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A national shortage of bus drivers is hitting schools in St. Lawrence County. Incentives are being offered to spur interest.

School bus drivers needed Local programs impacted by shortage

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

CANTON -- Bus driver shortages continue to plague school districts throughout St. Lawrence County, leading to complications as districts try to maintain after school and athletic programs.

A recent New York School Bus Contractors Association poll found a 20% bus driver shortage statewide for home-to-school runs, field trips, athletics and charters.

To combat the shortage, First Student has even announced incentives, such as hourly wages up to \$27 per hour and potential signing bonuses up to \$5,000.

But that hasn't always translated to increased numbers of bus drivers, officials said.

For Canton Central School, the situation is one that school officials are aiming to address, according to Superintendent Susan Todd.

Todd recently told NCTW that the staffing shortages extend beyond bus drivers even, with administrators, educators and staffing shortages all throughout the school.

"Canton, like all schools in the North Country, is finding it that there are shortages across the board for school district positions: Administrators, Teachers, Teaching Assistants, Teacher Aides, School Nurses, Food Service Workers, Custodians, Bus Drivers, and Bus Monitors are all difficult positions to replace," she said.

Take for instance the Dec. 19 Canton Central board of education meeting.

On the agenda are three resignations, including that of a middle school teacher, a teaching assistant and school bus monitor.

Such shortages are also affecting other districts, such as Massena Central School District.

SEE DRIVERS ON 10.

Village combines Parks and Recreation Departments in split vote

BY ADAM ATKINSON
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — In a government consolidation move that would make Ron Swanson proud, the village will combine its Parks and Recreation departments to streamline operations for both, while expanding programming operations and locations.

Trustees and the mayor agreed at their meeting Dec. 16 to merge two municipal departments.

The newly minted Parks and Rec department will be official

next year on June 1 at the start of the village fiscal year.

"The Village Administrator will work with staff to establish and implement a plan for this organizational change, including updating personnel responsibilities, reassigning duties, and ensuring the continued quality of parks and recreation services for the community," Village Mayor Alexandra Jacobs Wilke read from the resolution.

"What is the primary advantage of having this reassignment?" asked Trustee Monique Tirion prior to voting for the

resolution.

"This is a practice that many communities, of course, utilize. It will allow us to deploy our staff differently. I think this is the main reason that we would like to do it, to be able to offer a combination of recs programming and parks maintenance services," said Wilke. "But in particular the recreation programming, being able to deploy staff in our parks... we're going to be building a skatepark on Fall Island. This will open up the opportunity to have staff

SEE PARKS ON 10.

Eagle may fly again, but lead a concern Raptor recovering from lead poisoning after rescue

BY CHERYL SHUMWAY
North Country This Week

POTSDAM — A sick bald eagle may fly again following a rescue on Sugar Island and is recovering from lead poisoning and pneumonia thanks to the actions of a concerned citizen.

The incident occurred amid growing concerns of lead poisoning and proposed legislation to further limit the use of lead in ammunition, particularly at shooting ranges near wetlands and open water sources.

The eagle was first reported to animal rescuers by Mark Lee, of Potsdam, who saw the bird while walking his dogs on Sugar Island Saturday afternoon, Dec. 14.

After observing the eagle start to hop away, spread its wings, but making no effort to fly, Lee contacted Mark Manske, of Adirondack Raptor, and a former wildlife rehabilitator from Dickinson.

Manske was unavailable to come Saturday night, but a DEC official's son and Lee looked the next day. Both were unable to find the eagle.



This eagle was saved by concerned citizens but remains sick with lead poisoning.

Then late in the afternoon, Corey Russell, of Hannawa Falls, spotted the eagle in the woods, two feet off the Red Sandstone trail.

"I almost stepped on it. The eagle was lethargic," he said.

Russell called Manske, and waited for him to arrive after dark in order to guide him to the eagle.

Manske transported the eagle to

SEE EAGLE ON 10.



Fran Bailey | Submitted

Giving tree

Cheryl Glidden and Phyllis Lawrence, volunteers with the Canton Church and Community Giving Tree Program, prepare gift bags for seniors who are in the pantry's senior delivery to older people in need this holiday in the Canton area.

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PACES donated \$1,100 to this year's Potsdam Holiday Fund program. Potsdam Holiday Fund Board President Traci Giffin thanks PACES Executive Director Patrick Gray. PACES operates SUNY Potsdam's Dining Services, The College Store, and Vending Services.

Governor backtracks on potential school aid cuts

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

North Country school officials might be able to breathe a sigh of relief after Governor Kathy Hochul signaled she was no longer seeking to cut foundation aid to numerous districts.

Foundation aid and the formula used is the method used to determine the distribution of the majority of state education funding across more than 700 school districts each year.

The formula currently used to determine aid to districts includes headcount, district size, special needs students, poverty rates, tax revenues and property types within a district.

The "hold-harmless" provision, which Hochul previously sought to eliminate, is in place to ensure a district will receive at least as much foundation aid funding as it had the year prior.

Superintendent Susan Todd commented it would make budget planning much easier for officials.

"Cuts to Foundation Aid would be very difficult for the Canton CSD. If the "hold harmless" provision to Foundation Aid was held in place, which prevents a school district's Foundation Aid allocation from decreasing from year to year, this would be very helpful. Then the district would know that it would be receiving at least as much funding as it did in the previous year, which would help in planning the annual budget. The continued increases in costs to run a school that the district cannot control along with decreases in funding, make budgeting very challenging," Todd said.

According to Massena Central School District Superintendent Ron Burke, the inclusion of the provision is one that comes as welcome news.

"After proposing an end to the save-harmless provision of Foundation Aid in last year's budget negotiations, the Governor recently announced that she no longer supports this action. For many rural schools, the decline in

student enrollment over the past decade would have resulted in the loss of significant state funding. It is welcome news that the Governor will not seek an end to the save-harmless provision," Burke said.

Like Massena, Canton Central School District officials say it is their hope the hold-harmless provision is maintained during the next budget session.

According to reports from the Governor's Office, Hochul has signaled she no longer plans to seek cuts to fund base payments to districts in 2025, noting the idea would have a negative impact on school budgets.

Hochul also pointed to saving the hold-harmless provision of the foundation aid formula, commenting that the elimination of the provision could have dire consequences for school districts that had declining head counts.

That's something Burke also touched on, noting the cost of services continues to rise.

Burke said that the elimination of the provision could have serious consequences for many North Country school districts.

"At face-value, the save-harmless reduction seems to make sense. However, there are two significant factors that must be considered. First, a drop in enrollment does not necessarily correspond to a reduction in costs. Should Massena lose 5% of its student population next year at every grade level, we would see a reduction of approximately one student in every classroom through grade 6 which is not enough to downsize the number of classrooms. Over time, continual decreases in student population have been met with reductions in staffing," he said.

That correlation would have a significant impact on school budgets, hurting taxpayers in the end.

Burke said those cost savings have been offset by an increased need for services.

"These services include not only the rising numbers of students with special needs but also the drastically increasing number of children requiring mental health supports. While the number of children being educated in our schools is decreasing, the needs are increasing," Burke said.

He also commented that foundation aid is crucial to districts as they try to meet the growing needs of students.

"With Foundation Aid making up nearly half of our revenue, we depend on regular increases to meet the growing needs of students, inflationary cost adjustments and contractual obligations," Burke said.

Why were state officials looking at cuts to foundation aid for districts last year?

Part of it stems from lobbying by downstate districts who claimed they required assistance for growing numbers of special needs and poor students.

Others said sharp increases in student populations were putting a strain on resources, requiring more funding to meet their needs.

But in the end lawmakers opted to leave the formula and hold-harmless provision in place, instead opting to consult the Rockefeller Institute of Government to study the issue.

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Ringing for a reason

The Rotary Club of Potsdam staffed the Potsdam Area Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign for the day on Saturday, Dec. 21, at the Potsdam Price Chopper. The money collected by the kettle drive is used to help families in need throughout the year. Potsdam Rotarian Laurean Pelkey and her son, Derek Pelkey, ring the bell for donations.

Voters approve \$1.5M capital project at PCS

POTSDAM — Voters in the Potsdam Central School District approved the district's proposed \$1.5 million Capital Improvement Project on Tuesday, December 17.

The capital improvement project vote passed with an 88% approval rate, with 182 votes in favor and 25 votes against.

The scope of the project includes the renovation of the high school art room and a middle school bathroom, mechanical control updates in the middle school,

and the addition of a digital sign on Leroy street to accompany the existing sandstone sign.

"This is a great way to close out 2024 and will serve as a springboard for the exciting work ahead in 2025 and 2026. Thank you to everyone who supported this effort—your contributions are truly appreciated," said district superintendent, Jerry Griffin.

Construction is expected to begin in the summer months of 2025.

BRIEFLY

Correction

A headline in the Dec. 20-26 edition incorrectly described a class being offered at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Canton. Potsdam-based holistic healing practitioner Kathy "Kat" Wilcox

will explore how Soul Cards and other card decks be used as a tool for personal growth Jan. 7 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Tarot cards will not be used. *North Country This Week* regrets the error.

Russell man allegedly hits child with trash can

RUSSELL — A Russell man was charged after allegedly striking a child in the face with a trash can, according to St. Lawrence County sheriff's deputies.

Brandon J. Savage, 27, was charged with second-degree assault, felony, and endangering the welfare of a child stemming from an incident in October, officers said.

Savage reportedly struck a five-year-old in the face with a garbage can and caused injuries to the victim's face, deputies said. He was released on his own recognizance.

OBITUARIES

Michael Dean Chapin, 67

Potsdam

POTSDAM - Michael Dean Chapin, passed away with his devoted wife, daughter, and son by his side at University of Vermont Medical Center on Tuesday, December 17, 2024 after a valiant nine-year battle against brain cancer.

He would not have been able to fight so hard and for so long were it not for the help of his incredible doctor, Alyssa Thomas and the entire oncology department at UVM.

Michael was born in Potsdam on August 26, 1957 to Deatta Paro and Donald Chapin of Norfolk. He graduated from Norwood-Norfolk Central School in 1977. He retired from General Motors in Massena in 2008.

Before becoming ill, Michael was an active individual with a vibrant energy.

He spent a lot of time outdoors, tinkering in the garage, working on projects, and playing sports.

When he was not outside, he found joy in spending time watching TV and movies or traveling.

Despite the challenges posed

by his cancer diagnosis, Michael maintained his unwavering sense of humor and positive outlook on life.

When he was no longer able to drive, he loved being able to drive his scooter, showing off his phenomenal one-handed driving skills in the stores.

He was a true inspiration, embodying strength, bravery, and resilience until the very end.

Michael was married to Carol Narrow of Potsdam on August 18, 1979, in a ceremony at the Newman Center in Potsdam.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, daughter, Cindy (Donald) Koscak, son, Christopher Chapin, and grandchildren, Matthew, Juliette, and Abigail Koscak, all of Potsdam. He is also survived by his parents, Donald and Deatta of Norfolk, brothers, Steven (Kathy) Chapin, Macedon and Dale (Skip)



Micheal Chapin

Chapin, Norfolk, and sister, Tammy (Daniel) Morris, Florida. Additionally, he is survived by brother-in-laws, Terry (Yvette) Narrow, Thomas Narrow, and John (Ruth) Narrow of Potsdam and sister-in-law, Beth (Jerry) Burkett of Kentucky. He has many nephews and nieces.

Michael's family expresses their deepest gratitude to the compassionate staff at Canton-Potsdam Hospital for the care he received during his stay.

They also extend their heartfelt appreciation to the outstanding staff at the University of Vermont Medical Center, who not only provided medical care to him but went above and beyond to support and care for his family.

A private memorial service will be held for the immediate family.

Donations can be made to brain cancer research organizations in honor of Michael's memory. Arrangements are with the Garner Funeral Service in Potsdam, NY.

Condolences for the Chapin family can be shared at www.garnerfh.com.

Sandra L. White, 81

Massena

MASSENA -- Sandra L. White, age 81, formerly of Laurel Ave, Massena, passed away peacefully at North Country Nursing & Rehabilitation Center early Thursday morning, December 19, 2024.

There will be no public calling hours or services at this time.

A graveside service will take place in Calvary Cemetery, Massena at the convenience of the family.

Sandra was born in Massena on January 12, 1943, to the late Albert and Mildred (Compo) LaClair.

She attended schools in Brasher Falls, NY graduating from St. Lawrence Central in '61.

On April 19, 1961, she married her loving husband, John (Jack) Robert White at St. Patrick Church in Brasher, NY. Jack predeceased Sandra in 1991.

Sandra was employed at Community Nursing Home in Potsdam for over 20 years as a CNA retiring in 1992.

Sandra enjoyed reading and also played on a Tuesday morning bowling league for years in Massena.

She enjoyed spending her pastime outdoors. She was also a member of the Waddington American Legion Post No. 420 and a communicant of Sacred Heart Church.

Sandra is survived by her five children: Eva and husband, Michael Zakaruskas of Massena, NY, Gerry and wife, Beth White of Church-

ville, VA, Sherry and husband, Gary Thompson of Massena, NY, Becky and husband, Patrick Foster of Massena, NY, Jamie and husband, Chad VanBrocklin of Colton, NY along with 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Sandra is also survived by her four brothers: Vincent



Sandra White

LaClair of Brasher, NY, Joseph and Shirley LaClair of Largo, FL, Gary LaClair of Largo, FL, Stewart and Vickie LaClair of Lawrenceville, GA, a sister, Sharon Baxter of Massena, NY along with several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, Jack White, Sandra was predeceased by her sister-in-laws, Sandy and Evelyn LaClair.

Memorial contributions in her name may be acknowledged with Camp Serenity, Wounded Warrior Outdoor Adventures; c/o Bob Giordano, 668 Ruddy Rd. Chase Mills, New York, 13621.

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

Shelly A. Planty, 84

Rensselaer Falls

RENSSELAER FALLS - Shelly A. Planty, 84, of County Route 14, died at her home on Friday, December 20, 2024.

Calling hours will be held on Friday, December 27 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM at Lawrence Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 21 Park Street, Canton.

A graveside service will be held in the Spring 2025 in Rensselaer Falls Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to Rensselaer Falls Volunteer Fire Department.

Shelly was born June 29, 1940 a daughter to Arthur and Mary (Tebo) Caldwell. She married the late Maynard Planty on June 27, 1990. Maynard died in 2016. She was previously married to the late Paul Stewart, Sr.

Shelly started her working career as a cleaner for SUNY Canton, working her way to the position of Physical Plant Manager. After retiring from SUNY she worked for the Rensselaer Falls Post Office.

Among her survivors are a son Stephen Stewart and wife Cathy of Rensselaer Falls; grandchildren: Eric (Shelby) Stewart, Brad Stewart, Nicole Stewart, Shelby Stewart and Sam Stewart; and a sister Sandy Weiler.

In addition to Paul, Sr. and Maynard, she is predeceased by a son Paul Stewart, Jr.

Shelly was an active member of Rensselaer Falls Fire Department Auxillary, raising several thousands of dollars for the Department.

In her younger days in the Syracuse area, she played guitar and sang on the local radio station and road horses in the local rodeos.

Tributes and condolences may be shared by visiting www.lawrencefuneralhome.org.

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OBITUARIES

Nina J. McPherson, 77

Massena

MASSENA - Nina J. McPherson, age 77, passed away after a brief stay at Champlain Valley Physicians Hospital on Sunday, December 8, 2024.

A graveside service for Nina will be held in Calvary Cemetery, in the spring at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Phillips Memorial Home in Massena.

Nina was born on March 10, 1947, to Glenwood and Lila (Allen) Remington in Massena, NY. She attended Massena Schools, having worked around the area at numerous jobs, her last job was a laborer at the Michelex Corporation in Massena.

Nina married her husband Gary Lee Belile Sr. in Massena on September 11, 1965. He predeceased her on May 23, 1996. She was later remarried to James "Jim" McPherson Jr. October 16, 2011. Jim passed away on January 8, 2012.

She is survived by her children; Jerry Belile and companion Dawn Dibble of Ogdensburg; Terry of Deemer, PA; Larry Lee Dygert of

Plattsburgh, NY along with numerous grandchildren. Nina is also survived by her siblings Jean and Bill St. Dennis of Montreal, Quebec, and Georgia Proper of Winthrop, NY, along with many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents Nina, was predeceased by her husband, James "Jim" McPherson in May of 2012, her brothers, Harvey, Glenwood, and Earl Remington along with a sister, Shirley Murray, her first husband, Gary Sr. in 1996, a daughter, Candice Coombs and a son, Gary Lee Belile Jr. in March of 2024.

Memorial contribution may be acknowledged with Massena Humane Society; P.O. BOX 145, Massena, New York, 13662.

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



Nina McPherson

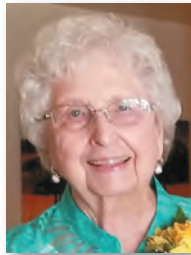
Rayonne Primeau, 96

Phoenix, AZ

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Rayonne Primeau (nee Beaudette) of Phoenix, Arizona, at the age of 96 on December 15, 2024 with her family by her side.

Beloved wife of 75 years of Melvin Primeau. Left to mourn are her daughter, Charlene Beshaw (late Larry), her son Brian Primeau (Debbie), her granddaughters Carrie Beshaw (Matt), Naomi Primeau and Serena Primeau, her grandson Kyle Beshaw (Kristi) and four adorable great-grandchildren. She is survived by her sister Claire Bonneville (late Larry) of Cornwall, Ontario. She was predeceased by her parents, Charles and Diana (nee Bougie) Beaudette, an infant

daughter, and sisters Maevis Ferency (Steve) and Darleen Worth (Richard).



Rayonne Primeau

She will be fondly remembered by many friends, nieces, nephews and cousins. As per her wishes, cremation has taken place. A Mass of the Resurrection will be held at a later date

at St. Joan of Arc Roman Catholic Church in Phoenix, Arizona.

Memories and condolences can be shared online at www.norvelowensmortality.com

Keith James Pcolar, 51

Canton

CANTON - Keith James Pcolar, 51, of Canton lost his battle with depression on Tuesday, December 17, 2024.

The family will receive friends on Monday, December 23 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM at Lawrence Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 21 Park Street, Canton. Additional off-street parking is available behind "LUNA" at 18 Park Street.

His funeral service will be held following the calling hours at St. Mary's Church, 66 Court Street, Canton with Rev. Bryan Stitt officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to a charity of one's choice.

Keith was born September 20, 1973 in Oneida, NY the youngest son of Edward G. and the late Karen A. (Froschauer) Pcolar.

A graduate of Canton High School he attended SUNY Cobleskill before

graduating from St. Lawrence University.

Keith worked for KRAFT Foods in Canton and later for Losurdo Foods in Heuvelton.

He is survived by his two daughters Macalah and Hannah Pcolar; his father Edward G. Pcolar and his German Shepherd "Kenai".

He was predeceased by his mother Karen A. Pcolar and older brother Eric Pcolar.

Tributes and condolences may be shared by visiting www.lawrencefuneralhome.org



Keith Pcolar

Real C. Coupal "Frenchie", 84

Massena

MASSENA - Real C. Coupal "Frenchie", 84, tragically died Tuesday evening, December 17, 2024 in Potsdam from injuries he suffered in a car accident.

Real was born in St. Armands, Quebec on September 19, 1940, the son of the late Roghel and Jeannette (Plouffe) Coupal.

As a young child, his family moved to St. Albans, Vermont, where he was raised and attended school, graduating from Bellows Free Academy.

It was in grade school that he acquired the name "Frenchie" by his classmates because he could only speak French and had to learn the English language.

On July 29, 1960, Frenchie entered the US Army, serving in France from 1960 until 1963 as a military truck driver. He was honorably discharged on July 15, 1963 and continued to serve in the US Army Reserves until 1966.

He married Thelma E. Brindley on January 8, 1966 in St. Albans, Vermont.

Growing up in rural Vermont with humble beginnings, Frenchie learned the value of hard work and giving back to his community.

As a young man he was a paperboy and bagged groceries to provide extra income for his family.

After his marriage, he and his beloved, Thelma owned and operated the Coiff-Tique Salon in St. Albans.

His career in the automotive industry started washing cars for Simpson Motors. After a period of time, he convinced the owners to let him sell cars.

He flourished as a salesman in this small rural town because of his "French" connection with the rural French speaking farmers.

His career continued at Handy

Pontiac, GMC, and Cadillac and later with Cobb Chevrolet for 5 years. Always a visionary, Frenchie set out



Real Coupal

to own his own dealership which led him and his family to Massena in the spring of 1982 when they purchased John's Chevrolet on Center Street.

In September of 1989, he acquired Oldsmobile and moved to the current location. Throughout the years, Frenchie's Chevrolet flourished, adding Frenchie's Selects in 2006 and Frenchie's Ford in 2010.

Also to serve the community, Frenchie started a Towing and Recovery Business, upholstery and concepts business, and was also a Fisher and Meyer plow distributor.

As a young visionary in St. Albans, Frenchie learned the value of supporting your community as he joined the Jaycees.

He was instrumental in raising monies for the community needs of St. Albans, a value that continued when he arrived in Massena.

He supported his community in so many ways as a board member, financial supporter, fundraising chairperson, bell ringer, meal deliverer, and honorary fireman to name just a few.

Frenchie was also a proud Rotarian, always there to lend a hand at their many events.

A man of deep faith, he supported St. Peter's Parish, their churches, school and Outreach Ministries, along with many other churches in the greater Massena area.

Throughout his life, Frenchie took great pride in maintaining his property from the little Coiff-Tique

Salon in St. Albans as being the cleanest shop in town, to his dealerships, and his own home property - his detail for excellence is evident. Above all of his accomplishments, memberships, jobs, titles, and accolades, Frenchie felt his greatest job was to help others.

Frenchie is survived by the love of his life for over 58 years, Thelma; his children and their spouses, Scott and Nicole Coupal of Peru, New York and Beth and Jeremy Dixon of Oakland, Michigan; his grandchildren, Olivia Woods, Rayelle Coupal, and Emma Dixon; his sister, Simone Brousseau of Enosburg Falls, Vermont; his nieces and nephews, AnnMarie Eaton, Allen Coupal, Patricia Wood, and Gerald Brousseau; and his extended family at the dealerships.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by two brothers, Emile and Robert "Bobby" Coupal.

Friends may call on Friday, December 27, 2024 from 3-7:00 PM at the Frenchie's Chevrolet, 255 East Orvis Street, Massena.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00 AM on Saturday December 28 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 105 Cornell Ave, Massena.

Burial will be held privately.

A reception will follow the services at St. Mary's Church Social Hall (adjacent to the church).

In lieu of flowers, those wishing may consider memorial contributions to be made in his memory to the Massena Neighborhood Center, 61 Beach Street, Massena, NY 13662.

Funeral arrangements are under the professional care and guidance of the Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena, where friends may share memories, photos, and offer condolences at www.donaldsonfh.com.

Loretta Bronchetti Perez, 73

Massena

several nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to her parents, Loretta was predeceased by her brother Daniel Bronchetti.



Loretta Perez

Loretta was a graduate from Potsdam State College in 1973 where she earned a master's degree in education.

Loretta began teaching Math and English in 1973 and she retired from Massena Junior High School in 2010 after 37 years of service.

She continued to substitute until 2014. Along with working at the school, she also owned and operated Massena Travel.

Loretta was very active in the community, where she held many positions. She was chairman for the board of Massena Hospital St. Lawrence Health System for many years.

She also served on the board for the Massena Country Club and was a member of the Italian American Club, where she was currently the treasurer. She also was an avid golfer and captain of the 6 Women Team.

She was an avid traveler. She loved to visit St. Martin, the Dominican Republic, and Europe. She was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church, where she served as Lector and Eucharistic Minister.

Loretta loved to "shop till she dropped".

She was an avid Syracuse fan. She held season tickets for football and would travel to Syracuse for all the games with family and friends.

She also liked to spend her time with family playing cards and she always wanted to play fair.

Loretta cherished the special times she shared with her daughter Jenn, going to Dunkin Donuts, shopping at T.J. Maxx, and going to dinner at Sergi's Italian Restaurant.

Playing golf with her sister Rose, Sam and Dan was a favorite pastime.

Christmas time was always a favorite holiday for Loretta.

Memorial contributions may be made in Loretta's memory to Massena Hospital Foundation; 1 Hospital Drive, Massena, New York, 13662 or a charity of one's choice.

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

RECENT DEATHS

GERALDINE TIERNAN, 94, formerly of Canton, Dec. 14. Arrangements with O'Leary Funeral Home, Canton.

LESTER CHASE, 68, Colton, Dec. 15. Arrangements with Buck Funeral Home, Colton.

MICHAEL CHAPIN, 67, Potsdam, Dec. 17. Arrangements with Garner Funeral Service, Potsdam.

KEITH PCOLAR, 51, Canton, Dec. 17. Arrangements with Lawrence Funeral Home, Canton.

SHELLY PLANTY 84, Rennselaer Falls. Arrangements with Lawrence Funeral Home, Canton.

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Cafe celebrates five years downtown

The Potsdam Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony for Foster the Plant Cafe. The event marked a five-year milestone for the local restaurant which opened just before the COVID-19 pandemic. The ceremony, attended by chamber members, family and community supporters, highlighted their commitment to the North Country and thanked supporters both local and from around the country and world. Back row, from left: Abbie Hayes and Phoebe Jaskrowski, employees; Alexandra Jacobs Wilke, Mayor; Brittany Krawczyk, owner of Second Glance, Tim Welpe, Allison Carney, David Moulton, Sarah Sachs, Chamber board members; Deborah Massell, Annie and Frank McLaughlin. Front row: Ron and Sue Travis; Scott, Mila, Chase and Lynzie Schulte, cafe owners; Jennifer McClusky, Toni Judware and Jerry Shaw.

County grieves loss of community cornerstones who died in automobile crash

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- The Massena community is grieving the loss of two cornerstones.

Real "Frenchie" Coupal, president of Frenchie's Chevrolet, and Loretta Perez passed away following a motor vehicle accident Tuesday night, Dec. 17 in Potsdam.

"Frenchie and Loretta were two cornerstones of this community. Each individual was highly involved in the community, whether that be with the Hospital board, the Elks, or the Italian American Club. Two very wonderful people who gave so much to the community and who I will miss dearly. My thoughts are with both of their families and I know the entire Massena community grieves," Mayor Greg Paquin said.

Town Supervisor Sue Bellor also shared her shock and condolences following the loss of Coupal and Perez.

"This was shocking news when I heard. Both Frenchie Coupal and Loretta Perez were two highly known and successful business people. I also worked with them on the Massena Memorial Hospital Board and both were dedicated to serve," Bellor said.

She commented that she spent many years working with Coupal in Rotary as well.

"We just had our club's lunch yesterday where before he left, he made a point to wish my family well for Christmas. I visited Loretta on Monday in her office and being related (cousins), we had a good conversation. This is very sad news for many of us," Bellor said.

Condolences continued to pour in as the news broke, with St. Lawrence County Chamber representatives offering their condolences to all affected.

"We at the Chamber are shocked and saddened by the passing of Frenchie Coupal and Loretta Perez. They were huge presences in the business community of Massena and St. Lawrence County and models of civic leadership. I was always impressed with how Frenchie, who was a regular at our Chamber business development events, would share his knowledge, experience, and insights with other business owners and managers. He was a true leader for workforce development and walked the talk as he hired and trained many local young graduates from the BOCES. His positivity and enthusiasm were contagious. Their tragic passing is a great loss for our communities," St. Lawrence Chamber officials said in a statement.

He also served on the Massena Hospital Board and was a member of the Massena Rotary Club, Italian American Club and Elks Lodge.

A well-known English teacher in the Massena Central School District, Perez was also a deeply committed community member who chaired the Massena Hospital Board and was also a member of the Italian American Club, among many others.

Perez was also a successful businesswoman in the Massena Community, operating Massena Travel, helping members of the community plan vacations and tours for many years.

St. Lawrence County sheriff's deputies are investigating the fatal accident that occurred around 8 p.m. near the intersection of State Highway 310 and County Route 34.

Deputies say a 2022 Chevrolet Silverado, operated by Connor A. Graveline of Ogdensburg, was traveling east on County Route 34 when he failed to stop at the stop sign at the intersection and struck a 2022 GMC Acadia, operated by Coupal.

Coupal and Perez, his passenger, were pronounced deceased at the scene, officers said.

The Sheriff's Office was assisted by state police, West Potsdam Fire Department, Canton Fire Department, Madrid Fire Department, Potsdam Rescue, Madrid Rescue and the New York State Department of Transportation.

The investigation is ongoing. No charges were reported as of press time.

worked at The Spa at Mirror Lake Inn in Lake Placid, where she honed her skills in creating deeply relaxing experiences for clients.

She specializes in Swedish massage, hot-stone massage, heated bamboo fusion massage, and pregnancy massage, all with a focus on relaxation and holistic well-being.

She said she is excited to bring

her expertise and passion for healing to the local community, joining Valerie Summer at her Nature's Storehouse location at 21 Main St.

She will have availability beginning in January.

For those interested, text (518)241-3688 or email wellnesswithgabrielleh@gmail.com to book an appointment.

Neighborhood Center receives \$1,000 from SeaComm

POTSDAM — SeaComm recently donated \$1,000 in support of the Potsdam Neighborhood Center. The funds will be used to support the

food pantry, which provides local families in need with groceries and nutritious meals during the holiday season. The Potsdam Neighborhood

Center serves the community Monday through Friday, with help from dedicated volunteers and supporters like SeaComm.

Canton seeks grant for planned event space

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

CANTON — The village of Canton is applying for a Restore New York Communities Initiative grant in hopes of supporting a project to redevelop an abandoned lumber yard into a new event space.

The resolution was passed unanimously by the Village Board of Trustees during the Dec. 18 meeting.

"The project proposes to redevelop an abandoned lumber yard in Canton, and the proposed plan is to develop a multi-function office and event space overlooking the Grasse River," Mayor Michael Dalton said.

The Gouverneur Street property has sat vacant for some time and would require existing structures be demolished and removed to clear the way for a new mixed use space, village officials said.

"The objective is to create a welcoming, functional, mixed-use space that restores the beauty and history of Canton's downtown waterfront and increases economic activity and opportunity," Dalton said.

The project is being undertaken by siblings John Fay, Ed Fay and their sister Kelly Glasgow. The trio are the children of St. Lawrence County Legislator Dan Fay.

The property, located at 19 Gouverneur Street, was last used as Bob's Barber Shop, village officials

said.

Dalton detailed the funding request during the public hearing, which was held prior to the regular board meeting.

Through the Restore New York grant, \$52,922 would be utilized for demolition expenses, with \$690,705 to be used during the construction phase.

Equity for the project would also come from the siblings, with \$22,008 for demolition and \$157,995 for the construction phase.

Total project cost is \$900,030, according to Dalton.

According to a proposal, the 1.8 acre parcel will be redeveloped with existing structures removed, parking and fencing rehabilitated and natural landscape with trees and plants placed around the site.

Speaking in support of the project was Rev. Michael Catanzaro of First Presbyterian Church in Canton.

Rev. Catanzaro said he felt it was "wonderful" that people "are crazy enough to want to do this in any community."

"I think it's great," he said.

He also took a moment to thank the board for their work, commenting that he felt Canton was moving in the right direction.

"Canton is moving, I think, in the right direction, and it's because of the leadership around this table," he said.

Urgent Care hours revised for New Year's holiday

The Potsdam and Canton Urgent Care offices, along with virtual urgent care, will have revised hours for New Year's.

On Dec. 31, New Year's Eve, both the Potsdam and Canton Urgent Care centers will be open from 8 am – 4 pm. Virtual Urgent Care will be open from 7 am – 5 pm

On Jan. 1, New Year's Day both the Potsdam and Canton Urgent Care

centers will be closed. Virtual Urgent Care will be open from 7 am – 5 pm

Potsdam Urgent Care is located at 49 Lawrence Ave., Potsdam; and Canton Urgent Care is located in the EJ Noble Building, 80 East Main St., Canton.

Emergency Departments at Canton-Potsdam Hospital, Gouverneur Hospital, and Massena Hospital are open daily, 24-hours-a-day.



Potsdam Police | Courtesy

Paying it forward in Potsdam

Ron Page, proprietor of Garden Place Estates, stopped by the Potsdam Police station recently with a truckload of donations for Toys for Tots. "Thank you to all of our community members for their outpouring support during this holiday season," Potsdam police said. Page also decided that he wanted to make a donation to assist the Potsdam Fire Department in purchasing new life saving equipment. The donation of \$5,000 toward the \$6,500 total cost made the air bag replacement a reality and ensured that the community would not go without the use of airbags once the old ones were removed from service," fire officials wrote. Pictured are Ron Page, Chief Michael Ames, and Officer Kyle Fink.

Both St. Lawrence County Big Lots stores set to close

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

Big Lots, Inc., which operates stores in Massena and Potsdam, is going out of business.

Officials provided an update today, Dec. 19, that stated the company failed to finalize an asset purchase agreement with Nexus Capital Management.

Big Lots officials had hoped to have the deal finalized this month but noted in the statement that it failed to materialize.

They did comment they would continue working towards completing an altering "going concern transaction with Nexus or another party."

Officials said the company's goal is to complete a sale by the end of January.

"In parallel with these efforts, the

Company is preparing to commence going out of business ("GOB") sales at all remaining Big Lots store locations in the coming days to protect the value of its estate. The Company believes that the GOB sales will not preclude it from effectuating a going concern transaction," they wrote.

Bruce Thorn, Big Lots' President and Chief Executive Officer, said, "We all have worked extremely hard and have taken every step to complete a going concern sale. While we remain hopeful that we can close an alternative going concern transaction, in order to protect the value of the Big Lots estate, we have made the difficult decision to begin the GOB process."

Big Lots officials said the company is continuing to serve customers in-store and online, and will provide updates as available.

In a previous announcement

from September, Big Lots officials announced the company was filing for Chapter 11 Bankruptcy protection, with plans to close around 250 stores.

But the latest news marks the end of months of speculation as the company attempted to restructure existing debt and sell assets earlier this year.

Today's announcement comes on the heels of an announcement earlier this year in which officials commented they would be closing 35-45 stores.

Spared in the initial cuts were the Potsdam and Massena stores, however the Plattsburgh location was closed.

Big Lots also operated branches in Malone and Watertown locally.

Big Lots currently operates 1,389 locations.

\$59,000 awarded to support Northern New York food pantries

The Northern New York Community Foundation will provide \$59,000 in support this year to 47 local food pantries, soup kitchens, and school-based backpack programs in Jefferson, Lewis and St. Lawrence counties.

The total support includes \$40,000 to 37 organizations across the region that the Foundation's Board of Directors approved as year-end aid during its December meeting. The grants will help strengthen programs and stock shelves at community food pantries and soup kitchens across the tri-county region. A total of \$19,000 was awarded through that fund to 14 tri-county organizations already this year.

Pantries and soup kitchens receiving year-end support may utilize it to secure the most important supplies for their clients, including food, hygiene

products, and other grocery items not available through the Food Bank.

Organizations from St. Lawrence County receiving year-end grant support include:

- Christian Fellowship Center Food Pantry, Madrid
- Church and Community Program Churches of Canton
- Free Will Meal Program Soup Kitchen, Canton
- Heuvelton Central School District Food Pantry
- Massena First United Methodist Church Soup Kitchen
- New Beginnings Clothing and Food Outreach, Madrid
- Ogdensburg Backpack Program
- Parishville-Hopkinton Central School Backpack Program
- Potsdam Snack Pack Program
- Richville Baptist Chapel Food Pantry
- Salvation Army of Massena
- St. Lawrence County Community Development Program
- St. Peter's Outreach Ministry, Massena
- Tri-Town Community Services Food Pantry, Brasher Falls
- Waddington Family Resource Center Pantry

Organizations that previously received a share of \$19,000 in Community Support Fund grant support this year include:

- Community Lunch Program for Kids, Norwood
- Grasse River Food Pantry, Russell
- Helping Hands of Potsdam
- Heuvelton Central School District Food Pantry
- Norfolk-Raymondville Food Pantry
- Massena First United Methodist Church Soup Kitchen
- Potsdam Snack Pack Program

BRIEFLY

Gala nets \$50,000 for museum

POTSDAM -- The North Country Children's Museum's Gala earlier this fall raised \$50,000 for the Second Floor Expansion project. The project includes the second-floor building renovation and exhibit fabrication and installation. The Fundraising Gala was held in the newly renovated second floor exhibit hall space. Exhibit fabricators from Chicago, Ravenswood Studio, were onsite to share the fabrication plans. The event was sponsored by Northern Credit Union. The museum hopes to open the second-floor exhibits in the summer of 2025 with donor support. Fundraising is still in progress. Once complete, the museum will double the exhibit and classroom space to 7,000 square feet.

Civil War letters donation

MADRID -- The Madrid Historical Society recently had a tour of Fort Tribute as part of their annual trip to a historic site organized by Carrie Greene Rutherford, secretary of the Madrid Historical Society and Co-Historian for Madrid. Rutherford also organized a binder of copied letters that the Society holds the originals, written home to his parents by Madrid resident Private Judson E. Horsford, while he served during the Civil War with Company G, 106th NY Volunteer Infantry. Judson enlisted with the 106th New York Infantry Reserves on 13 August 1862 at the age of 20 years old. This binder will be available for all who visit the Fort to enjoy.

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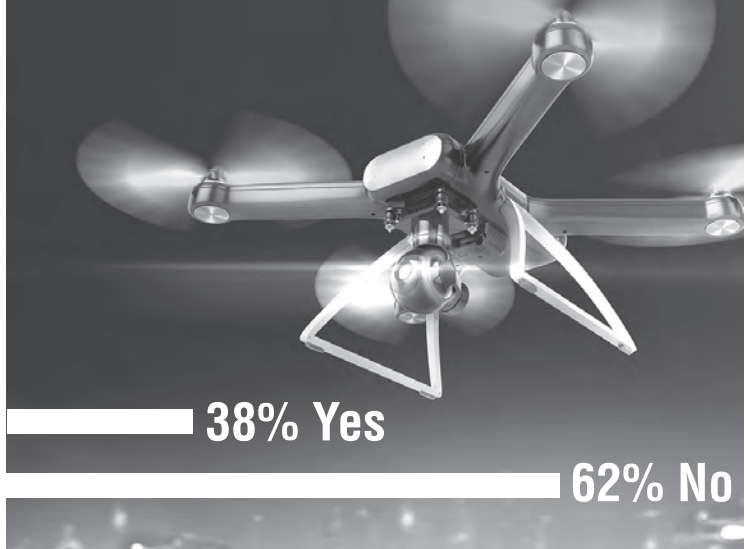
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NCNOW SURVEY

Majority haven't witnessed UAPs in St. Lawrence County skies



Debbie Morgan | NCTW

Last week's question

Have you ever seen what you believe to be unidentified aerial phenomenon (UAPs) in St. Lawrence County skies?

AFTER WEEKS OF drones buzzing over parts of the northeast, politicians are urging action to identify and stop the mysterious flights. On Sunday, New York Gov. Kathy Hochul said federal officials were sending a drone detection system to the state. The FBI, Department of Homeland Security, Department of Defense and Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) released a joint statement on the drone sightings following calls from the public for answers. The agencies claim the sightings to date include a combination of lawful commercial drones, hobbyist

drones, and law enforcement drones, as well as manned fixed-wing aircraft, helicopters, and stars. "UAP," or "unidentified aerial phenomena," is used to describe unexplainable sights in the sky, not just unidentified flying objects. Have you ever seen what you believe to be unidentified aerial phenomenon (UAPs) in St. Lawrence County skies?

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION: If you put up a Christmas tree this year, did you have an artificial or real tree?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks for support after car accident

To my Community, Family, and Friends,

I would like to take the time to personally thank the many individuals who assisted me and my family in our unfortunate car accident on September 7, 2024, in front of Walmart in Potsdam.

There were so many decisions that saved my life from the first responders, the flight crew, and the doctors and staff at Burlington Medical Center.

The professionalism and care each of you displayed not only gave me my life back but also shielded my children from additional trauma.

To my family that stepped up and cared for and continue to assist me in caring for my children, Thank you so much.

To my community in which I live, Thank you all for the many, many thoughts and prayers. The power of prayer is a powerful part of my recovery and my continued healing.

Also thank you all for the many meals and financial contributions that were sent to me to keep my children and I comfortable while I wait to get back to normalcy.

Coming back to a very small economically challenged town to raise my children when I left the military was a very tough decision, but it was obviously the right one. I can't thank you all enough for everything you have given me, my children, and my family during this difficult time.

Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Megan Plumb McAnulty
Norwood

Norwood Lake Association sets 2025 meeting dates

The Norwood Lake Association elected officers are pleased to announce the new advisors for 2025 (Pat Brady, Renee Azzopardi, Sherri Bartlett, Margaret Finen, Juddy Plumb, Val and Dave Mooney) and returning advisor Elaine Saarinen.

Thanks to all for your interest in moving NLA forward. We would like to pass along heartfelt thanks for their decades of service and hard work Terry LaFleur, Bill & Mary Grant, and Elaine Perry. We are pleased that Terry, Bill and Mary are staying on as Honorary Advisors. Also we thank the outgoing board President Tim Levison, Vice Dave Flint, Secretaries Colleen Chapin/Brianna Beaulieu, and especially Treasurer Maureen Gaffney for their work over the past decade.

The 2025 regular meetings will be held January 8, April 9, July 9 and October 8 at the Norwood American Legion 6 p.m.

We have scheduled two events for early 2025. On Saturday January 25th we will be hosting an informal "Meet your NLA neighbors" at the Norwood American Legion from 3-6pm. Snacks provided and cash bar.

We welcome both members and interested non members, stop by to chat with board members and neighbors. NLA is a lake and surrounding communities non profit that is free to join, we operate the only community based recycling center in northern New York, we also support other organizations and families.

On February 8th we will be hosting a Boaters Safety Course at the Norwood Municipal Building for NLA members.

Class size is limited to 40, contact Steve Bartlett (315-262-6106) for more info and sign up. NYS law requires boat operators of all ages to possess a valid boaters certificate for 2025.

Additional events are being discussed and will be finalized in the upcoming months.

The new Executive Board is looking forward to serving the Norwood Lake Association and community for the next two years.

Norwood Lake Association
Executive Board

Praises Canton Dental office

I inherited my fear of dental appointments.

Like many families, we Smiths have preserved testimony detailing every familial incident of orthodontic trauma going back three generations—an oral tradition, if you will. "Did you hear Aunt so-and-so's crowning didn't go well?" "Did I ever tell you about how in 1977 I got a tooth pulled without anesthesia?" Sometimes just being in the dentist chair can be scary! Lying there can make you feel trapped, like James Bond in Goldfinger.

When my teeth needed a cleaning last year I cautiously asked around for a recommendation. One name kept coming up: Grasse River Family Dental in Canton. I booked an appointment and gave them a try.

From the moment I first entered their building, I felt something in the air stronger than I'd ever felt it before at a dentist's office: peace and joy.

The staff who work there are unbelievably kind and happy to help. Dr. Hollis is extremely skilled at what she does: working with her isn't at all scary, it's actually restful. I didn't just get my teeth cleaned that day; I was able to start a months-long Invisalign treatment. My mouth feels and looks better than it has in years. The office's technology is also state of the art; every time I go, I feel like I'm on the bridge of the Starship Enterprise.

This company is a model small business. Their service/product is of unmatched quality. They take pride in their work, and their excitement is contagious. I think a big part of why their company culture is so refreshingly optimistic is that they have moved to a three-day weekend schedule (like almost all other service companies should, in my opinion).

Businesses like this open up life-changing opportunities for our North Country neighbors to achieve meaningful employment. One of the dental assistants I spoke with told me that, before switching to their current career, they had for years felt unfulfilled in their old job. Now they enjoy learning something new every day from Dr. Hollis about dental anatomy/hygiene. Who knows, maybe they'll become a dentist someday.

Dr. Hollis studied at Buffalo and Syracuse. She could have practiced anywhere, but she chose to come back home and serve the North Country. We owe her a thank you.

Going to an appointment at Grasse River Family Dental feels like a spa day. Treat yourself to one in 2025.

Silas Smith
Malone
formerly of Norwood

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Winthrop NOTICE OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of Woodrat Salvage & Sales LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/08/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Garrett Richards: PO BOX 38, Winthrop, NY 13697. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

HOPKINTON NOTICE OF MEETING

The Town Board of the Town of Hopkinton will hold a **Special Meeting on Monday, December 30, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.** at the Hopkinton Town Hall. This meeting will be to pay any end of year bills, end of year transfers, and any other business that comes before the board. The public is encouraged to attend.

Also, the **Town Board of the Town of Hopkinton** will hold their **Annual Organizational Meeting on Monday, January 13, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Hopkinton Town Hall. This meeting will be followed by the Regular Monthly Meeting. These meetings are open to the public.

Dated: December 23, 2024
Richard L Powers
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ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of Hill Top Farm Properties LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/10/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to: Legalcorp Solutions, LLC, 1060 Broadway Suite 100, Albany, NY 12204, USA. Registered agent: Legalcorp Solutions, LLC, at the same address. The registered agent is to be the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

POTSDAM NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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

OSWEGATCHIE NOTICE OF TOWN BOARD MEETING

The Town of Oswegatchie will hold a Special Town Board Meeting at the Town Hall in Heuvelton, NY on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at 6:00 pm to discuss details with DANC regarding proposed sewer district for outside users and any other business that comes before the board. Dated: December 27, 2024
 Vicki L. Thornhill
 Oswegatchie Town Clerk

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

Application for Authority of this Limited Liability Company was filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on July 26, 2021. The LLC maintains its office in St. Lawrence County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process served to the LLC, 6046 US Route 11, Canton, NY 13617. Purpose: for any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be formed under the law.

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

Notice of Formation of M9 Dairy LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/26/2024. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to: Benjamin S. Hoffman, 164 Spragueville Road, Gouverneur, NY 13642. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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TOWN OF COLTON DPW Laborer

The Town of Colton is looking to hire a DPW laborer. The position is full time with benefits. Preference to Colton residences will be considered first. Candidates must have a clean drivers license and be able to work flexible hours. Applications can be picked up at the Town Clerk's Office during regular business hours. Deadline to apply is 12:00 Noon January 6, 2024. The Town of Colton is an equal opportunity employer.

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SCOTT P. SHARPE and ALLISON SHARPE (aka ALLISON M. SHARPE)
 Defendant(s).

In pursuance of a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered in the above-entitled action on October 10, 2024, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction at the St. Lawrence County Courthouse, in the Old Main Entrance Lobby, in the Village of Canton, County of St. Lawrence and State of New York, on the 20th day of January, 2025 at 10:00 in the forenoon on that day, the premises directed by said judgment to be sold and described therein as follows: 591 Brouse Road, Town of Norfolk, County of St. Lawrence, State of New York; Tax Map No.: 16.004-2-15. See attached Exhibit "A". Said premises to be sold subject to assessments and water rates; subject to existing leases and tenancies, if any; subject to zoning restrictions, covenants, easements, conditions, reservations and agreements of record, if any, as they may be enforceable; subject to any state of facts as may appear from an accurate up-to-date survey; subject to facts as to possession and occupancy and subject to whatever the physical conditions of the premises may be; subject to any violations of the zoning and other municipal ordinances and regulations, if any; subject to the right of redemption by the federal government, if any.

Approximate Amount of Judgment is \$123,724.84 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment.

Dated: December, 2024
 THOMAS ADAMS, ESQ., Referee

Pease and Gustafson, LLP
 Attorney for Plaintiff
 Office and P.O. Address
 40 Main Street
 Massena, NY 13662
 EXHIBIT "A"

ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being situate in Section #55 of the Town of Norfolk, County of St. Lawrence and State of New York, and bounded thus: Beginning in the north bounds of the road running along the line between Sections #55 and #65 at a point located S 70° 30' W 372.2 feet from the intersection of the said north bounds with the east bounds of the Carney farm, and running thence along the north bounds of the road S 70° 30' W 100 feet; thence N 19° 30' E 200 feet to the place of beginning. As surveyed August 1, 1956 by Howard M. Smith, Surveyor #7744.

LOUISVILLE PUBLIC NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the Louisville Town Board will hold the annual Organizational Meeting and the Regular January meeting of the Town Board on January 8, 2025 at 6:30pm at the Louisville Municipal Building located at 14810 SH 37.

December 19, 2024
 Amy Ellsworth
 Town Clerk

LOUISVILLE PUBLIC NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the Town of Louisville Planning Board will hold a public meeting on January 7, 2025 at 6:30pm at the Thomas J. Carroll Louisville Municipal Building located at 14810 SH 37. The meeting will be held to discuss a change in zoning for tax map #8.002-1-51 and such other and further business as may come before the board.

December 17, 2024
 Louisville Planning Board
 Terri O'Keefe, Code Clerk

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Stockholm Town Board will hold their Annual Organizational meeting on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at 5:45 P.M. at the Municipal Building, Winthrop.

The regular meeting will immediately follow at 6:00 P.M. These meetings are open to the public.

Heather Kish
 Stockholm Town Clerk

DATED: December 12, 2024

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

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

OGDENSBURG NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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

OGDENSBURG LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that public hearings will be held on Monday, January 13, 2025, at 6:00 PM at City Council Chambers, 330 Ford Street, Ogdensburg, NY 13669, regarding the following:

- 1) A Local Law to amend Chapter 215 (Sections 39, 40 and 41) of the Ogdensburg Municipal Code entitled Water Rates.
- 2) A Local Law to amend Chapter 177 (Sections 5 and 6) of the Ogdensburg Municipal Code entitled Sewer Rates.

Dated: December 3, 2024
 Cathy A. Jock
 City Clerk

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

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 Sec. of State of NY
 11/26/2024. Off. Loc.: St. Lawrence Co. SSNY
 designated as agent
 upon whom process
 against it may be served.
 SSNY to mail copy of
 process to The LLC, 420 Ford St., Ogdensburg, NY 13669-1620, USA.
 Purpose: Practice of Medicine.

NORTH COUNTRY THISWEEK

STOCKHOLM NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Stockholm will hold a public hearing at the Municipality Building, 540 SH 11C, Winthrop, New York on Tuesday, January 7, 2025, at 5:30 PM. This meeting is being held on proposed Resolution #1-2025; **Income limitations for Senior Exemptions in the Town of Stockholm**

The Town of Stockholm shall grant partial exemption to property, from general municipal taxes, that (1) is owned by persons 65 years of age or older, or by certain other persons described under RPTL§467, whose income does not exceed the maximum established by local option, (2) is used exclusively for residential purposes, and (3) has been owned by at least one of its owners for a minimum of 12 consecutive months prior to application for exemption or for a period of time considered to be the equivalent of 12 consecutive months. No exemption is allowed from special ad valorem levies or special assessments.

That pursuant to Real Property Tax Law§467 and Town of Stockholm Resolution, does set forth new income limitations for the Senior Citizen Exemption.

That where an otherwise eligible owner becomes the age of 65 after the taxable status date but on or before December 31ST, that owner shall be deemed qualified for the exemption.

That the base income be set at \$15,000 for an exempt amount of 50% and a maximum income of \$22,499.99 for an exempt amount of 10%. Municipal resolution shall follow eligibility requirements of the RPTL§467.

This resolution, if passed, shall supersede any earlier resolution's on file pertaining to income limitations for Senior Exemptions in the Town of Stockholm.

All meetings are open to the public.

Dated: December 12, 2024
 Heather L. Kish, Stockholm Town Clerk
 By Order of the Stockholm Town Board

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY LEGAL NOTICE

PROBATE CITATION

File No. 2024-55904

SURROGATE'S COURT – ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY

CITATION

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
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TO: Jason Grimes and Matthew Rosenbarker, whose existence, whereabouts, places of residence and post office addresses are unknown and cannot after diligent inquiry be ascertained; and if they be deceased, to any heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, legatees, executors, administrators, assignees and successors in interest, whose names, existence, whereabouts, places of residence and post office addresses are unknown; and all other persons in any manner interested, directly or indirectly, who cannot after diligent inquiry be ascertained.

A petition having been duly filed by Charles Rosenbarker, who is domiciled at 784 Country Club Road, Gouverneur NY 13642.

YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE, before the Surrogate's Court, St. Lawrence County, at the Courthouse, 48 Court Street, Canton, New York 13617, on Thursday, January 30, 2025 at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, why a Decree should not be made in the Estate of Mark L. Rosenbarker, deceased, lately domiciled at 784 Country Club Road, Gouverneur, NY 13642, in the County of St. Lawrence, New York, admitting to probate a Will dated June 15, 2023, a true copy of which is on file with this Court, as the Will of Mark L. Rosenbarker, deceased, relating to real and personal property, and directing that Letters Testamentary issue to Charles Rosenbarker.

Hon. Michelle H. Ladouceur, Surrogate

Dated, Attested and Sealed
 November 26, 2024 /s/ Karlene M. Burley

Hon. Karlene M. Burley, Chief Clerk

Henry J. Leader, Esq., Case & Leader LLP
 Attorneys for Petitioner
 107 East Main Street, PO Box 13, Gouverneur, New York 13642
 Address of Attorney

Telephone Number: (315) 287-2000

[NOTE: This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not required to appear in person. If you fail to appear it will be assumed you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney appear for you.]

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NOTICE is here by given to all potential creditors who may have an interest in the estate of Brian A. Lazore. All creditors must represent their interests to the St Regis Mohawk Tribal court by January 25, 2025. Any creditors shall contact the St Regis Mohawk Tribal courts at 518-358-6300.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:

The Town of Pierrepont Town Board will hold a regular Board meeting on Monday, December 30th at 6:30 PM at the Pierrepont Town Hall, Pierrepont, New York.

Julian "Olla" Filiautraut
 Pierrepont Town Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE COLTON FIRE DISTRICT

The organizational meeting of the Colton Fire District will be held on Tuesday, January 11, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at the Colton Fire Station. The regular January meeting will follow. Thereafter, the 2025 regular monthly meetings will be held as follows at 6:00 p.m. at the Colton Fire Station:

February 11
 March 11
 April
 May 13
 June 10
 July 8
 August 12
 September 9
 October 14
 November 11
 December 9

MJ Watson, Secretary
 Colton Fire District

DRIVERS . . .

After-school clubs suffering, says Beard

Student ex-officio Isabel Beard, who is a senior at Massena, recently said the lack of the 3 p.m. bus has led to students cutting back on receiving additional support or attending clubs and after school activities they normally would have.

The topic was brought up during the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion meeting held at the high school recently, she said during a recent board of education meeting.

That group consists of students and teachers, she commented.

Beard said she and other students were aware of the shortage of drivers but noted that the inability for students to take part in clubs and other activities could lead to fewer scholarships as they apply to colleges.

"After-school clubs are suffering and potential scholarship opportunities are taken away from students who don't have transportation and cannot add to their transcript," Beard said.

Academics were also a concern that were raised as students in some cases have been unable to receive after-school help from teachers.

"Students are lacking in extra help because they can't stay after school," she said.

Beard said a number of middle school students also raised similar concerns with her recently, with some expressing frustration they were unable to visit with counselors during the day.

"The students were saying that they feel they have no time to speak to their counselors during the day, and their schedules are too jam packed for them to leave class, and they are not allowed to leave during lunch is what I'm told," she said.

Board of Education Vice President Kevin Peretta asked Beard if there was any possible remedy for the issues the lack of a late bus is causing. He requested further information to better clarify what the issues are and what can be done to resolve them.

"Could we get more information on some of the resolutions of these issues because I don't want to just have her talk about a bunch of issues. I don't want to not ask questions about it, but I also don't want to not follow up on it somehow or hear about it as well," he said.

Superintendent Ron Burke told board members he would also speak with Principal R. Shane Haladay to address student's concerns in the junior high as well.

So what can be done to ease the shortage of drivers?

Governor Kathy Hochul announced a DMV program in January to allow authorized third parties to conduct commercial road tests, significantly increasing these types of road tests statewide, according to her office.

Locally, SUNY Canton offers CDL courses that would allow those who successfully complete the course to drive buses, dump trucks and a wide range of other commercial vehicles on the highway.

Testing capacities for written commercial permit exams have also seen significant investment this year, creating more opportunities for testing across state DMVs.

Job fairs, ad campaigns and

strategic partnerships have also been launched across the state, but recruitment numbers are not entirely clear at this time.

For more information about becoming a bus driver, contact your local school district.

For more information on SUNY Canton's CDL courses, visit www.canton.edu/wcip/noncredit/cdl/

PARKS . . .

Resolution passes with one 'no'

work occasionally within Ives Park seasonally. As you know, we hire seasonal staff. There could be some days we bring summer recreation children to one of the parks," the mayor said.

Wilke said by combining the two departments it would allow the village to utilize staff to run programs in different areas, instead of just concentrating around the village's Pine Street recreation facility and Sandstoner Park.

Tirion asked if the move would largely just augment the recreation department budget.

Trustee Lynzie Shulte said she had done research on other communities that function in this manner. "It's actually the more normal way of running local government to have a parks and rec department," she said.

"We would be shifting some of the expenses from DPW over to parks, and parks and rec would become its own fund essentially," Schulte said. "We're shifting so we can utilize employees in all of the parks, and we're not just deploying people to DPW to work on things."

"It'll keep the parks cleaner, we'll

be able to have more events there, rec can move around the village, and we can monitor all of these different areas," Schulte said.

The resolution passed with one "no" vote from Village Deputy Mayor Steve Warr. Warr said he was voting "no" on the consolidation based on the information he had on the issue currently.

In a separate conversation with North Country This Week, Warr said he was open to the idea, but that there were too many "ifs" on how the new department would function.

"The name itself doesn't bother me, I just don't have enough information about how its going to work," Warr said. "I'm sure someone will have those answers eventually."

"But I have too many questions about how it's going to manifest itself," he said. The deputy mayor said the consolidation was a good idea on the surface, but that the logistics of staffing, funding, duties, responsibilities, and other issues still need to be fleshed out, so he voted "no" on the issue.

Warr pointed out that the rec department currently has three regular employees, and the village hires on seasonal DPW help for grounds and maintenance during the summer. He said there were still questions about how the duties would be distributed as well as how equipment like mowers would be distributed to care for all of the parks.

"I guess I'm old school," Warr said. "I feel like if it's not broken, don't fix it."

EAGLE . . .

Eagle getting stronger with treatment

Keene, where a DEC officer drove it to Schroon Lake, where another volunteer then drove the eagle to Trish Marki, a wildlife rehabilitator in Saratoga Springs.

After testing positive for lead poisoning and pneumonia, the eagle was transported to veterinarians at Cornell University for further treatment.

The eagle is "getting stronger with supportive care and treatment for lead toxicity. A lead bullet was successfully removed from its GI tract," said Lee after receiving an update from Cornell Dec. 21, a week after he initially found the eagle.

"I don't think people are aware of how a little amount of lead can cause problems in birds," said Manske. "Even microscopic amounts of lead can hurt a bird."

It's a problem that's prompted discussion at the state level and while proposals would place more restric-

tions on the use of lead ammunition, they've failed to become law.

"Lead doesn't disappear. It stays in the environment. A lot of ducks feed on shotgun pellets. Then, if an eagle eats the duck, the eagle has lead problems," said Manske. "Lead leeches into water, so it makes sense to ban lead near water areas."

Lead fragments from deer hunting can also cause lead poisoning in birds that feed on deer carcass, he said.

"Most hunters are trying to comply with the laws, but it is hard to get non-lead shots. The supply chain for non-lead ammo is not there," Manse said.

Manske was hopeful that the young eagle, estimated to be a year old, will recover and be released, thanks to the efforts of the many people involved in its rescue and recovery.

"As the eagle regains strength, I am hoping to release it back on Sugar Island. It could be in a couple of weeks or it could be months," said Manske.

Lead concerns

Lead shot has largely been banned for use throughout the state for migratory birds and waterfowl, after DEC officials and USGS-National Wildlife Health Center officials advocated for its ban.

That was finalized in 1991 as bald eagle lead poisoning cases diagnosed by USGS increased in all flyways.

Lead shot and bullets are not the only source of lead in the environment, however, with lead sinkers proving prevalent as well.

Investigations in the late 1990's and early 2000's found that lead poisoning was still common, eventually leading to a ban on the sale of small lead sinkers of 1/2 ounce or less in May 2002. The ban went into effect in 2004.

DEC officials have now suggested that shooting ranges with wetlands and contiguous wetlands should be required to switch to strictly non-toxic shot types, like steel and bismuth.

The legislation known as "The Sporting Range Good Neighbor Act" currently sits in committee with the New York State Senate could potentially limit where shooting ranges can be and how large they have to be, in particular trap and skeet fields, though two amendments broadened the language to incorporate all forms of shooting ranges.

The legislation is an environmental conservation law that seeks to prohibit any portion of a skeet field tract to include wetlands or an open water source, according to the bill.

The bill also includes remediation requirements for ranges that have been operating near wetlands and open bodies of water and allowed the use of lead shot in the past.

That legislation currently sits in committee with the state Senate.

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NOTABLE

The Colton Historical Society presented the 2024 Virginia C. Smith Colton Citizen of the Year award to Mary S. Rutley with a plaque, and a name plate to be hung in the Colton town Hall. In 1972 she became a founder and active member of the Colton Citizen's Committee for land use, which instigated much of how the Town of Colton is shaped today. She taught nearly 40 years at SUNY Potsdam and published several articles.



Melissa Button | Submitted

Wearing red for STOP-DWI

The staff at the Department of Motor Vehicles and STOP-DWI employees in Canton wore red every Friday in November to recognize Stop-DWI month. The STOP-DWI Program is dedicated to coordinating state and local efforts to reduce impaired driving offenses and prevent crashes across the state. STOP-DWI is funded exclusively by fines collected from drunk and/or drugged driving convictions. Since the program was enacted in 1981, fatalities from alcohol-related crashes on New York's roadways have decreased by 74%.

Local SUNY Canton students 'Roopreneur' challenge winners

CANTON — Entrepreneurial-minded SUNY Canton students helped a North Country business discover ways to evolve during the college's eighth annual "Roopreneur" challenge.

Local winners of the 2024 Roopreneur Challenge are: Tobi P. Morin, a Game Design and Development major from Potsdam; and Zachary A. Wells, a Forensic Criminology major from Canton.

Earlier this year, Cristina Fenner, owner of Cristina Fenner Photography, sought advice from the college's Business Department after launching a new Golden Hour clothing line. Fenner, who is also a SUNY Canton graduate and an adjunct instructor in the Graphic and Multimedia Design program, uses iconic regional imagery to create custom t-shirts. She works with Bailey Campbell, a freelance artist with ties to the region, to make one-

off, limited-run apparel.

Among the list of challenges she presented to students included how to expand her product line and increase visibility through promotional efforts. The top students in the competition suggested expanding the product line to include stickers, magnets and pins and establishing a local presence at community events. Other suggestions included holding a competition for aspiring artists to create a shirt design and providing custom artistic renderings of area businesses.

The top entries received awards ranging from \$100 to \$800, funded through the SUNY Canton College Foundation, Inc.

Roopreneur is offered through the college's Management program, offered through the School of Business and Liberal Arts.

NCCC nursing grads pinned

North Country Community College pins first hybrid nursing class

The first graduates of North Country Community College's new hybrid nursing program were celebrated this past weekend at their pinning ceremony in the Harriestown Town Hall auditorium.

The 29 students who walked across the stage Dec. 14 in front of a packed house of family and friends have all been working as licensed practical nurses, some for as long as 15 years.

Of those students, many were St. Lawrence County residents. Those included: Sloan Donnelly of

Massena, Marena Harris of Lisbon, Amber LaTray of Massena, Erin Martinez of Norfolk, Ellen Montroy of Morristown, and Alesha Rood of Russell.

Traditionally, the path to become a registered nurse at North Country starts in the fall semester and ends in the spring, with in-person classes and weekday clinical shifts.

These students were able to get their Associate of Applied Science degree in Nursing through a flexible, hybrid program that began in January, featured online classes and weekend/evening clinical rotations, and ended this month.

On dean's list at Elmira College

Elmira College has named four St. Lawrence County students to its dean's list for the fall 2024 term.

The dean's list recognizes full-time undergraduate students who were registered for at least 12

computable credit hours and who earned a term grade point average of 3.6 or higher.

Local students included Erica Bates of Canton, Sophia Compeau of Potsdam, Tyler Scott of Russell, and Camden Stefhon of Norfolk.

Norwood-Norfolk student presented Vocational Excellence Award

NORWOOD — The Seaway Career & Technical Education Center recognized Audrianna Sherman as the Rev. William R. & Crystal E. Cuthbert Vocational Excellence Award winner for December.

Sherman is in the education & human services program, attends Norwood-Norfolk Central School and is the daughter of Ebony Turner.

She is enrolled in the education & human services two-year program which allows students to explore the field of education.

She is currently in her first place-

ment at NNCS interning in a second-grade classroom. This 20-week internship provides her with valuable experience allowing her to work with students across various grade levels from UPK to 8th grade.

In addition to her classroom responsibilities, Audrianna will also be completing coursework in DASA, SAVE and mandated reporting.

She will also be preparing for the New York State TA Exam in the spring. She will also earn college credit through the dual enrollment program.

With a strong foundation in

effective teaching, Sherman has the potential to pursue a teaching assistant career after her high school graduation and the option of continuing her education to pursue other opportunities in her field.

Kayla Merchant has said the following about her student: "Audrianna has a true gift for communication. I have been fortunate to observe her impressive growth both academically and as an individual. She is a strong and determined young woman with a bright future ahead of her".

The award is sponsored by Brookfield Renewable US.

Local students earn STEM Scholarships

CANTON — Ten St. Lawrence County members of the Class of 2025 were recently named as recipients of the Northern New York Community Foundation Evergreen STEM Scholarship.

Students are awarded the scholarship due to their interest and intent to study in a science, technology, engineering, or mathematics field while in college. Students apply during their junior year of high school and are selected in the summer. Recipients will receive a one-year \$3,000 scholarship toward their freshman year of college next fall.

The Evergreen STEM scholarship is made possible thanks to the generosity of former Gouverneur resident and Massena native Charles Owens and his late wife, Higouhi "Hi" Owens. The scholarship is a permanent fund of the Community Foundation and provides \$30,000 annually for high school students who live in St. Lawrence County. Since its inception, 90 students have been awarded Evergreen STEM scholarships totaling \$270,000 in educational support.

Students recently had a chance to meet and thank Mr. Owens, his son, Bruce, and his daughter, Sandy Owens Hosier, at a scholarship recognition and appreciation dinner in Canton. Parents, school guidance counselors, and several district administrators also attended.

Bruce Owens is a retired engineer who spent more than 30 years with The Boeing Company. He lives in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Sandy Owens Hosier is a retired English teacher who spent 33 years teaching in the Port Byron School District.

This year's students are pursuing post-secondary education in nursing, education, engineering, biology, bio-chemistry, mathematics, and medicine, among others. Mr. Owens and his wife established the scholarship at the Community Foundation in 2014 to inspire high school students to focus on post-secondary studies and careers in STEM while encouraging them to pursue employment opportunities in the North Country. Mr. Owens spent his professional life as a pharmacist and later in senior management for Kinney Drugs, retiring in

1994. The first scholarships were awarded in 2016.

During that time, others have made contributions to help build the permanent fund.

2024-2025 Evergreen STEM Scholars:

Carly G. Bartholomew, Gouverneur Central School, chemistry/biology

Meridith C. Clark, Colton-Pierrepont Central School, veterinary studies or biology

Willem J. Gleeson, Heuvelton Central School, engineering

Myles A. LaPoint, Edwards-Knox Central School, biology

Jason Liang, Potsdam Central School, engineering

Sydney Miner, St. Lawrence Central School, science/biology

Lily R. Mitchell, Clifton-Fine Central School, architecture

Maeve E. Putman, Ogdensburg Free Academy, biology/pre-med

Alexis Stuntz, Hugh C. Williams High School, Canton, theoretical physics

Annika R. Zysik, Madrid-Wadlington Central School, biology/chemistry

Norwood, Brasher Falls men participate in SUNY Potsdam Business Plan Competition

POTSDAM -- SUNY Potsdam's Department of Business Administration recently hosted its 61st Business Plan Competition, which challenges students to develop an entrepreneurial business plan fulfilling the needs of a specific group of consumers. Two St. Lawrence County men were part of the winning team.

This group included David Scovil of Norwood.

"In all honesty, the whole project was smooth. I loved working with my group, who were all very open in communication and worked diligently through the semester. We wanted it, so we made it happen," said David Scovil.

This semester's winning team also included Drew Rose of Brasher Falls.

"I really enjoyed this year's team competition. There were a lot of different aspects that made me become a better student through my preparation and research on our product. I knew there was some tough competition, but deep down, I had a good feeling that our

product would be at the top, not just because of the kind of product compared to other groups, but also how focused our team was to perform at our best," said team member Drew Rose.

Four teams in the capstone Strategic and Global Management class spent the fall semester developing a business plan and original product pitch, starting from scratch. The competition was introduced in 1993 by Professor Dr. Edwin J. Portugal to give business administration students the opportunity to work intensively and collaboratively in teams to create a real-life business plan. The teams present their final

strategic business plans in front of external judges, who take the role of venture capitalists.

The six students on this semester's winning team developed the "Ice Steppaz," which is a reimagined winter shoe for a specific demographic. The team noted that the archaic and bland design of the original winter shoe strictly designed for cold and snowy weather could be replaced by their test model, footwear specially designed for casual everyday winter use, indoors and outdoors. The team spent the entire semester developing the new product prototype from scratch.

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The Potsdam Snack Pack Program would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of our generous supporters in 2024. Because of your contributions, we were able to distribute over 11,000 snack packs to students across the Potsdam School District, including

HeadStart students. Additionally, our Back to School Fair in August was a tremendous success, providing nearly 50% of the supplies needed for Potsdam students. We are incredibly grateful for the kindness and support of our sponsors—this would not have been possible without you.

As we move into 2025 and the second half of the school year, we want to update you on the program's progress and share how you can continue to help.

“Last school year was a whirlwind of learning, fundraising, and commitment. I learned that sourcing food for 300+ kids each week is no small feat and fundraising is an ongoing challenge. But most importantly, I learned that there are incredible businesses and community members in and around Potsdam who are passionate about supporting this cause. The friendships, love, and volunteer support we've received have been truly inspiring. It has been wonderful to see such a strong spirit of service from people of all ages.”

Lynzie Schulte, Executive Director

Looking Ahead: Goals for 2025 and Beyond

As we plan for the future, we are excited to announce several key improvements to the program:

- **IMPROVED LOGISTICS:** The Potsdam Snack Pack Program will relocate its headquarters to one of the Potsdam schools, making it easier to move, store, and pack items efficiently.
- **INCREASED STUDENT ENGAGEMENT:** We will work to integrate the program with both students who are receiving and those who are not receiving snack packs. This will help increase visibility, raise awareness about food insecurity, and ensure no student feels embarrassed about receiving assistance.
- **INCLUSIVITY:** We are committed to providing equitable snack packs for students with allergies or special dietary needs, ensuring all students have access to healthy options each week.

- **ENHANCED NUTRITION:** Starting in 2025, we will begin offering perishable items—including refrigerated and frozen foods—to increase the nutritional value of the snack packs.
- **NON-PROFIT STATUS:** We are working toward establishing the Potsdam Snack Pack Program as an official non-profit organization in New York State. This will open new opportunities for grants and allow us to increase awareness and support within the local and surrounding communities.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

The Potsdam Snack Pack Program is entirely volunteer-driven, with every dollar raised going directly toward supporting students in need. However, rising food costs have increased our weekly expenses. Currently, we spend over **\$1,200 per week**, with each snack pack costing approximately **\$4**.

As we continue to serve some of the most vulnerable members of our community, we humbly ask for any **MONETARY DONATION** you can afford to give. Your support will help us continue our mission of ensuring that no child in Potsdam goes without the nourishment they need to succeed.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support. Together, we can make a lasting difference in the lives of our students.

Warm regards,
The Potsdam Snack Pack Program Team



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The Potsdam Snack Pack Program is underway with the 2024-2025 school year! The program provides bags of food on the weekends to students at Potsdam Central School District and Potsdam Head Start. Our mission is to assist with food insecurity by making sure no child goes hungry over the weekend and that every student is prepared to be an active learner when they return to school.

With over 300 students receiving a bag each week and the rising cost of food, we need YOUR HELP to provide food for the rest of the school year!

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Donate online through Venmo: @PotsdamSnackPack

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Flipping flapjacks with Santa

Hannawa Falls Volunteer firemen Kevin Jones, left, and Ken Euro fry pancakes for the crowd attending the Annual Breakfast with Santa event held at Hounds Haven Dec. 15.

Soul cards presentation at UU Church

CANTON – The Unitarian Universalist Church in Canton will host Kathy ‘Kat’ Wilcox, a Potsdam-based multi-modal holistic healing practitioner Tuesday, Jan. 7, 6-7:30 p.m. will teach about the use of soul cards.

Participants will learn how to do their own soul card spread to help identify the lessons, challenges, and accomplishments of the last year, and connect with intentions and aspirations for the new year ahead. The workshop is free, open to the public, and welcoming to all.

Canton Giving Tree serves 400 children

CANTON – A total of 400 children in 158 families received holiday gifts from the Canton Giving Tree program this year.

The program provides local children from families in need with clothing and toy/gift vouchers, as well as a pair of new PJs.

Each family received a Save-A-Lot food voucher to add some sparkle to the holiday meal.

For the fourth year, seniors served by the Church and Community food pantry also received gift bags.

“We all think of children when we approach the holidays, and rightly so,” says Fran Bailey, Co-Director of Giving Tree. “But there are so many older people who are all alone and without resources in our community and we are committed to making their holidays brighter as well.”

Events on tap at Heuvelton AMVETS

HEUVELTON – The AMVETS Post 1997, 107 State St., will be hosting the following events in January:

- Jan. 1, 2025, 1-5 p.m. “New Years Day Dance” featuring Small Town Ramblers Band. Enjoy classic rock and country music, dancing and a buffet. Cover charge \$8.
- Jan. 6, 6:30 p.m. AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary #1997 meeting
- Jan. 8, 6:30 p.m. AMVETS Post 1997 meeting
- Jan. 12, 1:30 p.m. Sons of AMVETS 1997 meeting
- Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31. Friday night KC Karaoke and DJ 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Queen of Hearts drawing at 7 p.m.
- January 19, 1-5 p.m. Dance Featuring Small Town Ramblers Band Cover charge \$5.

Save the Bridge meeting slated Jan. 8

NORFOLK -- On Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2025, an informational kick-off meeting will be held at 6 p.m. at Bregg Winery, located at 56 West Main St., Norfolk. The meeting is open to all persons interested in saving this structure.

In 1886 a lenticular truss parabolic bridge was constructed to span the Raquette River in Raymondville NY.

Approximately 50 years ago the bridge was closed to all foot and car traffic. The bridge, listed as a National Historic Landmark, is a North Country treasure worth saving as a walking park. Questions regarding the meeting can be directed to Martin Bregg, 315-600-0253 or breggma@icloud.com.

Snowmobile ride set in Childwold

CHILDWOLD -- The Childwold Snopackers snowmobile club is hosting its annual Ride In and Fun Run on Feb. 14 and 15.

The run starts with a meet and greet at 4 p.m. at the Thirsty Moose Pub and Grub in Childwold on Feb. 14. The fun run begins Feb. 15 at 3 p.m.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Canton launches its 200th anniversary celebration

CANTON – The Unitarian Universalist Church of Canton will launch a year of festivities to commemorate its 200th anniversary year. Throughout 2025 there will be historical presentations, special pulpit guests, concerts, and other events to celebrate the organization’s 200-year presence in the North Country.

The Bicentennial kickoff is Sunday, January 5 beginning at 10:30 a.m., when the Rev. James Galasinski will preach a sermon entitled Cathedral of the World. All are invited to celebrate after a special social hour luncheon. Bicentennial pins will be available, and information about the many exciting events that will happen throughout 2025.

When asked about the celebration, Kim Bouchard, member of the Bicentennial Celebration Team said, “The history of Universalism in Saint Lawrence County and the North Country runs deep with connections to many of the institutions that have endured and are integral to our North Country identity.” She added, “We are committed to engaging in reflection and celebration of our shared history with our friends and communities across the North Country during 2025. We also look forward to imag-

ining how we can contribute and create the next 200 years.”

The UU of Canton was founded in 1825 and was one of many Universalist congregations in St. Lawrence County.

Its first building, a brick structure with a wooden tower, was dedicated in 1829 and used until 1897 when the present gray marble church was dedicated. St. Lawrence University and Theological School were founded in 1856 through the efforts of its members.

The presence of the Theological School, which closed in 1965, has brought many renowned Universalist and Unitarian Universalist leaders to the North Country.

When asked about the church’s Bicentennial celebrations, Minister of the church Rev. James Galasinski, said, “The Unitarian Universalist congregation in Canton has an illustrious and colorful history with love and justice always at its center.

UU Canton will continue creating a welcoming faith community committed to justice and open to wonder.” He added, “The entire North Country is invited to celebrate 200 years of the UU Church of Canton, NY.”



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WHAT'S GOING ON

FRIDAY, DEC. 27

Free skating

POTSDAM -- The Raquette River Lions Club is sponsoring five days of free public skating at the Sandstener Arena on Pine Street over the holiday break. Skating will Monday, Dec. 23 from 1:30-2:30 p.m.; Thursday, Dec. 26 from 1:30-2:30 p.m.; Friday, Dec. 27 from 4-5 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 29 from 1:30-2:30 p.m.; Monday, Dec. 30 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Info: (315) 265-4030, or the Potsdam Recreation Facebook page.

KC Karaoke

HEUVELTON - Amvets Post 1997, 107 State St., will host KC Karaoke on Dec. 27, 6-9 p.m. 7 p.m. Queen of Hearts drawing.

Red Cross blood drive

GOUVERNEUR -- The American Red Cross is hosting a blood drive on Dec. 27, 12-4 p.m., at Gouverneur Veterans of Foreign Wars, 100 W Main St. To donate, simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. Those who come to give Dec. 16, 2024-Jan. 3, 2025, will receive an exclusive Red Cross long-sleeved T-shirt, while supplies last.

Red Cross blood drive

POTSDAM -- The American Red Cross is hosting a blood drive on Dec. 27, 12:30-5 p.m., at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 21 Castle Dr. To donate, simply download the American

Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. Those who come to give Dec. 16, 2024-Jan. 3, 2025, will receive an exclusive Red Cross long-sleeved T-shirt, while supplies last.

SATURDAY, DEC. 28

Dinner and dance

MASSENA - Massena Senior Citizens will host a New Years Eve Dinner and Dance on Dec. 28. Sign-up to attend by Dec. 20 at the Community Center, 61 Beach St. Cost to attend is \$30 for the dinner and dance or just \$10 for the dance only. Attendees can pay at the door. There will be a catered dinner and the band North Country will perform from 6-10 p.m. Menu: turkey and/or pork with gravy, dressing, mashed potatoes, corn, cranberries, tossed salad, pumpkin or apple pie, and coffee, tea, or water. Info: 315-769-7810.

New Year's gala

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.

Rock and Skate

NORFOLK -- The Dominic Zappia Community Center has several public skating sessions during the holiday break. There is an admission charge for the Rock n Skate. The rest are free admission and \$1 for skate rental. Saturday 12/28 Rocknskate @4:30-6:00.

Rock-N-Skate

OGDENSBURG -- Rock-N-Skate will be held Saturday, Dec. 28, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Lockwood Civic Center, 141 W. River St.

Winter jigsaw exchange

BRASHER FALLS -- On Saturday, Dec. 28, the Badenhausen Public Library will host a winter jigsaw puzzle exchange. Get ready for those long winter days and nights with new (to you) puzzles. Bring in your gently used puzzles and swap with other enthusiasts during library hours. Info: <https://badenhausenlibrary.org>.

SUNDAY, DEC. 29

Buddhist Meditation

CANTON -- The Unitarian Universalist Church in Canton on Sunday, Dec. 29, at 9:30 a.m., invites community members to join a Buddhist Meditation Sangha (group) to renew yourselves and your resolve and prepare your heart and mind for a new year. The meditation will be followed by Sunday worship at 10:30 a.m.

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Skating at Norfolk arena

NORFOLK -- The Dominic Zappia Com-

munity Center free public skating Sunday 12/29@7-7:50. There is free admission and \$1 for skate rental.

Skating in Ogdensburg

OGDENSBURG - Public skating will be held Sunday, Dec. 29, from 11 a.m.- 1 p.m. at Lockwood Civic Center, 141 W. River St. Public skating entry price is \$2. Skate rentals are available for \$3.

MONDAY, DEC. 30

Free skating

POTSDAM -- The Raquette River Lions Club is sponsoring five days of free public skating at the Sandstener Arena on Pine Street over the holiday break. Skating will Monday, Dec. 23 from 1:30-2:30 p.m.; Thursday, Dec. 26 from 1:30-2:30 p.m.; Friday, Dec. 27 from 4-5 p.m.; Sunday, Dec. 29 from 1:30-2:30 p.m.; Monday, Dec. 30 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Info: (315) 265-4030, or the Potsdam Recreation Facebook page.

Pierrepont town board

PIERREPONT -- The Town of Pierrepont Town Board will hold a regular Board meeting on Monday, Dec. 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the Pierrepont Town Hall.

Red Cross blood drive

OGDENSBURG -- The American Red Cross is hosting a blood drive on Dec. 30, 1-5 p.m., at Ogdensburg Knights of Columbus, 721 Hasbrouck St.

WEDS, JAN. 1

New Year's run

CANTON -- The Bucc Wild Running Club invites the public to join them in running-in or walking-in the new year on Wednesday, Jan. 1, at 1 p.m. Meet at the parking lot of the Partridge golf course. The group will do the Remington Trail loop. All are welcome, free event.

FRIDAY, JAN. 3

Grief support meeting

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

Red Cross blood drive

STAR LAKE -- The American Red Cross is hosting a blood drive on Jan. 3, 2025, 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m., at Clifton Fine Central School, 11 Hall Ave., Po Box 22. To donate, simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. Those who come to give Dec. 16, 2024-Jan. 3, 2025, will receive an exclusive Red Cross long-sleeved T-shirt, while supplies last.

Trivia night

OGDENSBURG -- The Vocations Committee for the Catholic Churches of Ogdensburg (St. Mary's Cathedral and Notre Dame), Heuvelton (St. Raphael's) and Lisbon (Ss. Philip and James) is planning a trivia night for Friday, Jan. 3, at the Martin Fieldhouse, 721 Hasbrouck St. All funds raised will be donated to the Diocese of Ogdensburg to help offset the miscellaneous college costs for the seminarians. Join us for a night of fun and friendly competition in a contest of general knowledge across a variety of topics. Teams of up to 6 will compete for the bragging rights and the Grand Prize. All players are eligible for door prizes. Register your team at \$20 per person and receive a free mulligan (answer). Doors open at 6 p.m. Trivia starts at 7 pm. More rules and registration at www.saintmaryscathedral.net/trivia or use the QR code or email vocationsarenotrivial@rcdony.org.

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Pictured above with Jim and Karen Curtis are members of the SUNY Canton women's hockey team who volunteered their time at The Lodge @ Dreaming Tree Ranch annual Blue Jean and Black Tie event.

SUNY Canton women's hockey team volunteers at Help Sami Kick Cancer event

POTSDAM – The Help Sami Kick Cancer Foundation appreciates the effort put forth by the SUNY Canton Women's Hockey team who donated their time in making the foundation's annual Blue Jean to Black Tie fundraising event on Sept. 28 a resounding success.

Ranch in full force to ensure all aspects of the event ran smoothly.

The evening consisted of cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, dinner, musical entertainment by Phoenix Jazz and Northbound, and a silent and live auction.

The event was sponsored by Brookfield Renewable and SeaComm Federal Credit Union.

The Roos came to The Lodge @ Dreaming Tree

DEC encourages anglers to safely enjoy ice fishing this season

With the onset of winter and colder temperatures, the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is reminding ice anglers to be safe when venturing onto the ice this season, especially given recent variations in weather conditions.

St. Lawrence County outdoor enthusiasts considering ice fishing should always be aware of essential safety guidelines and make sure ice is thick enough before heading out, officials said.

"The possibilities of affordable outdoor adventures are endless across New York's abundant natural areas and winter is no exception," said Interim Commissioner Sean Mahar. "I encourage those recreating on ice to exercise caution by routinely checking ice thickness when navigating around water bodies. Understanding ice thickness

safety is essential, so be sure to 'know before you go' and adapt to conditions as necessary."

Before leaving shore, ice anglers are advised to check the thickness of ice. Four inches of solid, clear ice is usually safe for anglers accessing ice on foot.

However, ice thickness can vary between waterbodies and even within the same waterbody, increasing the need to ensure thickness.

Anglers should be particularly cautious of areas of moving water and around boat docks and houses where bubblers may be installed to reduce ice from forming. Checking the ice can easily be done with an auger or "spud bar" (a long, metal tool with a chisel on one end) at various spots.

Local bait and tackle shops are a great resource for finding out where

there is safe ice and what anglers are catching. In addition, fishing with family and friends is also encouraged for safety.

Those interested in trying ice fishing for the first time should mark the weekend of February 15-16, 2025, on their calendars. As a designated free freshwater fishing weekend, the freshwater fishing license requirement is waived during these days. Free Fishing Days are also a great opportunity for experienced anglers to introduce someone new to fishing.

For some fish species, ice fishing can be more productive than open-water fishing. Given good ice conditions, anglers normally limited to shore fishing can access an entire waterbody. Beginner ice anglers can download the Ice Fishing Chapter of DEC's I FISH NY Beginners Guide to Freshwater Fishing for helpful information on how to get started.

DEC reminds anglers to make sure that they have a valid fishing license before heading out on the ice. Fishing licenses are valid for 365 days from the date of purchase.



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Potsdam dispensary one year old

The Highest Peak just marked its one-year anniversary, and owners Aurora Wood and Andrea Lucarelli couldn't be more grateful for the incredible support. "Sometimes it feels like we have only been open for a couple months and other times it feels like we have been open for 20 years," said co-owner Wood, pictured above. To celebrate the milestone, The Highest Peak hosted a special anniversary event featuring music by Ben Lacy, Stephanie Fansler and Rob Zolner. The Highest Peak is located at 25 Market Street and is a member of the Potsdam Chamber of Commerce.

Free movies, STEM activities at Massena Visitors Center

MASSENA – Free movies and STEM activities are being offered at Hawkins Point Visitors Center during the upcoming holiday break, hosted by the New York Power Authority

Animated and live action family-friendly movies will be shown in the New York Power Authority's Hawkins Point Visitors Center theater on Dec. 26 and 27.

There will also be opportunities to participate in STEM activities during the break.

Movies will be featured at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. will be shown in the theater. Guests are encouraged to bring in their own snacks.

The visitors center offers many hands-on exhibits on electricity, energy, the environment, and area history. Visitors can hop aboard a bicycle generator and turn pedal power into electricity or have a hair-raising experience with static electricity using the Van de Graaff generator. A wood-carved map detailing Jacques Cartier's exploration of the St. Lawrence River is also on display at the visitors center. An audio-visual terrain map charts the

course of the mighty St. Lawrence River from Ogdensburg to Massena.

The visitors center will be closed on Tuesday, December 24, and Christmas Day, as well as December 31 and January 1.

For more information on scheduling or events please call 315-764-6679.

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12/26/24-1/1/25 • 12:45, 3:00

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12/26/24-1/1/25 • 1:45

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- 401k option

Qualified and interested applicants, please send an email to jclingerman@watchdogbp.com or call (585) 760-7855 to speak with Jeremy Clingerman.

Licensed Practical Nurse - Hospice of St Lawrence Valley has openings for full-time, part-time, and per diem LPNs to carry out assigned nursing functions under the supervision of a Registered Nurse. Must have a current LPN license in NYS; the ability to maintain confidentiality and function as a member of an interdisciplinary team; a basic understanding and commitment to the Hospice concept of care for the terminally ill; and a valid NYS Driver's license. On-call and travel throughout St Lawrence County is required. Applications are available at hospiceslv.org or by calling Hospice at 315-265-3105.

Hospice seeks a full-time Social Worker to provide support to patients and families at end-of-life. Primary responsibilities: caregiver support, end of life counseling for patients and families, and developing and updating care plans based on individual need. Must demonstrate flexibility, knowledge of community resources, the ability to work with a team, strong time management skills and experience in the health care field. Candidates must possess either a Bachelor's or Master's degree in Social Work (LMSW) with NYS licensure. Driver's license and vehicle required. Salary Range is \$24-\$28/hr plus competitive benefits. Send resume to Mary Jones, Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley, 6805 US Highway 11, Potsdam NY, 13676 or mjones@hospiceslv.org. **Application deadline is January 10, 2025.**

The Town of Colton is currently seeking qualified applicants to fill the vacant elected position of Town Board Councilperson through the remainder of the term of December 2025. Applicants must be a resident of the Town of Colton. Letters of interest and/or resumes due by January 31, 2025, at the Colton Town Clerks office, 94 Main St. Colton, NY 13625. This position will be on the ballot in November of 2025, any interested candidate should contact the St. Law. Co. Board of Elections at 315-379-2202 for details.

The Town of Colton is currently seeking qualified applicants to fill the vacant elected position of Town Justice through the remainder of the term of December 2025. Applicants must be a resident of the Town of Colton. Required justice training will take place in April of 2025 at which time the selected qualified applicant will need to present a certificate of completion for the final steps to acquire the position. Salary dependent upon previous experience. Applications available at the town clerk's office. Applications and/or resumes due by January 31, 2025, at the Colton Town Clerks office, 94 Main St. Colton, NY 13625. The Town Justice position will be on the ballot in November 2025, if you are interested in running for that position, please contact the St. Law. Co. Board of Elections at 315-379-2202 for details.

Bronson Service Corp./Roto-Rooter Plumbing Service is looking for a head plumbing technician. Wages and benefits to be discussed at interview. Email resume to brnson@nny.com or pick up an application at 7585 US Highway 11, Potsdam, NY 13676.

Trivia Test

1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the northernmost capital city in the world?
2. U.S. STATES: Which state is the driest?
3. MOVIES: In the movie "It's a Wonderful Life," what is the name of the angel who saves George Bailey?
4. LITERATURE: Which American novelist also wrote under the pen name Edgar Box?
5. SCIENCE: What is the process called in which plants lose water through their leaves?
6. HISTORY: What was the name of the international group that was supposed to keep the peace after World War I?
7. TELEVISION: Which TV sitcom featured a holiday episode titled "Abed's Uncontrollable Christmas"?
8. ASTRONOMY: What is it called when a group of stars forms a pattern?
9. MUSIC: What is the top-selling holiday song of all time?
10. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many years are in a millennium?

Answers found elsewhere in this paper.



Canton Central School

The Canton Central School Board of Education is seeking a

SUPERINTENDENT

Canton Central School is a 1,050 pupil pre-K through Grade 12 district. The Board seeks a passionate leader who is deeply committed to the success of all students in achieving a high level of excellence, and is a knowledgeable, collaborative and compassionate individual. The Board is offering a three-year contract, with a minimum salary of \$150,000, commensurate with experience and qualifications.

The on-line application can be obtained at www.sllbooces.org or www.ccsdk12.org. Please forward a letter of interest, current resume, SDA/SDL certification, three current letters of recommendation and transcripts by **Friday, February 7, 2025** to:

Mr. Thomas R. Burns, District Superintendent
St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES
PO Box 231



Canton, New York 13617
315-386-4504 ext. 10150

EOE



**Interim Assistant Director of
Campus Activities &
Residential Engagement**

Reporting to the Senior Associate Director of Student Activities & Leadership and Director of Sullivan Student Center, the Interim Assistant Director provides leadership in the administration and supervision of key student organizations, as well as programming initiatives across campus to promote academic excellence, educational and developmental programming, community service, and responsible social events. This is an interim, temporary, position for the Spring, 2025, semester. Salary is \$27.00/hour.

To view the complete position description, including minimum qualifications required, as well as application instructions please visit: <https://employment.stlawu.edu/postings/3969>.

St. Lawrence University is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer.



Canton Central School

The District is currently accepting applications for a

Bus Monitor

12:1:1 Middle School Special Education Teacher

Accepting applications until the position is filled.

Applications can be found at:

<https://www.ccsdk12.org/employment>

Applications can be sent to:

CANTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
Attention: Sarah Smith, District Office
99 State St. Canton, NY 13617

Phone: 315-386-8561

EOE



**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.

Join our Team!



**St. Lawrence
Psychiatric Center**



Employment Opportunities

- **Adult Psychiatrist 1 or 2 (Ogdensburg)**
- **Associate Director of Human Resources**
 - **Certified Peer Specialist**
- **Children's Licensed Master Social Worker (Ogdensburg)**
 - **Children's Psychiatrist 1 or 2 (Gouverneur, Massena)**
 - **Dental Assistant**
 - **Dental Hygienist**
 - **Dentist 1 or 2**
 - **Dietitian 2, part time**
- **Facility Operations Assistant 1, Grounds**
 - **Licensed Practical Nurse**
- **Licensed Master Social Worker (Ogdensburg, Massena)**
 - **Maintenance Assistant**
- **Mental Health Therapy Aide (Adult, Children)**
- **Maintenance Supervisor 1, Motor Equipment**
 - **Maintenance Supervisor 2**
- **Nurse Practitioner, Psychiatry (Ogdensburg, Massena)**
 - **Principal Psychologist**
- **Registered Nurse 1 (Adult, Children)**
 - **Registered Nurse 3, Educator**
 - **Transportation Supervisor 1**

**Comprehensive Health Coverage – Free Dental & Vision
NYS Pension & Retirement Programs – Generous Paid Time Off**

For more information, please visit:

<https://omh.ny.gov/omhweb/facilities/slpc>

or contact Human Resources at:

315.541.2179 or slpc.humanresources@ombh.ny.gov

JOB VACANCIES

At Saint Regis Mohawk Health Services (SRMHS), we empower our licensed professionals to lead. We understand that our success is made possible through the skills, ambition and leadership of our. We invest in our licensed health professionals through continuing education, training and technology support.

We provide a holistic approach to care as our main facility is comprised of the following services; Medical Clinic, Pharmacy, Dental, On-site laboratory services, Outpatient/Inpatient Alcohol Chemical dependence programs, Mental Health counseling services, Chronic Care services consisting of wound care, home care and medical transportation. Off-site facilities include our Diabetes Center for Excellence facility consisting of Diabetes Clinical Care, Let's Get Healthy fitness center and Alternative Medicine. Our in-patient treatment facility is located less than 5 minutes from our main facility.

To apply send resume, cover letter, and licensures/certifications to Human.Resources@srmt-nsn.gov. Our organization's website is www.srmt-nsn.gov and information on our area can be found at www.akwesasne.travel

Medical Director

Salary: Negotiable

This Medical Director will join an engaged and cohesive medical staff, supported by a strong and thoughtful leadership team in the delivery of patient-centered care by evidence-based standards. As the Medical Director you will provide oversight of medical programs operations by ensuring a high quality of healthcare is delivered through the entire life span. Provides strategic plan and guidance and constantly monitors fiscal responsibility of medical operations.

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

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.

Clinical Director-Alcohol Chemical Dependency Program

Salary: \$33,820.80 - \$119,704.00

Under the direct supervision of the Administration of the Saint Regis Mohawk Health Services, the Clinical Director will direct, supervise and coordinate all aspects of the program – philosophy, therapeutic treatment, education and prevention activities within the Saint. Regis Mohawk Health Services Alcoholism/Chemical Dependency Program.

Mental Health Director

Salary: \$42,910.40-\$98,113.60

The Mental Health Director, requiring advanced degrees and licensure, will provide supervision of the day-to-day operations of the Mental Health program. The Mental Health Director will work within the guidelines of the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe Mental Health Services policies and procedures, internal control standards, New York State Office of Mental Health regulations and standards of care.

Family Nurse Practitioner

Salary: \$91,499.20 - \$162,968.00

As a Primary Care Family Nurse Practitioner you will provide direct patient care, including diagnosis, treatment plans and dispositions; and play a key role in driving improvements in primary care, quality initiatives, and patient satisfaction, while aligning with program goals and corporate values.



404 State Route 37,
Akwasasne, NY 13655



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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A local accounting firm is seeking a full-time Seasonal Receptionist (Monday - Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM) from January through April 2025. Responsibilities include answering calls, greeting clients, scheduling appointments, and providing administrative support. Pay is based on experience. Qualifications: Strong communication and organizational skills; Proficiency in Microsoft Office; Previous receptionist experience preferred. To apply, please send your resume to ryan@parcellcpa.com or by mail to PO Box 133, Canton, NY 13617.

BILL'S TOTAL SERVICE IS HIRING: Full time Auto Technician needed for fast paced total service garage. Primary duties include: oil/filter changes, tire rotations/changes, Air filter changes and wiper changes, Brake diagnosis and repairs, Suspension diagnosis and repairs, Electrical diagnosis and repair etc. ASE Certification preferred but not required. Please stop in with resume to Bill Vielhour, Owner, 1000 Paterson St. Ogdensburg, NY, 13676 or Email: billstire@gmail.com. No phone calls please.

LOOKING FOR OFFICE HELP: Full or Part time Office Assistant needed for busy total service garage. Primary duties include: answering phones, scheduling appointments, filing, invoicing, and collecting payments. Must be able to lift at least 40 lbs. Salary based on experience. Please stop in with resume to Bill Vielhour, Owner, 1000 Paterson St., Ogdensburg, NY, 13669 or Email: billstire@gmail.com. No phone calls please.

Business Office Clerk: Under the direction of the Business Office Manager, the Business Office Clerk will compile, process and maintain documentation for health care services in a manner consistent with medical, administrative, ethical, legal and regulatory requirements in all areas of the Business Office. The Business Office Clerk will assist in all areas of the Business Office with overall planning, coordination and management of the health care delivery system. Status: Non-exempt, full-time, permanent Salary: \$15.63 - \$31.68 Deadline: Open Until Filled. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

Farm Mechanic Wanted. Salary contingent on experience. Health Insurance and Retirement available. Call 315-244-1422

Coordinators Needed. Earn \$\$\$ and exciting trips! Fun side gig working with foreign exchange students. Contact Todd 315-408-9082 or race@efexchangeyear.org



ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/BOOKKEEPER

Potsdam Volunteer Rescue Squad (PVRS) is seeking a dynamic, highly dependable individual with strong financial and written/verbal communication skills to fulfill a **full-time administrative assistant/bookkeeper** position. This individual will be responsible for overseeing billing, financial reporting, and payroll. In addition, they will help ensure that agency certifications are kept current, serve as an agency point of contact for business purposes, and perform general office duties. Knowledge of QuickBooks® and familiarity with Emergency Medical Services preferred, but not required. Minimum Qualifications: Associates Degree in Accounting/Business Administration and at least two years of experience in the field.

Qualified candidates should submit a cover letter, resume, and at least three professional references to:

**Potsdam Volunteer Rescue Squad
PO Box 700, Potsdam, NY 13676**

Application deadline: January 15, 2025



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Salmon River Central School District is currently accepting applications for the following position for the 2024-2025 school year:

Art Teacher

Start Date: January 13, 2025

**Application Deadline: Immediately-Until Filled
Location: Salmon River Central School**

Full job descriptions and applications can be found at www.srk12.org/employment/

Queries directed to/ Submit a completed application to:
**Angela Robert-Assistant Superintendent
Salmon River Central School
Fort Covington, NY 12937**

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



Cybersecurity Assistant Professor Tenure Track

Department: Cybersecurity
Salary Range: \$70,000-\$75,000

The State University of New York (SUNY) College at Canton invites qualified applicants for a Full-time, Visiting Assistant Professor position in the Cybersecurity Department beginning September 1, 2025.

Required Qualifications:

- Ph.D. in Computer Science or equivalent.

Duties:

- Engage in scholarly activities that contribute to the dissemination of knowledge in the discipline.
- Continually develop and improve skills and knowledge in the discipline through professional development.
- Teach courses as assigned in the program in a variety of instructional modalities (face-to-face, online, and flex) and implements assessment and use of data for continuous improvement in course and program student learning outcomes.
- Active in research, peer-reviewed publications, and secure external funds.
- Participate in faculty committees, student advisement, and other activities related to university service.

Please submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching philosophy, statement of research, unofficial transcripts, statement of diversity, equity, and inclusion, a sample of peer-reviewed publication, and three professional references to Human Resources.

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

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

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St. Lawrence County Community Services Department is in search of the following positions:

- **Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LMHC)** - *NO civil service exam required
 - **Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW)** - *NO civil service exam required
 - **Supervising Social Worker (LCSW)** - *NO civil service exam required
 - **Senior Chemical Dependency Counselor**
 - **Chemical Dependency Counselor**
- *NO civil service exam required

Applications accepted until position filled.

You can apply online at <https://stlaw-portal.mycivilservice.com>.

Applications can also be obtained from St. Lawrence County's website, <https://stlawco.org/Departments/HumanResources>

or by contacting Human Resources
315-379-2210
Send application to:
St. Lawrence County
Human Resources Office
48 Court Street, Canton, NY 13617
AA/EEO





Clarkson™

Employment Opportunities

Maintenance Mechanic Locksmith (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary: Perform at a journeyman level of expertise on a variety of operational and maintenance duties with a focus to include key and lock systems, door closures, lock and key work and other specialized duties pertaining to doors and door hardware. Responsible for estimating material costs and time required to complete a project or job. Ability to read blueprints as related to a job.

Minimum qualifications: High School Diploma or equivalent o Locksmith Certificate. Four (4) years of journeyman equivalent experience in a related field

Range: \$17.02 based on experience

Graduate Admissions Counselor (Potsdam, NY/ Schenectady, NY)

Position Summary: The Graduate Admissions Counselor is the primary point of contact for prospective students from their initial interest until they are accepted into one of Clarkson's Professional Graduate Programs. They guide interested prospects through the application process, and actively communicate with prospects to assure exceptional service. Internally, they maintain records of all interactions and manage related systems and processes as a prospect inquires, applies, and is accepted or rejected. The position may require some evening and weekend work, flexible hours and occasional travel.

Minimum qualifications: Bachelor's Degree required. 1 year, preferably in a sales, customer service, or other higher education role.

Range: \$19.00- \$21.00 based on experience

Director of Alumni Relations (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary: Provide leadership and strategic planning for the Alumni Relations Office. Under the direction of the Associate Vice President, the Director of Alumni Relations will provide a comprehensive program of activities for Clarkson alumni that will engage them as life-long partners in the institution. Direct and manage the alumni relations' staff in crafting and implementing a strategic effort on the engagement of Clarkson alumni. This should include objective measures of understanding the "pulse" of the alumni base, means to address their needs, and measurements of success.

Minimum qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Business, Marketing, Communications, Higher Education Administration or a related field. 5 years of Experience in the areas of institutional advancement, event planning, volunteer management or related fields such as marketing, management or communications.

Range: \$ 67,800- \$ 74,825 based on experience

System Administrator II (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary: Are you passionate about building and maintaining cutting-edge infrastructure? Do you thrive in environments where you can make a real impact while continuously growing your skills? Clarkson University's Office of Information Technology is seeking a talented Linux Systems Administrator to join our dynamic team.

Minimum qualifications: A strong Linux background (especially with RPM-based distributions) 2-4 years of experience with a relevant degree, or 4-6 years of experience without.

Range: \$ 65,000- \$ 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>

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



Dining Services Leader
Dining & Conference Services Department

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

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

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

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.



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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Financial Technician
Great Lakes St. Lawrence
Seaway Massena, NY

View complete posting on www.USAJOBS.gov (search on Massena, NY). This vacancy closing date is 03/04/2025 with early consideration 12/24/2024.

For guidance please watch 'How to Apply for Federal Jobs', among other informational videos, on www.youtube.com/user/usajobsapp. For additional questions email U.S. Department of Transportation's Automated Staffing Office - TRANSJOBS@dot.gov.



Program Coordinator for our new Visitor Center
Great Lakes St. Lawrence
Seaway
Massena, NY

View complete posting on www.USAJOBS.gov (search on Massena, NY).

Closing date is 03/11/2025 with early consideration date of 01/01/2025
For guidance please watch 'How to Apply for Federal Jobs', among other informational videos, on www.youtube.com/user/usajobsapp. For additional questions email U.S. Department of Transportation's Automated Staffing Office - TRANSJOBS@dot.gov.

Intake Clerk: Under the direction of the Accounts Receivable Supervisor, the Intake Clerk in Patient Registration will gather and enter the necessary patient visit information and promote positive public relations with patients at Health Services in a manner consistent with medical, administrative, ethical, legal and regulatory requirements in all areas of the Business Office. Intake Clerk primary responsibilities are to answer patient registration phone calls, conducts new patient appointments, receives documentation for updating demographics in patient charts, follow up of insurance appointments and submission of travel applications. Status: Non-exempt, full-time, permanent Salary: \$15.63 - \$31.68 Deadline: Open Until Filled. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

Clinical Director: Under the direct supervision of the Administration of Health Services, the Clinical Director will direct, supervise and coordinate all aspects of the program – philosophy, therapeutic treatment, education and prevention activities within the Alcoholism/Chemical Dependency Program. Status: Exempt, Full-time, Permanent Salary: \$33,820.80 - \$119,704.00 Deadline: January 1, 2025. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

Home Health Aides - Starting Pay: \$17/hour. We are looking for honest, capable, durable, reliable, home health aides who want to a job and not just a paycheck. Need personal care help and some household assistance for a disabled couple in their 60s. Morning and evening hours available. Typical shift is 7-10 a.m. and/or 7-9 p.m. Located in the village of Massena

Private pay, no agency involved. If you or someone you know is interested in joining a team caring for two disabled 60-somethings, in a clean, modern, Covid-free home, drop me a line and we'll set up an interview. Valid NYS Driver's License required Call Joe Gray at 315-323-6891 or message me on FACEBOOK

ALL EMPLOYMENT ADVERTISING in this newspaper is subject to section 296 of the human rights law, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, creed, national origin, disability, marital status, sex, age, or arrest conviction record, or an intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination. Title 29, US Code, Chap. 630 excludes the federal government from the age discrimination provisions. This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for employment which is in violation of the law. Our readers are informed that employment offerings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis.



Cybersecurity Visiting Assistant Professor PRODiG+ Fellow

Department: Cybersecurity
Salary Range: \$70,000-\$75,000

The State University of New York (SUNY) College at Canton invites qualified applicants for a Full-time, Visiting Assistant Professor position in the Cybersecurity Department beginning September 1, 2025.

The PRODiG+ Fellowship is open to any and all prospective candidates regardless of race, color, national origin, or sex, and is consistent with all current governing federal and state nondiscrimination law. All application submissions will be assessed and evaluated in accordance with the required eligibility criteria.

Required Qualifications:

- Ph.D. or relevant terminal degree from an accredited institution completed prior to start date in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, or related field.
- Eligible to work in the United States without visa sponsorship.
- Demonstrate personal, academic, and/or work experience engaging with diversity, equity, and inclusion and/or commitment to facilitating and enhancing diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts in the campus community. Such experience may include, but is not limited to, an academic/scholarly track record focused on diversity, equity, and inclusion; work, volunteer/unpaid/community service; or related experience/expertise in serving underserved or vulnerable areas and/or populations.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Preference will be given to candidates who are:
- Current SUNY students, alumni, and/or Fellows.
 - From a low-income background (e.g., Pell-eligible as undergraduates), were first-generation college students (students whose parents have not earned a bachelor's degree), have overcome adversity, are AmeriCorps alumni, or are veterans. Please submit a curriculum vitae; cover letter; statement of teaching philosophy; statement of research; statement of diversity, equity, and inclusion; and three professional references to Human Resources.

Duties:

- Engage in scholarly activities that contribute to the dissemination of knowledge in the discipline.
- Continually develop and improve skills and knowledge in the discipline through professional development.
- Teach courses as assigned in the program in a variety of instructional modalities (face-to-face, online, and

flex) and implements assessment and use of data for continuous improvement in course and program student learning outcomes.

- Active in research, peer-reviewed publications, and secure external funds.
- Participate in faculty committees, student advisement, and other activities related to university service.

Application materials must include a response, in 750 words or less, to the following essay prompt:

Please describe how you've engaged, facilitated, and/or enhanced diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts in the campus community. Examples could include personal, academic, and/or work experience and may include, but is not limited to, and academic/scholarly track record focused on diversity, equity, and inclusion; work, volunteer/unpaid/community service; or related experience/expertise in serving underserved or vulnerable areas and/or populations.

Please submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, 750-word response to the essay prompt, statement of teaching philosophy, statement of research, unofficial transcripts, and three professional references to Human Resources.

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Registered Nurse/Behavioral Health Coordi-



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The Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority is hiring:

EVENT COORDINATOR

The Ogdensburg Bridge & Port Authority is seeking an energetic Event Coordinator to organize outstanding events at the soon to be opened Great Room at the Ogdensburg International Airport. The successful candidate will be responsible for every part of event preparations and evaluation of success afterward.

RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE: identifying the client's requirements & expectations for an event, sourcing and negotiating with vendors, exhibitors, and stakeholders during the event planning process; coordinating event logistics, managing all set-up, tear down, and follow-up processes, maintaining event budgets, conducting final inspections on the day of the event; reviewing event bills and approve payment; conducting post-event evaluation. This position will also update and maintain the OGS Air website.

REQUIREMENTS: Proven experience as an event coordinator or similar role; at least three (3) years' experience in the role; strong communications skills; ability to work under pressure managing multiple tasks & projects simultaneously; website management skills; BA in hospitality management preferred. This is a full-time position with a salary range: \$55,000 - \$60,000 annually. The anticipated start date of this position is: **1st of April 2025**

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

The Ogdensburg Bridge & Port Authority is looking for an outgoing, detail oriented multi-tasker for the position of Administrative Assistant. Candidates should be able to assist management and visitors by handling administrative and clerical needs; providing polite & professional assistance via phone or email; and assisting in daily office needs of the organization.

RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE: answering & directing phone calls; opening & distributing mail; ordering supplies and researching new deals & suppliers; updating (as necessary) and maintaining filing system on computer; providing general support to visitors; creating truck permits for trucks crossing the border; and assisting with tracking of tenant maintenance needs.

REQUIREMENTS: 3-5 years prior administrative experience, excellent time management skills and ability to prioritize work; working knowledge of office equipment; proficiency in MS Office; attention to detail; excellent written & verbal communication skills; high school degree or equivalent; additional qualifications as an Administrative Assistant a plus.

This is a part-time position (ideally from 9:00am - 2:00 pm) Monday through Friday. Rate of pay: \$24.00 per hour.

EXECUTIVE COORDINATOR

The Ogdensburg Bridge & Port Authority is seeking a detail oriented, well organized Executive Coordinator to provide support for the Authority's management team. This role must be able to interact with a broad range of individuals including members of the Senior Management Team and Board of Directors. This individual is expected to handle confidential financial, legal, personnel, and institutional information in a professional and discreet manner.

RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE: being confidential secretary to the Board of Directors, scheduling monthly Board meetings, typing minutes and keeping files; providing coordination and scheduling of the organization's annual compliance plan; assisting H/R director with maintaining confidential & sensitive employee information; serving as the organization's Ethics Coordinator; updating the OBPA's website, providing back-up to the part time administrative assistant for phone, mail, and truck permits.

REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE: 5 years prior experience in this type of role; strong time management skills and ability to meet multiple deadlines; excellent computer skills including Microsoft Office; excellent verbal & written communication skills; comfortable interacting with higher level executives & Board Members; Bachelor's Degree preferred. This is a full-time position with a salary range of \$55,000 - \$60,000 annually.

Submit cover letter, and resume to pnisco@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, January 03, 2025**.

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Position Summary: To manage deliverables from the New York State Energy and Research Development Authority (NYSERDA) grant which focuses on building curriculum to train people ages 16-24 with the skills to conduct home energy audits and weatherization activities.

Minimum qualifications: Master's in environmental sciences or related fields. At least 10 years of working with students in higher education in teaching and advising capacity.

Range: \$71,760.00 salary based on experience

Per Diem Campus Safety & Security Officer (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary Guidelines: The Campus Safety Officer is responsible for providing campus safety services to the university community, which includes enforcing university regulations, vehicle and traffic laws, local, state and federal laws. Providing emergency response on campus and protecting life and property within the Clarkson community. In addition, the Campus Safety Officer/ Staff engage in outreach and communication efforts to women and/or underrepresented student groups on campus around issues of alcohol consumption, sexual misconduct, sexual harassment and bias-related conduct.

Minimum qualifications: High School Diploma required. New York State driver's license and a driving record acceptable to the University.

Range: \$16.00 based on experience

Assistant Athletic Trainer (Potsdam, NY)

Position Summary Guidelines: This position incorporates all aspects of the athletic training profession. The Assistant Athletic Trainer will work with the Head Athletic Trainer to provide coverage for 20 intercollegiate teams including Division I Hockey. General duties include but are not limited to, ensuring compliance with all NCAA, and HIPAA laws, prevention, care and rehabilitation for all student athletes. This is an eleven month renewable position.

Minimum qualifications: Master's Degree and NATABOC certified and certified to work in the USA and New York State. Current certification in CPR and First Aid required. Ability to relate effectively to student athletes, coaches and other health care professionals, and the University community

Minimal Experience: 1-3 years of collegiate athletic training experience. Demonstrated commitment to furthering the goals and objectives of both, the University and Athletics Department. Ability to successfully communicate with student-athletes and coaching staff. Understanding of the role of the student-athlete in a competitive academic/athletic environment and demonstrated ability to effectively communicate to a variety of constituency groups. Knowledge of NCAA Division I and III rules and regulations.

Range: \$45,000-\$50,750.00 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>

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



Native American Program Coordinator Senior Staff Assistant

A primary focus of the coordinator will be on programming initiatives designed to increase the recruitment, retention, and academic, social success and graduation rate of Indigenous students. This includes maintaining close working relationships with Native communities across the State, particularly Akwesasne Mohawks.

Job Requirements & Essential Functions of Job: Development and delivery of programming initiatives designed to increase the recruitment, retention, and academic success of Indigenous students on our campus by forming collaboration with such departments as the Office of Admissions, Student Success Center, Careers, Campus Life and across all campus departments and maintaining close working relationships with Indigenous communities across the State, particularly Akwesasne Mohawks.

Required Qualifications: A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university is required. The successful applicant must be able to work collaboratively with various campus constituents, possess facilitation and programming skills/experience, and must demonstrate a commitment to assist in building and sustaining a respectful, welcoming, inclusive, and supportive campus environment for underrepresented students and especially our Indigenous students.

We are seeking candidates who possess communication and interpersonal skills sufficient to work effectively with an increasingly diverse array of students and colleagues and who have demonstrated a commitment to creating, fostering and sustaining an inclusive environment.

Preferred Qualifications: Professional experience working with Indigenous students. Master's degree in education, Counseling Psychology, Higher Education Administration, or related field, and at least three years' experience.

We are, especially, seeking candidates who have engaged in professional development activities to enhance knowledge of diversity, equity and inclusion and have worked collaboratively across various departments in fostering success of underrepresented groups and a supportive and inclusive environment for all.

Application Instructions: Application materials should include: resume, cover letter describing specific skills and experience relevant to the position and a document with the names of three professional references. To apply upload your application and related documents to: <https://employment.potsdam.edu/postings/5285>

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nator: Under the direction of the Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner, the RN/Care Coordinator will assist the Mental Health therapists, Psychiatrist, Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner, and the Outpatient Alcohol and Chemical Dependency Program staff with meeting the client's needs. The RN/Care Coordinator will work within guidelines of the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe Health Services policies and procedures, including Mental Health and A/CDP, and under standards of care according to New York State Office of Mental Health and New York State Office of Substance Abuse and Alcohol Services. Status: Exempt, Full-time Salary: \$56,763.20 - \$85,342.40 Deadline: Open Until Filled. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

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Mental Health Director: The Mental Health Director, requiring advanced degrees and licensure, will provide supervision of the day-to-day operations of the Mental Health program. The Mental Health Director will work within the guidelines of the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe Mental Health Services policies and procedures, internal control standards, New York State Office of Mental Health regulations and standards of care. Status: Full-time, Permanent, Exempt Salary: : \$33,820.80-\$119,704.00 Deadline: January 8, 2025. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

Procurement Specialist: Under the direction of the Procurement Manager, the Procurement Specialist is responsible to assist in all aspects of the procurement process of goods, equipment and services for the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal programs. In addition to the guidelines of the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe policies and procedures, internal controls and objectives. Status: Full-time, Non-exempt Salary: \$17.09 - \$23.98 Deadline: January 8, 2025. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

Dental Hygienist: The Dental Hygienist will provide high-quality dental care to patients from all ages under the direction of the Supervising Dentist. Status: Full-time, Permanent, Non-Exempt Salary: \$27.84 - \$43.13 Deadline: January 8, 2025. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

Registered Nurse: The Registered Nurse plays a crucial role in developing and implementing care plans for patients with complex chronic illnesses or significant social determinants of health, guiding them towards their health goals. Additionally, the Registered Nurse provides navigation support to patients, their families, and caregivers, helping them navigate the healthcare system and address any obstacles to receiving care. Status: Full-Time, Non-Exempt, Permanent Salary: \$27.29 - \$41.03 Deadline: February 5, 2025. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

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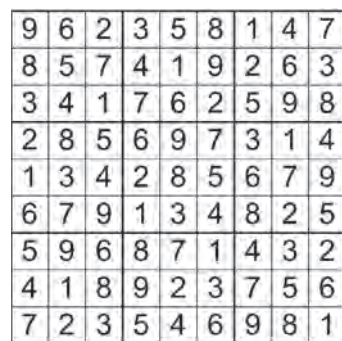
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Qualifications:

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

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32 Very long time
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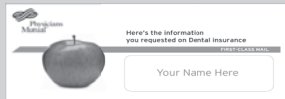
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