all of you who have shown us such great kindness and generosity; we hope you have a wonderful holiday and we wish you the very best in 2025.

Wendy Chambers, Director
The Community Lunch Program for Kids

NCNOW SURVEY

Many have consumed venison, fish, and turkey from a local harvest



Debbie Morgan | NCTW

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?

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: Turkey reigns supreme as the favorite protein

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

TO TAKE THE CURRENT SURVEY, visit <https://bit.ly/3CJGbjS>

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The Canton-Potsdam Hospital Gift Shop will operate in a newly designed space just inside the main entrance to the hospital.

CPH Guild Gift Shop to reopen in newly designed space at hospital

POTSDAM -- The Canton-Potsdam Hospital Guild Gift Shop will reopen Monday, Dec. 2, at 10 a.m. with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and refreshments.

Guild members and hospital representatives will be on hand and attendees will be able to enter to win a door prize that will be announced on Friday, Dec. 6.

The shop will operate in a newly designed space just inside the main entrance to the hospital, offering a wide variety of items.

Store hours will be Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Guild's volunteer sales and management team are excited to assist shoppers.

The Gift Shop, which has been closed since the Pandemic began, first opened 72 years ago in the Spring of 1952.

The Shop serves as one of the Guild's largest fundraisers, contributing over \$254,000 from 2007-2018 in support of the programs such as fulfilling the Guild's \$150,000 pledge to the hospital, four nursing scholarships and maintenance of the butterfly garden.

Over the years, the shop has continued to expand the variety of merchandise offered, selected to appeal to the gifting needs of visitors, community members and hospital staff.

The CPH Guild Board of Directors expressed appreciation to Canton-Potsdam Hospital and the CPH Foundation Office for the redesign of the new shop, and to the many individuals, businesses and organizations who helped make the project a success.

The Olde DeKalb Hotel notes one-year milestone

DEKALB JUNCTION — The Olde DeKalb Hotel just marked its one-year anniversary, and owners Scott and Rebecca Fenlong couldn't be more grateful for the incredible support from the North Country Community, said a press release from the hotel.

Since opening its doors, this hotel has quickly become a beloved gathering spot, offering not just drinks and food but a vibrant atmosphere for entertainment and connection.

To celebrate this milestone, The Olde DeKalb Hotel hosted a special anniversary event featuring drink specials, including the fan-favorite "Dave's Beer." This tribute is a heartfelt nod to Scott's father, Dave, who once owned the bar over 20 years ago, the press release said.

"It feels like Thanksgiving every day," Rebecca said. "We come together to eat, drink, laugh and make memories."

The menu at The Olde DeKalb

Hotel showcases delicious, homemade food sourced from local vendors. From classic pub fare to unique dishes that highlight local ingredients, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

In addition to food and drinks, the past year has been filled with entertainment. With monthly comedy shows featuring professional comedians and regular performances from incredible local bands, The Olde DeKalb Hotel has successfully brought excitement and laughter back to the area.

"We wanted to create a space where people could come together to enjoy good times and great company," Scott said.

For those looking for some friendly competition, the bar boasts one of the longest shuffleboard tables in the area at an impressive 21 feet long. Whether you're a seasoned player or a novice, it's the perfect way to engage with friends and fellow patrons.

St. Lawrence Federal Credit Union notes 70 years in St. Lawrence County

OGDENSBURG — St. Lawrence Federal Credit Union (SLFCU) has reached a rich milestone celebrating its 70th year of business in St. Lawrence County.

"We are grateful to have reached our 70th Anniversary. From our humble beginnings in 1954 to becoming a trusted financial partner for thousands of members across multiple counties, our story is one of growth, resilience, and a steadfast commitment to our community. We started as one branch at the St. Lawrence State Hospital and have now expanded to six branches throughout St. Lawrence County," stated Amber Taylor, CEO and President and on behalf of the Board of Directors.

There are two SLFCU branches in Ogdensburg and one each in Canton, Potsdam, Heuvelton, and Hermon.

SLFCU held a celebration the week of November 10, stopping by a random selection of schools to deliver winter essentials for children in need.

On Wednesday, Nov. 13, they sponsored a food truck with a free lunch, cupcakes, snacks, and raffles

for the membership.

"We see this milestone as not just a reflection of our credit union's longevity, but a testament to the values that define us: people helping people. Over the past seven decades, we have weathered economic challenges, embraced technological advancements, and expanded our reach, all while keeping the needs of our members at the heart of everything we do," Taylor added.

In a press release, Taylor issued praise to SLFCU's membership and employees.

"To our members: you are the core of the credit union. Whether you've been with us for decades or joined us recently, your trust and loyalty have made this milestone possible. Thank you for choosing us for your financial needs and for allowing us to serve you."

"We also have an outstanding team of employees who bring passion and dedication to their roles every day. The employees' roles here go outside providing financial needs; it's about fostering relationships, supporting our local communities, and helping our members achieve their aspirations."

JRECK Subs' Christmas stocking giveaway

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 par-

ticipating 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 drawing 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 cus-

tomers 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 JRECK Subs marketing team at marketing@jrecksubs.com.

Cornerstone supports Helping Hands

NORWOOD — Cornerstone Services Plumbing Heating and Cooling recently made a \$1,000 donation to Helping Hands of Potsdam for their Thanksgiving Basket Distribution. The Thanksgiving Basket Distribution will serve hundreds of people in the North Country, assuring that they have a special meal to celebrate Thanksgiving with their loved ones.

Helping Hands serves the North Country in several ways. They offer a food pantry as well as holiday meals and food baskets. In their facility at 5868 State Highway 56 in Hannawa Falls, Helping

Hands also provides free lunches Monday through Thursdays at noon. Along with food assistance, Helping Hands also provides other tangible services. They have the Christian House Memorial Furniture Barn where people in difficult situations can obtain needed furniture as well as housewares at no charge. Helping Hands can provide financial assistance in situations of evictions or utility shut offs, as well as firewood for households that heat with wood.

The Betty Vebber Smile Fund provides dental care kits to first graders in six school districts

around the North Country.

While Cornerstone Services was thankful to be able to provide a donation to assist this generous organization with their mission, more importantly they hope to help in sharing how others in the region can support Helping Hands. Their multifaceted approach to assisting those in need is desperately needed in our community.

If you are interested in donating time or resources, please contact Helping Hands at 315-268-0633 or learn more at potsdamhelpinghands.org.

SLU creates new pathway to medical education

CANTON — In their shared efforts to ease health care workforce shortages in underserved communities across the Northeast, St. Lawrence University and the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine (UNE COM) have signed a new articulation agreement that guarantees qualified graduates from St. Lawrence priority consideration for a medical education at Maine's premier health professions university.

As part of the agreement, eligible St. Lawrence students who meet the necessary academic and experiential criteria will receive a guaranteed interview for admission into UNE COM, which is Maine's only medical school and one of the nation's top providers of physicians working in rural and underserved areas.

The agreement reflects the shared values and missions of both institutions, with a focus

on addressing rural health care needs and providing students from diverse backgrounds with opportunities to pursue careers in medicine.

The collaboration comes at a critical time as both UNE and St. Lawrence emphasize producing health care professionals who are prepared to aid underserved communities, including rural northern Maine and New York's North Country, and beyond in wake of historic physician shortages across the nation.

The articulation agreement aligns with UNE COM's commitment to fostering access to medical education and broadening pathways for students interested in medicine during this critical time in the nation's health care landscape.

St. Lawrence University students, who come prepared with academically rigorous courses in the STEM fields, hands-on learning

experiences, and a commitment to community engagement, will benefit from streamlined access to UNE COM, said Karin Heckman, associate professor of biology at St. Lawrence, adding that many of these students participate in research, complete certifications such as phlebotomy, or gain direct patient care experience, ensuring they arrive well-prepared to pursue advanced medical education.

The collaboration between UNE and St. Lawrence underscores the importance of creating clear pathways to medical education, especially in light of the national physician shortage.

And both institutions look forward to welcoming the first cohort of students to benefit from the agreement, with five current St. Lawrence applicants already on track to receive priority consideration for UNE COM's upcoming admission cycle.

Internships growing part of SUNY Canton career-driven education

CANTON – SUNY Canton eyes internships as an extension of its career-driven educational programs.

The college currently has students placed in 52 on-campus Presidential Internships. Two additional students are working off-campus with area agencies, including the St. Lawrence County Center for History and Culture in Canton. The college expanded its robust internship program so students could gain experience working in their chosen fields while still in college.

All internships are administered by the college's Office of Career Services. Students typically receive \$1,500 a semester for 100 hours of work, according to Assistant Director of Career Services Kathryn L. Kennedy.

"Internship experiences are essential for developing technical and career readiness skills," Kennedy said. "This includes communication, teamwork, critical thinking and problem-solving, in addition to work ethic and professionalism."

Kennedy said in addition to gaining practical experience, internships give students the chance to explore a field before committing to a career. They also allow students to begin networking and building relationships with mentors to help open doors for future job opportunities.

Connor Dickinson of Harrisville's internship with the SUNY Canton Kangaroos head athletic trainer came as a completely natural extension of his college studies. Dickinson started in the two-year Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) program,

earned his PTA license and is continuing his studies in the four-year Health and Fitness Promotion program.

"I kind of fell in love with the health and fitness field," Dickinson said. "This internship has helped me both financially and has helped me grow my skills."

He said he benefitted from patient interactions and getting to meet new people and student-athletes. "I've also learned a lot of things that I would have had to learn later on in school," he said. "I've definitely gotten ahead of the game."

Dickinson is a senior-level student and has been accepted into Nazareth University's Doctor of Physical Therapy program.

Isabella (Bella) Joy of Wilming-

ton has interned with two different programs on campus, both with an emphasis on assisting other students. The Forensic Criminology major began by conducting research related to recruitment and retention for the college's EMS squad. She's currently the vice president of the student-run squad and

a certified EMT.

"I was always a very quiet person," Joy said. "My internships allowed me to become more involved." She now interns with the Admissions Office, where she helps students access on-campus resources, including tutoring, study sessions, and other support services.

NCSB features podcast series

CANTON – North Country Savings Bank's new podcast "North Country Stories" aired its first episode this week featuring North Country native Hailey Hodge, who studied fashion at Drexel and returned to Canton to open her clothing store, Luna.

The episode can be listened to at: <https://www.buzzsprout.com/2407828>

The "North Country Stories" Podcast is meant to engage with the community and share insights from people who call the North Country home. If you or someone you know is interested in sharing their North Country

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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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Presenting the check are Potsdam Central School Boys' Varsity Hockey Senior Team Members, left to right: Assistant Captain Tyler Martin, Bryce Yette, Captain Brodey Hughes, SLH Oncologist Dr. Velmalia Matthews-Smith, Captain Devin Green, Assistant Captain John Marshall Duffy, Assistant Captain Christos Theodore, Bryan Dillon. Missing from the photo are Jaxon Bernard and Lucas Cruikshank.

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Photo submitted by Michael Griffin

Potsdam Rotary recently planted yellow tulips as a reminder of the importance of addressing the global mental health crisis. Shown planting, from the left, are Past President Duane Pelkey and Treasurer Shawn Seymour.

Rotarians plant yellow tulips

POTSDAM – The Potsdam Rotary Club recently planted yellow tulip bulbs in front of the Potsdam Town Hall, where the club meets.

The club says that when they bloom, next year, the yellow tulips will serve as a visible reminder of the importance of addressing the global mental health crisis.

Rotary International holds mental health as a key focus, highlighting three priorities: erase the

stigma associated with discussing mental health; raise awareness about mental health needs; and increase access and capacity for treatment and prevention.

The club thanks Rotary District 7040 Governor Teresa Whitmore for this project idea.

The Rotary Club of Potsdam meets each Wednesday at noon at the Potsdam Town Hall. Guests are welcome.

People Project raising funds for winter children's program

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. The children who receive these brand-new coats, hats, boots and mittens are referred to us by their school district in a discreet manner and have been identified as needing assistance

with obtaining these items. 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

Of course, any amount will help and the organization appreciates all donations regardless of the amount. Donations can be sent to: SLC People Project, PO Box 763, 431 State St., Ogdensburg, NY 13669.

Also donate via Paypal: @slcpp1.

Swag workshop planned

CANTON -- St. Lawrence County Center for History and Culture, 3 E. Main St., will host a Sensational Swag Holiday Workshop on Saturday, Nov. 30, from 1-3 p.m.

Price: \$20 members, \$25 non-members.

Join Vicky Oakes and Carlene Bermann to create yuletide decor in the Victorian tradition.

Practice techniques for cutting, shaping, and hanging evergreen branches into beautiful swags.

Learn techniques for making ribbon bows and incorporating dried citrus fruits, nuts, and spices into your holiday swag.

All materials needed to create one large swag approximately 18" x 30" will be provided.

Registration is required as spaces are limited.

To register, call the office at (315) 386-8133 or e-mail Carlene at carlene@slcha.org.

You may also register online.

Battle of the Books meeting

CANTON – Interested Canton-area students in grades 4 through 6 are invited to a Battle of the Books organizational meeting on Dec. 5 at 2:40 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the Canton Middle School Library.

In addition to Canton Central School students, children who are homeschooled or attend Little River

Community School or Saint Catherine of Siena Academy may either attend this meeting or get an information/registration packet in the children's room at the Canton Free Library.

Children may still participate if they cannot attend this meeting.

Call 315-386-3712 x4 or email vwhite@ncls.org for more info.

UUP scholarship available for SUNY Canton, Potsdam students

SUNY Canton and SUNY POTSDAM students are invited to apply for annual scholarships of \$3,000 offered by United University Professions, the union that represents academic and professional faculty at the State University of New York.

The deadline to apply for the UUP College Scholarship Fund Undergraduate Scholarship application is March 1, 2025. Applications are on UUP's website, at <https://uupinfo.org/awards>.

The UUP College Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to a maximum of four SUNY undergraduates who excel academically and are dedicated to the goals and ideals of the labor movement. Applicants must be full-time students enrolled at SUNY state-operated schools and have a minimum grade point average of 3.75.

Full-time graduate SUNY students can apply for UUP's William Scheuerman Post-baccalaureate Scholarship. The scholarship is named in honor of former UUP President William Scheuerman. Applications are on UUP's website, at <https://uupinfo.org/awards>.

To apply, students must have at least 9 credits and hold a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.95. Applicants must show dedication to the labor movement's goals and ideals.

Applicants for both scholarships must demonstrate personal and academic achievement and display a strong record of community service. UUP awards the scholarships to students on a one-time basis, but there is no limit on the number of times a student may apply. The scholarships are funded by contributions from UUP members and their families.

UUP has awarded more than 100 scholarships since the scholarship program began in 1988. Three of the undergraduate scholarships are given in honor of former UUP members and their families who generously supported the Scholarship Fund. Those members are the late Eugene Link of SUNY Plattsburgh; the late Robert Carter of SUNY Oswego and his wife, Katherine; and the late Gertrude Butera of SUNY Alfred.

Info: (800) 342-4206.

History & Culture center to host open house

CANTON -- The St. Lawrence County Center for History & Culture invites you to our annual Holiday Open House at the Silas Wright Historic House & Museum on Friday, Dec. 6 from 4-8 p.m.

Enjoy good food with wonderful company and see the museum decked out for the holidays.

Highlights: - Refreshments provided - Self-guided museum tours - Live music throughout the evening and a holiday music medley between live performances - Crafting stations around the museum with take-home crafts - Holiday Artwork Raffle drawing at 6:30 PM.

You do not need to be present to win. Holiday Artwork Raffle "Something in Red" Giclee Print by John Morrow

Details: Dimensions: 16" x 24" Custom framing included Ticket Pricing: - \$5 each - 5 tickets for \$20 - 10 tickets for \$35.

Tickets may be purchased online or in person at the Museum Gift Shop at 3 E. Main Street in Canton.

Please call the office at (315) 386-8133 or e-mail Megan Royce at engagement@slcha.org if you have any questions.

Free to participate.

Local Habitat chapter organizing can drive

CANTON -- The St. Lawrence University Chapter of Habitat for Humanity is organizing a can and bottle drive to raise money for its alternative spring break trip.

Cans and bottles can be delivered to Shoulette's Redemption Depot until Dec. 16. Let the depot know that you are donating them to Habitat for Humanity. Or pickup can be arranged by emailing rbjako22@stlawu.edu.

Each spring St. Lawrence University Habitat for Humanity organizes an alternative break trip to another part of the US to volunteer with a local chapter of Habitat for Humanity.

This year, the chapter plans a trip to Taos, New Mexico, where mem-

bers will spend the week volunteering with Taos Habitat for Humanity.

While the trip is organized by club members, it is open to the broader student body, so any student at St. Lawrence can apply to join, regardless of their involvement with the club.

One of the chapter's primary goals is to keep participation costs as low as possible, ensuring that finances are not a barrier for any student who wants to be a part of this impactful trip.

Contact: Renate Jakobsen, rbjako22@stlawu.edu.

Santa, Buddy to visit NCCM in Potsdam

POTSDAM -- The Adirondack Santa and Buddy the Elf will be visiting the North Country Children's Museum in December. These drop-in programs are included with the cost of membership and admission and there is no need to preregister.

The Adirondack Santa will be making a return visit to the museum on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 10 a.m. to noon.

Then, come meet Buddy the Elf at the museum on Sunday, Dec. 15 from 2-4 p.m. Kids can take photos with Buddy, play with Buddy, and challenge one another to eat various combinations of candied spaghetti (Buddy's favorite food.) The Children's Museum will provide the spaghetti and all the toppings.

The North Country Children's Museum is located at 10 Raymond St. in downtown Potsdam. Visit the museum's website for more information:

<https://northcountrychildrensmuseum.org/events/>.



Photo submitted

Holiday Fund gift tags now on display

The Potsdam Holiday Fund gift tags are now on display at The UPS Store at 200 Market Street. The program provides families in need with food and warm clothing vouchers, new books, and gifts for each child. Senior citizens or single adults qualified for the program receive food vouchers. Tags are available at over 30 locations. A list of locations can be viewed at www.potsdamholidayfund.org.

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WHAT'S GOING ON

FRIDAY, NOV. 29

Jazz and coffee

CANTON - The Unitarian Universalist Church is hosting a Jazz and Coffee

Night from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 29. Free, open to the public.

Santa's Holiday of Lights

CANTON - Santa's Holiday of Lights with

Frosty & Friends will be Friday, Nov. 29 on the Canton Village Green at 6 p.m. Santa will gift each child with a book & candy cane. There will be sleigh wagon rides music, hot chocolate & cookies.

SATURDAY, NOV. 30

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.

Chamber jingle mingle

POTSDAM - The Potsdam Chamber of Commerce will host a Jingle & Mingle event on Saturday, Nov. 30 at 29 Market St., from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tent sales, live music, free samples. www.Potsdam-Chamber.com.

Christmas tree sales

PIERREPONT - The Pierrepont Volunteer Fire Department will be selling Christmas Trees Nov. 30 through Dec. 21 or until all are sold. Trees will be sold daily at the McIntosh home in Pierrepont center; at the Best Western parking lot in Canton, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday's and Sunday's or by contacting any Pierrepont Fireman. Proceeds will benefit the Pierrepont Volunteer Fire Department.

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. There will be 50/50 tickets and numerous raffles. No entry fee.

Kidpreneurs Marketplace

POTSDAM - Kids ages 5-15 are invited to participate in Potsdam's second Kidpreneurs Marketplace: Jingle & Mingle Holiday Event on Saturday, Nov. 30 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at 29 Market St. For more information or to be an event sponsor, contact Brittany at Second Glance by email at britt@secondglancenny.com.

Swag holiday workshop

CANTON -- St. Lawrence County Center for History and Culture, 3 E. Main St., will host a Sensational Swag Holiday Workshop on Saturday, Nov. 30, from 1-3 p.m. Price: \$20 members, \$25 non-members. To register, call the office at (315) 386-8133 or e-mail carlene@slcha.org. You may also register online. \$20.00 Members, \$25.00 Non-Members.

Small Business Saturday

POTSDAM -- SLC Arts will host a Small Business Saturday event at Creative Spirit Community Arts Center, 6-8 Raymond St. on Nov. 30 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 10-12 wooden ornaments with Katie Schuler; 12-2 music lunch hour with Andrew Lamora; all day for \$5 print making gift

tags, bows, and bags; art demo and community canvas experience.

Tango lesson, dancing

CANTON - The Unitarian Universalist Church of Canton, 3 1/2 E. Main St., will host a tango lesson and dancing Saturday, Nov. 30, 6-7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, DEC. 2

Cinema 10: Thelma

POTSDAM - Cinema 10 will screen Thelma (US, 2024, d. Josh Margoli, 98 m, PG-13) on Dec. 2 at 7:15 p.m. at the Roxy Theater. After the titular Thelma is scammed out of \$10,000 by a man pretending to be her grandson, the 93-year-old sets off on a journey to get her money back. First time director Josh Margolin directs stellar performances by screen veterans June Squibb (in her first leading role), Malcolm McDowell, Parker Posey, and Richard Roundtree (in his final performance). Tickets: \$6.50 general / \$55 season or \$5.50 student/senior / \$45 season. www.cinema10.org.

Gift shop reopening

POTSDAM -- The Canton-Potsdam Hospital Guild Gift Shop will reopen Monday, Dec. 2, at 10 a.m. with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and refreshments. The shop will be just inside the main entrance to the hospital. Store hours are Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, DEC. 3

Lions Club meets

POTSDAM -- Raquette River Lions Club monthly meeting on Dec. 3 at 5:45 p.m. Be our guest for the first meeting you attend. We are ordinary people doing amazing things.

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

Recovery meeting

POTSDAM - A one-hour long meeting is facilitated by a peer-led community that is unified by trust in the potential of each of us to recover and find freedom from the suffering of addiction. Meetings every Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. at the Trillium in Potsdam. This event is free and open to anyone who suffers with any type of addiction. Contact information: pdamrecoverydharma@gmail.com.

Lead and chromium talk

POTSDAM - Clarkson University's Sci-

ence Café will feature "Hidden Hazards: A Simple Test to Detect Lead and Chromium, two highly toxic metals, in your drinking water" on Wednesday, Dec. 4 in the Potsdam Civic Center Community Room at 2 Park Street at 7:15 p.m. For more information about Clarkson's Science Caf?, click <https://www.clarkson.edu/science-cafe>.

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.

Writers Group

POTSDAM -- SLC Arts will host a Writers Group on Dec. 4 and 18, 6-8 p.m., at Creative Spirit Community Arts Center, 6-8 Raymond St. Info: slcartscouncil.org.

THURSDAY, DEC. 5

Battle of the Books meet

CANTON -- Interested Canton-area students in grades 4 through 6 are invited to a Battle of the Books organizational meeting on Dec. 5 at 2:40 p.m. Children may still participate if they cannot attend this meeting. Call 315-386-3712 x4 or email vwhite@ncls.org for more info.

Holiday auction

CANTON - The Zonta Club of Canton will hold its in-person Holiday Auction on Thursday, Dec. 5, at the Canton VFW Post 1231, 34 Gouverneur St. A silent auction and various raffles will take place from 5:30 until the evening comes to an end. Helen Mace, auctioneer, will conduct the live part of the auction beginning at 7 pm. Info: President Julie Miller at 315-323-4065 or jamiller67@hotmail.com or Liza Aldous at 315-261-0806 or liza.aldous@cbna.com or any Zonta member you may know.

Red Sandstone walk

POTSDAM - The Laurentian Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club (ADK) welcomes the public to join them Thurs., Dec 5, 12, 19, 26 for its weekly walk on the Red Sandstone Access Roads. 7:30 am. Walk the dirt access roads for approximately 2 miles, 1 hour round trip. Meet at the Red Sandstone trailhead, north entrance parking lot off Back Hannawa Road (CR59) between Potsdam and Hannawa Falls. Contact Marianne Hebert, hebertm@potsdam.edu, 315-265-0756.

Watercolor class

POTSDAM -- SLC Arts will host a watercolor class with Michiko on Dec. 5, 6-8 p.m., at Creative Spirit Community Arts Center, 6-8 Raymond St. Register at <https://slc-arts-council.myshopify.com/collections/classes>. Info: slcartscouncil.org.

FRIDAY, DEC. 6

Coffee time begins

COLTON -- The Hepburn Library of Colton is holding coffee time for the community every Friday beginning at 9:30 a.m. until 11 a.m. at the library from Dec. 6 through Jan. 31. All are welcome.

Grief support meeting

POTSDAM - The Growing Through Grief Support Group is a free public support group for anyone who has experienced a loss or is preparing to lose someone. Meetings are held at Trillium Wellness Center, First Presbyterian Church of Potsdam (park on Elm Street side of church and enter through the door by the playground). Upcoming dates are Dec. 6 & 20, and Jan. 3, 17 & 23. For more information contact Lisa Oakes at lisamaeoakes@yahoo.com.

Indie music show

POTSDAM -- SLC Arts will host an indie music show featuring The Boyden Brook Band on Dec. 6 at Creative Spirit Community Arts Center, 6-8 Raymond St. Doors open at 6 p.m. \$10 door fee. Info: slcartscouncil.org.

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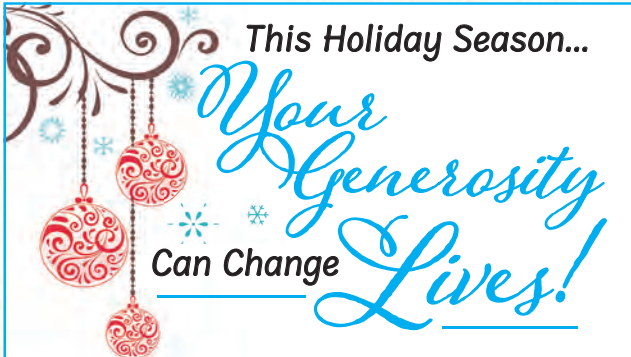
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NOTABLE

Private Ethan F. VanBrocklin, 18, Colton, graduated from United States Marine Corps boot camp at Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island on Oct. 4. Private VanBrocklin successfully completed 13 weeks of intensive basic training at MCRD Parris Island as one of 100 recruits in Training Platoon 3074. Private VanBrocklin is the son of Jamie M. and Chad R. VanBrocklin, and the grandson of Fay and Barbara VanBrocklin (Colton) and Sandra and the late John (Jack) White (Massena).

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Life's journey in active recovery: Felix's story with CPH

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-judgment 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



St. Lawrence Health Photo

Canton-Potsdam Hospital Substance Use Disorder client Felix Ramirez, on left, and Operations Manager of Behavioral Health Services William Doyle. Ramirez turned his life around with the help of rehabilitation services through Canton-Potsdam Hospital.

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 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>.

New Norfolk library director

NORFOLK -- The Hepburn Library of Norfolk has hired Tim Connolly of Potsdam as its new director. Connolly brings to the job experience in the library, retail and public sectors.

He has worked as the library manager at the Rensselaer Falls branch of Canton Free Library; He's owned several businesses in Potsdam and started Best Friends Thrift Shop for the Potsdam Humane Soci-

ety, and he has been active in public service in both the village and town of Potsdam.

"This is such an amazing opportunity. I've worked with the public in so many different capacities my entire life, and this position allows me to bring all of those skills together to help a great organization do wonderful things," stated Connolly, who looks forward to offer additional programming to patrons.

Gifts from Norwood American Legion

NORWOOD — Norwood American Legion recently supported the Norwood Norfolk Raymondville Outreach Program by donating money to assist in providing non-perishable food items to fami-

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Potsdam 4th grade with Juvenile arthritis named youth honoree

POTSDAM – Calvin Decker, a 4th grader at Potsdam Central School who battles Juvenile arthritis, has been named the youth honoree for the upcoming Jingle Bell Run on December 8 hosted by the Arthritis Foundation of Upstate New York.

You can learn more about the Jingle Bell run or even join Calvin's team using the link <https://events.arthritis.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donordrive.team&teamID=35774>

Calvin's journey started in March of 2022 when out of the blue his hip started to hurt and within a few hours he couldn't walk. The ER visit and following doctor's appointments initially diagnosed him with toxic synovitis in his left hip.

After several months of ups and downs, the family finally got a referral to Pediatric Rheumatology. Fast forward to June 2023 when Calvin ended up in the ER due to vision changes. He was then sent to an ophthalmologist who confirmed uveitis in both eyes. At that point Calvin was given the official Juvenile Arthritis diagnosis and started Humira injections every other week.

Calvin enjoys being outside and staying active. Some of his favorite things include 4-H club, playing baseball, ice skating, designing for his JD printer and working on the farm. One of his biggest goals is to show a calf in Louisville, KY at the North American-International Livestock Expo.

LaBrake boot camp graduate

Private Todd C. LaBrake, 18, of Colton, graduated from United States Marine Corps boot camp at Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island on Oct. 4.

Private LaBrake successfully completed 13 weeks of intensive basic training at MCRD Parris

Island as one of 100 recruits in Training Platoon 3074.

LaBrake is the son of Kevin LaBrake (Colton), and the late Michelle Mills, grandson of Judson and the late Judy Mills (Colton) and the late Leon and Barbara LaBrake (Canton).

Parishville-Hopkinton Central School announces honor roll for grades 6-12

PARISHVILLE – The following students in grades 6-12 at Parishville-Hopkinton Central School were named to the high honor roll and honor roll for the Term 1 marking period.

- High Honor Roll**
 Grade 6: Elizabeth Boots, Alice Brown, Olivia Pellegrino, and Adriana TenEyck.
 Grade 7: Madison Chevier, Mia Hobbs, Adair Martel, Gavin Richards, and Scott Taylor.
 Grade 8: Hannah Browne, Rebekah Colbert, Teagan Martel, Makenna Monroe, Leah Snell, Aidin Sochia, Jake Taylor, Jaidyn Trimble, and Bentley White.
 Grade 9: Madelynn Anable, Madeline Browne, Tristan Chevier, Grant Eldridge, Chase McMartin, Audrey Snell, and Sophia Sullivan.
 Grade 10: Charles Clark-Vallance, Wilton Eldridge, Jonathan Ellison, Joseph Guiney, Keigan Palmer, Hai-

- ley Parker, Lennon Porter, Kylie Tyo, Connor Votra, and Oliver White.
 Grade 11: Sophia Merriman, Eliza Colbert, Luxi Hayes, Alanna Monroe, Jordan Perry, Addison Snell, and Allie Snell.
 Grade 12: Lilianna Clark-Vallance, Taylor Murray, Ava Smith, and Taya Whitehill.
Honor Roll
 Grade 6: Brianna Farnsworth, Kinsley McMartin, Maci Monroe, and Isaac Taylor.
 Grade 7: Maria Alvarez, Piper Bush, Isabella DeShane, Aiden Pellegrino, Savannah Sagriff, Ailee Scovil, Cadence Smith, Fiona Snell, Alyvia TenEyck, and Audrey Trimm.
 Grade 8: Alexandra Gang, Rachel Knowles, Abel Porter, Cameron Scovil-Smith, Joseph Snell, and Noah White.
 Grade 9: Gabrielle Bush, Kylee Bush, Tanner Clouthier, Willow

- Foster, Abigail Krise, Addisyn Krise, Jayda-Jo Page, Bowyn Pease, and Mallory Smith.
 Grade 10: Niccoli Butcher, Bastien Cutler, Owen Green, Jonas Hazen, Gavin Hendershot, Jake Lamphere, Cormac McCarthy, Jacob O'Handly, Evie Stickney, Kamrin White, and Colin Young
 Grade 11: Matthew Barr, Peyton Finen, Tiena Gilbert, Grace Green, Amberley James, Chloe Molella, Jacob Phippen, Dustin Richards, Elizabeth Seaver, Matthew Smith, Jayden Tenberg, Jude TenEyck, Kylee Vallance, and Jacob Wright.
 Grade 12: Cameron Andrus, James Butcher, Rebecca Collins, Parker Crump, Morgan Farnsworth, Sofia Grisaffi, Emma Malette, Kamryn Palmer, Emma Phippen, Emmalee Storrin, Alyssa Ward, Jonathan Wilkes, and Kennedy Yette.

Students recognized at Colton-Pierrepoint

COLTON – The following High School students achieved High Honor Roll for the first quarter of 2024-25 at Colton-Pierrepoint Central School.

- Johnny Andrews-Perry, Ava Anson, Carter Brown, Kendyl Burcume, Kaleb Cantwell Jr., Harrison Cantwell, Gage Caskinett, Wade Caskinett, Shea Charleson, Ariana Clark, Meridith Clark, Adel Devine, Adlynn Dow, Kayden Dow, Irelyn Engel, Ethan Erdner, Owen Erdner, Ty Farns, McKenzie Fernandes, Allysa Fleury, Brady Friedel, Rylee Gardner, Berry Gavigan, Sylvie Gray, Vaughn Gray, Katherine Hanifan, Abigail Hoose, Anna Hoose, Kaitlyn Houston, Anna Hurley, Kendall LaMora, Liam LaMora, Logan LaShomb, Lillian McCullah, Braighan McGrath, Sophia McLean, Greyson Montroy, Annalee Moore, Bryton Moore, Cohen Moore, Emmitt Murray, Owen Peacock, Alexis

- Peck, Mika Phillips, Emma Pitcher, Mackenna Planty, Teagan Planty, Emalyn Rycroft, Liberty Samsel-Woodard, Matthew Schwartzfigure, Mya Sevey, Abigail Smith, Thadeus Sochia, Nathan Stark, Corissa Stone, Sierra Thomas, Aubree VanBrocklin, Lexis Williams, and Laila Wright.
 The following high school students achieved Honor Roll for the first quarter of 2024-25:
 Tanner Adair, Molly Beaulieu, Serenity Bennett-Savage, Cooper Blackmer, Christian Boyce, Addison Burgoyne, Ignacio Checa Diaz de la Campa, Brycen Clary, Dylan Cole, Joslyn Cole, Kallie Cole, Jameson Cota-Giordano, Hailey Delaney, Joshua Erwin, Nicholas Erwin, Wyatt Ferguson, Joseph Fisher, Mackayae Fisher, Mackenna Fisher, Tanner Fleury, Gabriel Fregoe, Carli Friedel, Jack Garcia, Domanik Grant, Allyssa Green, Miles Guy, Tyler Kraszewski,

- Journey LaPage, Madison LaRose, Tyler Lovely, Edward McCullah, Ian McCullah, Allen O'Riley, Brooklyn O'Riley, Cedric Phillips, Ridge Planty, Brooke Robert, Olivia Schwartzfigure, Alexander Seymour, David Seymour, Madisyn Skiff, Mason Smith, Joshua Stone, Hayden Todd, Trinity Trahan, Cian Trimm, Cody Trimm, Autumn VanBrocklin, Julianna Welling, Jace Worden, and Cooper Wright.

BOCES HONOR ROLL

The following students achieved Honor Roll for the first quarter of 2024-25 at St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES:
 Jameson Cota-Giordano, Hailey Delaney, Joshua Erwin, Ty Farns, Mackayae Fisher, Berry Gavigan, Allyssa Green, Kaitlyn Houston, Kendall LaMora, Tyler Lovely, Caydince Page, Emma Pitcher, Teagan Planty, Mya Sevey, Abigail Smith, Nathan Stark, Hayden Todd, Trinity Trahan, and Cody Trimm.

Colton Fire Department president honored

COLTON – Dennis Eickhoff, Colton, was honored for his 10 years of service to the Firemen's Home at Hudson at a dinner held recently at the Elks Club in Gouverneur. The dinner was sponsored by the Northern New York Volunteer Firefighters Association.
 Eickhoff has served two terms as trustee and was also secretary of the Board of Trustees.
 Guests included Kenneth Holmes, Vice President of FASNY,

past and present trustees of the Firemen's Home, officers of the NNYVA as well as relatives, neighbors and friends.
 Eickhoff represents this area on the legislative committee of FASNY.
 He was also honored by many groups both in the fire service, Village and Town of Colton, and St. Lawrence County.
 He still serves as secretary of the NNYVFA and serves on committees of the association. He is also sec-

retary of Believe NNY which helps firefighters who have had problems with illnesses during their career as a firefighter.
 Eickhoff is president of the Colton Fire Department.

Elmira College award winners

Several Potsdam and Canton 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:
 Canton: Aoife Burke.
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 DeKalb Junction: Olivia Simser.
 Hermon: Cooper Allen, Avery Dion, Amaya Stransky, and Aubrey Dion.
 Norfolk: Kelsey Barkley, Brielle Smith and Emma Dillon.
 Norwood: Sydney Charles, Alexa LaSalle and Abigail LaPage.
 Potsdam: Anna Chapman.
 Rensselaer Falls: Mackenzie Thurman.
 Russell: Jayden Dafoe.

Canton-Potsdam Hospital patients from east wing moved to private rooms

POTSDAM – Canton-Potsdam Hospital patients who had been in the existing east wing were all moved earlier this month into their very own private rooms in the brand new west wing, or Regional Care Pavilion. The hospital celebrated several milestones over the past few weeks as it opened its brand new Emergency Department, held a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, opened the new Main Entrance and Lobby (including four private Registration rooms), and moved medical-surgical in-patients into the new wing.

The very first patient to receive a wheelchair escort into one of the newly opened rooms on the medical-surgical third floor was Hannawa Falls resident Patricia “Pat” Goolden. Ironically, she was also the first patient who was seen on the day the new Emergency Department opened. “I was impressed with the size of the rooms when I went to the Emergency Department, and also with the doctors and nurses. I felt pretty bad when I was brought in that day, but they were all very nice people. The care in the

ER was phenomenal,” Goolden said. She had been in and out of the hospital between being treated in the new Emergency Department and then being moved into the new west wing. Upon entering her personal patient room she was awed by the size and the fact she didn’t have to share her room with anyone. “I had a roommate in the room I just came from. This new room is amazing,” she said. “All of this new construction is really something, but I have to say, it’s the people you

have working here who are the real stars. “I couldn’t ask for better nurses; they have taken super care of me. It’s also the excellent job the cleaners are doing, and the good food being brought to me. You are very fortunate to have such great people. It’s the whole team who have been good to me and always make time for me, even when I know how busy they are. That’s the kind of care you get in a small town. If I had the money, I’d give them all a big raise,” Goolden said.

Orchestra of Northern New York awarded \$25,000 state arts grant

POTSDAM – The Orchestra of Northern New York announced today a grant award totaling \$25,000 from the New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) to support the nonprofit arts and culture sector. Through New York State’s continued investment in arts and culture, NYSCA has awarded \$82 million this year to 509 artists and 1,497 organizations across the state.

“As the unparalleled leader of arts and culture, New York’s creativity and innovation inspires the world,” Governor Hochul said. “Our continued investment in our dynamic creative sector will further boost tourism, strengthen our local economies and continue New York’s success as a rich and vibrant place to live, work and visit.” Executive Director of NYSCA Erika Mallin said, “On behalf

of the Council and staff, I am so proud that we are supporting the critical work of so many nonprofit organizations all across the state, including work of the Orchestra of Northern New York. New York State’s art and culture nonprofits make us a global leader, strengthening our connections to each other and the larger world. I thank you for your dedication and service and look forward to all your work in the

coming year.” About the New York State Council on the Arts The mission of the New York State Council on the Arts is to foster and advance the full breadth of New York State’s arts, culture, and creativity for all. To support the ongoing recovery of the arts across New York State, the Council on the Arts will award \$162 million in FY2025, serving organizations and artists

across all 10 of the state’s regions. The Council on the Arts further advances New York’s creative culture by convening leaders in the field and providing organizational and professional development opportunities and informational resources. For more information on NYSCA, please visit arts.ny.gov, and follow NYSCA’s Facebook page, on X @ NYSCArts.

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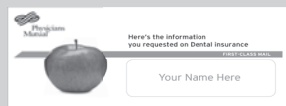


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EDWARDS-KNOX CENTRAL SCHOOL has an anticipated opening for a FTE Twelve Month Tenure Track School Building Leader. School Building Leader certification is required, a candidate on an administrative track of coursework may be considered. Applications 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>

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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. 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)



Food Service Generalist

Dining Services Department

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To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, as well as application instructions please visit: <https://employment.stlawu.edu/postings/3928> or <https://employment.stlawu.edu/> for all positions available.

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Student Account and Chief Clerk

Student Financial Services

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Heuvelton Central School District
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Dining & Conference Services Department

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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

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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

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- 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

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- 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.
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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.

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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.

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

Persons interested in the above position should apply online at: <https://employment.canton.edu/>

SUNY Canton, a unit of the State University of New York, is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. SUNY Canton is building a culturally diverse and pluralistic faculty.

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

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 Wanakena, 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@dgallawny.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.



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.

All offers of employment are contingent upon the finalist successfully passing a background (including criminal records) check.

St. Lawrence University is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



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

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].

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.



COMMITTED TO OUR COMMUNITIES

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:

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| 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:

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| 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:

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

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



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

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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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Are you a Registered Nurse looking for a flexible and rewarding opportunity?

Clifton-Fine Central School is hiring substitute nurses for our school district!

- **Pay: \$135/day**
- **Mileage: Reimbursed to and from home at the current federal rate**
- **Start Date: ASAP**
- **Minimum Qualifications: Must hold a valid RN license and pass background check**

Join our team and make a difference in students' lives!

To apply or for more information, contact **Alison Frizzell at afrizzell@cliftonfine.org** or visit www.cliftonfine.org/employment.

Building Maintenance Worker

The Clifton-Fine Central School District is seeking a motivated and skilled individual to join our team as a Building Maintenance Worker. This opportunity is for someone who enjoys hands-on work and takes pride in maintaining safe, functional, and welcoming facilities.

Preferred Skills & Experience:

- Proficiency in multiple standard building trades such as carpentry, plumbing, electrical work, masonry, HVAC, and landscaping.
- Familiarity with computer applications, including building automation systems.
- Ability to work effectively in a collaborative team environment.
- Self-motivation and the ability to complete tasks independently.
- Willingness to train as a substitute bus driver (encouraged but not required).

Benefit Package:

- Competitive salary: \$35,000-\$50,000 (based on experience).
- Comprehensive benefits, including health insurance and retirement plan.

Minimum Qualifications:

- High school diploma, high school equivalency diploma, or an Individual Education Plan (IEP) diploma.
- At least one (1) year of experience in building construction, maintenance, or repair work.

Application Process:

To apply, please submit the following:

1. A completed application (available online at www.cliftonfine.org/employment).
2. A letter of interest.
3. A resume.
4. Three (3) professional references.

Application Deadline: December 10, 2024
Start Date: On or about December 30, 2024

We look forward to welcoming a dedicated, energetic, and skilled professional to our team!

For any questions or additional information, please contact the district office at 315-848-3333 ext. 37198.

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.

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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.

<p>EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE:</p> <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. 	<p>BENEFITS:</p> <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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*For a detailed job description please visit www.srmt-nsn.gov

Registered Nurse or Licensed Practical Nurse

Salary: Dependant upon qualifications

The RN/LPN, under the direction of the Nurse Supervisor will collaborate with all members of the health care team to develop and maintain high quality nursing care. The RN/LPN will work with other nurses, physicians, physician assistants and family nurse practitioners to ensure community members health needs are met within their respective scopes of practice

<p>EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<p>BENEFITS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-time/ 40 hours per week • Flexible spending account • Personal/ Vacation/ Sick Time • 14 paid Holidays • 401k 6% Match
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Ogdensburg, NY 13669

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Qualifications: Associate Degree in Human Services or related work experience in the field
Salary Range \$19- \$21 per hour

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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>

Looking for a Care Consultant at the Alzheimer's Association: <https://jobs.alz.org/care-consultant/job/28476386>

Restaurant Openings: Day Cleaner from Friday - Monday. 8 am - 1 pm. Day Dishwasher Tuesday - Saturday 1 pm - 5 pm. Day Prep Cook Mon., Tues., Fri., Sat., Sun. 8 am - 1 pm. Evening Line Cook 3 pm - 10 pm Weekdays and Weekend positions open. Evening Dishwasher starting at 3 pm. All trainable positions. TEXT Larry 315 212 2707 with full name and interview request for position interested.

NEW CAR DEALERSHIP HIRING: Full time Technician needed for fast paced car dealership. Primary duties include: oil/filter changes, tire rotations/changes, Air filter changes and wiper changes, Brake diagnosis and repairs, Suspension diagnosis and repairs, Electrical diagnosis and repair etc. ASE Certification preferred but not required. Please submit resume to Roger, Fixed Operations Director, T.J. Toyota, Inc., 6706 SH 56 Potsdam, NY 13676 or Email: service@tjtoyota.com. Please no phone calls.

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



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Ogdensburg, NY 13669

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

JobsRUs.com is a service-oriented staffing/recruiting company dedicated to working closely with our clients. We are currently hiring for Facility Maintenance Mechanic, Facility Cleaners, and various other positions with salaries ranging from \$15.00/hr to \$30.00/hr. We also have several other positions available at this time. For more information please apply at www.jobsrus.com or Contact our office at (315)265-8860.

CORNING

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Plant Admin Assistant / Data Steward

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



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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Staff Accountant - Updated rate of pay

We're seeking a staff accountant to work at our RiverLedge office complex in Ogdensburg.

Applicants must possess the ability to be self-directing, work effectively with all levels of management and employees, and be extremely accurate and efficient. Applicants must also possess an Associates Degree or higher in Accounting, with two years of experience in an accounting position, preferably in a health care setting.

Responsibilities will include preparing and analyzing financial reports, auditing several different aspects of the organization from a financial standpoint for accuracy and procedural requirements, and other miscellaneous general ledger duties. Duties are subject to change 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.

Salary for this positions begins at \$22-\$24.20 per hour, based on experience.



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Organizational Staff Educator

We're seeking a staff educator to develop and implement training programs for staff across the United Helpers organization. The position will be based out of our RiverLedge complex in Ogdensburg.

Applicants must possess a Bachelor's Degree in education, HR or another relevant health care field. Three to five years of experience with at least some experience with OPWDD or long-term care patients is preferred.

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.

Salary for this positions begins at \$62,000 to \$68,200 per year, based on experience.



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Trivia Test

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

Answers found elsewhere in this paper.

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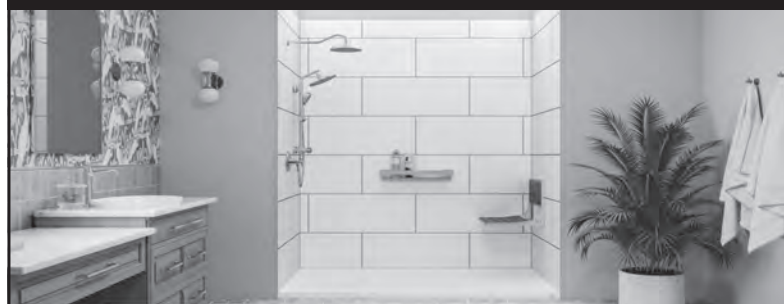
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- 1 Clutch
- 6 Modern messages
- 11 "Queen of Soul" Franklin
- 12 Used a modern car service
- 14 Irish singer O'Connor
- 15 More promising
- 16 "— Mine" (Beatles song)
- 17 "Zorba the Greek" star
- 19 Hit CBS series
- 20 Morning droplets
- 22 Pump 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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- 47 Band aide
- 49 Fly
- 51 Blood givers
- 52 Evening prayer
- 53 Newbies
- 54 Perfume compound
- 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 Carmen
- 25 Use a straw
- 27 Ump's call
- 29 Method
- 31 Sentry
- 32 Walking
- 33 Lengthy list
- 34 Tolkien creature
- 36 Abrasion
- 37 Horn blower
- 38 Gantry of fiction
- 41 Italian wine
- 44 Surrealist Joan
- 45 Saint Laurent of fashion
- 48 "Le Coq —"
- 50 Follower (Suff.)

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