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Peace officers at Ogdensburg airport? City renews safety contract, but explore cost-saving options

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG -- Ogdensburg City Police will continue to provide security at the Ogdensburg Airport for security services, but officials will investigate more affordable options to implement in the future.

City council approved an agreement with the Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority to renew a one-year contract for the service.

The deal will cost the OBPA a minimum of \$240,000 which covers two full time law enforcement officers. Additionally the OBPA will be responsible for any additional hours at a rate of \$57.69 per hour as needed.

If the agreement is terminated prior to the end of the contract, the OBPA would be responsible for the \$240,000.

The high cost has been a concern for OBPA officials who were seeking changes in state law that would allow security officials rather than law enforcement officers to provide the service.

Although that law didn't come to fruition, Chronis said he'll be



working with OBPA officials to explore more affordable options.

"I will note that we will be working with the bridge and port authority over the next several months, in quarter one and quarter two, to come up with a system that provides peace officers as opposed to law enforcement officers. So we'll see how that works out financially," he said. "This an onerous contract on the OBPA so as a good partner we'd like to work with them to try and make it a more feasible contract overall."

City Councilor Michael Powers questioned what that would look

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Cheryl Shumway | NCTV

On Monday Massena Police arrived at this home to find two brothers killed by gunshot wounds. The case has been taken over by state police for an unknown reason and ruled a murder-suicide.

Murder-suicide leaves 2 dead No motive provided as investigation continues

STAFF REPORT
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- A Massena man killed his brother and then himself on Dec. 2 at the victim's Beach Street home, according to state police.

Troopers say Anthony G. Truax, 67, of Massena and Danny R. Truax, 60, Massena, were both found deceased due to gunshot wounds following an "altercation" between the two men.

Investigators say the Massena Police Department responded to 128 Beach St., where officers located the two deceased males inside the residence.

Investigators did not provide a motive, but say an altercation between Danny and Anthony Truax ended with Danny shooting his brother before killing himself.

According to state police, multiple search warrants were executed and the scene was processed for evidence. It's not clear what locations

those may have included.

At noon on Dec. 3 Forensic Pathologist Doctor Scott F. LaPoint conducted autopsies on the two men. The cause of death for Anthony Truax was ruled a homicide after it was determined he was shot through the torso.

The autopsy on Danny Truax determined the cause of death to be a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the chest, which was determined to

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County hits milestone with 100 blighted properties cleaned up

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

A partnership between the state and the county has cleaned up 100 properties in St. Lawrence County in the past decade.

The county hit that milestone recently after years of effort. "It is a momentous time period for us as a county, specially with the treasurer's office, the county attorney's office and the real property office," County Attorney Steve Button, who has largely spearheaded the program, said at a recent meeting.

Button also offered special praise for the county Planning

Office who have played "an instrumental role" in the success of the program.

Button called the blighted property cleanup program "ahead of its time"

According to Button, the program was largely focused on smaller projects prior to his involvement beginning in 2015 when he was hired as county attorney.

But over the last 10 years, the county has been focused heavily on remediating properties to get them back on the tax rolls.

Stemming from tax foreclosure issues on a number of properties, county officials took the program

to the level it is operating at currently to recoup expenses and back taxes.

Button said in one instance one property was in arrears nearly \$1 million in back taxes after sitting vacant for decades.

Millions of dollars in back taxes were lost as properties sat dilapidated or delinquent, with seepage and leakage in the form of oils and fuels finding its way into the soil and groundwater.

Button said the county would be forced to carry the taxes on the property after making the municipality whole wherever the

SEE BLIGHT PAGE 24



Andrea Piercey | Courtesy

Santa visits city

London Lalonde, left, and Treyton Downie visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Holiday Craft Show with over 100 vendors at the Kennedy Elementary School, Ogdensburg, Nov. 23. The annual craft fair is a fundraiser for the Ogdensburg International Seaway Festival.

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Special events planned to mark occasion Massena's Sacred Heart Church honored by Town of Massena for 100th anniversary

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
 North Country This Week

MASSENA — Sacred Heart Church is about to celebrate its centennial in December, leading Town of Massena officials to mark the occasion with an official proclamation during the Nov. 20 board meeting. On hand for the event was Rev. Mark Reilly, pastor of St. Peter's Parish.

Town Supervisor Sue Bellor presented Rev. Reilly with the proclamation to mark the occasion after detailing the church's history in the Massena community.

The church held its first Mass on Christmas in 1924, during which time the present church building

was dedicated, completely built and furnished at a cost of \$500,000, Bellor said.

Field stones, other materials and manual labor were donated by numerous parishioners as well, she said.

Bellor said members of the church had previously met at their first church building, located at the intersection of Main Street and Route 37, which was first constructed in the 1870's.

She said the sanctuary tile floor from the original church was preserved and installed at the new church when it was built in 1924.

The new Sacred Heart Church, which has stood for 100 years, has played a significant role in the com-

munity with its prominent steeple "seen far and wide to elevate hearts and minds in our community, and several generations in the community have contributed to the maintenance, renovation, restoration and upkeep of this edifice," Bellor said.

"The first Sacred Heart Church replaced the first Catholic church presence in Massena, St. Peter's Church, built on Center Street in the 1830s," Bellor said.

Bellor said parishioners have also played a significant role in assisting those "in distress or serious need" over the last 100 plus years.

Originally led by Rev. Timothy Holland in 1924, Rev. Reilly now leads the parish as the ninth pastor in Sacred Heart's history.

"We, the town of Massena, do hereby recognize Sacred Heart Church for their 100th anniversary, and we call this observance to the attention of all of our citizens," Bellor said. To celebrate the milestone event the church will hold Solemn Vespers, or an Evening Prayer, at 3 p.m. on Dec. 8.

Following the service, a wine and cheese reception will be held in the Trinity Catholic School dining hall.

BRIEFLY

Weapons charge

MASSENA — A Waddington resident was charged with criminal possession of a weapon Friday night, according to state police. Trenton I. Thompson, 22, was cited for fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon at 10:37 p.m., officers said. He was reportedly cited and released.

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Massena Central School Board weighs options for next capital project

Roof repairs, HVAC, pool renovations among considerations for future work; committee looking at priorities

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA — The next capital project for the Massena Central School District is still in the early planning stages but school officials are in full swing as they pare down the list of potential projects.

Superintendent Ron Burke said at a recent meeting that the Facilities Committee recently met with Megan Vanderbrook and Phil Squadrino of King + King, the architectural and engineering firm retained by the district earlier this year. Ben Maslona from Fiscal Advisors also took part in the meeting, he said.

Burke said the committee and consultants met to weigh future projects and the estimated costs for the current list of items being discussed.

Along with projected costs, Burke said the group also weighed what projects should be prioritized as part of the next capital project.

He said after discussions the Facilities Committee is now re-prioritizing the list and re-budgeting some of the items on the list.

Burke said the fiscal aspects are also being weighed, with the capital project expected to run somewhere between three to five years.

“We have what’s called a maximum cost allowance, and I’ll give more information to the board over the next couple of weeks on that,” Burke said.

Burke said work throughout the district must continue, especially among the three elementary schools, which already have money on the books to be used on upgrades at the schools.

Burke said it is essentially a “use it or lose it scenario” with the funding for the elementary schools.

“We’re going to be going back to the drawing board and coming back with a proposal for this capital project that will also involve some more additional work at the elementary. Part of the rationale for that is that money is there. We receive about 97% aid, and we should be using it. If we don’t use it, we basically lose it, and we do know that we have some work to do at the elementary school,” he said.

While funding is available for the elementary schools, Burke said larger ticket items in the high school are

‘We receive about 97% aid, and we should be using it.’

Ron Burke
School superintendent

a different conversation that needs to be had.

He said a number of items were deemed “high importance,” including Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) but they come at a high cost.

Burke said HVAC upgrades and repairs, pool renovations, roof repairs and replacement of the school’s artificial turf are currently in the range of \$81 million. Burke noted the turf field is also beyond the recommended life and requires replacement.

But he said those “big ticket items” come at a heavy cost as the district is also weighing what work needs to be done with the transportation facility and electrification of the bus fleet.

Roof repairs and HVAC systems are also in need of repair or replacement at the facility as well, he said.

Those expenses carry a hefty price tag as the school is also exploring electrification of the district fleet to meet state regulations.

At a recent board of education meeting district officials said the district is currently researching the possibility of using hydrogen-cell powered buses beginning in 2027.

The discussions have a local angle as well, with Air Products building a facility on Pontoon Bridge in the town of Massena.

Air Products will produce green hydrogen which will be used for transportation, in particular buses and tractor trailers.

School officials say those discussions are in the early stages, noting that hydrogen powered vehicles have not gained the same attention as electric vehicles.

But concerns over battery life, especially in the colder winter months, coupled with long routes have drawn concerns from multiple stakeholders.

Superintendent Ron Burke commented that the district will contin-

ue to weigh all viable options before making any final designation.

As part of the next capital project school officials are also weighing options to add air conditioning to multiple facilities, however Burke said they are trying to determine

how they can do so in a way that the district can actually afford to do so.

“At this point it really comes down to large gathering areas,” he said.

Burke said those spaces include “anywhere that we might be doing testing in the late spring, especially

at the high school and junior high,” including the auditorium, cafeterias and gyms.

Burke said the Facilities Committee will continue to meet with a goal of presenting a capital project to voters sometime in May 2025.

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OBITUARIES

Ricky A. Pierce, 63
 Waddington

WADDINGTON – Ricky A. Pierce, 63, of State Highway 37, unexpectedly passed away Thursday morning, November 28, 2024 at his home.

Ricky was born in Ogdensburg on August 21, 1961, the son of the late Joseph and Judith (Fox) Pierce.

He attended and graduated from school in Germany, where he participated in many sports.

He worked for many years for Roll-Lock Truss in Waddington. Most recently he was working for Losurdo Cheese in Heuvelton.

He was an avid NASCAR and Oakland Raider fan.

Ricky is survived by his sisters, Brenda Pierce and her companion, Randy Lawrence and Kim Brown and her husband, Dean, all of Massena; and his beloved nieces, Ashley, Amanda, Aimee, and Arika

Brown.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his sister, Amy Jo Pierce.



Ricky Pierce

Arrangements are under the care and guidance of the Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena, however there will be no services at this time.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Friends are encouraged to share memories and offer condolences online at www.donaldsonfh.com.

Doris P. Robinson, 90
 Massena

MASSENA- Doris P. Robinson, 90, of 50 Douglas Road, passed away on Sunday, December 1, 2024 at the Canton-Potsdam Hospital.

Doris was born on February 8, 1934 in Massena, daughter of the late George Frederick and Eva (Goldstone) Robinson.

She was a graduate of Massena Central School.

She was a member of Adath Israel Synagogue in Massena and attended Congregation Beth El in Potsdam.

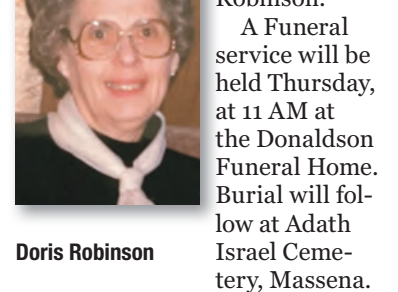
She worked at ALCOA, starting in the mailroom and retired as an administrative secretary.

Doris belonged to ALCOA's 25 Year Club and liked to socialize with others where she always brought a keen knowledge of local history.

She had a loving heart and enjoyed caring for others, driving countless miles helping others make their appointments and

events.

Doris was predeceased by her parents George and Eva Robinson, and two brothers Harry and Robert Robinson.



Doris Robinson

A Funeral service will be held Thursday, at 11 AM at the Donaldson Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Adath Israel Cemetery, Massena.

Donations may be made in Doris' memory to Congregation Beth El, 81 Market St., Potsdam, NY.

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

RECENT DEATHS

MARCEL FREGO, 63, Massena, Nov. 11. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

WALTER BOGDIVITZ, 87, Massena, Nov. 17. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

OAHKLYNN SOVIE, Infant, Nov. 26. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

MARLENE BURNETT, 82, North Lawrence, Nov. 26. Arrangements with Hammill Funeral Home, Winthrop.

DELBERT HAMILTON, 82, Waddington, Nov. 27. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Waddington.

CECIL GARROW, 87, Akwesasne, Nov. 27. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

KEITH GEORGE, 90, Winthrop, Nov. 30. Arrangements with Hammill Funeral Home, Winthrop.

ALAYAH BOYEA, 11, North Lawrence, Dec. 1. Arrangements with Flint Funeral Home, Moira.

DORIS ROBINSON, 90, Masse-

na, Dec. 1. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

KEITH SHAVER SR., 76, Ogdensburg, Dec. 1. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

JOAN NELSON, 86, Ogdensburg, Dec. 2. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

RENEE HUCKLE, 59, Ogdensburg, Dec. 3. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

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OBITUARIES

Rebecca Jo "Beck" Tessier, 57

Massena

MASSENA - Rebecca Jo "Beck" Tessier, 57, of Massena lost her battle to ALS on Friday evening, November 22, 2024.

After 2 years and 2 weeks of fighting, she is now at peace with the Lord and free from this horrible disease which she prayed everyday for a cure.

Beck was born in Potsdam on May 18, 1967, the daughter of Elizabeth J. (Smith) Robar and the late Charles Michael Robar.

She was a 1986 graduate of St. Lawrence Central School. She continued her education at SUNY Potsdam, earning both her Bachelors and Masters degree.

Beck worked at Northern Insuring Agency for 21 years until her disease started to overcome her.

She cherished her work family, who supported her each and everyday and also was fortunate to make many friendships with her insured clients.

She had previously taught Art at St. Lawrence Central, also forging many lifelong friendships.

While at Northern Insuring, she joined the Rotary Club of Potsdam where she was able to give back to her community and to the others that she was blessed with throughout her life. As a Rotarian, she was proudly awarded the Paul Harris Fellow Award.

Beck's beautiful blessings are visible in her survivors, her fiancé and life partner of 25 years, Jason Coller and her beautiful daughter, Madison Coller of Massena; her stepdaughter, McKayla Cummings and her husband, Calaeb Cummings of Hermon; her mother, Elizabeth Robar of Brasher Falls; her sister, Kimberly Ramey of Easley, South Carolina; her brother, Richard Robar of Virginia; many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles who are close to her heart; and her in-laws, Ted and Darlene Coller.

In addition to her family, she is survived by very close friends and aides who are also very near and dear to her heart, Lynn Bell, Sheila Dishaw, Sandy Robinson, JulieAnn Wilson, Jane Laba, Becky Clark, Gabby Torres, and Sue McGregor.

Paul C. Lambert, 73

Massena

MASSENA -- Paul C. Lambert, age 73, passed away on Sunday, November 24, 2024, at Massena Rehab and Nursing Center.

Per Paul's wish's there will be no public calling hours or funeral services.

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

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

A graveside service will take place in Calvary Cemetery, Massena in the family plot, with full military honors in the spring.

Paul was born in Massena to Bernard and Mary (Conway) Lambert on September 22, 1951.

After high school graduation Paul entered the U.S. Army in 1971, where his duties included military police, he was honorably discharged in 1973.

He then started employment at Reynolds Metals in September of 1977 and retired as chief rectifier operator in 2005 after 28 years of service.

Paul is survived by a brother and sister, James R. of Massena; Margaret Lambert of Syracuse; nephews and a niece, John Paul and Elizabeth Lambert of San Diego, CA, Matthew Lambert of Sanford, FL;

She was predeceased by her father, Charles; her sister, Pauline Hotte, and her grandparents, George and Theresa Smith.



Rebecca Tessier

Arrangements are under the care and guidance of the Donaldson Funeral Home, 100 N. Main Street, Massena, where friends called Friday, November 29th, 1-3:00 PM and 6-8:00 PM.

Her funeral service honoring her life was held at the funeral home on Saturday at 11:00 AM with Pastor John Maguire, officiating.

Following her services, a celebration of her life and luncheon was held at the Norfolk Rod and Gun Club, 53 Cemetery Road (off Plum Brook Road), Norfolk.

Memorial contributions can be made in her memory to the local ALS organization, Sandy's Steps, 267 State Highway 37C, Massena, NY 13662

Beck leaves us with these thoughts as she journeyed through this horrible disease.

"Enjoy life now, enjoy the simple things, especially family and friends that are dear to your heart. Many days, I thought to herself, if I was just – I would have done this or that. They were the simple things that never took time to do. Take time and admire God's work. Also consider joining a non-profit, visiting a nursing home, just give a little bit more of your time as it makes a difference in someone else's life." In the true and generous spirit that Beck gave in life, she also gave in death being an organ donor. Her gift will give life to someone else and hopefully allow them to "take time, admire God's work, or make a difference in someone else's life."

Friends may share memories and photos or offer condolences to her family online at www.donaldsonfh.com.



Paul Lambert

Jeffrey and Jenn of Plattsburgh, and Sara and David Gutierrez and their children of Baldwinsville, NY and many cousins.

He was predeceased by his parents; a brother, John and wife, Fran; and an Aunt, Margaret "Peggy" Burns.

He was a member of the Massena Elks Lodge No. 1702, the Tuesday Night Poker, Massena Country Club, where he enjoyed playing for the Senior Golf League, where he won senior club championship.

He was a member of the Massena Rod and Gun Club; and was an avid New York Yankee's fan.

Memorial contributions may be acknowledged with Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley; 6805 US-11, Potsdam, NY 13676 and Massena Meals on Wheels, P.O. Box 975, Massena, NY 13662.

Online condolences, memories and pictures may be shared with the family by visiting, www.PhillipsMemorial.com.

MASSENA - Walter J. Bogdovitz was born to the late Walter J. and Mary McHugh Bogdovitz on April 26, 1937, in Massena, NY.

He graduated from Massena Central High School in 1955 and earned a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY in 1959.

On New Year's Eve 1959, Walter met Mary Ellen Early of Watervliet, NY and knew right away they would spend their lives together.

They married at St. Patrick Church in Watervliet, NY on September 5, 1959. Walter, Mary Ellen and their children soon began a great adventure spending years on construction sites in Thailand and Venezuela as well as the United States.

Walter's engineering knowledge and skills were in great demand as he consulted on large hydroelectric power projects all over the world including Liberia, Pakistan, China, Iceland, Argentina, Paraguay, and El Salvador.

Before he retired, Walter was President and CEO of Harza Engineering

SARANAC LAKE -- James Francis Faucher, 76, of Saranac Lake, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on November 20, 2024.

The son of John and Loraine Faucher, James is survived by his sister, Jane Frary and his brother, John Faucher. He leaves behind his three children, Sean Faucher, Kate Bunnell, and James Faucher II, as well as his beloved grandchildren.

James dedicated 38 years of his life to teaching American history and government at Lake Placid High School, where he worked tirelessly to educate generations of students.

Jim was also a strong advocate for his colleagues. He held leadership

roles in the teachers' union, advocating for better pay and working conditions for teachers. James's passion for working with young people extended beyond the classroom.

As a coach, he guided football and baseball teams for many years, earning multiple trips to the state championships and leading his baseball team to a state title.

Later in life, he brought his coaching expertise to the Can/Am hockey program, mentoring countless players.

Outside of education, James enjoyed capturing meaningful moments as a wedding photogra-

pher and spreading joy at the North Pole, where he helped countless children experience the magic of Christmas.

In his later years, James enjoyed traveling across the United States to visit his children and grandchildren, who brought him great pride.

Friends and family knew James as clever, knowledgeable, and determined. Though his presence will be missed, his legacy lives on in the lives of those he inspired.

A celebration of Jim's life will take place this spring.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his honor to www.heart.org.

Walter Bogdovitz, 87

Massena

Company in Chicago, IL.

While Walter's career was impressive, his family will always remember him for the care he showed his family.



Walter Bogdovitz

For more than a decade he took care of Mary Ellen, even became a gourmet chef to treat her to delicious meals as her health declined.

Walter built beautiful federal-style furniture, was an avid fisherman, hunter, and gardener.

He greatly enjoyed his beautiful home, woodshop and property on the Raquette River in Raymondville, NY.

Walter J. Bogdovitz, 87, died in Dallas, TX on Sunday, November 17, 2024, at the home of his daughter and son-in-law.

He is survived by his daughter, Cindy and husband, Charlie Moore of Dallas, TX, son, Patrick and wife,

Christine Bogdovitz of Pace, FL, and daughter, Mary Elizabeth Bogdovitz of Dallas, TX, seven grandchildren and three great-granddaughters. Also surviving Walter is his sister, Mary Ann (Roger) Hazel of Massena, NY and several other relatives.

He was predeceased by his wife, Mary Ellen, children, Edward and Michael Bogdovitz, and his brothers, John and Steven Bogdovitz.

A Rosary was prayed in his honor on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 1:00 PM at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dallas, Texas, followed by a Memorial Mass at 1:30 PM.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to St. Peter's Outreach Ministry; 128 Main Street, Massena, New York 13662.

A graveside service for Walter will be held on Saturday, December 7, 2024, in Calvary Cemetery, Massena at 1:00pm.

Friends and family are welcome to share memories, photos and condolences by visiting, www.PhillipsMemorial.com

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Delbert "Del" Hamilton, 82

Norfolk

town that year he met his soulmate, Mary (Badlam) Rutherford of Waddington. They were married in 1993



Delbert Hamilton

on the decks of their year-round home facing the river in a Hawaiian luau style wedding.

During his 30+ years in Blind Bay he was affectionately known as the "mayor" by the seasonal residents of the area.

He was an avid fisherman and could often be seen in his white Tilley hat leaving Blind Bay in his fishing boat with his golden labs, Babe and Prince, headed for his favorite fishing spot across the river in Jones Creek, Ontario.

He loved nature and the wildlife that populated the area.

He was determined to do his best to make his part of the world a better place.

He spent over 25 years working on the connectivity of the area between Chippewa Bay and Blind Bay.

With the help of many community members and a grant from Ducks Unlimited, his hard work came to fruition when channels were dredged and pipes installed, allowing the water to once again flow freely into Blind Bay.

Del had an uncanny ability to "paint pictures with words" and his stories were memorable as was his sense of humor and desire to make

you laugh, which remained with him until the end.

He is survived by his wife of 31 years, Mary Hamilton; his sons, Christopher (Kate) Hamilton, Yellow Springs, OH; Shawn Hamilton and companion Jennifer Hays, Dayton, OH; step-sons, Ian Rutherford, Waddington, NY and Matthew (Leslie) Rutherford, Waddington, NY; grandchildren: Zoe, Justin and Alexander Hamilton, Gabriel and Ava Rutherford; two brothers-in-laws: George Fanelli, Utica, NY and Rod Dunderf, Shrewsbury, MA; cousins: Catherine Read (David) Farmington, NY and Marie Murphy, Mesa, AZ, along with several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and former wife, Barbara, he was predeceased by his sisters, Anita Fanelli and Joan Dunderf, and brother-in-law, Mickey Crosby.

Del was very fortunate to have the love and support of all of Mary's siblings: Nancy, Patty, Kathy, Rob, Jeanie, Peggy, Michael (Bucky), and Frank (Dee), especially during the last year.

Burial and a Celebration of Del's Life will take place in the spring.

Family and friends are encouraged to share memories, photos and condolences online by visiting www.PhillipsMemorial.com

In lieu of flowers, the family invites memorial contributions in Del's memory to the Hammond Food Pantry, P.O. Box 193, Hammond, NY, 13646 or the Waddington Historical Association, P.O. Box 221, Waddington, NY, 13694.

GLS administrator preparing for transition with new administration

Praises growth of Seaway and initiatives over last two years, says work will lay the groundwork for future success

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corp. (GLS) Administrator Adam Tindall-Schlicht is in the final weeks of his run in his role with the GLS but that isn't stopping him from pressing forward in his work.

Following a farewell ceremony for the Robinson Bay tug boat, which will soon find its way to Michigan as a training vessel for the Maritime Academy, Tindall-Schlicht took time to speak with local media about what the future may hold for him.

Appointed by President Joe Biden as the 11th GLS administrator on Nov. 6, 2022, Tindall-Schlicht has overseen a resurgence with the seaway as shipping rebounded following the COVID pandemic.

"I am preparing for the transition and I hope to serve as long as possible in the role," he said.

In just two years, Tindall-Schlicht has accomplished a wide range of tasks, including finding a new home for the Robinson Bay, opening a

new visitor center in Massena, maximizing the days of service for the Seaway, securing the highest budget in GLS history through bipartisan action in Congress and securing a new collective bargaining agreement with the American Federation of Government Employees for the next four years.

Tindall-Schlicht said he was "incredibly proud" of the work he and his staff have completed in just over two years, saying it's a true testament to the hard work of the "incredible staff we have been fortunate enough to work with."

Speaking of the new visitors center at the Eisenhower Lock, Tindall-Schlicht said he was thrilled to hear that over 35,000 people from all 50 states and over 20 countries were coming to enjoy the site.

He said the new center is exceeding expectations, due in large part to Director Amy Stark and her hard-working staff that has succeeded in developing deep ties to the community.

"We have seen such tremendous enthusiasm for the visitor center.

School groups, community organizations using the conference room. It's been a gathering place. It's been a storytelling location. It's been a place where the Seaway history can be shared and honored. We look forward to its successful operation for many more decades ahead in such a beautiful state," he said.

But that success would have never happened without bipartisan support in Congress, he said.

Tindall-Schlicht praised Senator Chuck Schumer for being the first official to call for the renewal of the visitor center, calling on other officials to support the building of the new center.

He also credited then-Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao and Congresswoman Elise Stefanik who celebrated the announcement of funding for the visitor center replacement.

In attendance for the ground breaking of the center were Secretary Pete Buttigieg and Deputy Secretary Polly Trottenberg.

Tindall-Schlicht also spoke to the resurgence in numbers on the Seaway, in particular the volume

of agricultural exports and steel imports that have steadily risen in recent years.

In particular, he said new trade development Memorandum of Cooperation Partners (MOC) like Italy, Germany and Spain have played a big role in that success.

"Over the last 18 months, we've been able to sign new Memorandums of Cooperation with ports in Italy, Spain and Germany that we think are opening new chapters for trade and handling of freight via the St. Lawrence Seaway to U.S. and Canadian Great Lakes ports," he said.

Tindall-Schlicht said he was also proud to play a role in the Seaway being designated one of the world's first "green shipping corridor network," which came about during the 27th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

He said that effort seeks to fully decarbonize the maritime supply chain through the St. Lawrence Seaway, which has been a hallmark of his approach in his role as admin-

istrator. "I really believe that the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Seaway and the shipping that occurs through these locks is the best in practice globally for how approaching maritime and the handling of freight is both an economic success story, but doing so through the lens of sustainability, decarbonization, and protection of these freshwater assets like the St. Lawrence River and the Great Lakes themselves," he said.

Tindall-Schlicht said the work being done by the GLS is now laying the groundwork for future success with the Seaway.

He said every day "was an opportunity to make a difference for the people who have long lived and worked in the north country, for the GLS."

Tindall-Schlicht praised both President Biden and Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg for asking him to come back to the GLS to serve as the administrator two years ago.

"It's been a privilege and an honor every day," he said.

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CBP arrests Massena man for conspiracy to smuggle aliens into U.S.

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- A Massena man has been charged with attempting to smuggle undocumented migrants into the United States by boat from Canada after he was apprehended during a second failed smuggling attempt.

According to court documents from the U.S. District Court in Plattsburgh, Allen "A.J." Oshier is facing multiple charges related to a number of alien smuggling schemes he took part in and helped to organize.

Just two weeks ago Border agents executed a search warrant on Oshier's home to seize "items indicative of alien smuggling," according to court documents.

Those items include a boat trailer, lifejackets, broken boat propeller and cell phones.

Police say they also seized 20 grams of a white powder substance that tested positive for methamphetamine.

According to a criminal complaint, Oshier is alleged to have told agents he was responsible for planning multiple smuggling schemes, acknowledging there was a network of coconspirators involved.

Oshier said he was approached about a month ago to help smuggle "Irish people" from Canada into the U.S., saying he would get a call from a co-conspirator he did not identify to begin.

The co-conspirator would simply say "get the boat ready" and would inform Oshier of how many people would be transported.

Oshier allegedly told agents he was paid cash for his part, with the illegals paying his co-conspirator cash as well, documents state.

Oshier was still being held in federal custody as of press time.

Events that led to Oshier's arrest began, in earnest, on Oct. 29 with a failed smuggling attempt across the St. Lawrence River.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agents made apprehensions on two occasions due to mechanical failures of the boats used in the smuggling operation.

On both occasions citizens from the United Kingdom attempted to illegally enter the U.S.

The first incident occurred on Oct. 29 as U.S. Customs and Border agents were called to assist local emergency personnel at the Massena Intake following a 911 call.

According to documents, the caller stated that boaters were in distress on Long Sault Island.

Agents then found four stranded boaters on the shore, two of whom were U.K. nationals.

The other two, Brian Deshane and Corbey Terrance, told agents they were U.S. citizens. Both were charged with conspiracy to bring undocumented aliens into the U.S.

Both Deshane and Terrance are alleged to have been offered compensation in the form of narcotics for successfully bringing the foreign nationals to the U.S., with Terrance also stating he was to also be paid \$500.

Both stated they were working for Oshier, documents state.

A second failed attempt via boat occurred on Nov. 7 when agents received information that Oshier was about to attempt to smuggle 15 migrants into the U.S. using the Wilson Hill Boat Launch in the town of Louisville.

Agents surveilled Oshier's Kingsley Road residence and the boat launch upon learning of the conspiracy, eventually seeing three

vehicles leave his home around 4 p.m. on Nov. 7.

Documents state a vehicle was seen towing a boat, with all three traveling to the Wilson Hill Boat Launch.

Documents state that roughly one hour later a man and a woman could be seen taking the boat on the St. Lawrence River toward Canada, however a 911 call was made about an hour later which described a boat in distress.

The woman on the call, identified as Tamee Rood, stated the boat had broken down and she was stranded on the river.

Massena Rescue were able to tow the craft back to the Barnhart Island Boat Launch, with Rood and Robert LaRock safety aboard.

According to documents, the "load" vehicles that were to transport everyone from the Wilson Hill Boat Launch had driven back to Oshier's home to await a call from the boat for a pickup.

Witnesses say Oshier was "distracted" over the failed attempt and feared law enforcement would be onto him.

"Oshier was attempting to make as much money as possible because he feared law enforcement would be onto him and that he would be leaving town once he had acquired the necessary funds," documents state.

Rood and LaRock once again attempted a smuggling run on Nov. 8, shortly after they were seen by agents working on the propeller of the boat around 4 p.m.

But that attempt failed as well, with Rood once again calling 911 in distress as the boat broke down. The boat was then towed to Barnhart Island again.

Documents state that agents then observed the same Sunday boat tied off at the launch again, leading them to believe another attempt might occur on Nov. 9.

Electronic surveillance showed three individuals boarding the boat at 2:49 p.m., with a man seen gassing the boat up.

He was later identified as Brent Pelkey.

By 3:30 p.m. the boat was no longer at the launch and was observed traveling toward Canadian waters, agents said.

By 3:55 p.m., the boat was observed traveling back to Barnhart Island but did not arrive back at the dock after a few minutes "despite ample time to do so," documents state.

"It appeared the boat was either broken down or stuck," documents state.

Around 4:10 p.m. agents apprehended nine individuals on Wilson Hill, all of whom had wet clothing.

Documents state they appeared "as though they had just swum or waded through the water."

The nine individuals then told agents they were U.K. citizens who had no legal documentation to be in the U.S. and had been picked up on the Canadian shoreline "by a man and a woman before the boat became stranded."

They then waded onto shore in the U.S., documents state.

Rood and LaRock were then detained by agents after they were observed walking about 100 yards from where the U.K. citizens were encountered.

Pelkey was then detained at the boat launch shortly after.

In a separate incident that occurred on Nov. 6, more conspirators were detained in the town of Malone for smuggling illegal migrants.

Documents state that five people

were seen on U.S. Border Patrol cameras walking across the U.S./Canada border before entering a black Jeep in Churubusco.

Agents in an unmarked vehicle were later able to locate the vehicle in Burke, eventually surveilling it until a marked vehicle could pull it over on Route 37 in Malone, documents state.

Scott Davison and Jonathan Popiel were the occupants driving and sitting in the front passenger seat of the vehicle at the time of the stop. In the rear of the vehicle were a male and female passenger, along with three children.

Documents state the passengers in the rear of the vehicle were in the country illegally and had just crossed the border with Canada.

Two of the children were Irish nationals while the third child was a Canadian citizen, documents state.

Court documents show the man told agents he intended to take his family to either New York City or Boston in search of work, however agents found he had "a full extraditable warrant" out of Cambridge, Massachusetts. No details were given as to what the charges may have been or what action was taken.

Davison, who was driving the vehicle, told agents Oshier was paying him \$100 to take the family to a hotel in Massena. Davison was also supposed to be paid \$1,000 separately in Canadian funds by the male migrant for driving the family to New Jersey.

Popiel was expected receive \$500 for his role in the smuggling event.

According to court documents, Popiel told agents he was being paid \$250 to smuggle the family from Chateaugay to Massena and that he was to be paid \$3,500 total for smuggling the family into the United States.

Oshier, Rood, LaRock, Deshawn, Pelkey and Terrance were all charged with conspiracy to bring aliens into the U.S.

CBP officials say the other co-conspirators are also in custody at this time but no further details were available.

U.S. Department of Transportation requesting bids for air service providers at Massena Airport

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA — Bids are being accepted to determine what airline will provide essential air service at Massena airport next year.

U.S. Department of Transportation officials have put out a bid request for Essential Air Service at the Massena International Airport.

Town Supervisor Sue Bellor said she recently received a call from a U.S. DOT official to inform her the bid process was open, allowing EAS providers to bid for the next contract at the airport.

The current provider, Boutique Air, will continue to provide air service until the end of their current contract, which expires on March 31, 2025.

Town officials say Boutique Air has already expressed interest in continuing their relationship with Massena.

Bellor commented on the timeline of events, noting that the town would be informed of the interested airlines and provided information regarding each.

Shortly thereafter interviews will commence with all airlines who apply, which will then lead to the Department of Transportation selecting which airline will provide future air service at the airport.

Bellor said it was her hope that the town would receive a significant number of applicants in a competitive bid process.

First selected in February 2017, Boutique Air has worked as the town's EAS provider to various locations.

When it was first announced as the town's EAS provider, Boutique Air offered three flights daily, two of which were to Albany and a third that was a direct flight to Baltimore.

In recent years Boutique Air has provided flights to Boston daily, shifting away from original plans to continue to offer flights to Baltimore along with the Boston bound flights.

That occurred in February 2023 when Boutique Air was awarded a 2-year contract to service Massena International Airport after a rebid process was completed.

Boutique Air officials had opted to end their EAS service under the existing contract with a notice issued in Sept. 2022, saying they hoped to rebid at a higher subsidy rate due to increased costs of doing business.

CEO Shawn Simpson wrote in the termination notice that the airline was giving 90 days notice with the intention of rebidding, which was successful in the end.

As part of the contract Boutique Air provides 21 round-trip flights every week to Boston Logan International Airport.

For the first year, the airline was subsidized at a rate of \$5,322,161, with a subsidy rate of \$5,535,047 in the second year of the contract.

That contract represented a significant increase from the subsidy rate of \$3,411,097 and \$3,479,318 as part of the previous contract.

The seven-year relationship with Boutique Air is one that town officials have been supportive of, especially given the high percentage of on-time and scheduled flights.

Airport Manager Dylan Casselman also provided an update on the airlines numbers at the airport, saying that 538 individuals enplaned with 511 deplaning for a total of 1,049 total passengers in the month of October. In total, 184 flights were completed at the airport with just two canceled due to weather.

Town officials say they will continue to provide updates on EAS applicants when possible.

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County legislators pass 2025 budget, reduce tax rate 18 cents

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
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CANTON – St. Lawrence County residents will see a drop in the tax rate despite a more than \$2 million increase in the tax levy in 2025 after legislators adopted the 2025 budget.

Legislators unanimously approved the budget during the Dec. 2 full board meeting.

The budget raises spending overall by \$8.5 million and cuts the tax rate by 18 cents.

“Thank you once again, thank you Miss (County Administrator Ruth) Doyle, to the budget team, to everyone involved. I don’t like to see it keeps going up but I know how it is,” Chairman David Forsythe said.

Forsythe complimented Doyle and her team for their efforts to put together an effective and efficient budget once again.

“They keep doing their due diligence on this, so hopefully it will make its wait through,” Forsythe said.

Doyle said the true value tax rate will drop by 18 cents, from \$7.15 per \$1,000 of assessed value on a home, to \$6.97 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

That represents the lowest rate since 1983, she said.

Legislator Jim Reagen took a moment to share his congratulations to all involved in the budget making process as well.

“For us to have brought our tax rate back to what it was in the 80’s is a real testament to our department heads, our employees and this legislature for holding the line on spending as much as possible,” he said.

With pricing continuing to rise, the 2025 budget is a true testament to the efforts of county officials, Reagen said.

“This is not the first time we’ve done this and it sends a strong message to the people of the county that we have listened to them,” he said.

“A lot of important services that we are providing and continue to provide, we do our best to thank them for being as efficient and effective as possible,” Reagen continued.

While the budget has now risen to over \$300 million, Legislator Rita Curran called into question the amount of mandated spending that the county cannot opt out of.

“We probably don’t have this here but I’d like to see us put out the amount of money that we spend in this budget that is unfunded mandates by the governor that we on our own would not be putting on the back of the taxpayer,” Curran said.

Forsythe said it was somewhere in the neighborhood of “98 or 99 million I think.”

“There are a lot of things that we have every year that we don’t have to do but go unfunded and mandated by the governor,” Curran said.

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.

“We are proud of and remain proud of this budget,” County Administrator Ruth Doyle said.

Doyle previously said the 2025 budget accomplishes three key goals, including lowering the true value tax rate once again, preserving programs for county residents and ensuring the people who administer those programs remain in place.

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

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

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

Health insurance expenses will rise \$2.7 million, up from \$30.9

million to \$33.6 million.

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

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

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

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

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

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

That in turn fell to taxpayers, she said.

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

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

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

“We’re lowering expectations to better meet what is budgeted,” she said.

Healthcare costs will also rise \$2.9 million this year, Doyle said.

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

Hospital and medical expenses

are going to jump nearly \$1.5 million alone to \$19.7 million.

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

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

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

Total budgeted healthcare costs and benefits will be \$33.1 million, up \$2.9 million from \$30.2 million in the 2024 adopted budget.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The 2025 budget will 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.

Legislators opted to override the 2% state tax cap as they 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 also includes 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.

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

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Trustee Peets says thank you

It has been with great pleasure and honor to serve the people of Massena, as a Village Trustee for the past two years.

I accepted this assignment with the goal of enhancing our community and improving processes all within the best interest of our taxpayers and employees. I feel in my short term I was able to accomplish that on varying levels. While I was able to lend an area of expertise to this particular board during my reign, while serving I also learned a great deal about our Village Government and the people within and that education is immeasurable.

I have fostered the continued revitalization of our downtown and small business development and my platform of community over competition. Although my time on the board has ended, my passion for this community's growth has not, and I will continue to advocate for its success.

Thank you to Mayor Paquin for your faith in me and your leadership. Thank you to Deputy Mayor Simpson for your service, professionalism, and camaraderie. Thank you to outgoing Trustee Winston for your years of service to Massena. Thank you to my committee partner and pragmatist, Trustee McGowan. Lastly, but not least, I cannot thank Village Administrator Chatland enough. Her expertise and knowledge are boundless.

As my parting sentiment to the people of Massena, I encourage continued community involvement. I ask members to attend

meetings, remain abreast of local government, support your local businesses, and volunteer whenever possible. Together we can move Massena forward.

**Shelyn K. Peets,
Massena Village Trustee**

We are all in this together

Ms. Hodges [The GOP has its victory- posted Nov. 27] in her recent letter claims the GOP won because Republican billionaires influenced the election. She conveniently ignores Kamala Harris spending one billion in just 107 days during her campaign, and presently is 20 million in debt. Trump spent approximately only two-thirds that amount for the entire year. Seems Ms. Harris has poor money managing skills.

Money aside, Ms. Hodges impugned the intelligence of the 77 million Americans who voted for Trump, whom, according to her words, "got worked up about: non-whites overrunning America - immigrants stealing jobs - saving "unborn babies" - reducing crime - keeping their guns - banning gays - exalting Christianity - or owning the "libs."

Really, Ms Hodges? How dare you portray conservatives who make up half our nation as exclusively racist, ignorant, and narrow-minded? Suggesting they are easily persuaded to knee-jerk vote based solely on political rhetoric messaging by "Republican Billionaires"? The truth is the outcome of the presidential election came down to ordinary American cit-

izens weighing the issues, and voting with their conscience and values.

They who voted differently than you are your neighbors. They work in the community as teachers, utility workers, farmers, policemen, firefighters, EMT's, and in the military to serve you regardless of what your political preferences are. How dare you lump them all as ill-informed and lacking in character because of who they voted for. Do you question your doctor, dentist, or public servant first to determine what their political affiliation is, lest you be attended by someone whom you esteem as a backwards sub-human conservative?

Ms. Hodges, your tone of contempt in your current letter is loud and clear. Remember these are your fellow human beings, with viable concerns, not cardboard stereotypes to employ in strawman attacks in order to make your political points. We are all in this together. I suggest you seek peacefully to discuss common ground we can agree on, instead of turning it into a battlefield of "Us" vs. "Them."

**Ron Shirtz
Rensselaer Falls**

CHIPS & Science Law invests in North Country

What excellent news to read in NCTW how the North Country economy will soon benefit from the bipartisan CHIPS & Science Law, an accomplishment passed in a Democratic majority Congress and signed into law by President Biden in 2022.

Soon Corning's Canton facility will be starting an expansion to increase the manufacturing of a specialized glass required in some of the most advanced machinery while making microchips used in our phones, computers, and cars. We might remember the lessons from the pandemic when brand new cars sat unsold waiting for microchips from China, leading to outrageous prices for used vehicles!

Democratic Senators Schumer and Gillibrand can be thanked for this law that provided a \$32 million subsidy which will add 130 United Steelworkers Union jobs to the area, in addition to 175 construction jobs. The effects of this will eventually ripple through our economy to those working in restaurants, retail stores, healthcare, carpentry, and etc as additional Corning workers use these businesses and services. It will ripple through families as it offers more of our young people a decent living in the North Country, even benefitting local schools. Further benefits to families will occur

as Corning invests in childcare resources in the region.

With all these benefits, it's puzzling why Rep. Elise Stefanik opposed this bipartisan bill that 24 fellow Republicans supported. With all his talk about jobs and China, etc, it's equally puzzling why President-elect Trump referred to the bill as "so bad" in his interview with Joe Rogan, and spoke of repealing this law several times while campaigning.

While in Syracuse in early November to support the Republican candidate for Congress, House Speaker Mike Johnson was asked about intent to repeal the law and initially said, "I expect we probably will," something he later felt compelled to apologize for. This left Republican Clay Town Supervisor Damian Ulatowski feeling "petrified," knowing the impact repeal would have on the future of bringing a Micron microchip facility to Clay.

Reva Goujon, a director and macro geopolitical strategist at Rhodium Group, said the reality is that "chip manufacturing is insanely capital intensive. The U.S. has long been at a disadvantage to its foreign competitors who apply heavier subsidies to this industry."

"Improving the economy" is more than a campaign slogan. It takes foresight, knowledge, and often investment in, yes, subsidies, something Sen. Schumer recognized as he introduced this beneficial bill.

**Mike Zagrobelny, St. Lawrence
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Ginger Storey-Welch, St. Lawrence
County Democratic
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Contaminated water in Winthrop

One of the things I liked the most about living on McCarthy Road in Winthrop, N.Y. was the fresh well water. Another thing was walking my dog in the evening and seeing the wildlife along the way - rabbits, turtles, frogs, turkeys, etc. and listening to crickets.

In the fall of 2023 and April 2024 I ignored the plowing and planting next door, being busy restoring my house and property that had been destroyed in a fire in October 2022. In August 2024, I began to notice something wrong. Everything was quiet when I walked my dog. No crickets, no frogs, no turtles, no turkeys, few birds, quiet.

A neighbor got sick, our dogs got sick with diarrhea and vomiting. Another neighbor was suspicious and tested her drinking water out of curiosity and the neighborhood was yanked away from our fairy tales surroundings. Our wells were

contaminated with E. coli all along the West Branch of the St. Regis River.

We tried not to panic as we took care of our sick animals. We boiled our water, shocked our wells and searched for labs to test our water at our expense. We contacted various agencies - two town boards, DEC county health department, the farmer involved - with little to no avail.

Fall is here and the farmer is spreading something on the fields next door again. We have no idea what it is or what it was the last two years. We know it made some of us sick and it made our animals sick and many of our wildlife have disappeared. We are wondering what happened to our rights and what will happen since there has been another spreading of fertilizer?, manure? foreign material? poison? this fall. What happens in Spring 2025.

**Patricia Arquette
Winthrop**

Thanks from Massena Hospital Auxiliary

The Massena Hospital Auxiliary would like to thank everyone for their support and donations to the spaghetti dinner fundraiser. Because of your support and donations, this made our fundraiser a success.

Thank you to the following organizations and businesses: BJ's Wholesale Club, Italian American Club, Massena Hospital Nutrition Services, Price Chopper, Walmart, and North Country Collocation Services.

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Pumpkin reigns supreme as favorite Thanksgiving pie



Debbie Morgan | NCTW

Last week's question

What pie is your favorite on turkey day?

TURKEY REINS supreme as the favorite protein on Thanksgiving, but what pie is your favorite on turkey day?

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: Snow season is underway in St. Lawrence County, with a storm impacting the southern

portion of the county and a dusting for the entire county last week. What is your primary way of getting rid of heavy snow in your driveway?

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ONNY concert to benefit Massena Music Friends

First 250 free thanks to SeaComm

MASSENA – Massena High School Auditorium is the place to be on Friday, December 13, as the North Country’s only professional orchestra, the Orchestra of Northern New York, rings in the holiday season with its brass and percussion ensemble in a musical evening to remember, benefit of Massena Music Friends. ONNY’s Holiday in Brass will perform in Massena for one night only at 7:30 pm.

SeaComm Federal Credit Union is offering the first 250 attendees a free ticket as part of its Pay It Forward program. The free ticket can only be picked up in person the night of the program.

This concert is back by popular demand. Many people who saw the virtuoso brass and percussion ensemble last year thought it was one of the best programs ONNY had produced in its 36 years. Now, with a whole new program of music, ONNY celebrates the traditions of Christmas and Hanukkah with imaginative arrangements of holiday favorites.

Works to be performed include Herbert’s March of the Toys, Tchaikovsky’s “Le Choclat” from the Nutcracker, Bulla’s Rhapsody

for Hanukkah, and Anderson’s A Christmas Festival, among others.

Massena Music Friends is a volunteer group founded in 2010 when the school was struggling with finding ways to keep the music department in our school district. Massena Music Friends supports all music department students in all the schools.

Each year, MMF asks for a wish list of items that were not possible in the annual budget and try to fundraise to purchase those items. This year, the Junior High School is asking for 250 new music folders for their band and chorus students.

MMF has helped sponsor trips to New York City for students and covered the cost of NYSSMA fees for struggling parents of music students. The organization also funds all of the music-based awards at the end of each school year, including the \$500 Pat Tubbs Award given in memory of its founder, Pat Tubbs.

After the 250 free tickets courtesy of SeaComm are distributed, individuals may purchase tickets at the door. They are \$15 for adults and \$10 for seniors and students. Children, 5 and under, are free.



Eddie Brown premieres first music video off ‘Versatile’ with fun-filled ‘Country Club’

Music video shot in Massena released on Eddie Brown’s debut album ‘Versatile’

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

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

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

“We wanted this to be a video that represents our local people and our fun-loving heart,” Brown said. “From writing to casting, we aimed to involve everyone and everything that makes the North Country so unique.”

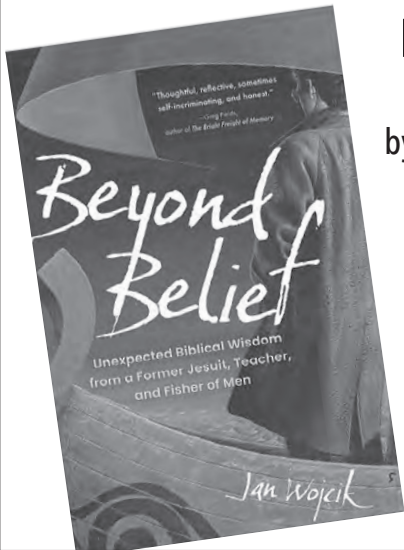
The video casting was open to any resident across the region, giving local people a chance to step in front of the camera alongside Eddie. This community-centric approach has created a music video that feels authentic and relatable, with scenes of BBQs, dancing, and the camaraderie that is the essence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

NY. From start to finish, Country Club reflects Eddie Brown’s creative vision for a down-to-earth celebration of life with a twist of humor, giving fans a taste of his album Versatile. The video is available on YouTube, Vimeo, TIDAL, Apple, Vibe Stream TV, as well as the VEVO TV channel. YouTube video link below. Eddie Brown’s album “Versatile” is available on all major streaming services.

View the music video at <https://youtu.be/w1wOq5c19-0>

More information visit: Eddie-Brownsinger.com

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Sat, Sun 1:30

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Sat, Sun 12:30

Wicked 3D

Sat, Sun 2:30 PG

Wicked

6:50, 9:15 pm Nightly PG
Sat, Sun 1:00

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7:00, 9:00 pm Nightly R
Sat, Sun 12:45, 3:00pm

Trailer Park Boys: Standing on the Shoulders of Kitties

6:50, 9:15pm Nightly R
Sat, Sun 12:30, 3:00pm

Norfolk Holly Jolly Christmas offers multiple events

NORFOLK — A variety of events are planned for the Norfolk Holly Jolly Christmas on Dec. 14.

At the Norfolk Food Pantry, 7 W. Main St. (Norfolk Methodist Church):

- 10-11:30 a.m. donuts and cocoa with Mrs. Claus;
- 10-10:15 a.m. holiday stories;
- 10:15-11:30 a.m. donuts and cocoa with Mrs. Claus, photos with Mrs. Claus, holiday crafts and games, writing letters to Santa;
- 3-5 p.m. pizza party and soda with the Grinch, frost and decorate holiday cookies, cocoa, dreidel game, dance party with holiday music; and
- 4:45-5 p.m. Christmas piñata.

At the Norfolk Hepburn Library, from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. there will be Christmas Face painting. Make an ornament to take home, play Christmas games to win a prize. Christmas food & drinks.

At the Norfolk Wesleyan Church craft time from 1-3 p.m. Drop in to make a Christmas ornament hang on the tree or to bring home lots of crafts for the kids.

Free skating at Norfolk Arena from 3-4:30 p.m. Come skate for free, and you might even see a Christmas elf or two skating with you.

At 5:15 p.m. the parade line up starts on Crabb Street.

The lighted Christmas Parade begins at 5:30 p.m.

Norfolk Park will host a memory tree lighting after the parade, with a reading of the names of loved ones who have passed away. Then visit the library to meet Santa have cocoa and cookies and have a wagon ride around town singing Christmas carols.

There will be a Christmas house decorating contest during the Holly Jolly Christmas. Contact Maggie at 315-957-9206 to register. Prizes for first second and third place and are wild card prize which means anybody can win. Put your address on the house decorating map, which will be handed out the night of the festival so people can go by and enjoy your Christmas lights.

For more information, call or text 315-261-3670.

Rotary Charity Fund raises \$2,300

MASSENA — Close to \$2,300 was raised for the Massena Rotary Charity Fund from the

Massena Rotary Holiday Market held Nov. 30.

Forty vendors, selling a variety of handmade items from pet treats and seasonal decorations to wood

products set up tables at the Massena Community Building, Beach Street.

Mike Snyder won the 50-50 raffle for \$209, said organizers Darcy Sharpe, Gail Schneider, Becky Glover and Eowyn Doud.

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OFA Photo

Cast members at rehearsal for the upcoming OFA performance of Cinderella.

OFA Drama Club to perform Cinderella Friday, Saturday

OGDENSBURG — Ogdensburg Free Academy Drama Club presents Cinderella: Enchanted Edition on Friday, Dec. 6 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 7 at 1 p.m.

The performance by the drama club is in production with Concord Theatricals, with music by Richard Rodgers, book and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II and adapted for the stage by Tom Briggs.

“You won’t want to miss this magical, humorous and whimsical portrayal of your favorite childhood tale,” said senior Graci Chase who plays the role of Joy.

Theater tech is an elective at the High school level that helps to produce the school’s musical during the Fall semester. They help to create props, costume the show, program the lights, write the playbill among many other projects to help the production.

“We are super fortunate to have so many students involved in running so many aspects of this show. From Theater tech, the technical theater elective, and student leaders in the sound, light booth, and stage crew,” said Sara Pabis, OFA 7-12 vocal music teacher and drama club advisor

Cast and crew include:
 Cinderella, Julia Johnson
 Christopher, Dakota Wells
 Fairy Godmother, Gabriella Ott
 Grace, Delia Payne
 Joy, Graci Chase
 Step Mother, Carley Bickhart
 Queen Constantina, Katharine Wilson
 King Maximillian, Jackson Duprey
 Lionel, Logan Moran
 Dove, Maeve Putman
 Charles, Savannah Williams
 Mice, Addison Reed, Chloe Frank

Ensemble (Villagers, Merchants, Palace Guests), Chloe Frank, Emma Henry, Alivia McGaw, Mark Parmer, Maeve Putman, Addison Reed, Taylor Richer, Olivia Sias, Tayler Starts, Berlin Tomassini, Tearnin Tyo, Georgiana Wells, Savannah Williams

Theater Tech, Skylier Alley, Angel Gillett, Mark Parmer, Amelia Reynolds, Taylor Richer, Olivia Sias, Annabella Tortorella, Tearnin Tyo

Stage Manager, Riley Durham
 Sound, Judson Wells, Bryan Lust, Jordan McCallus, Michael Rodriguez, Kevin Rosado, Camden Ruud, Ali Wilson
 Stage Crew, Jude Cadieux, Lachlan Demers, Riley Durham, Ryan McGaw, Patrick Middlemiss, Kyle Richer, Karly Skelly, Vanessa Thomas
 Lights, Kayden Skelly, Ashton Lowes, Cayne Trimm
 Director/Choreographer, Angela Dwyer
 Director/Vocal Music Director, Sara Pabis
 Set Design and Builder, Jon Lomaki
 Tech/Sound Director, Bob Ladoceur
 Tickets are \$7 for students and seniors and \$10 for adults. Tickets will be sold at the door or pre-sale are available at <https://cur8.com/16764/project/126016>.

Old Fashioned Christmas at museum

OGDENSBURG - The Ogdensburg History Museum is excited to announce its upcoming Old Fashioned Christmas Children’s Program on Saturday, Dec. 14 at 11:30 a.m.

The event will take place at the museum located at 206 Ford St. and is free and open to the public.

Led by retired Kindergarten teacher Nancy Mashaw, the program will feature a variety of activities for children to enjoy. From a festive holiday story to a fun craft and activity, children will have the opportunity to get into the holiday spirit while learning about the past.

In addition, Barbara O’Keefe, President of Fort la Presentation Association, will be on hand to demonstrate how to play with toys from the past. Children will even have the chance to play with these toys themselves, giving them a hands-on experience of what it

was like to play during the holiday season in years gone by.

All children must be accompanied by an adult and must register in advance at Ogdensburghistorymuseum.com. Space is limited to the first 25 participants. The Ogdensburg History Museum is dedicated to preserving and sharing the rich history of the Ogdensburg community. This event is just one of the many educational and engaging programs offered by the museum throughout the year.

Don’t miss out on this fun and festive event for children of all ages. Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 14th and join us for an Old Fashioned Christmas at the Ogdensburg History Museum.

For more information, please visit Ogdensburghistorymuseum.com.

SLU Laurentian Singers in Heuvelton

HEUVELTON — The St. Lawrence University Laurentian Singers will perform at Pickens Hall and General Store, 83 State St., on Saturday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m.

Admission is by donation. The Laurentian Singers will perform a musical journey ranging from Gaudete! - an arrangement of a carol first published in 1552 - all the way through a modern jazz arrangement of What Child is This?

Stops along the way include The Seal Lullaby, We Three Kings, and Motherless Child, with guest instru-

mentalists Dr. Robert Docker, and Tim Savage.

The concert will end with an audience sing-along of familiar Christmas songs.

Other upcoming events include:

- Saturday, Dec. 14, 7 p.m. The Atkinson Family Bluegrass Band holiday performance hosted by TAUNY. Tickets are \$15 at the door or online at tauny.org.
- Sunday, Dec. 22, 2 p.m. Christmas Sing Along with Barb Heller. To benefit local food pantries, admission by donation.

Pro Musica Christmas concert Sunday

OGDENSBURG -- Ogdensburg’s Pro Musica is presenting its annual Christmas concert on Sunday, Dec.

GardenShare online holiday auction

CANTON – GardenShare is offering holiday shoppers an alternative to Black Friday crowds and the chance to keep their buying local, all while supporting a good cause.

GardenShare’s online holiday auction, featuring more than 60 interesting and original auction items, including local food, art, and craft.

The link to the bidding platform can be found at www.GardenShare.org – click the “Check out our 2024 Holiday Auction” button on the homepage. Once registered, bidders can explore the offerings. Minimum bids and bidding increments are posted. The auction will remain open for bidding until 5 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 8.

Learn more at www.GardenShare.org.

8. The concert will begin at 2 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church at the corner of Ford and Franklin Streets in Ogdensburg.

The community choir has been in existence for 57 years, and this year’s performance will once again feature a variety of holiday tunes, both traditional carols and modern songs.

Composed of approximately thirty members ranging in age from teens to senior citizens, Pro Musica is once again directed by Diana Sarsfield and accompanied by Jef-

fery Hinkle.

The eclectic song list will appeal to the young and old alike.

Donations are accepted at the door; \$5 is suggested, but any free will offering would be welcome.

The proceeds are used to purchase new music and to donate scholarships to neighboring schools to students for their choral excellence during their high school years.

If you have questions or need further information, contact Viviane Roach at (315) 869-6123.

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OGDENSBURG - Join the Ogdensburg History Museum for the Holiday Tour on Sunday, Dec. 8, 1-4 p.m. All proceeds benefit the Ogdensburg History Museum.

Get in the holiday spirit while supporting a great cause: keeping Ogdensburg's history alive for future generations.

The tour includes:

- Bishop LaValley Residence, 624 Washington St.
- Sherman Inn, 615 Franklin St.
- The Home of Lori Garno Kenyon 505 Paterson St.
- Frederic Remington Art Museum (lobby only), 303 Washington St.
- First Baptist Church, 617 State St.
- The Home of Garth & Molly Ryan 120 Franklin St.

Ticket prices are: members \$15, non-members \$20.

(All ticket sales are non-refund-

able. If you are unable to attend, please consider your contribution a donation to the Museum.)

Tickets may be purchased online (recommended), or at the Ogdensburg History Museum at 206 Ford Street.

Paper tickets and maps will be available at the museum:

- Dec. 5, Thursday, 10-1
- Dec. 8, Sunday, 12:30-1

The tour will end at Sweet Emilee's Coffee & Ice Cream Shop, 34 Lake St., where your ticket will be entered into a drawing for a prize basket that includes museum swag. The drawing will take place at 4 p.m. You must be present to win.

For more information about this program or other events at the Ogdensburg History Museum, please visit ogdensburghistorymuseum.com or email us at oburghistorymuseum@gmail.com.

NYPA pajama movie party

MASSENA—The New York Power Authority is accepting reservations for its holiday pajama party at the St. Lawrence-Franklin D. Roosevelt Power Project's admission-free Frank S. McCullough, Jr. Hawkins Point Visitors Center.

The holiday pajama movie party will be held from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 6 at the visitors center. The party will feature movies, craft projects as well as a visit from Santa Claus, who will be available for pictures with children during the party. Registrations for

the event can be made by calling 315-764-0226, ext. 716-6302. All children who are pre-registered by Dec. 5 will receive a special holiday memento.

Children can come in their pajamas and watch holiday movies including "How the Grinch Stole Christmas!" (1966), "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer" (1964), "Frosty the Snowman" (1969), "Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town" (1970) and "A Charlie Brown Christmas" (1965). Movies will be shown in the visitors center theater.

Massena Seniors Gala Dec. 28

MASSENA – The New Year's Eve Gala for Massena Senior Citizens will be held at 61 Beach St. on Dec. 28.

Cost is \$30 per person. Sign-up and pre-payment is required in the office by Dec. 20.

The catered menu is turkey or pork with gravy, mashed potato,

corn, tossed salad with two types of dressing, cranberries, pumpkin or apple pie and beverages.

Dinner starts at 4:30 p.m. and ends at 5:45 p.m.

The dance starts at 6 p.m. and is \$10 per person. Sign up is desired but not mandatory and can be paid at the door. All are welcome.

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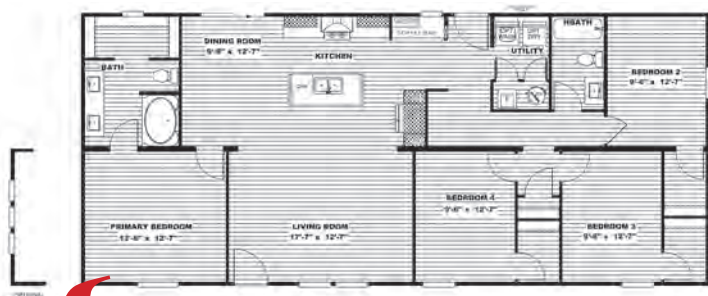

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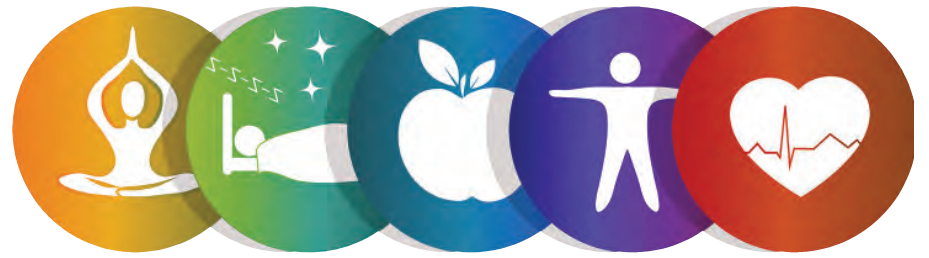
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Diabetic ulcers can be treated at Massena Hospital Wound Care

MASSENA - The Wound Care team at St. Lawrence Region's Massena Hospital assists patients with a variety of health concerns. Diabetic wounds, however, are ones that take time and perseverance to treat.

While November was National Diabetic Awareness Month, Rochester Regional Health's North Country team is always available to answer questions and discuss treatment options with their diabetic patients.

Wound Care physician Robert Nordberg, MD, explained that diabetic wounds or ulcers typically develop on the patient's feet or lower legs, and can commonly turn into osteomyelitis (a complication of diabetic foot ulcers and infections).

"Diabetic ulcers are often advanced when a patient comes to us for medical care," Dr. Nordberg said. "Wounds may present elsewhere on their body, but the classic diabetic ulcer is on the foot and lower leg. They may cluster, or appear individually on the body."

These wounds, specific to diabetic patients, develop on the feet because they are weight-bearing areas which create pressure points, sometimes due to shoes that do not fit properly. These wounds can also be the result of a traumatic injury, such as a puncture.

"Successful diabetic foot ulcer treatment is slow, and always takes longer than patients expect. Furthermore, there may be set-backs along the way, in spite of the excellent care they are receiving and providing themselves," Nordberg said.

"Maintaining a successful outcome depends on avoiding the factors that caused the wound in the first place. Since the majority of our diabetic Wound Care patients have type II diabetes, that diagnosis should concurrently be treated with the wound," he added.

Patients should be receiving medical direction regarding their diet and weight loss, and working with their providers to possibly have their medications adjusted to

help lower the patient's hemoglobin A1C.

"If such care is omitted from the patient's treatment plan, the ulcers are likely to reoccur and could possibly result in amputation," Nordberg continued.

The Massena Hospital Wound Care team consists of trained experts in providing their patients with:

- Wound assessments: Depth, location, infection
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- Edema (swelling of body parts) control
- Antibiotics
- Engineered products, such as

dressings, collagen, or skin substitutes

- Referrals to vascular surgeons, infectious disease, or imaging specialists

"Diabetic wounds are serious and successful treatment takes time," Nordberg said.

Info: www.stlawrencehealthsystem.org/services/wound-care.

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Massena Hospital Foundation receives \$5,000 donation

MASSENA - The Massena Hospital Foundation has been awarded \$5,000 from Air Products Greater Massena Community Fund toward the Massena Hospital Emergency Department Refresh and Renovation Project

"We are excited that Air Products has chosen to support the Emergency Department project at Massena Hospital" noted Julia Rose, MH Foundation executive director. "The Emergency Department is truly

the 'front door' to our hospital. The department sees between 13,000 and 14,000 patients per year, and the improvements being done will go a long way to improve the patient care experience."

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Whiffleball Tournament winners at Ogdensburg Boys & Girls Club hold their awards they received Nov. 13. Tristan Moore, OBGC Youth Development Coordinator, is pictured with the top teams.

World Junior Championship games coming to Cornwall

CORNWALL -- The pre-tournament schedule for the 2025 International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) World Junior Championship has been announced, and the City of Cornwall is pleased to announce that it has been selected as one of seven communities to host games from December 19 to 23. In total, 11 games will be played throughout Eastern Ontario on the Road to the World Juniors.

The road begins and ends in Ottawa, with three games scheduled for the Nation's Capital and Arnprior, along with Belleville, Brockville, Cornwall, Hawkesbury and Kingston. Over five days, all 10 competing teams will be on the ice.

Cornwall will be hosting 2 exhibition games at the Cornwall Civic Complex. On Friday December 20th at 7 pm Finland will be taking on Slovakia, while on Monday December 23rd Team USA and Finland will hit the ice for a 4 pm game.

Tickets for the two exhibition games in Cornwall are on sale now at the Benson Centre and Cornwall Aquatic Centre Box Office, as well as

online through TicketPro <https://tproontario.ticketpro.ca/en/pages/IIHF?aff=coc>.

In addition to the 2 games, Finland and Slovakia will hold pre-tournament camps at the Cornwall Civic Complex and the Benson Centre from December 16 to December 23.

"Once again, the City of Cornwall is proud to be hosting teams from around the world as part of the 2025 IIHF World Junior Hockey Championship", said Cornwall Mayor Justin Towndale. "We value our continued partnership with Hockey Canada, and look forward to showcasing our community as we host the training camps and games.

Canada will open its exhibition schedule with a pair of games at TD Place in Ottawa, taking on Switzerland on Dec. 19 and Sweden on Dec. 21 before facing Czechia at the Canadian Tire Centre on Dec. 23. All three games begin at 7 p.m. Limited individual game tickets remain available for the 2025 IIHF World Junior Championship in Ottawa. Fans can secure their seat by visiting Hockeycanada.ca/WorldJuniors.

Ogdensburg Boys & Girls Club hosts annual whiffleball tournament

OGDENSBURG — The annual Whiffleball Tournament at Ogdensburg Boys & Girls Club was held Nov. 13.

The tournament was in memory of club alumnus George Goult.

There were 13 two-man teams participating.

First place was awarded to JP Decker and Trip Stark. Third place winners were Dominic "Butter" Butterfield and Duke Decker.

Individual awards went to JP Decker for Defensive MVP, Sawyer Denny for Offensive MVP, and Jack Hutchinson for Sportsmanship Award.



BOCES | Submitted

Lady Raiders claim Section X soccer title

Massena Central School beat Malone 2-1 to win the Class A Section X Championship game last month.



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Smiles on skates

Lisbon friends Mia Helm, left, and Emma Bradish enjoy public skating at Ogdensburg's Lockwood Arena recently.

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SATURDAY, DEC. 7 Christmas Party

MASSENA --Liberty Utilities sponsors this free annual Christmas party for the community. December 7, 2024 from 1pm-3:30pm at the Massena Moose Lodge, 4 Ames St., Massena. Snacks and Refreshments are provided. Children can make a craft that will be donated to a resident of St. Joseph's Home in Ogdensburg. The Grinch and Cindy Lou Who will be on hand. There will be face painting and tattoos and an ugly sweater contest. Free.

\$5 bag sale begins

NORFOLK -- The Whistle Stop Thrift Store, 11 W. Main St., (next to the United Methodist Church) is having a \$5 bag sale starting on Saturday, Dec. 7 through Saturday, Dec. 14. Fill the Thrift Store's bags from a selection of clothing, house goods, holiday decorations and cool stuff to find.

Barn quilt class

MASSENA -- A barn quilt class will be held at the Massena Public Library Saturday, Dec. 7, at 10 a.m. Local artist Theresa Gabor will instruct the class in making the a 16' x 16' sanded plywood barn quilt. It will be graphed; you will only need to paint it. Cost is \$40, including all supplies. Registration is required: text Theresa @ (315)-250-2822 to save your seat .

Book and bake sale

NORWOOD -- The Friends Book and Bake Sale will be held at the Norwood Public Library on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. The book sale will be \$5 per bag. Children's books are free. The sale will also include delicious treats. Proceeds help support library programming.

Book sale

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

Book sale

BRASHER FALLS -- On Saturday, Dec. 7, the Friends of the Badenhausen Public Library will host the monthly book sale. Browse through novels, children's books and young adult books. Special for December is 'coffee table books.' Info: <https://badenhausenlibrary.org> .

Craft, Food & Wine show

POTSDAM -- The Craft, Food & Wine Holiday Market is an annual showcase presented by the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce, featuring regional producers of homemade or value added craft, food and wine products for a festive shopping experience in one large space. This popular showcase is a two-day show, taking place on Saturday, December 7th and Sunday, December 8th from 10AM-4PM at SUNY Potsdam's Maxcy Hall. \$5 cash admission, children under 12 may attend for free, last hour free daily

from 3-4PM. Support small businesses and shop local at one of the most popular showcases in the area with 100+ vendors. With so many goodies to enjoy, we suggest bringing a few large shopping totes! A FREE campus shuttle will be available from parking lots surrounding the Maxcy Hall Fieldhouse on Canton and Tupper Lake Roads. Shop away and stand by signs for pickup! Shuttles will begin 15 mins prior to each show and end 15 mins after each show date. Maxcy Hall's Concession's Stand, located on the upper level next to the arena, will be open during the Holiday Market offering: "bear" hot dogs, nachos, chips, pretzels, popcorn, candy, and beverages.\$5 Cash Admission.

Holiday bazaar

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

Book and Bake Sale

NORWOOD -- The Friends of the Norwood Public Library are hosting a Holiday Book and Bake Sale on Saturday, Dec. 7, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Books will be priced at \$5 per bag. Children's books are free. The Friends would appreciate donations of used books, in good condition for

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BLIGHT . . .

Municipalities chipping in with cleanup efforts

property was located. That model was not sustainable in any way, forcing the count to take action, Button said.

But fear of entering into the chain of title was a major concern for county officials previously, with Button noting that the county would then be liable for any spills and remediation costs by doing so.

“When foreclosing on a property, the county becomes potentially liable for the contamination,” he said.

That all changed with the involvement of attorney Gary Bowitch, who played a large role in assisting the county in tackling the cleanup efforts.

Bowitch was the former lead prosecutor for the Department of Environmental Conservation oil spill team.

Button said Bowitch is the sort of person who “reminded me of someone who had been at Woodstock but put on a shirt and tie after” to enter into his true calling.

“He never left his true calling. His objective has always been to beautify and clean up these projects,” Button said.

Button complimented Bowitch, saying he has helped the county “immensely with such projects.”

With his help the county has now hit 100 projects that have completed remediation, many of which were targeted due to their proximity to the most populated areas in the county.

“Many properties sat for decades and continued to pile up taxes. But, at the same time, the municipalities also had an eye sore in the community, despite being made whole on taxes,” Button said.

Button said larger concerns about the types of contamination were also a motivating factor to clean up a number of the properties, with many contaminated with asbestos and lead in condemned structures that needed to be removed.

A court decision in 2020 that forced counties to make municipalities whole on taxes was a major motivator for the county to ramp up cleanup efforts, he said.

It was at that time in 2020 that the board of legislators established a fund to address blighted properties, which the county has used to great success, Button said.

He took a moment to compliment the many individuals involved with the process, calling them “true public servants” who are buried in the materials “day-in and day-out” to complete the clean-up process on numerous projects each year.

While the county has stepped up on 100 properties already, Button said a handful of municipalities are also undertaking their own clean-up efforts.

By doing so, however, the delinquent taxes, clean up costs and other expenses are remitted to the county so the municipality can be made whole.

Clean up expenses are typically tacked onto the back taxes, just as overdue water, sewer and trash removal bills are in many cases.

But Button said with the county’s demonstrated expertise in the process, it was his hope that the entities involved could form a partnership to more efficiently and cost effectively clean up troubled properties.

“The county can do it without great harm to other communities and municipalities. We can do it more efficiently and in a more cost effective manner in comparison,” Button said.

Button previously spoke with NCTW regarding the program, commenting that a large chunk of funding comes from the states, which has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars each year to assist.

Button said he is confident the program will continue on in the future as well.

“The county legislature will continue to support the program, as well the state, allowing us to clean up more properties in the future. We’re very confident this program will continue to be a success,” he previously said.

MURDER . . .

Case now being treated as a homicide

be a suicide.

The case is now being treated as a homicide, according to state police and the investigation is still underway.

New York State Police were called to assist the Massena Police Department.

State police took over the investigation as lead agency, but did not provide a reason when asked by

North Country This Week.

Massena police, likewise, directed all questions to state police.

Mayor Greg Paquin issued a statement to inform the public there was not an ongoing threat to public safety.

“The New York State Police are conducting an investigation into two suspicious deaths that occurred today within the village limits.

There is no threat to the public at this time. Since Massena PD is not leading this investigation, that is all the information we have at this time,” Paquin said.

North Country This Week will provide updates as more information becomes available.

The New York State Police, the St. Lawrence County District Attorney’s Office, the Massena Police Department, and the St. Lawrence County Sheriff’s Office are working the case, with State Police acting as the lead agency.

Attempts to contact St. Lawrence County District Attorney Gary Pasqua for additional information were unsuccessful.

AIRPORT . . .

Airport officers to be retired corrections, troopers, police

like.

Ogdensburg City Police Chief Mark Kearns said that the plan being explored would involve using peace officers that served as employees of the city police department.

These officers would be retired corrections officers, state troopers or municipal police.

Kearns explained that these officers would still require training and might end up being part-time positions, the details on the plan hadn’t been worked out yet.

Powers also questioned if there would be recurring costs for the city associated with training.

Kearns said that there would, but at this time, it’s unclear exactly what the future will hold.

The change could provide relief to the OBPA, but potentially to the city police as well. The city has struggled to fill vacant positions in recent years leading to extensive overtime costs and workload that has put a strain on officers.



Photo courtesy of Knights of Columbus

The Ogdensburg Knight of Columbus volunteers gave out 947 free Thanksgiving meals, with eat-in, take-out and delivery options.

Knights of Columbus hand out 947 free meals on Thanksgiving in O’burg

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“This was one of the biggest years we have ever had. It’s gone from 600 to over 900 meals this year. I just upped the order for next year to plan for more than 1,000 meals,” said Bill Taylor, head cook.

Taylor said they purchased 37 turkey breasts each about 16 pounds for this Thanksgiving meal.

He has been helping with all but one of the past 30 years since the Knights of Columbus began the free Thanksgiving meals.

“The membership would like to thank the numerous volunteers and everyone that donated money to make this another memorable year,” said Dan Harradine, of the Knights of Columbus.

Seaway invests \$350 million to strengthen supply chain

The St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation (SLSMC) has announced an investment of over \$350 million in infrastructure upgrades over the next three years. This investment will ensure the Seaway’s continued reliability and efficiency, while creating jobs and strengthening local communities.

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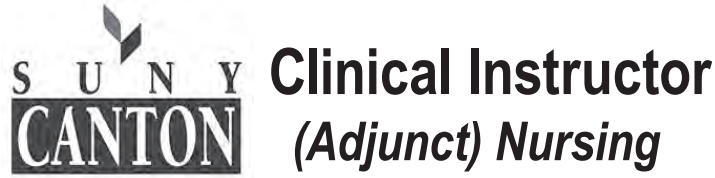
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Solid Waste Program Manager: Responsible for overall program development and administration and staff of the Tribe's Solid Waste programs to ensure compliance with Tribal, Federal, and applicable state policies, procedures, and regulations. Provides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

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

College Association, Inc. at SUNY Canton has the following position open for the Spring 2025 academic semester: Facilities Associate-Under the supervision of the Facilities & Operations Manager/Supervisor, the Facilities Associate uses established work procedures, performing all tasks related to the operation of Chaney Dining Center and the Retail Food operations as assigned. Maintains cleanliness and sanitary conditions including but not limited to main dining hall, all retail dining and concession locations on campus, and residential laundry rooms. Receives and stocks daily deliveries from outside vendors and operates forklift and large cube trucks. Hours for this position are Tuesday-Friday 2:30pm-10:00pm, Saturday 12noon-10:00pm. This is a full-time seasonal position based on the academic year and includes a generous benefits package. Starting pay is \$15.00 per hour. Send resumes to Nichole Todd, Human Resources Representative, College Association, Inc. SUNY Canton, 34 Cornell Drive, Canton, NY 13617 or at oshea109@canton.edu. College Association, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All offers of employment are subject to the applicant successfully passing a background (including criminal records) check.

REPORTER-EDITOR REPORTER-EDITOR

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

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Clarkson

Employment Opportunities

Community Compost Outreach Liaison (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary: Three "Community Compost Liaisons" will be hired to conduct community education campaigns, one community each (Potsdam (+surrounding area); Akwesasne; Lake Placid/Tupper Lake; or Plattsburgh). This work is aligned with a USDA grant to support rural businesses who generate and recycle food scraps.

Campaigns may include workshops and presentations, distribution of flyers, engaging with community members and business owners, and responding to general inquiries about food scrap reduction and recycling strategies. Each liaison will additionally be responsible to coordinate and work with student interns to complete 5 food waste audits for food waste generators. Liaisons will attend a full day training (10 hours) at Clarkson University on the basics of food waste, composting, effective community education/outreach, and project orientation. Liaisons will work with Clarkson and Compost for Good to develop an outreach schedule targeting key community groups and businesses based on feedback from regional compost site operators and planning team members. Campaigns will be conducted during a ~3 month window within the timeframe of March - August, 2024 (Approximately 50 hours/month). Clarkson and Compost for Good will provide guidelines for the education campaigns, with input with approval from the planning team.

Minimum qualifications: Work Experience: Proven track record of completing tasks; demonstrated community relationships/partnerships; experience presenting in a variety of interactive settings and communication platforms. Logistical requirements: Reliable transportation; live or work in or near the target community; access to google compatible formats. Preferred: Familiarity with food scraps generation and compost systems; outreach education development experience; familiarity with a variety of social media and other community outreach formats.

Range: \$18.00- \$20.00 (per diem) salary based on experience

Custodial Supervisor (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary: Assist in the supervision and coordination of custodial activities. Monitor, and approve time cards for employees under the Custodial Manager's direction. Conduct inspections and monitor work performance of employees in designated areas to ensure completion of work assignments. Coordinate, approve, and ensure coverage of all vacation requests and other absences. Recommend and participate in disciplinary action under the Custodial manager's supervision. Perform yearly employee performance evaluations. This is a highly customer service oriented position in which employees should strive to exceed customer expectations. This posting is for Second Shift.

Minimum qualifications: High School diploma or equivalent. Four (4) years of supervisory experience.
Range: \$18.00- \$19.23 based on experience

Manager of Libraries (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary: The Manager of Libraries provides visionary leadership and strategic direction for the University Libraries, ensuring they align with the institution's mission and meet the evolving information and research needs of students, faculty, and staff. Collaborating closely with the Vice President for Information Technology, the Manager champions innovative services, technologies, and collections that advance the University's academic and research goals, fostering a vibrant intellectual environment.

Minimum qualifications: Master's degree in Library and Information Science or a related field from an ALA-accredited program.
Range: \$75,00- \$85,000 based on experience

Review of applications will begin immediately and continues until the position is filled. To submit your application, go to www.clarkson.edu/hr and click "Career Opportunities" below Careers at Clarkson section. An equal opportunity /affirmative action employer, Clarkson actively seeks and encourages applications from minorities, women and people with disabilities. <https://www.clarkson.edu/human-resources/career-opportunities>
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LISBON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



is accepting applications for the following position:

• **Cleaner**

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* Proper Certification is required for some positions.

Application deadline is **December 13, 2024.**

All interested candidates must submit the following to be considered for some positions:

- > Cover Letter
 - > Application (Please apply using the Regional Common Application)
 - Application and information about Lisbon CSD may be found at: <https://www.lisboncsd.org/>
 - > Resumé
 - > Letters of Recommendation (three)
- For Instructional Positions, Principal Positions, Teaching Positions and Bus Driver Positions ONLY*
- > Copy of New York State Certifications
 - > Original College Transcripts

Failure to provide all requested materials may result in disqualification of the candidate's application. Please submit information attention to:

Mr. Patrick J. Farrand, Superintendent of Schools
LISBON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
6866 County Route 10, Lisbon, NY 13658

EOE



Residence Hall Director

Salary: \$50,000

The State University of New York (SUNY) College at Canton invites qualified applicants for a full-time, 12-month position in the Residence Life Department beginning approximately January 2025.

Our college offers pet friendly and LGBTQIA+ housing options for students, candidates with related experience are encouraged to apply.

Required Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree.
- Strong work ethic, positive attitude, high level of creativity, and the desire to take on challenging work in a fun, diverse, engaging, and ever-changing environment.
- Ability to work extensive hours in evenings and weekends as well as regular emergency contact/on-call duties.
- Required to live on campus (pets considered.)

Preferred Additional Qualifications:

- A record of highly successful academic achievement and recent experience as a Resident Assistant.

Duties:

- Responsible for managing and supervising a 100-300+ bed residence hall.
- Community development.
- Coordination of student programming.
- Training/supervision of Resident Assistants.
- Conflict resolution.
- Other duties as assigned.

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

Application Deadline: Open until filled; application review begins November 1st.

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

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



Applications can be accessed at www.mcs.k12.ny.us
 Application Deadline is **Dec. 6, 2024** or until the positions are filled.
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**DIRECTOR
DEVELOPMENT &
COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley seeks a creative **Director of Development and Community Relations** to join the Hospice team. Working closely with the CEO, Board and staff, the successful candidate will be responsible for planning, organizing, and directing Hospice's fundraising and community relations initiatives including the major gifts program, planned giving, and special events.

If you are a motivated self-starter with development experience looking to make a difference in the lives of county residents, please send a detailed cover letter and resume via email to rfishbeck@hospiceslv.org. Full position description posted on hospiceslv.org.



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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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

EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE:

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

BENEFITS:

- Full-time/ 40 hours per week
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404 State Route 37,
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**Vice President
for Advancement**

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

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

Job Requirements and Essential Functions of the Job

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

Required Qualifications

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

relationships with alumni and prospective donors from industry and foundations.

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

Preferred Qualifications

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

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

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

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

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The college is 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.



**The Ogdensburg Bridge
and Port Authority**

The Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority is hiring:

SENIOR ACCOUNTANT

The Authority seeks to hire a Senior Accountant who will give accounting support to the CFO by: performing account & bank reconciliations and maintaining the general ledger for month-end and year-end close procedures, preparing and submitting taxes and tax returns, producing reports and submitting such to governmental agencies, assisting with audit preparations, and other accounting/compliance duties as assigned.

Minimum Requirements Include: Bachelor's Degree or higher in accounting or finance; a minimum of 3 years accounting experience; working knowledge of GASB and GAAP; practical knowledge of fund accounting; strong financial analytical skills; proficiency in Microsoft Office particularly Excel; strong communication skills, both written and oral; proven ability to handle multiple projects/tasks simultaneously. Familiarity with Sage Business Works and Paychex Flex is preferred. The ideal candidate would be looking for growth within the organization.

Salary Range: \$65,000 to \$70,000 annually.

Submit cover letter, and resume to obpa@ogdensport.com; at the **Authority office**; or by mail at **1 Bridge Plaza, Ogdensburg, NY 13669**. All applications must be received by the Authority by **3:00 PM on Friday, December 27, 2024**. The OBPA is an Equal Opportunity Employer



Canton Central School
 The District is currently accepting applications for a
Teaching Assistant

**Applications are due to the district office
by 4:00 PM, December 16, 2024.**

Applications can be found at
<https://www.ccsdk12.org/employment>

CANTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
 99 State St. Canton, NY 13617
 Phone: 315-386-8561

EOE

dam 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.

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.

Registered Nurse: Provide discharge planning for community residents and provide skilled nursing in the community through home visits, telephone consultations, and case management. Status: Non-Exempt, Full-Time Salary: \$27.29-\$41.03 Deadline: December 25, 2024. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

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

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

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

Veterans and Disabled.

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

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

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Employment Opportunities

Assistant Professor in Aerospace Engineering- Tenure Track (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary: The Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering (MAE) Department of the Wallace H. Coulter School of Engineering at Clarkson University invites applications for a tenure track position at the Assistant Professor rank in Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering starting in August 1st, 2025, academic year. A Ph.D. in Mechanical, Materials and/or Aerospace Engineering or related area is required. Applications are sought from an individual with a research focus in material science, composite materials, microstructural analysis, structural and fatigue analysis, microscopist applied to the mechanical and aerospace engineering field.
Minimum qualifications: Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering, Aerospace Engineering, Materials Engineering, Engineering Science or related fields.
Range: \$105,000- \$112,000 salary based on experience.

Teaching Track Assistant Professor Mathematics (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary: The Mathematics Department at Clarkson University invites applications for a Teaching Track Assistant Professor position. We seek candidates who are not only outstanding educators and researchers but also contribute positively to the department and the broader university community. We are particularly interested in applicants with expertise in data science, partial differential equations, dynamical systems, math biology, computational math, math modeling, math education or other areas that enhance our existing departmental strengths
Minimum qualifications: A Ph.D. in Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Computational Mathematics, or a related scientific field by the start date.
Range: \$73,000- \$80,000 based on experience

Assistant Professor, Consumer & Organizational Studies- Tenure Track (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary: The David D. Reh School of Business, AACSB accredited, seeks candidates in Management (Human Resource Management / Organizational Behavior) for a tenure-track position at the assistant professor rank, to commence August 1, 2025.
Minimum qualifications: PhD in Management, Organizational Behavior or related discipline.
Range: \$121,000- \$131,000 based on experience

Assistant Professor, Consumer & Organizational Studies- Tenure Track (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary: THE PSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT AT CLARKSON UNIVERSITY invites applications for an assistant professor [teaching track] in the area of health psychology and/or social psychology and/or mental health. The position starts Aug 15, 2025. Responsibilities include teaching three courses per semester. The successful candidate will have a strong commitment to excellence in undergraduate teaching. Candidates with an ability to teach courses in introduction to psychology, health psychology, and social psychology are encouraged to apply. Courses in abnormal psychology or in the candidate's area of expertise are also desirable. The opportunity to involve undergraduates in research is possible but doing so is not mandatory. The department is committed to intentional and ongoing engagement with diversity, equity, inclusion and community, and recognizes the intellectual value of doing so for the science and the practice of psychology.
Minimum qualifications: PhD in Psychology
Range: \$70,000- \$75,000 based on experience

Review of applications will begin immediately and continues until the position is filled. To submit your application, go to www.clarkson.edu/hr and click "Career Opportunities" below Careers at Clarkson section. An equal opportunity /affirmative action employer, Clarkson actively seeks and encourages applications from minorities, women and people with disabilities. <https://www.clarkson.edu/human-resources/career-opportunities>
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School Based Mental Health Therapist

Salary: \$31,241 to \$80,392

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

EDUCATION and/or EXPERIENCE:

- 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.

BENEFITS:

- Full-time/ 40 hours per week
- Flexible spending account
- 40 hours Personal time annually
- Vacation & Sick Time
- 14 paid Holidays
- 401k 6% Match

*For a detailed job description please visit www.srmt-nsn.gov



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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

High school diploma or GED required, Technical/trade school education is preferred.
Must have basic computer literacy to include email use and quality check data entry.
One plus years of experience working with various industrial equipment.
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ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

Cook

Dining & Conference Services Department

St. Lawrence University invites applications for a **Full-time, Cook.**

The salary is \$17.05 - \$23.45/hr.

To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, as well as application instructions please visit: <https://employment.stlawu.edu/postings/3857> or <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.



ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

Dining Services Leader

Dining & Conference Services Department

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

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

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STATUS: Per Diem
LOCATION: Star Lake Hospital
DEPARTMENT: Imaging Services
SCHEDULE: 8hr shifts, Variable

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St. Lawrence County COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, INC. HEAD START has the current openings:

Health/Disabilities Coordinator: Canton Administrative Office. Bachelors in Community Health or a RN. The position is full time, 35 hours per week, 43 weeks/year following the school calendar. The salary is \$19.63 per hour.

Assistant Teachers – Gouverneur (1) and Potsdam (1) Centers: Person must have a minimum of a CDA (Child Development Accreditation), or a written plan of study. Early childhood experience preferred. The salary range is \$15.52 - \$16.38 per hour depending on the degree.

Classroom Aide – Potsdam Centers: Person must have a minimum of a high school diploma or its equivalent. BOCES Certificate of Early Childhood, CDA, or substantial experience in early childhood daycare preferred. The salary is \$15.52 per hour.

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

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

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

Positions follow the BOCES Calendar.

Send letter of interest, resume and three current, signed and dated written letters of reference including phone number, address, and email address to Head Start, One Commerce Lane, Canton, NY 13617. Deadline is until the positions are filled. Head Start is an EOE. Call 315-386-8574 ext.: 111, 114 or 119 for further information.

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 5. U.S. STATES: Which state is last alphabetically?
 6. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is an adult female turkey called?
 7. MOVIES: Which popular 1994 movie features a character named Red?
 8. AD SLOGANS: Which company's advertising slogan is "Like a Good Neighbor"?
 9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How long is the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade route?
 10. ANATOMY: What are beta cell
- Answers found elsewhere in this paper.



General Laborer

Facilities Operations Department

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Water Quality Positions in Northern St. Lawrence and Franklin Counties

The Development Authority of the North Country is looking to grow our team with people who are ready to collaborate in building communities and expanding infrastructure to serve the common interests of the North Country by providing technical services, which will enhance economic opportunities in the region and promote the health and well-being of its communities.

The successful candidate will primarily work in and around Franklin and St. Lawrence counties and must be within 30 minutes of the Village of Malone to respond to call-outs. Employees are assigned a company truck and tools for daily travel from their home to assigned route.

Submit a cover letter, resume and complete an application at: www.danc.org/Employment.

WATER QUALITY TECHNICIAN (Salary range: \$23.00 - \$28.62)

The Water Quality Technician assists certified Operators in the operation and maintenance of water and wastewater systems. The Water Quality Technician may work independently, interact with customers, and have specifically assigned duties and responsibilities. **Professional certification/licenses: New York State Department of Health C or D Water certifications preferred.**

WATER QUALITY OPERATOR (Salary range: \$24.50 - \$32.63)

The Water Quality Operator serves as the Chief Operator/Operator of Record of multiple small water and wastewater systems. The Water Quality Operator works independently, has some contact with customers, and has specifically assigned duties and responsibilities that require licensing and experience. **Professional certification/licenses: New York State Department of Environmental Conservation 2 wastewater certification required. New York State Department of Health C, D, and/or IIA Water licenses preferred.**

WATER QUALITY SR. OPERATOR (Salary range: \$25.65 - \$37.20)

The Water Quality Senior Operator serves as the Chief Operator/Operator of Record of multiple medium to high complexity/sized municipal water and wastewater treatment and distribution/collection systems. The Water Quality Senior Operator works independently, interacts with customers, and has specifically assigned duties and responsibilities that require advanced licensing and experience. **Professional certification/licenses: New York State Department of Health IIA, C, D, Water certifications and New York State Department of Environmental Conservation 2A wastewater certification required; or New York State Department of Environmental Conservation 3A wastewater certification.**

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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.

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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.

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- Resume
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- Original College Transcript(s)
- Letters of Reference (3 Current)
- Application deadline is December 9, 2024
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All requested materials are to be submitted to:

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