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Rural districts may
benefit but real impact
hard to predict

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
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MASSENA — Will changes to the foundation aid formula hurt St. Lawrence County school district?

That's the question School board President Paul Haggett and Superintendent Ron Burke hoped to learn at the Rural Schools Association Winter Conference in Saratoga Springs, and while there are too many variables to make a firm determination, the outlook isn't promising.

At the conference the Rockefeller Institute weighed in on potential cuts to aid that were previously proposed by Governor Kathy Hochul.

That report, issued last year, suggested that cuts to rural districts struggling with enrollment could prove detrimental to the long-term financial stability of such institutions while further burdening tax payers as costs were more likely to increase than decrease.

Nothing solid

"In the broadest sense, what I took away

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Snowmobile falls through ice

State police and rescue workers continue their search Tuesday morning for the driver of a snowmobile that fell through the ice Monday afternoon, Jan. 14, on the St. Regis River. The accident took place near County Route 49. The snowmobile was located and recovered, but rescue workers were still searching for the driver at the time of this printing. See page 3.

City eyes adding water districts

Plan would simplify billing,
aid development

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG -- Ogdensburg is considering establishing at least one new water district for customers outside of the city.

City staff will also investigate adding additional water and sewer districts in the future, which could spur development.

Currently the city is providing the service to parcels in the town of Oswegatchie, Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority and the Village of Heuvelton.

In each instance the city uses a different billing method.

For some parcels, customers are billed the difference in the city's tax rate vs. the Town of Oswegatchie's tax rate times their assessed value.

The OBPA is charged the inside city water rate and the Heuvelton sewer rate. The Village of Heuvelton is charged the city's sewer treatment rate as defined in an agreement between the two entities.

The city also has requests for water and sewer service

SEE WATER PAGE 9

Staffing, illness, late budgets cited as reasons for county tax bill debacle

Nearly a dozen towns affected; Real Property finds fixes for most errors

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

CANTON -- Staffing and illness issues in December, coupled with late budget filings, led to a number of municipalities receiving incorrect property tax bills.

According to a release from St. Lawrence County Director of Real Property Bruce Green, roughly a dozen municipalities were affected by the errors.

"Unfortunately, the office had some staffing and illness issues in December as we were processing the bills and

'County property owners need to know they are to continue paying the tax bills they have received.'

Bruce Green
Real Property director

the correct total levy amount, leading to a review of all tax rolls.

proper proofing was not performed in this office. We also received some budgets late," Green said.

"County property owners need to know they are to continue paying the tax bills they have received," he continued.

Green said the Real Property office discovered Ogdensburg tax bills were sent out without

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Hitting the slopes in O'burg

Mike Beldock, of Ogdensburg, slides down the hill with friends at St. Lawrence Park, Ogdensburg, on a chilly Sunday afternoon.

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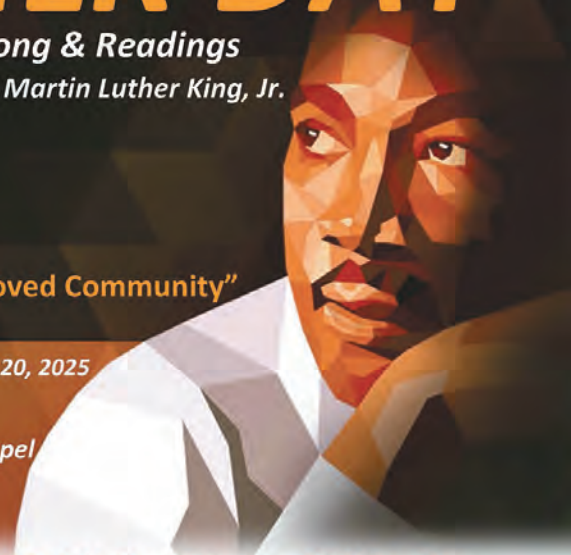
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Snowmobiler missing in Stockholm

STOCKHOLM — The search for a missing snowmobiler on the St. Regis River is in its second day. State police responded Tuesday afternoon to a report of a snowmobile operator who allegedly fell through the ice near the County Route 49 bridge. Troopers reportedly observed snowmobile tracks on the ice which led to open water. A red 2020 snowmobile was located at the bottom of the river near the north shoulder of the bridge, officers said. Local dive teams from Parishville, Akwesasne, and the St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office helped search for the snowmobile operator. Parishville Fire Department also

deployed a drone to search for the victim. "Due to the fast flow of the current and the loss of daylight, the search was suspended until this morning," troopers said. New York State Underwater Recovery Team (URT) is on scene today at the St. Regis River to continue search efforts. This is an ongoing investigation, police said. This is the second time a snowmobiler has gone through the ice in the last two weeks. One person was rescued last week after their snowmobile went through the ice on the St. Regis River, according to the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). The snowmobile reportedly went

through the ice in an area alongside the river. In the incident last week., Ranger Ellis assisted the New York State Police Dive Team to escort the operator off the ice. A private tow company retrieved the snowmobile. Resources were clear at 11:53 a.m.



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Water fun at museum

Ryder White and his parents Josh and Jenna White, of Brasher Falls, play with boats in the water table at the North Country Children's Museum during a recent visit.

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Convicted murderer Adam Smith sentencing on Jan. 17

CANTON — Sentencing for murderer Adam Smith has been moved up four days to Friday, Jan. 17, at 9:30 p.m. in St. Lawrence County Court.. Smith was found guilty of murdering Ronald "Huck" Durham on Feb. 11, 2023 and William Freeman on March 2, 2023 in a jury trial that concluded Nov. 15.

In addition to the murder charges, Smith was convicted of first degree-robbery, first-degree burglary, first-degree grand larceny and three counts of fourth-degree grand larceny stemming from the murders. Sentencing was originally set for Jan. 21.

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Massena Town Board wants off-road vehicles off town highways

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA — Town of Massena officials are looking to change a local law that allows off-road vehicles like ATVs on certain town roads.

Town board members held a public hearing during the Jan. 15 meeting, which drew no comments from the public.

When asked about the specific rationale behind the potential change to the law, Town Attorney Eric Gustafson said its a matter of ensuring the language of the local law is consistent with that of the state regulations.

“The insurance folks were concerned because there’s been some changes with regard to how local laws for those types of uses are adopted. They were concerned

that this was done and doesn’t match contemporary, professional standards,” Gustafson said.

Town Supervisor Sue Bellor elaborated further, saying many local laws for the town “go back decades” and have not been updated to meet modern standards.

“Some of our local laws go back decades that they picked up on and said we needed to update them.

Gustafson said that despite the town board being able to adopt the change to the law, he wanted to go back to review the language further before doing so.

“Before we actually adopt this particular one, I think there’s a little more work that I’d like to do before you actually adopt it. If the board’s OK with that, I’d like to put it off to the February agenda, just because I want to make sure

we don’t create conflicts with the county’s trail system,” Gustafson said.

He commented he wanted to avoid any conflict that is currently happening elsewhere.

Gustafson said if the language of the law is not changed no further public hearing would be needed and the town board could adopt the law next month.

In a second public hearing, town officials looked to adopt a local law that follow general municipal law that requires proper notification before the town is sued.

Gustafson said the local law would ensure the town would not be sued “out of the blue” and would be given proper notice.

No comments were made during that public hearing as well, clearing the way for the board to adopt the law in February.

Youth archery program underway

West Moore, age 8, of Brier Hill, was one of 47 kids who attended Black Lake Fish & Game Club’s youth archery program on its first night, Jan. 6. The program is held on Mondays 5:30-6:30 p.m. for ages 6-9 and 6:30-7:30 for ages 10 and older. Junior membership to the club is \$5, and each night attending. For more info, message the BLFGA Facebook page or email club@blfga.org.

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Firearm charges

MASSENA -- A Massena man has been charged with multiple firearm possession felonies. Massena Police say Nathaniel R. McKenna, 25, was arrested on January 10 and charged with criminal possession of a weapon second degree: loaded firearm (C Felony), criminal possession of a weapon third-degree: previous conviction (D Felony) and criminal possession of stolen property fourth-degree: firearm (E Felony). McKenna was arraigned in Town of Massena Court and

remanded to St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility on \$5,000 bail.

DUI crash

BRASHER — A Massena man was charged Jan. 12 with felonies following a personal-injury accident last summer, according to state police. Troopers said they charged David N. Lantry, 53, with driving while ability impaired by drugs and first-degree aggravated unlicensed operation, both felonies, police said. The accident was first reported to police July 12. One person was reportedly injured. Lantry was ordered held without bail, officers said.

Budget forums on tap at Massena Central

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- Two public forums will be held this winter as Massena Central School officials continue to work on the district’s 2025-26 budget.

The two forums, which are not required, will be held Feb. 13 and March 20 for the public to voice their opinions on the proposed budget.

School officials say a required budget hearing will be held May 8, with district residents taking to the polls on May 20.

Though board of education members had considered cutting the public forums, they have instead opted

to continue with the forums that became commonplace under former Superintendent Pat Brady.

Meetings with administration and initial reviews have been conducted, along with a review of fund balance usage, officials said.

Next up will be the Finance Committee’s review of the budget calendar and budget strategies, along with a review of athletics, central services, debt service, extracurriculars, general support, technology and transportation.

Following that, the Finance Committee will review other aspects including employee benefits, staffing, special education and school lunch

budget, among others.

The committee will meet again on Feb. 13 prior to the board of education’s regular meeting, during which time they will review a draft budget, the projected fund balance, tax cap calculation, revenues and reserves.

An updated draft budget will be reviewed on March 20 prior to the regular board meeting.

Following that, the board will likely adopt a proposed budget on April 14, with a hearing set to be held on May 8.

The budget vote will then be held on May 20 from 12-8 p.m. at the Massena Community Center located at 61 Beach Street.

O’burg men indicted on sex abuse charges

CANTON – Two Ogdensburg men were indicted by a St. Lawrence County grand jury Jan. 6 on first-degree sexual abuse charges.

Benjamin Reed, 29, and Ryan Fifield, 29, both of 60 Loafers Bluff Drive, Ogdensburg, were each

indicted on one count of first-degree sexual abuse, one count of third-degree sexual abuse, and endangering the welfare of a child.

It is alleged that between June and July 2023 in the Town of Lisbon, Reed subjected an individual to sexual contact when that person was incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless with that person being less than 17 years old.

Court documents report that on or about Dec. 9, 2023, Fifield subjected another person less than 17 years old to sexual contact by forcible compulsion.

In other Jan. 6 grand jury action: Nicholas Rubado, 40, 1 Smith St., Brasher Falls, was indicted on charges of third-degree arson,

second-degree strangulation, second-degree assault, one count each of third-degree and fourth-degree criminal mischief, bribing a witness, and fourth-degree tampering with a witness.

It is alleged that on or about Sept. 10 in the Town of Brasher, Rubado, intentionally damaged a building or motor vehicle by starting a fire and causing an explosion. At that same time, Rubado is accused of impeding the normal breathing of a person by applying pressure on the throat or neck.

Mark A. Ramsey, 29, of 825 New York Ave., Ogdensburg, was indicted for second-degree strangulation, second-degree assault, first-degree criminal contempt, and second-degree burglary.

It is alleged that on or about Nov. 12 in the City of Ogdensburg, Ramsay impeded the normal breathing of a person by applying pressure on the throat or neck, violated an order of protection and knowingly unlawfully entered a building with the intent to commit a crime.

Also charged in this alleged incident was Kelsey Dox-Clement, 26, of 33 Hough Road, Massena. She was indicted on two counts of endangering the welfare of a child. It alleged she acted in a manner likely to be injurious to the physical, mental and moral welfare of a five-year-old child.

On Thursday, Jan. 9, an Ogdensburg man was indicted Thursday, Jan. 9 by a St. Lawrence County grand jury for allegedly damaging property of another person in an amount exceeding \$250.

Stuart A. Seidel, 47, of 834 Foard St., Apt. 5, was indicted for third-degree criminal mischief. The alleged incident took place July 24 in the City of Ogdensburg.

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Massena Hospital employees honored

MASSENA – Rochester Regional Health's St. Lawrence senior leaders recognized three employees at Massena Hospital as Employees of the Fourth Quarter. They are Monitor Technician Chandra Kavi with Medical/Surgical, Facility Greeter Jennifer Perez with Registration, and Nurse Manager Andrew Sienkiewicz, RN, with Wound Care.

These individuals were nominated by both patients and colleagues for the exceptional work they perform each and every day. One team member from ancillary services, in-patient services, and Behavioral Health/Clinical Network were chosen.

Ogdensburg outsources planning duties as search to replace Smith continues

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

OGDENSBURG -- City council agreed to outsource the bulk of planning work as the search for a city planner continues in Ogdensburg. The seat was left vacant after longtime City Planner Andrea Smith resigned the position recently. Aside from lacking a director, the city has an additional planner position that remains vacant in the department. Her exit left a large hole in the city's staffing as Smith served as planning director but also assisted with recreation and often filled in where needed during her tenure with Ogdensburg. City Manager Fonda Chronis said that while he is doing his best to guide the planning work, much of it is beyond his expertise. "I do not possess the technical

skill set to be able to do technical site reviews and that type of thing," he said. On Jan. 14, the City Council agreed to two separate agreements. Chronis said that both firms had different expertise that would be useful and that the work would be billed on an hourly basis. LaBella Associates, a Potsdam based engineering firm, will likely handle the bulk of the work including variances, meeting management and assistance in planning board reviews. Meanwhile, MRB Group, an engineering, architecture and municipal planning firm based in Brighton, would assist with a variety of tasks ranging from application preparation, code updates and staff training to State Environmental Quality Reviews and subdivision reviews. Chronis said having both agencies

to assist the city will be helpful and allow for more diversified assistance. A total of \$30,000 has been slated to fund the work, as necessary. It's unclear how soon the city might have a replacement for Smith, but recently Chronis said the job remains vacant and no offer has been extended yet. The city has received applications, but how many they've received or if local talent has applied has not been shared publicly. Ogdensburg has been working to fill a number of management positions in recent months as well, as positions within the police department. The city continues to outsource its comptroller duties, but has recently hired an acting assessor and was able to retain its code's officer who had planned to retire.

SLC legislature sets 2025 meeting schedule, elects Forsythe as chair, Denesha as vice chair

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

CANTON -- The St. Lawrence County Legislature has set its meeting schedule for 2025. Legislators met for a full board and organizational meeting on Jan. 2, electing Chairman David Forsythe to a third consecutive term in the role. During the Jan. 2 organization meeting, legislators also elected

Legislator Larry Denesha as vice chairman and adopted the rules of procedure once again. Legislators later approved the 2025 slate of committee and full board meeting. The schedule is as follows:

- Operations Committee- Jan. 6, Feb. 10, March 10, April 14, May 12, June 9, July 14, Aug. 11, Sept. 22, Oct. 20, Nov. 10, Dec. 8
- Service Committee- Jan. 13, Feb. 10, March 17, April 14, May 12,

June 16, July 21, Aug. 18, Sept. 22, Oct. 20, Nov. 17, Dec. 15

- Finance Committee- Jan. 27, Feb. 24, March 24, April 28, May 19, June 23, July 28, Aug. 25, Sept. 29 (tentative budget), Oct. 27, Nov. 24, Dec. 22
- Full Board- Jan. 2, Feb. 3, March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, Aug. 4, Sept. 15, Oct. 6, Nov. 3, Dec. 1

Massena Central to split cost of crossing guards with village

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- The village of Massena and Massena Central School District have agreed to a deal that will continue to provide for six crossing guards but the cost has shifted slightly. Under the new deal, which runs until May 31 of this year, the school district will cover the cost of three guards.

The village was previously on the hook for the cost of all six crossing guards as they were considered village employees, officials said last month.

Why the change? It comes down to budget constraints, according to village Mayor Greg Paquin.

Paquin told the village board of trustees that village officials had originally told school district officials of the village's intention to scale back to just three crossing guards due to budget constraints.

An alternative was offered, with village officials agreeing to keep the figure at six total crossing guards if the district agreed to split the

expense. Paquin said the potential cuts would have impacted the district's three elementary schools primarily – Nightengale Elementary, Jefferson Elementary and Madison Elementary.

At a recent school board meeting Massena Central Superintendent Ron Burke told board members the agreement to split the cost of crossing guards has been in place "for about a year now."

"Then, last year may have been the first year of that agreement where we reimbursed the village for the other three," Burke said.

That contract expired last June, prompting the village to seek an update to the agreement.

The new deal will see the district spend \$1,300 more to cover the additional costs associated with the positions.

The agreement was first struck in 2023 after village officials had informed the district of the planned cuts and coincides with the village's fiscal year, which runs from June 1 through May 31, officials said.



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Heater igniting fan ruled cause of No Dogs Left Behind fire

BY PAUL MITCHELL
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CANTON – The cause of an Oct. 24 fire that killed 44 dogs at the No Dogs Left Behind sanctuary in Canton has been ruled accidental, according to St. Lawrence County Fire investigators.

A plastic fan placed less than one foot away from a kerosene salamander heater was cited as the cause of tragic blaze, a Cause and Origin report stated.

“The fire has been classified as accidental due to a kerosene salamander heater/fan being introduced to the plastic housing of the fan,” said lead investigator Zachary Cole, NY-CFI, St. Lawrence County Office of Emergency Services Bureau of Fire - Fire Investigation Team (SLCFIT).

The fire started when a kerosene heater kicked on, eventually igniting

the fan.

“The ambient temperature dropped enough for the kerosene heater to turn on then igniting the plastic housing on the fan that was directly in front of the heater,” the report reads.

The report also noted there was no smoke alarm system or smoke alarms in the building.

The structure at 1734 State Route 68 is owned by Stiles and Debbie Bridges and leased by No Dogs Left Behind under the operation of Jeffrey Beri.

Firefighters were called to the kennel at 1 a.m. on October 24. The building was already engulfed in flames when they arrived.

It was also noted in the report that video footage of the ignition was obtained. After examination of the area, the following were unable to be ruled out: Kerosene salamander heater and fan.

Legislator chair seeks 21st District nod

BY JIMMY LAWTON
North Country This Week

LISBON - St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators Chair Dave Forsythe has announced he is seeking the Republican nomination to run for the 21st Congressional District.

A lifelong resident of Lisbon and prominent Ogdensburg businessman, he joins a crowded list of politicians and business leaders seeking the nomination to fill the seat currently held by Elise Stefanik.

She is expected to resign to join President Donald Trump's cabinet as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations.

Accomplishments as legislator

Forsythe has served as a county legislator for over a decade and was recently elected chair for a third consecutive term.

Forsythe says he is proud of his record as a conservative voice in the legislature where he has fought to reduce spending, make government more efficient, and reduce the county's property tax rate to the lowest level in 40 years.

“When my fellow Republicans and I took control of the county government from a Democratic-dominated board a decade ago, spending was out of control,” he said. “We spent the last 10 years cleaning up the Democrat's mess, going from a \$3 million deficit to a \$70 million fund balance. I will take that experience to Washington and help President Trump and my fellow Republicans reform our bloated federal government and restore fiscally conservative values.”

Forsythe believes his experience as a legislator and business professional and his ability to work together as part of a team will serve him

and his constituents well if he can win the seat.

Leader in the district

Forsythe says it's important that whoever is elected is someone who lives in the district. He's been a long-time supporter of President Trump and Congresswoman Stefanik and says he'll continue her work in ensuring the rural portions of the state are not forgotten in Washington. Forsythe has been married for 38 years. He has three children and seven grandchildren, but soon will have nine. Part of his decision to run is to ensure they have a bright future.

“We have fixed the problems created by prior Democratic control in the county. I would love to be part of the Trump team to take back our country. My family is vested in this district and my concern is making sure our area and residents remain safe as well as to grow the economic opportunities available in this end of New York State,” he said.

Forsythe said that the 21st Congressional District is large, which means some people might not be familiar with him, but he's ready to share his message.

“As I watch the fires burning California run rampant, my insurance background I believe gives me a unique perspective on what it will take to fix some of these issues as well as high auto insurance prices. If the voters of the 21st District are looking for someone unwavering to move the Trump agenda forward, then I'm your guy. If you're looking for a lifelong community service oriented local business owner who shares your values, I'm your man. If you're looking for someone who opposes biological males playing in girls sports then I'm your guy. If

you're looking for someone that has cleaned up the Democratic mess left by prior administrations then I am more than ready to tackle that as well,” Forsythe said.

Trump supporter

Forsythe said that however the selection works out he hopes President Trump, J.D. Vance and his cabinet move the make America great agenda forward.

“What I say to people that don't approve or like anything about the movement just sit back, get some popcorn and watch how this evolves.”

The candidate will be decided by a vote of the County Republican Party chairs within the 21st congressional district. The votes will be weighted based on the population.

Forsythe and his family own a successful North Country insurance business. He is also known for his success in the tourism industry.

Town, village, school boards all appoint task force reps

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- The Massena town board, village board of trustees and school board officially named their representatives to the Local Government Task Force during recent meetings.

In most cases, the appointments remain relatively unchanged from previous appointments.

Village officials appointed Tim Ahlfeld to the post, while Town Supervisor Sue Bellor and Deputy Town Supervisor Pat Facticeau will represent the town.

School district officials reappointed Board of Education Vice President Kevin Perretta to the post along with Superintendent Ron Burke.

Entities in Massena are not the only members of the Local Government Task Force, however, as the town and village of Waddington, town of Louisville, St. Lawrence County and Madrid-Waddington Central School District all have a seat at the table with the New York Power Authority. The role of the task force is to negotiate a relicensing agreement with NYPA as part of the 10-year review process. The final agreement will net local emergency services \$8,000 annually each, along with \$1.5 million for energy efficiency projects over the next 10 years. A total of \$2.275 million will be spent on shoreline stabilization over the next 10 years, along with an estimated \$7.158 million from high flow payments.

NYPA also signed off on \$1.6 million for recreational activities, \$5 million for a Recreational Improvement Fund for a multi-use trail from Wilson Hill to Waddington, \$200,000 for recreational marketing efforts and \$750,000 for the River Course at Louisville Landing.

Officials recently completed that task in December 2024, however county legislators opted to vote against the tentative agreement saying it was negotiated in “bad faith.”

Legislators near unanimously opposed a resolution approving the Relicensing Settlement Agreement (RSA) and instead passed a second resolution opposing it during the Dec. 2 full board meeting. Legislators John Gennett and Nicole Terminelli abstained due to personal conflicts.

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Massena based 'Iron Mind' suicide prevention walk success in first year

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- The Iron Mind walk to raise awareness about suicide prevention proved to be a huge success during the inaugural event, with hundreds of volunteers converging on downtown Massena during October's Fall Festival event.

Iron Mind's organizer Todd Mullin was on hand during the December meeting of the village board of trustees to offer his thanks for the support offered by village officials.

"I'd like to thank the board. I'd like to thank you for our permit for our first annual suicide prevention walk. The fire department, the police department, I can't thank you all enough," Mullin said.

A self-described "everyman," Mullin said he "isn't a t-shirt salesman or event organizer" but came into the event with a "plan and a vision" of what he hoped it would become.

After six months of planning, the event went off without a hitch, he said.

"We made it come true and it was wonderful," he said.

Mullin said he estimated at least 350 people were on hand for the walk, helping to create awareness for suicide prevention efforts.

"We definitely created awareness, that's for sure," he said.

Mullin said the entire event went even better than he could have hoped and commented that everyone involved were incredibly polite and courteous.

"I had to go back to Sacred Heart Church and pick up some tables and a tent we had there. You talk about amazing, we had 350 people show up and there wasn't one piece of garbage," Mullin said.

Mullin also complimented Department of Public Works Superintendent Marty Miller and DPW crews for their work.

As for future iterations, Mullin said they are already in the works.

"We're talking with Jason Hendricks and we're planning to do another event this year, hopefully tied with Pumpkinpalooza," Mullin

said.

Mayor Greg Paquin said he was very excited for those events, commenting that he felt they fit perfectly with Fall Fest.

"I was just going to say, I think that just worked beautifully with the festival. I think it was fantastic," Paquin said.

Mullin said he hopes to continue to expand on the project and continue to raise awareness as time goes on.

He commented that the event had a big impact on his family as well.

"I want to thank everybody. I really appreciate it. It really meant the world to our family, so thank you all," he said.

If you or someone you know is struggling, help can be found by calling, texting or chatting with a counselor by dialing 988.

For more information, visit 988lifeline.org/utm_source=google&utm_medium=web&utm_campaign=onebox

Help can also be found by visiting the Behavioral Health Urgent Care, located at 1003 Park Street in Ogdensburg or by driving

to your nearest emergency department.

Outpatient treatment can also be sought with St. Lawrence County Mental Health by calling (315) 386, 2167, St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center in Gouverneur, Massena and Ogdensburg by calling (315) 541-2001, Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center by calling (315) 393-3600, Catholic Charities in Ogdensburg by calling (315) 393-2660 or by calling United Helpers in Canton and Ogdensburg by calling (315) 393-3074.

Other services can be sought with St. Lawrence Health by calling (315) 261-5405 for the Potsdam location or (315) 261-5407 for the Gouverneur location.

Citizens Advocates also offers services in Massena and can be reached by calling (315) 764-8076.

Inpatient treatment can be found by calling the St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center at (315) 541-2001 or Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center by calling (315) 393-3600.

For more information about Iron Mind Events, visit bit.ly/4gSVIWI

School considers potentially leasing vehicles in 2025-2026 academic year

BY JEFF CHUDZINSKI
North Country This Week

MASSENA -- Vehicles used by the Massena Central School District could potentially come from a lease program as district officials weigh the pros and cons for the 2025-26 budget.

According to Superintendent Ron Burke, multiple districts and the Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) have opted to use programs through companies through Enterprise.

The village of Massena opted into a similar deal last year.

Burke said the district currently owns all of its own vehicles.

"One of the things that we're looking at is are we keeping our vehicles too long and what is that cost of ownership," Burke told board members.

A deal with a company like Enterprise would allow the district to upgrade vehicles more often, allowing them to avoid costly long-term maintenance expenses while maintaining equity in the vehicles.

Burke said the district currently has a "high priority need" for two passenger vans and at least one new passenger vehicle as the district purchased two Chevy Traverses last year.

One was intended to be used by staff to attend conferences, however both have been occupied by the Transportation Department, he said.

But purchasing three new vehicles comes with a hefty price tag, well over \$100,000, according to Burke.

"That still doesn't address some of our other needs with a plow truck that's starting to fall apart and another truck that we have replaced the transmission. I think that's around the third transmission in the past year," Burke said.

Burke said the district would continue to explore its options with the program, noting it would cost the district around \$70,000 in the first year but would lessen concerns about vehicles breaking down and requiring costly repairs.

He said the district would be able to cycle through vehicles, keeping a newer fleet in ser-

vice.

"Enterprise actually watches the market. So, after a year or two years, they're watching your mileage. They'll make that recommendation that now is the time to get rid of the vehicle and it has a high trade-in value, and that's when you would do that," Burke said.

He said the board will be able to make a decision in the future when more information is provided and they continue through the budget process further.

The village of Massena entered into a con-

tract with Enterprise in 2022, a move that will likely save the village over \$400,000, according to trustees.

Village officials have been able to cycle through a number of vehicles deemed to be significantly older than recommended by Enterprise officials.

At the time of the April 2022 presentation by Enterprise representative Conner Kimball, the village had 39 vehicles that were deemed to be older than expected and at an increased risk of rising repair and maintenance costs.

That could lead to future budgetary issues, he told trustees in 2022.

Under the contract Enterprise can also handle all accessorizing of all vehicles as well, including outfitting DPW work trucks as requested, police, fire and rescue vehicles. The vehicles would also be uniform in color and come outfitted with department logos.

"Our goal is to handle as much as possible to eliminate any added costs you may incur and to ensure that your staff can focus on what really matters most," Kimball previously said.

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF TOWN BOARD MEETING LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF STOCKHOLM

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the monthly meetings of the Stockholm Town board will be held on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM unless otherwise noted below at the Municipal Building, Winthrop. The list of meetings for 2025 is as follows:

January 7, 2025
February 11, 2025
March 11, 2025
April 8, 2025
May 13, 2025
June 10, 2025 – 5:30 PM
July 8, 2025 – 5:30 PM
August 12, 2025 – 5:30 PM
September 9, 2025
October 14, 2025
Thursday, November 6, 2025
December 9, 2025

These meetings are open to the public.

January 14, 2025

Heather Kish, Town Clerk
Town of Stockholm

MASSENA NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Qualification of RI RE Massena LLC. Certificate of Authority filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/03/2024 Office location: St. Lawrence County. Limited Liability Company (LLC) formed in on 10/10/2024. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to RI RE Massena LLC: Parking lot, 500 Cummings Center suite 6050, Beverly, MA 01915, USA. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

HEUVELTON NOTICE OF MEETING

The regularly scheduled monthly meetings of the Village of Heuvelton Board of Trustees are the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00pm. The meetings will be held at the Town Hall 51 State street, Heuvelton.

LEGAL NOTICE AUDIT

Notice is hereby given that the fiscal affairs of Lisbon Central School District for the period beginning July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024, have been examined by an independent public accountant, and that the report prepared in conjunction with the external audit has been filed in the district office where it is available as a public record for inspection by all interested persons.

Pursuant to § 35 of the General Municipal Law, the governing board of Lisbon Central School may, in its discretion, prepare a written response to the report of external audit and file such response in the district office as a public record for inspection by all interested persons.

Krista Woods,
District Clerk,
Lisbon Central
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ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE

The Potsdam Central School District is soliciting proposals from eligible agencies to offer a Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program for children who turn four years of age by December 1, 2025, for the 2025-2026 school year. Any eligible agency interested in applying to offer a Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program as part of the Potsdam Central School District Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program should contact Mark Bennett, Assistant Superintendent, at (315) 265-2000 extension 36729 or at mbennett@potsdam.k12.ny.us to ask for a request for proposal. Eligible agencies seeking to apply to offer a program must submit their proposal by March 3, 2025, at 3:00 pm.

The program requires active parental involvement, supporting the educational development of the child. Staff development and yearly evaluation of agency staff is required. Collaborative agencies are required to work with the Potsdam Central School District to provide a strong and positive transition for students to the early educational grades in the school district. January 6, 2025

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LISBON PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF BOND RESOLUTION

The resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, was adopted on December 19, 2024. The validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Lisbon Central School District is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Krista S. Woods

District Clerk

SUMMARY OF BOND RESOLUTION

A Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Lisbon Central School District, St. Lawrence County, New York on December 19, 2024 authorizes the issuance of bonds and other obligations to fund a capital project consisting of the reconstruction and renovation of, and the construction of improvements, additions and upgrades to various District buildings and facilities and the sites thereof, including the construction of a new transportation facility, the purchase of original furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required in connection with the purposes for which such buildings, facilities and sites are used, all to include site, access, parking, demolition, utility, mechanical, plumbing and electrical improvements as well as payment of professional fees and all other necessary costs incidental to such work (collectively, the "Project") and expend therefore a total sum not to exceed \$9,396,000, which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and to pay for such project by using any available funds, including State building aid and to the extent necessary, the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the School District to be collected in annual installments in the years and in the amounts as the Board of Education shall determine and in anticipation of such tax the District is authorized to issue up to \$9,396,000 of obligations of the School District, and levy a tax to pay the principal and interest on said obligations when due. Under the Local Finance Law, the period of probable usefulness of the Project is thirty (30) years. Such resolution shall be kept available for public inspection in the District Offices during regular business hours for twenty days following this publication.

BRIEFLY

Sons of Amvets donation

MASSENA -- The Massena Sons of Amvets recently made a \$500 donation to the Massena Meals on Wheels program.

OBGC donation

The Ogdensburg Boys & Girls Club and the Police Activities League of Massena are both recipients of \$2,500 in funding from the Community Foundation. The club is celebrating 60 years serving the greater Ogdensburg community. It is recognized for its youth programming and accessibility, allowing children between ages 6 and 19 to participate. On a typical afternoon during the school year, more than 100 youth visit the club to play sports, join in targeted programs, engage in STEM-related activities, or just visit with friends. A common thread

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Great support for Christmas program

St. Peter's Outreach Ministry extends our heartfelt thanks to the entire community for support of our 2024 Christmas Program. Your generosity enabled us to provide food to 356 families and gifts to 484 children ensuring a brighter holiday for those in need.

Thanks to all those who donated financial support and purchased gifts for the children. We are so grateful to those who volunteered their time to pack food boxes and assist with our distribution.

Thank you to Dollar Tree for the donation of toys. And we are most grateful to McDonald's for their donation of hundreds of boxes. Our food boxes literally would be impossible without their generosity.

We thank the parishioners of St. Peter's Parish and the Massena Central School District Teachers who purchased gifts; Arconic for their Action Grant donation and their team of volunteers - Lynn Crump, Naresh Singh, Cherilyn Prentice, Heather Cockayne and her daughter Madison, Patrick and Evelyn Barube, Alson and Ellie Caswell - who assisted in packing food boxes; the Knights of Columbus, IBEW, USW Local 420A, Massena Fire Department, American Legion, Marine Corps League Auxiliary, Laborer's Local #1822, AmVets Post #4, Massena Savings and Loan, Edmund Zysik DDS, Yelle Realty, Stubbs Printing, Johnson's H2O, East Orvis Street Liquors, Toddler Town Day Care, SeaComm FCU, Corner Convenience Store & More, Twin Rivers Credit Union, Hoot Owl Apartments, Bear's Den Charitable Foundation, Mark Bogden CPA, Scott & Leslie Loran Rentals, Trego Realty, Dufresne Real Estate, Rochester Regional Health, Arconic, Liberty Utilities, and Vanguard for their financial assistance.

We are most grateful to those who responded to our Christmas Letter with donations, offers to volunteer and prayers.

Every donation enabled us to make Christmas merrier for so many in our community. Your generosity was remarkable and most appreciated.

Our gratitude is extended to

Border Patrol Agents Sean Fay, Andrew Lawall, and Jonathan Curran, retired Border Patrol Agent Mike Boyea, retired Corrections Officer Matt Beard, and State Trooper Marc Plante for assistance with deliveries for families without transportation. We thank Pizza Hut and Subway for providing food for our volunteers as well as Alex's Ice House for help with food storage. Without the efforts of the cart pushers - Doug Premo, Larry French, Perry French, Dave Gerace, Jeff Slack, Pat Henrie, Steve O'Shaughnessy, Dave Gagne, Jim Dufresne, Vance Fleury, and Pete Thomas - who brought food and gifts to the vehicles of families picking up their Christmas Assistance food and gifts, our program wouldn't have run as smoothly as it did.

St. Peter's Outreach Ministry's 2024 Christmas Assistance Program was successful because of all those who gave so selflessly of their time, talent, and treasure. May God bless you all in 2025 and beyond.

Kitty Samuel, Elaine LaPage, Carole Toomey, Beverly Robinson, and Marylou Francia
Christmas Program Chairs
On behalf of all the members and benefactors of St. Peter's Outreach Ministry

Could become another Hitler?

Convicted felon, adjudicated sexual abuser, and Home Alone 2 actor Donald Trump getting elected president twice while fear mongering about migrants is unsurprising in a nation that cannot completely shed its racist, anti-immigrant history.

Not just Trump, but the worldwide rise of authoritarian, anti-democratic figures like Putin, Netanyahu, Assad, Le Pen, Orban, and Bolsonaro has me convinced of three things: (1) since the 2010s, we've been echoing the 1930s rise of fascism, (2) this is at least partly because living memory of the 1930s is dying out, and (3) Donald Trump is going to remain in power until he dies.

I could be wrong. I'm no expert. I'm just some random dude that writes letters to the editor. I played baseball at Saint Michael's College and never made the

Dean's List. McGill University rejected me for grad school. I failed my grad school comps at Catholic U my first try, got lucky to pass and graduate, and never attempted a PhD. Again, I'm just some dude. I could be wrong. But I'm probably correct.

Could Trump have happened in the 2000s or 1990s or earlier? I don't think so. Lots of people born in the 1910s and '20s were still around.

They witnessed what happened in the Weimar Republic when a mesmerizing conman scapegoated the Jews as disease ridden vermin. They saw Italy under Mussolini's sway, and Spain go fascist under Franco for two generations.

But now, they're all dead or extremely old. When Trump says migrants are disease infested animals, it doesn't trigger memories.

Those who came of age in the 1930s knew that a democratic government could fall to a strongman. People alive now didn't live through fascism, and the marginal Trump voter thinks he can get cheaper eggs under Trump and send him on his way in 2028. Sincerely, I hope they're correct.

But history shows it doesn't work that way. If the 14th Amendment didn't stop insurrectionist Trump from running again after his coup attempt, the 22th won't prevent a third term, especially after his handpicked Supreme Court gave him presidential immunity.

His presidency is a "get-out-of-jail-free" card and a whole lot more.

And, finally, do I think Trump is Hitler? He's more a Mussolini or a Franco.

But if he's successful in rounding up 15 million migrants and putting them in what will become American concentration camps, then, yes, he could become another Hitler.

Sean Pidgeon
Morristown

Food pantry thanks Lights on the River

The Norfolk Raymondville Food Pantry (NRFP) would like to express their sincere appreciation to The Lights on the River for their recent donation of three large boxes of non-perishable food, 16 cases of Pepsi Products and a check for \$1,200.

Thank you to the sponsors of this event, as well as all the families who visited this year. Additional thanks to Pepsi Cola Bottlers of Ogdensburg for their donation of Pepsi products.

Clint Taylor and other LOTR Board members and volunteers give so generously of their time in December (when time seems to be a most precious commodity) to host this event on the bitter cold shores of the St. Lawrence River at Lisbon Beach Campground, not only for the holiday entertainment for the families who drive through to admire the beautiful displays, but mainly to raise much needed funds for 16 food pantries in St. Lawrence County.

That's right, the week before Christmas, when the rest of us are finishing up our holiday shopping or in our warm kitchens baking holiday cookies, these people are

out braving the cold winds off Lisbon Beach hosting this event, as well as making necessary repairs on displays that have been damaged by the winds, snow and sleet.

We are so appreciative of this group of unsung heroes for all they do to help local food pantries address the issue of food insecurity of families and individuals in St. Lawrence County.

Thank you Lights on the River for 15 wonderful years of support. Keep the lights shining.

Wendy Chambers
Norfolk Raymondville Food Pantry

Slowly walking to fascism

In response to Leland Farnsworth's letter from 1/9, I would like to give an opinion and information.

A majority of hurting voters were hurting and felt listened to. How?

With rallies asserting the exact opposite about the economy or the demonization of immigrants? Or about the inflation that continues or manipulation of certain items by major manufacturers of said items?

While Mr. Farnsworth is "not a trumper or a MAGA," helping to excuse said group is the same as holding water for that group.

There is a difference between being spoken down to and being yelled at in the face. MAGA and those on the right feel spoken down to because the informa-

tion doesn't align with what they believe and then their response is to yell in the face of the informant.

This is seen in multiple letters to the editor on this site, of which I have responded about but have never seen brought up because not republican.

He speaks about policies and elections. It doesn't help when your policies, proven to work, are bad-mouthed ad nauseum in major new networks and supposed new outlets, like this site/publication.

We didn't demonize a candidate. We pointed out his behaviors and what he was saying. That neuroscientific evidence Mrs. Hodges pointed out it was in effect enough to not make a dent.

We are slowly walking to fascism and it isn't helped by the "work together" mentality, especially when one side is openly saying that their opponents should be locked up and/or killed.

Jeffrey Wilson
Massena

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR of North Country This Week are welcome and should be 400 words or fewer and are subject to editing. They can be e-mailed to Letters@NorthCountryNow.com, faxed to 315-268-8701, mailed to P.O. Box 975, Potsdam, NY 13676 or dropped off at our new office location, 4 Clarkson Ave. in Potsdam. North Country This Week does not independently check all facts and figures presented in letters to the editor.

NCNOW SURVEY

Most do not attend local college athletic contests



Debbie Morgan | NCTW

Last week's question

How often do you attend a local college athletic contest?

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY is home to four colleges which offer a variety of sports. Local residents can attend football, basketball, soccer and hockey games, among others. How often do you attend a local college athletic contest?

rence County libraries offer residents opportunities to read books, attend various classes and get low-cost or sometimes free entertainment without leaving their own town. How often do you typically visit your local library?

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TAXES . . .

Largest error was in Pierrepont

Following that review, Green said the towns of Brasher (Helena Light District), Canton, Potsdam, Rossie and Clifton contained errors with a combined total of just over \$2000.

“The lowest error was \$.05 in the Town of Canton and the largest error was slightly over \$700 in Potsdam and Rossie. We have spoken with each of these towns and St. Lawrence County will correct these internally,” he said.

Five additional towns also contained errors, causing some property owners to be undercharged.

“Those towns will be resolving these through the county/town chargeback process on next year’s tax bills. The towns impacted by this error are Morristown and Brasher as well as the municipalities of Stockholm, Village of Norwood in Potsdam that make up the Norwood Library District. The largest is Brasher and Stockholm (Brasher-Winthrop Fire District) of \$10,753 each. These towns have agreed to fix through the chargeback process,” he said.

In the case of Stockholm, town officials met Monday, Jan. 6, to find a solution to the error.

The difference between payments is roughly \$100 for the average taxpayer, according to officials in Stockholm

Town Board Member Jediaiah Arquitt said board members discussed a solution to the matter that would not short the fire department.

Arquitt said board members were concerned that without an agreement with the county, the department could be short \$10,000 this year.

“Last night we came up with an agreement that would mean the town of Stockholm residents would not see a refund this year for overpayment but instead would see a discount next year on their tax bill, while residents in the town of Brasher would make up that difference next year,” he said.

But the largest issue was found with the town of Pierrepont due to Real Property using the prior year’s budget information from the town and the previous year’s county tax rate.

Green said that resulted in \$51,508 in tax revenue not being billed to the town and \$135,663 not billed for the county.

“Pierrepont property owners are being under billed this year. The town will be made whole and the underage will be the responsibility of the county,” Green said.

According to Green, the town of Pierrepont is accepting tax payments and no new tax bills will be reissued this year.

Green said the town of Colton had budgeted an additional \$215,000 in their 2025 budget, which included water and sewer charges for 207 properties in the water and sewer district, causing miscalculations.

Green said the town had not intended for those to be levied since the town bills for them quarterly.

“Though town officials had included those on the budget. The Real Property Office was obligated to follow the budget that was adopted by the town board. The town will be able to handle these corrections on an individual basis,” Green said.

Other issues were also originally reported earlier this week.

Errors related to the Norwood Village Library District which includes the towns of Stockholm,

Potsdam and the Village of Norwood in Potsdam.

Green said that the county is working closely with municipalities involved and expects resolutions to be hashed out in the coming days.

“We are discussing what those options will be and expect a plan to be forthcoming,” he said.

County officials held several meetings this week once the errors were found to find a solution and to ensure such problems do not occur in the future.

“We sincerely apologize for these errors and appreciate the public’s patience as we work to resolve it,” Green said.

WATER . . .

DANC plan encourages water district

at the Ogdensburg Airport and the City School’s new bus garage.

The OBPA agreement has already been signed and the school hopes to tap into the city’s water and Heuvelton’s sewer lines.

On Monday Development Authority Engineers provided the city with options for moving forward.

In the first option the city could continue to provide service to outside city customers on a case by case basis.

The second calls for establishing a formal water district.

Engineers said that if the city establishes the proper fee schedule it could avoid a property tax and revenue loss and increase revenues to help pay for existing sewer and water expenses.

Engineers said the plan has the capacity necessary to serve more customers and could potentially get more access to grants that stand-alone systems do not.

DANC Chief Operating Officer Carrie Tuttle said that she recently met with Oswegatchie officials who discussed the matter and that they were supportive of the establishment of a water district.

She said doing so would protect the town from non-payment of services which could be collected through the county’s re-levy process.

She said it would ensure infrastructure is owned and operated properly and that testing is completed as needed. She said it also provides a cost share mechanism for future improvements.

Perhaps the biggest benefit, according to DANC officials, is that it would allow the city to deal with just two entities, Heuvelton and Oswegatchie, rather than every single user.

Councilor Jennifer Stevenson raised concern about commercial zoning being more strict in the city than in neighboring towns.

She asked if zoning overlays were something that could be included in a new water district. Tuttle said it could be included.

She said restrictions could also be included in the agreement.

Stevenson said she’d like more recommendations in that regard, which Tuttle said she could provide.

She said the city may want to establish one district that includes the school and OBPA in a timely fashion. In that case it would be two users, both who want to establish service.

She said that would allow the city to lay the groundwork for a second district that could be implemented further down the road.

Tuttle said the other district may spur interest from other nearby properties which could lead to further investment needs.

City councilor Dan Skamperle

asked if Oswegatchie officials were interested in bringing the water district further out along State Highway 37. DANC officials said they believed the town was open to discussion on all matters related to the new district.

He also raised concerns regarding storm water separation. Tuttle said that would be required under New York State law.

Tuttle said as districts are established it will show the city is a regional supplier. She said being a regional supplier opens up new funding lines and access to additional grants.

“This would position you better to be able to show that you are serving multiple municipalities,” she said.

Powers asked what kind of turn-around time would be expected. She said roughly six months would be needed for the first district and an additional six months for the other districts. She noted that would require buy-in from 51 percent of those within the district.

She said surveying would be needed to determine interest.

Stevenson noted that a lack of interest actually shut down a similar plan in the past. Tuttle said the surveys would help shape the district based on interest.

She said districts do not need to be contiguous, meaning some parcels could be avoided.

Mayor Michael Tooley asked if anything formal was necessary to move conversations forward.

City Manager Fonda Chronis said at this time he believed consensus was adequate to this time, but as things become more clear action will be requested.

Council was in full support of further investigating the establishment of water districts.

AID . . .

Advocates say foundation aid formula needs overall

from it is that the report is just a report. Many changes to be implemented are now in the state legislature, and there are lots of recommendations for changes in how foundation aid is determined that are independent of each other,” Haggett told board members.

Following five meetings that included the Institute, stakeholders, educators, school officials and the public, the Institute recommended phased-in cuts to districts that are in a sound fiscal position.

That would entail those with a strong tax base or surplus fund

balance. Once those districts are phased out, the foundation aid allocated for them would be redistributed to those in more serious need, according to the Institute’s report.

“This study’s comprehensive findings will help inform ongoing discussions with the legislature and key stakeholders about how we better align our spending to meet the needs of future generations of students,” state officials said after the report was released.

Many advocates, including union leaders and the Institute itself also recommended reviewing and revising the foundation aid formula, with many noting it was outdated and should instead rely on federal poverty guidelines and place a larger emphasis on funding districts with higher numbers of special needs students.

Rural support?

Rural districts would also be prioritized, as the Institute noted that many rural districts have smaller tax bases to pull from but larger service areas. In many cases, rural districts also have declining head counts, further complicating matters, officials said.

Among possible changes, the report suggests cuts to state aid for wealthy districts with a strong tax base, districts that have a large savings or fund balance and districts with much larger drops in enrollment. As part of the report, the institute suggests sending more aid to financially impoverished or lower-income districts that are not able to secure enough tax revenue to cover day-to-day operations.

By doing so, officials say that would significantly lower the financial burden on taxpayers.

Haggett said there remains concern that the legislature would cherry pick bits and pieces of the report to essentially say “OK, well we did something.”

Haggett said there were certainly ideas that he felt had significant merit, including increasing the unrestricted fund balance maximum to 10% and adding additional funding for school-based mental health support.

Haggett said the institute also recommended reviewing the fund balance formula annually to ensure districts “don’t end up back where they started.”

The report was issued not long after Hochul walked back initial plans to eliminate a “hold-harmless” provision that would ensure districts received at least as much foundation aid as they had the previous year.

Potential problems

Hochul and legislators had initially considered wholesale cuts to aid, which would have allowed them to largely or entirely eliminate aid to districts without much consideration for the existing formula.

In the North Country, many districts would have lost significant aid, including Canton, Clifton-Fine, Madrid-Waddington and a handful of others that state officials claimed had sufficient tax revenue to cover the cost of day-to-day expenses.

Burke previously told NCTW 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 support. 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.

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Fiery Nights and Northern Lights concert features Nausicaa anime theme

POTSDAM — The Potsdam Community Band will perform its 2025 winter concert, Fiery Nights and Northern Lights - Music of Hope, Joy, and Anticipation for the New Year, on Sunday, January 19 at 3:00 pm at the Crane School of Music's Hosmer Concert Hall.

Admission is free, but PCB's famous "donation tuba" will be on hand to accept donations.

The band is under the baton of founding music director Theresa Witmer.

As the theme alludes, concert-goers will be treated to a wide variety of beautiful and stirring wind band music played by a 70-member ensemble.

Works on the program include the exciting and rhythmic Night on Fire, by American composer John Mackey; Voyage of the Northern Lights, a new work by Isabella P. Morrill; Chandler Wilson's inspirational Spirit of Hope; the Japanese-themed Nausicaa of the



Photo submitted

The Potsdam Community Band will perform at Hosmer Hall on Jan. 19.

SEE NAUSICAA ON 11.

Local fishing expert to share fishing secrets at Ogdensburg Library

OGDENSBURG — Explore the wonders of fishing on the St. Lawrence River with the Ogdensburg Public Library's new series on fishing and the rich natural heritage of the St. Lawrence River.

The series kicks off with a program led by local fishing guide, Captain Jerry Kroeger II, on Wednesday, February 12, at 6 p.m. in the library's auditorium.

Kroeger will share his deep knowledge of the St. Lawrence River's best fishing spots, variety of fish species, and the river's history.

From bass to pike and everything in between, Kroeger will reveal some of his best-kept fishing secrets, sure to inspire both newcomers eager to learn and lifelong anglers looking to refine their skills, whether you are new to fishing, or a seasonal angler, the program offers something for everyone.

"The St. Lawrence River is more than just a body of water - it's a vital part of our community and a treasure trove for fishing enthusiasts," said Cheryl Ladouceur. "We are excited to have Jerry



Facebook photo

Local fishing guide Captain Jerry Kroeger II will talk about fishing at the Ogdensburg library in February.

SEE FISHING ON 11.

WHAT'S GOING ON

SAT., JAN. 18

Basic watercolor class

BRASHER FALLS -- On Saturday, Jan. 18, the Badenhausen Public Library is offering a basic watercolor class for adults. Participants will leave with a February themed card and two blank cards for later sharing. All materials will be provided. <https://badenhausenlibrary.org>.

Blood drive

NORTH LAWRENCE -- The American Red Cross will host a blood drive Jan. 18, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., at Lawrence Christian Fellowship, 88 County Route 52. To book a time to give, visit RedCrossBlood.org, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

Bob Ross paint class

NORFOLK -- The class "Paint Just Like Bob Ross in One Day" will be held Sat., Jan. 18, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., at the Norfolk Rescue Squad Building with certified Bob Ross instructor Aaron William Markel. Instructor supplies everything you need to complete your very own painting. Class Fee: \$65. Call to reserve your spot at 315-514-5616.

Canadian Rock by Plan-B

CANTON - Plan-B, a talented band known for its energetic performances and love for Canadian rock, is set to kick off a series of gigs celebrating some of the best of Canadian music. The band's 90-minute set will feature over a dozen songs by legendary rock icons, The Tragically Hip, alongside other Canadian favorites. The first performance in this exciting series will take place on Saturday, January 18, 2025, at The White Silo in Canton, NY. The show starts at 7 PM and will open with a set comprised of a mix of songs from many genres including classic rock, country, alternative, and '80s followed by an unforgettable non-stop 90-minute homage to Canada's rich rock heritage. Admission is just \$5 at the door. There will be a cash bar available and Canadian themed concessions like poutine and "beaver tails" will be available to purchase. www.facebook.com/planbrox.

Crochet Circle

NORWOOD -- Crochet Circle will gather at the Norwood Public Library on Saturday, Jan. 18, at 11 a.m. with volunteer Brittany Ashley to work on projects and enjoy conversations.

Food distribution

MASSENA -- A food distribution for St. Lawrence County residents will be held Saturday, Jan. 18, from 8:30-10 a.m. at St. Peter's Outreach Ministry, 128 Main St.

Guided snowshoe walk

MASSENA -- A free guided snowshoe walk and free equipment rentals will be offered Saturday, January 18, at Nicandri Nature Center at 2 p.m.

Food pantry distribution

NORFOLK -- The food pantry will be open between 9-11 a.m. for our January food distribution. No proof of income required. Open to those who live in the Norwood Norfolk Raymondville area. Each person receives the equivalent of approximately 15 meals (or 5

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Boys and Girls Club members watch Clarkson hockey

Several members of the Ogdensburg Boys & Girls Club attended the Clarkson vs Union Hockey Game recently at Cheer Arena, Potsdam, thanks to Pepsi Cola Ogdensburg Bottlers for providing tickets.

OBITUARIES

Dora M. Fregoe, 86

Massena

MASSENA -- Dora M. Fregoe, age 86, passed away at Massena Hospital on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, surrounded by her family.

Calling hours will be held on Sunday, January 12, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. until the time of service at 4:00 p.m. at the Phillips Memorial Home, 64 Andrews St. Massena.

Arrangements are with the Phillips Memorial Home in Massena. Burial to take place at the convenience of the family in Calvary Cemetery.

Dora was one of 11 children born on June 7, 1938, in Massena to the late Odilon and Emilienne (Menard) Beaulieu. She married Victor in 1957 and raised six children of their own in Massena. They were married at Sacred Heart Church where they have been member for all these years.

Dora was a school bus driver to 10 years. She also worked for the ARC for eight years and was a volunteer transportation driver.

She was a member of the Moose Lodge for many years. She loved Bingo, playing cards, and cribbage. She loved crafts, cooking, and even made many wedding cakes for friends and family. She knitted washcloths and gave them away to everyone she saw.

She and Victor enjoyed camping and visiting with family and friends. Although they both grew up in Massena, they enjoyed visit-

ing many of the states and through Canada. Victor and Dora enjoyed their afternoon drives all over the North Country.

She is survived by her husband, Victor G; children, Carolyn Fregoe of Nashville, Judith (David) Downey of Star Lake, Daniel Fregoe of Constantia, NY, Joan (Kevin) Cooney of Volney, NY, Victor R. (Sandi Butler) Fregoe of Nashville, TN; 15 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Louise Langdon of Mississippi; along with several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Dora was predeceased by her brothers, Claude, Sylvio, Gabriel, Paul and Marc Beaulieu, sisters, Lucille Beaulieu, Aline Suceuse, Anita Beatie, Agnes Conner; her son, Gordon, a daughter-in-law, Cindy Burrows, and three grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made in Dora's memory to Massena Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 5314, Massena, New York 13662.

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



Dora Fregoe

Richard Theron Fisher, 86

Ogdensburg

OGDENSBURG - Richard Theron Fisher, 86, of Ogdensburg, died at St. Joseph's Nursing Home January 10, 2025, Allen-Denesha Funeral Home, DeKalb Junction, has been entrusted with arrangements. There will be a funeral mass at St. Mary's Cathedral, Ogdensburg on Friday, May 16, 2025 at 11:00 am, burial will follow at St. Mary's Cemetery, with military honors.

Richard is survived by his children, Kathleen and her husband Henry Bouchard of Ogdensburg, Richard and his wife Debbie Fisher of Massena, SueEllen and her husband Mark McAdam of Heuvelton, Steven and his wife Christine Fisher of Ogdensburg, grandchildren Lauren McAdam, Andrew and his wife Gena Fisher, Morgan McAdam, Jared Fisher, Julia Fisher, great grandchildren, Sophie Fisher, Dalton Bjork, sisters, Susan Catlin of Vermont, Marlene Dufort of Albany, a very special friend Joanne McCabe, several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was predeceased by siblings, Stewart "Tootie" Fisher, Austin Fisher, Robert Fisher, John (Jack) Fisher, James Fisher, Jerry Fisher, and Lawrence Fisher, Jeanine Thibert, Lynn LaFave, Henrietta Fisher and a granddaughter, Lindsey Rose McCadam. Richard was born on May 15, 1938 in Ogdensburg, the son of the late Harry and Lillian Deuval Fisher.

He attended Ogdensburg Schools

and earned his GED. He served his country in the Air Force. He married Martha Bell on March 22, 1958 at St.



Richard Fisher

He retired from Laborer's International Union of North America Local 1822 (322). After his retirement he was a grounds keeper for the Ogdensburg Recreation Department. He was a 3rd Degree Knight as a member of the Knights of Columbus Council #258, Ogdensburg. He was a parishioner of St. Mary's Cathedral.

Dick enjoyed boating, fishing on the St. Lawrence and hunting in the Adirondacks. Dick was always surrounded by his loving family. He was happiest when was helping his son at Fish R Chips in Ogdensburg. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to St. Joseph's Foundation, 950 Linden St., Ogdensburg, New York 13669.

Online condolences can be made at www.allenedeshafuneralhome.com.

Mary's Cathedral she died on October 27, 1984. Richard was a heavy construction foreman for many construction companies in the area, working on many of the large projects that shaped the north country.

rium.

Jerry Kroeger, a seasoned expert and beloved figure in the local fishing community, will share his deep knowledge of the St. Lawrence River. Attendees will learn about the river's history, discover the best fishing spots, and explore the variety of fish species that call the St. Lawrence home. Whether you're new to fishing or a seasoned angler, this program offers something for everyone.

"The St. Lawrence River is more than just a body of water — it's a vital part of our community and a treasure trove for fishing enthusiasts," said Cheryl Ladouceur. "We are excited to have Jerry Kroeger kick off this series and share his insights with our patrons."

From bass to pike and everything in between, Kroeger will reveal some of his best-kept fishing secrets. His engaging presentation is sure to inspire both newcomers eager to learn and lifelong anglers looking to refine their skills.

The program is free and open to the public. No registration is required, so bring your friends, family, and fellow fishing enthusiasts to this can't-miss event.

For more information, contact Cheryl Ladouceur at 315-528-9788 or visit ogdensburgpubliclibrary.org.

Art talk at Remington Museum

OGDENSBURG — "Art in Conversation" will be held monthly at Frederic Remington Art Museum with Educator Julie Pratt and Docent Anne Skelly.

The hour discussion will be about themes and topics, exploring their connection to the featured artworks.

In February, the theme explores Remington's connections with his contemporaries. What other artists were active during his time? If you stepped into a gallery at the turn of the century, which artists would you find displayed alongside Remington's work?

This program is an on-site/virtual hybrid; participants can join remotely via Zoom or in person at the museum.

During this winter season there will be two sessions offered per month:

Second Saturday of every month, from noon - 1 p.m. and third Thursday of every month, from noon - 1 p.m.

There will only be one session in February, on Feb. 8.

Art in Conversation is free with museum admission. Museum members get free admission.

To join the Museum: <https://fredericremington.org/membership-c18.php> or visit www.FredericRemington.org to learn more.

Dorothy M. "Dot" Stowell, 74

Massena

MASSENA -- Dorothy M. "Dot" Stowell, "Momma Stowell", age 74, passed away peacefully with her family by her side on Saturday, January 11, 2025.

Friends and family are welcome to call the Phillips Memorial Home in Massena on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, from 2:00pm until time of funeral service at 4:00pm.

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

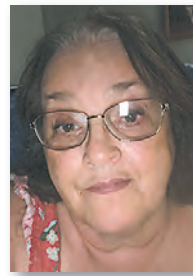
Dorothy was born on March 8, 1950, in Star Lake, New York to her late parents Agnes (Julius) Hook, and Charles W. Ladison.

Dorothy is survived by her husband of 52 years, Donald G. Stowell; and her four children, Marlene M. Herne (Rick), David W. Stowell (Nicole), Donny J. Stowell (Shannon) and Dorothy S. Stowell;

and her beloved six grandchildren, Celine M. Stowell, Elliott A. Villnave, Dante T. Stowell, Zackary R. Stowell,

Mickenzie M. Herne, and Ash A. Stowell; as well as her three siblings, George Ladison, Brent Ladison, and Denise (Ladison) along with many nieces and nephews.

Dot is predeceased by her parents, Agnes (Julius) Hook in 1997, and Charles W. Ladison in 1999; her siblings, Charles E. Ladison in 2014, Bruce P. Ladison in 2017, Darlene B. Saucier in 2018 and her granddaughter, Courtnee A.M. Stowell in 2017.



Dorothy Stowell

Once the children were well established in school she started work at Pizza Hut where she learned the skills to make her famous pizzas enjoyed by many.

She worked for Massena Central School from 1987 until her retirement. Her proudest achievement was her family, never missing a game or event that they were involved in. She spent her life making sure everyone was cared for and fed.

When children came to visit the never left empty handed. The pantry was always stocked with the staples of life as Momma never passed on a good deal and enjoyed extreme couponing.

If you were lucky to enjoy some of Momma Stowell's food you were waiting for the next gathering, as she would always cook for a "cock's

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Museum closed

OGDENSBURG — The Frederic Remington Art Museum is temporarily closed until February 15 for the winter season. A sign posted on the museum's Facebook page says, "Sorry We're Closed from Dec. 30-Feb. 15. The museum is still offering private and group tours by appointment. For more information, or to schedule your tour: <https://fredericremington.org/group-tours.php>

OBITUARIES

Mark P. Harvey, 64

Massena

MASSENA - Mark P. Harvey 64, of Massena NY passed away at the Massena Hospital surrounded by loving family members on Saturday, December 28, 2024, due to a long illness. Mark was lovingly attended to by the staff on the first floor, who went above and beyond for Mark and family.

He was born to George R. and Norma J. (Sherman) Harvey on March 13, 1960.

Mark was an avid animal lover providing a home to several dogs, cats, a tarantula and his beloved parrot Jack, who passed three days before to prepare for Mark's arrival. She greeted him every morning and they had a special bond. Which is surprising because of the names she called him.

Wanda and Mark were foster parents to many children throughout the years and they were the loves of his life. With many still in contact.

Mark was also an avid owner of every power tool known to man. He was protective of those tools and for her own safety, Wanda was not allowed to touch. Until now.

Mark was a Goodwill Ambas-

sador for the Jerry Lewis Telethon and stated that he was the "Star" of the show. Wanda let him keep that delusion.



Mark Harvey

He was a wonderful, caring and calming influence on everyone he encountered. He'd be the first to tell you that.

Mark is survived by his wife of 33 years, Wanda, his siblings, Ronald J. and Linda; Timothy A. and Lorraine; Stephen P.; Jeffrey L. and Michelle; Darren M. and Carrie; and Andrew P.

Mark was predeceased by his father George R. Harvey, his mother Norma J., a brother George Jr. and sister Janet M. Harvey.

A Celebration of Life to take place in the spring or summer of 2025, at the convenience of the family.

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

MASSENA - The family of Martin Bradford Fayette of Massena, NY are saddened to announce his passing on Saturday, January 11, 2025, at the age of 94 years. Martin "Mert" was a veteran who served in the Army's 82nd Airborne Division and is survived by his five children; Stephen and his wife Sharon, Daniel and his wife Ann, Mark, Christopher and his wife Karen, Deanna Gray; eleven grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, a sister Avis McGuigan of Chagrin Falls, OH, along with nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Mert was predeceased by a brother David Fayette, an infant son Randy and his wife of 62 years, Jacqueline "Jackie" E. Fayette in January of 2015.

The family would also like to thank Norfolk Volunteer Rescue Squad, Massena Hospital ER and 1st floor doctors, nurses, CNAs and staff, Home Health Care, Hospice and the Veterans Administration for their exceptional and sincere passionate caring of our father.

The Papa "Mert" fan club of Fayette

Martin Bradford Fayette, 94

Massena

road was an amazing and exceptional group of people and words can't describe how much we appreciate them. They made our lives a little bit



Martin Fayette

easier by doing odd jobs around the house and most importantly their daily company which my father truly appreciated and he enjoyed the most. We also want to especially recognize Karissa Castanier, his care giver, neighbor, best friend and "adopted" by our mother and father. Like any family member taking care of their father it wasn't a job to her, it was her passion and promise kept. She loved our father more than words can describe and sacrificed so much to take care of him! Her untiring help gave our family members great comfort and peace of mind as we never had to worry that he was being well cared for. We are

also grateful for her husband Eric and "Charleigh" in supporting Karissa and our family throughout this journey.

Calling hours will be held on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, from 5-8 pm at the Phillips Memorial Home, in Massena. A Mass of Christian Burial will be scheduled for Thursday, January 16, 2025, at 10:00am at Sacred Heart Church. Burial to take place with full military honors in Calvary Cemetery in the spring at the convenience of the family.

There will be a reception following the committal service at the AmVets Post No. 4, located at 12 Andrews Street, in Massena, NY.

Memorial contributions may be shared with the St. Lawrence Hospice; 6805 US-11, Potsdam, NY 13676 and Norfolk Volunteer Rescue Squad; P.O. Box 519, Norfolk, New York 13667.

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

Jean Hasner Radde, 90

Massena

dria Bay, a place that brought her joy, peace, and countless treasured moments with family and friends.



Jean Radde

Jean is survived by her children, Julie (Mark) Reagan, Jill (Glenn) Sudaby and John Radde (Maura McGee). She is also survived by seven grandchildren: Sarah and JP Reagan; John (Natalie) and Claire Denny; Ben, Sam and Haley Radde; two great grandchildren, Peyton and Kolter Denny, several nieces and nephews as well as her beloved cat, Georgie. In addition to her husband, Jim, she was predeceased by her parents and her two brothers, Donald and Charles Hasner.

Jean will be deeply missed by all who knew her. The family is forever grateful for all the wonderful

care givers through the years, who lovingly supported her since Jim's passing.

Additionally, the care provided by Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley the last few days of her life was a true comfort to the family.

Calling hours will be at the Donaldson Funeral Home in Massena on Friday January 31, 2025 from 2pm-4pm followed by a prayer service commencing at 4pm. A celebration of Jean's remarkable life will be scheduled for a later date this coming summer honoring her love for sunshine, family and the St. Lawrence River.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley, The MS Society, or the charity of one's choice.

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

Robert "Bob" J. Dunlop, 88

formerly of Waddington

WADDINGTON -Robert "Bob" J Dunlop, age 88, of Leesburg Florida passed away peacefully on December 11, 2024. Bob was born in Waddington, N.Y. The eldest son of Robert L. Dunlop and Myrtle Joyce Dunlop.

Bod graduated from Waddington HS in 1955 where he excelled in sports, especially in Basketball.

After school Bob enlisted the US Army at Fort Dix, N.J. and completed a tour of Duty in Germany.

After his tour in the Army he moved to Wassaic, NY to raise his family and worked for many years as the lead Butcher at the Grand Union in Amenia, N.Y. He then Retired to Leesburg Florida.

Bob is survived by his wife Marilyn Rutherford Dunlop of Leesburg Florida, two sons Jeffrey of Tonawanda NY, Kevin (Lisa)

of Pine Plains NY, Grandson Peyton. A sister Shirley Belgarde of Waddington NY, a brother George F. Dunlop of Wimauma Florida, niece Kerrigan Guneratne, nephews Thomas Belgarde, Gary Young, Michael Young, and George Dunlop Jr., brother-in-law Byron Rutherford and many cousins.



Robert Dunlop

He was predeceased by his parents, sisters, Vivian Schwager and Judy Young and sister-in-law Linda Dunlop.

Private services were held by the family.

MASSENA - Jean Hasner Radde, 90, of Massena, New York passed away at her home on January 10, 2024, surrounded by family.

Jean was born on June 24, 1934 in Watertown, NY the daughter of Martin and Edith Hasner. She graduated from Watertown High School in 1952 and attended the University of Michigan. She remained a faithful Wolverine fan all of her life.

On March 15, 1958 she married James Radde, her husband of 58 years. Jim predeceased her in March of 2016. Together they raised a family of three children and built a life full of love, laughter and adventure.

Throughout her life, Jean was admired for her sharp wit, unwavering positivity amidst many health challenges and deep devotion to her family.

She was a passionate NY Yankees fan, excellent bridge player and loved the St. Lawrence River, especially Point Vivian in Alexan-

RECENT DEATHS

GILBERT RANSOM, 58, Massena, Dec. 26. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

MARK HARVEY, 64, Massena, Dec. 28. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

RAYMOND MCDONALD, 90, Fort Jackson, Jan. 3. Arrangements with Hammill Funeral Home, Winthrop.

ELIZABETH SWEENEY, 84, Massena, Jan. 3. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

ALLEN MITCHELL, 53, Akwesasne, Jan. 4. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

MICHELE PRENTICE, 82, Massena, Jan. 4. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

AGNES GUILLE, 100, Winthrop, Jan. 7. Arrangements with Hammill Funeral Home, Winthrop.

THOMAS LOVE SR., 83, Ogdensburg, Jan. 6. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

TODD PAGE, 60, Massena, Jan. 8. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

DORA FREGOE, 86, Massena, Jan. 8. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

DOREEN MITCHELL, 66, Heuvelton, Jan. 9. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

JEAN RADDE, 90, Massena, Jan. 10. Arrangements with Donaldson Funeral Home, Massena.

MAHLON BOUCHEY JR., 74, Ogdensburg, Jan. 10. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Ogdensburg.

RICHARD FISHER, 86, Ogdensburg, Jan. 10. Arrangements with Allen-Denesha Funeral Home, DeKalb Junction.

JUDY DOX, 69, Ogdensburg, Jan. 10. Arrangements with O'Leary Funeral Service, Canton.

MARTIN FAYETTE, 94, Massena, Jan. 11. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

DOROTHY STOWELL, 74, Massena, Jan. 11. Arrangements with Phillips Memorial Home, Massena.

PHYLLIS PARO, 86, Ogdensburg, Jan. 12. Arrangements with Fox & Murray Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

LINDA DISSOTTLE, 81, Lawrenceville, Jan. 12. Arrangements with Hammill Funeral Home, Winthrop.

JOSEPH BASTA, 77, Ogdensburg, Jan. 12. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

ELAINE HOLLIS, 91, Ogdensburg, Jan. 12. Arrangements with Frary Funeral Home, Ogdensburg.

SUBMITTING OBITUARIES: Email obituaries@northcountrynow.com or call 315-265-1000 ext. 33.

MASSENA -- Todd "TC" Page, a longtime resident of Massena NY passed unexpectedly at the age of 60, Wednesday January 8th, surrounded by his life partner and step daughter.

The son of Carol Page and stepson of the late Maurice Le Page, father James Page, the brother of Jason Page and life partner of Rose Wood of Massena NY.

Todd and Rose shared 18 happy years together, they enjoyed riding their motorcycles, going to concerts and hiking in Arizona where they lived together, before returning to Massena, but mostly they enjoyed being together.

Todd graduated from Massena High School and earned his Associates degree from Lincoln College, majoring in Graphic Design.

He joined the Navy after high school and served for a short time in the service due to an injury.

He held a variety of jobs, working for Page Brothers Electric and Northway Carpets before starting his own business TCP Total Cycle Performance and had a Mobile Motorcycle Dyno unit that he traveled the country tuning Motorcycles at rallies.

He was a member the I.A.T.S.E., International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees union and worked

Todd "TC" Page, 60

Massena

on numerous Broadway plays, Motion Pictures, TV shows and the WWF as a carpenter in addition



Todd Page

road manager or roadie.

He has been running an internet radio station to showcase independent music artists, Flying V Radio, and managed Fever International Music Group LLC that specialized in music management and distribution.

His love of the music industry led him to his latest vision to create venues for acts to play throughout the United States and beyond.

His vision for the bands he worked with was to give them the best opportunity to move forward in their careers, he poured out his heart and soul into every band he took on because he felt if they succeeded, he succeeded too.

He was a true mentor to so

many, using past experience to guide young musicians through the turmoil of the music industry. But most of all, Todd was a gentle kind soul.

Todd is survived by his life partner, Rose Wood, his mother, Carol Page, father, James Page, brother, Jason and his wife, Brooke, nephews, Jordan and TY, nieces, Mariah and September, Uncle Tom Page, Aunt Margaret Thompson; cousins, Andrew and Ian Thompson, Jeff, Chris Nicolas and Melissa Page, his stepdaughter, Nicole Wood and her partner, Barry Green; and his beloved Dogs, Don and Violet.

He was predeceased by his grandparents, Roy and Margaret Page, Leslie and Jean Thompson, Uncles Lionel Tessier, Thomas Thompson, Doug Thompson and Gary Page, who he loved all dearly.

In lieu of flowers, those wishing to remember Todd with a memorial donation may consider the Massena Humane Society, the Sweet Relief Musicians Fund, Amvets Post 4 Massena, or Massena Rescue Squad.

Visitation will be at Donaldson Funeral Home in Massena on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, from 3pm to 6pm followed by a memorial service at 6pm.



The Ogdensburg Community office of the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce announced that 11th-grade student, Natalie Lesniak, has been named the November Student of the Month at Ogdensburg Free Academy (OFA). Natalie was nominated for Student of the Month by Julia Jones, Drawing I teacher at OFA, who had this to say about her, "I would like to nominate Natalie Lesniak because she brings such uplifting spirit to our Drawing I class each morning with her genuine and positive feedback of fellow classmates' work. She is certainly someone who would do the right thing even when no one is looking." Natalie aspires to become a history or art teacher in the future. Natalie was presented with a Certificate of Achievement from OFA and a plaque from the Ogdensburg Community office of the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce.

Massena student earns excellence award

MASSENA -- Elizabeth Birdou, a student at Massena Central School, is the recipient of the Rev. William R. and Crystal E. Cuthbert Vocational Excellence Award for November; sponsored by Brookfield Renewable US.

She is in the Cosmetology Program at The Seaway Career & Technical Education Center in Norwood. She is the niece of Chad and Jenifer Blair.

Cosmetology is a two-year program with a minimum of 1,000 hours of instruction time. Students study the art and science of beautifying and improving the skin, nails and hair.

The instructor, Niki Rutledge, stated the following about her student: "Elizabeth is an out-going, intelligent and hard-working young woman. She has great leadership abilities, is academically sound, has excellent entry-level cosmetology skills and has a willingness to learn new things. She works extremely hard to complete her assignments and continually strives to improve her cosmetology skills. She arrives each morning with a smile, positive attitude and is always prepared to work. She has shown herself to be reliable, competent and cooperative. I can always count

on her help when needed. As new material is presented, Elizabeth sees it as a welcoming challenge. Her fun sense of humor brightens my day and her ability to keep a positive upbeat attitude contributes to her charm. Elizabeth is a well-rounded student in her interests and activities in and out of school. She willingly volunteers for our community-based cosmetology activities including spa services, haircuts and more. These activities, no doubt, have helped her develop the wonderful balance of interpersonal and communication skills she possesses."

United Helpers seeks applications for the Helen S. Randles Scholarship

OGDENSBURG - The United Helpers Foundation is seeking scholarship applications for graduating seniors in St. Lawrence County who are pursuing higher education in the healthcare fields of nursing, physical therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy, clinical psychology and physician assistant.

Each year three scholarships of \$1,000 are awarded.

These scholarships were made available through a generous endowment donation from Helen S. Randles, who was a firm believer in the importance of education and, in particular, the education preparation of individuals for service in health care.

Applications, as well as additional information are available at your local guidance office or on-line at:

<https://www.unitedhelpers.org/helen-s-randles-scholarship-awards>.

All applications and required supporting documents are due back to the Foundation Office by Friday, April 4. Completed applications may be dropped off in person or mailed to United Helpers Foundation, Attn: Helen S. Randles Scholarship, 8101 State Hwy 68, Ogdensburg NY 13669.

Dozens of MCS students earn honor roll status

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

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

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

Jarrett, Adele LaBarge, Madison LaDuke, Hailey LaShomb, Isabelle Laughlin, Molly LaVack, Tyler Lippassaar, Ella Matejcek, Leah Morgan, Thomas Murray III, Andrew Peets, Emma Pollack-Marashian, Ameerah Premo, Ananda Premo, Sophia Prentice, Sydney Rochefort, Garrett St. Hilaire, Haileigh St. Louis, Kaitlin Stowell, Adrianna Summers, Xavier Taddonio, Cullen Taraska, Connor Trimboli, Alexandra Westmacott, and Zander Wilhelm.

Honor Roll

Grade 9: Samantha Beard, Easton Bingham, Andrew Boyea, Samuel Brand, Alyssa Bullock, Konner Butler, Victoria Castro, Ciara Chapman, Jessalyn Collier, Sebastian Fent, Aurora Hance, Austin Hannah-Albon, Jordyn Jabaut, Jordan Klught, Kira McGee, Gavin Mitchell, Christopher Moore Jr., Quinten Morris, Jake Paller, Addison Pelletier, Natalia Sunday, Aaden Tarbell, and Peyton Weaver.

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

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

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

High Honor Roll

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

Grade 10: Jaydenlee Alvarado, Jasalyn Arcet, Alexander Cichetti, Kyla Donahue, Karynn Dow, Collin Earl, Kohl Goodfellow, Lexsi Greco, Mary Hamilton, Coleton Henry, Natalie Hurlbut, Abigail LaBarge, Kaylie Ledbetter, Mackenzie Matthes, Peyton McDermott, Elijah Morgan, Lauren Oliver, Austin Richards, Hannah Roundpoint, Monteiro Salvador, Kadyon Spoon, Kristy Summers, Kole Topa, Emma Tyo, Noah Westmacott, and Aubrey White.

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

Grade 12: Brennan Aldous, Samantha Arney, Mercedes Barse, Isabel Beard, Evan Bovay, Owen Cyrus, Katelyn Earl, Meghan Firnstein, Shelby-Lynn Firnstein, Natalee Gooshaw, Sophia Greco, Austin Hardy, Trent Howland, Laila





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Open mic night at Chase's Riverside

MASSENA — An open mic night hosted by BackWater Duo will be held Saturday, Jan. 25, at 7 p.m. at Chase's Riverside Dining, 829 State Highway 131.

Whether you're a seasoned performer or just starting out, this is your chance to showcase your talents in comedy, music, magic, poetry, or spoken word, and if all else fails you can just wing it and hope for the best, because

that's what rockstars do.

While there, enter for a chance to win a Valentine's Day dinner at either Chase's Riverside Dining or The Mills Country Store. Raffle tickets are a total steal at \$1 per ticket or \$10 for 15 tickets.

Raffle tickets are available at both locations, and the winner must redeem their winnings on Feb. 14. Winners will be announced Feb. 9.

BRIEFLY

Free movie

MORRISTOWN — A free movie night will be held Friday, Jan. 17, at 6:30 p.m., at First Congregational Church of Morristown, 541 Sand Street Road.

All are invited to enjoy a family-friendly faith-based film, refreshments and Christian fellowship. There's something different each month at the First Congregational

Church's "Third Friday" events, ranging from movies to coffee houses, and backyard bonfires with a bounce house for the kids during Summer months.

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5th annual Valentine's Day Card Drive held

CANTON – This Valentine's Day, the St. Lawrence County Youth Bureau, in partnership with the Office for the Aging, invites the community to take part in the 5th Annual Valentine's Day Card Drive, an initiative designed to bring love, care, and connection to older adults throughout St. Lawrence County. Valentine's Day can be particularly difficult for seniors who may be unable to visit friends and family, leading to feelings of loneliness, depression, and anxiety. February is also a challenging time for individuals experiencing Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) or the winter blues. This initiative aims to brighten the lives of these residents with heartfelt messages and creative expressions of kindness. "Connecting with older adults in this way is a wonderful opportunity for students, families, and community members to spread joy and combat feelings of isolation. These cards can make a significant impact on someone's emotional well-being," shared Alexa Backus Chase, Youth Bureau Director. Students of all ages (K-12), as well as adults, are encouraged to create Valentine's-themed cards, notes, or drawings.

All submissions must be mailed or delivered by Friday, February 7. Send cards to St. Lawrence County Youth Bureau, 80 SH 310 Suite 4, Canton, NY 13617. Valentine's cards will be distributed to older adults through the Office for the Aging, those living in assisted living facilities, long-term care homes, or who are hospitalized. Organizations and agencies that would like to be included in the distribution list can contact the Youth Bureau directly. For more information, please email AChase@stlawco.gov or call the Youth Bureau at 315.379.9464.

BRIEFLY

'Housing Complaints' webinar

CANTON -- The St. Lawrence County Fair Housing Task Force is hosting a free "How to Handle Housing Complaints" webinar and panel discussion on Tuesday, Jan. 21 over Zoom. This 60-minute event will focus on resources available to address housing complaint and consists of four brief presentations with time allotted for Q&A. Featured speakers are: PJ Herne from Legal Aid Society of Northeastern NY; Pamela Weed-Nichols and Deanna Nelson from the NYS Attorney General's Office; Greg Thompson; Code Enforcement Officer for the Village of Potsdam; and Sally Santangelo from CNY Fair Housing. To attend the webinar: email.planning@stlawco.gov. Include your name and contact information and to receive a Zoom link. Info: www.stlawco.org/Departments/Planning/Advisory-Boards/FairHousingTaskForce.

Prayer meeting

MASSENA — United in prayer for the nation will be held Sunday, Jan. 19, at 6:30 p.m. at the VFW on Hatfield Street. Come for a time of prayer and worship with other local believers.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that public hearings were held on Monday, January 13, 2025 at 6:00 PM, in the City Council Chambers, 330 Ford Street, Ogdensburg, NY 13669, and the following were passed by the City Council, meeting in regular session on January 13, 2025:

Local Law #1 of 2025

§ 215-39. Rates for metered service; meter reading, installation and repair. [Last amended 11-13-2017 by L.L. No. 6-2017]

A. The following schedule of rates for metered water service is hereby fixed and established effective the first billing date after January 1, 2025, and upon filing with the Secretary of State:

Meter Size (inches)	Water Allowed (gallons)	Minimum Quarterly Rate
5/8	20,200	\$104.50
3/4	27,000	\$139.50
1	40,500	\$209.00
1 1/4	54,100	\$278.75
1 1/2	67,600	\$348.50
2	135,200	\$697.00
3	202,900	\$1,045.25
4	270,500	\$1,392.50

\$5.20 per 1,000 gallons of water used

B. Meters shall be read and billed monthly or quarterly at the discretion of the City.

C. Meters shall be installed and repaired by the City of Ogdensburg. The cost of such installation and repair for all meters is to be charged to the customer.

§ 215-40. Flat-rate charges. [Last amended 11-13-2017 by L.L. No. 6-2017]

The following schedule of rates for flat-rate service is hereby fixed and established effective the first billing date after January 1, 2025, and upon filing with the Secretary of State:

A. Single-family residence, per year: \$418.00.

B. Multifamily residence for each family unit or each tenant, per year: \$418.00.

C. Rooming houses (private homes with additional rooms to rent or commercial rooming houses):

- Minimum annual rent: \$418.00.
- Additional rooms to hire (annual rent): \$104.50.

D. Commercial or office units in a commercial/residential mixed structure (where metering is determined impractical by the City Engineer), per year: \$488.00.

§ 215-41. Miscellaneous charges. [Last amended 04-25-2016 by L.L. No. 2-2016]

The following schedule of rates is hereby fixed and established for the period effective the first billing after January 13, 2025, and upon filing with the Secretary of State:

Type	Rate
Fire protection for unoccupied metered or unmetered premises or where service is shut off and/or meter is removed by DPW employees. If this type of service is performed by other than DPW personnel, the property owner is not entitled to the fire protection rate.	\$209.00
Fire hydrant on private property	\$426.00
Swimming pools (filling of), per occasion	\$300.00
Circus (in advance), per day	\$140.00
Service disconnect or seal by the City, per occasion	\$ 60.00
Service reconnection by the City, per occasion	\$ 60.00
Water service turn on or off, per occasion regular work hours	\$ 60.00
Water service turn on or off, per occasion after work hours	\$210.00
Annual rooms to hire (annual rent)	\$105.00

Local Law #2 of 2025

§177-5 Rates for metered premises.

The following rates for sewer rents are hereby fixed and established to every lot, parcel of land, building or other premises now or hereafter being charged at a metered rate for sewer service within the City of Ogdensburg, New York, effective the first billing date after January 13, 2025:

Meter Size (inches)	Water Allowed (gallons)	Minimum Quarterly Charge
5/8	16,300	\$141.75
3/4	21,800	\$189.25
1	32,700	\$283.50
1 1/4	43,600	\$377.50
1 1/2	54,500	\$472.25
2	109,000	\$944.00
3	163,600	\$1,415.50
4	218,100	\$1,887.75

\$8.86 per 1,000 gallons of water used

§ 177-6 Flat rates within the corporation limits of the City.

The following schedule of rates for sewer rents is hereby fixed and established for every lot, parcel of land, building or premises now or hereafter being charged at a flat rate for sewer service within the City of Ogdensburg, New York, effective the first billing date after January 1, 2025:

A. Single-family residence, per year: \$567.

B. Multifamily residence for each family unit or each tenant, per year: \$567.

C. Combination residential/commercial, per year: \$662.

D. Apartment houses, for each individual unit: \$567.

E. Rooming houses (private homes with additional rooms to rent or commercial rooming houses):

- Minimum annual rent: \$567.
- Additional rooms to hire (annual rent): \$141.75

Dated: January 14, 2025
Cathy A. Jock
City Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE

The Lisbon Central School District invites qualified firms to submit Proposals for Annual Financial Audit Services for the years ending June 30, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029.

Proposals will be received until 11:00 a.m., February 6, 2025 by Krista Woods, District Clerk, 6866 County Route 10, Lisbon, New York, 13658.

Please find entire bid packet information on our school website at <https://www.lisboncsd.org/>.

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF SALE

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE

GOUVERNEUR SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION,

Plaintiff,

-against-

PHILIP E. VOGEL AND STATE OF NEW YORK CIVIL RECOVERIES BUREAU,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE IN
FORECLOSURE

Index No: EFCV-24-166412
IAS No.: 44-1-2024-0564

Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on the 7th day of January, 2025, I the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at the old main entrance lobby, adjacent to the Board of Legislature room, of the St. Lawrence County Courthouse, 48 Court Street, Canton, New York 13617, County of St. Lawrence and State of New York on February 18, 2025 at 9:30 AM premises described as follows: All that tract or parcel of land situate in the Town of Brasher, County of St. Lawrence and State of New York bounded and described in the deed from William T. Lint and Melissa L. Lint to Philip E. Vogel, by deed dated April 21, 2004 and recorded in the St. Lawrence County Clerk's Office on May 10, 2004 at Instrument Number 2004-8442, Being known as 29 Depot Street, Helena, New York 13649; Tax Map #11.081-2-3.1.

In accordance with COVID-19 and in compliance with state and Federal law, all attendees at the scheduled foreclosure sale shall maintain proper social distancing requirements of six (6) feet and face masks shall be required for all persons in attendance.

Mathew P. Duprey, Esq., Referee

Case & Leader LLP
Attorneys for Plaintiff
107 East Main Street
Gouverneur, NY 13642
Dated: January 8, 2025

MASSENA ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID NOTICE TO BIDDERS – ADVERTISEMENT TO BID

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Massena will accept sealed bids for:

Center Street Culvert Replacement over a tributary to the Grasse River
Village of Massena, St. Lawrence County, New York
PIN 7754.15, D040466

The work includes providing all labor, materials, machinery, tools, equipment and other means of construction necessary and incidental to the completion of the work shown on the plans and described in these specifications including, but not necessarily limited to the following: Culvert Replacement

This is not a Federal Aid Project, however NYSDOT Standard Specifications, officially finalized and adopted on January 1, 2025, as posted on the New York State Department of Transportation's website must be followed by the successful bidder.

The MBE goal for this project is: 9%
The WBE goal for this project is: 13%
The SDVOB goal for this project is: 6%
There are no DBE goals for this project.
The EEO Employment goals for this project are: 2.5% Minority Employment Goal
 6.9% Women Employment Goal

The use of the NYSDOT approved civil rights reporting software, Equitable Business Opportunities (EBO), is required. Access authorization to EBO can be found at <https://ebo.dot.ny.gov/>.

No residential or geographical restrictions will be in effect for this project. Applicable Federal requirements take precedence over State and local requirements unless state and local requirements are deemed to be more stringent.

Contract Documents, including Invitation to Bidders, Instructions to Bidders, Wage Rates, Bid Documents, Agreement, Special Notes, Specifications, Contract Drawings, and any Addenda, may be examined, at no expense, at the following locations: Office of the Engineer: 80 Wolf Road, Suite 600, Albany, NY 12205 between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm Monday through Friday. Office of the Owner: 60 Main Street, Massena, NY 13662 between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm Monday through Friday. Contract Documents may be obtained by emailing the Engineer, Sheri Kern, at skern@gpinet.com

No questions or inquiries regarding this bid will be accepted within five (5) business days prior to the bid opening.

Contractors that obtain Contract Documents from a source other than the issuing office must notify the issuing office in order to be placed on the official Plan Holder List, to receive Addenda and any other Bid correspondence. Bids received from Contractors other than those on the official Plan Holders List will not be accepted.

Addenda will be emailed from GPI to Bidders listed on the official Plan Holders List. An emailed response from the Bidder to the Addendum sent by GPI will act as proof that the Bidder received the Addendum. In addition to an emailed response, Bidders must acknowledge receipt of all Addenda by signing and dating each Addendum on page 1 of the Bid Form. Failure of any Bidder to receive any such Addendum or interpretation shall not relieve such Bidder from any obligation under this Bid submittal. All Addenda so issued shall become part of the Contract Documents.

Questions regarding the Contract Documents should be directed to Sheri Kern through email at: skern@gpinet.com. Bidders shall promptly notify Sheri Kern of any errors, omissions, conflicts or ambiguity within the Contract Documents within 14 days of bid opening.

All bids must include the completed Bid Form, Non-Collusive Bidding and Disbarment Certifications, and Lobbying Certifications. This is a **unit price** bid as described in the Instructions to Bidders. No bidder may withdraw his/her bid within forty-five (45) calendar days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Each bid must be accompanied by security in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid in the form and subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders.

Bids to be considered must be received in a sealed envelope at **60 Main Street, Massena, NY 13662 by 1:00 PM, local time, on February 12, 2025**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received after the above noted time will not be accepted. All sealed envelopes should be clearly labeled "**BID: CENTER STREET CULVERT REPLACEMENT**". A link to view the bid opening will be available on the Village of Massena website prior to the bid opening.

The Bidder to whom the Contract is awarded will be required to furnish Performance and Payment Bonds guaranteeing performance of work and prompt payment from an acceptable Surety Company for an amount not less than 100% of the accepted bid. The successful Bidder and all subcontractors must have an approved CCA-2 on file with NYSDOT prior to being awarded a contract. If the successful Bidder does not currently have a CCA-2 on file with NYSDOT, the Bidder may find the CCA-2 forms and instruction for completion online at <https://www.osc.state.ny.us/state-vendors/vendrep/vendor-responsibility-forms?redirect=legacy#Construction>.

The successful Bidder will be required to comply with all provisions of the Federal Government Equal Employment Opportunity clauses issued by the Secretary of Labor on May 2,1968 and published in the Federal Register (41 CFR Part 60-1, 33 F.2 7804). Successful bidders will be required to pay prevailing wage rates on this contract.

The Village of Massena reserves the right to consider the bids for forty-five (45) days after receipt before awarding any Contract, and to waive any minor informalities in, and to reject, any and all bids. All bids are subject to final review and approval by the Village of Massena before any award of contract may be made. Receipt of bids by the Village of Massena shall not be construed as authority to bind the Village.

The work will be substantially completed on or before **November 14, 2025** and ready for final payment on or before **December 19, 2025**.

The New York State Department of Transportation, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation and Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Title VI Program and Related Statutes, as amended, issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all who respond to the related solicitation, request for proposal or invitation to bid that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability/handicap and income status in consideration for an award.

Owners Contact Marty Miller Village of Massena DPW Superintendent 60 Main Street Massena, NY 13662 315.769.6823 dpwsuper@village.massena.ny.us	Engineer's Contact Sheri Kern, P.E. Structural Engineer, GPI 80 Wolf Road, Suite 600 Albany, NY 12205 518.898.9566 skern@gpinet.com
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PUBLIC NOTICE OF LAND DISPUTE

Any Person having any interest whatsoever or information pertaining to this matter shall have thirty (30) business days from the date of publication of this Notice to file opposing or related claims or to provide relevant information to the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Court.

Information and related claims should be filed no later than February 14, 2025.

Claimant: Catherine Joyce Leaf
303 Helena Road
Akwasasne, N.Y. 13655

Respondent Todd L. Papineau
313 Helena Road
Akwasasne, N.Y. 13655

Property in Dispute: Lot 212
Case Number: 24-LND-00004

Brief Description of Nature of Dispute: Claimant is seeking a judgment determining the boundaries of the lot in dispute.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID**

The Brasher Falls CSD invites sealed bids, in duplicate, for:
General Construction
HVAC
Plumbing
Electrical
Site
Roofing
For: 2024 Capital Improvement Project

SUBMISSION OF BIDS

Bids will be received by the Owner until 3:30 PM, Local Time, Thursday, February 6, 2025 by Christopher Rose at the District Office, 1039 State Highway 11C, Brasher Falls NY 13613. **Contractors should refer to the 2008 Wicks Reform and New York State Labor Law Section 220-i for additional bid submission procedures and requirements not otherwise outlined in the contract documents.**

OPENING OF BIDS

Bids will be opened and read aloud at 3:35 PM on Thursday, February 6, 2025 at the HS Cafeteria, 1039 State Highway 11C, Brasher Falls NY 13613.

EXAMINATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:

King + King Architects, LLP 358 West Jefferson Street Syracuse, NY 13202 315.671.2400 315.671.5500 (f)	Plan & Print Systems, Inc. 6160 Eastern Avenue Syracuse, NY 13211 315.437.5111 315.463.1510 (f)
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Builders Exchange of the Southern Tier 15 Belden Street Binghamton, NY 13903 607.771.7000 607.771.7001 (f)	Eastern Contractors Association 6 Airline Drive Albany, NY 12205 518.869.0961 518.869.2378 (f)
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Builders Exchange of Rochester 180 Linden Oaks Suite 100 Rochester, NY 14625 585.586.5460 585.586.1580 (f)	Syracuse Builders Exchange 6563 Ridings Road Syracuse, NY 13206 315.437.9936 315.437.5044 (f)
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Tri-County Builders Exchange Plan Room, c/o Pickett Building Management 6459 State Highway 23 Oneonta, NY 13820 607.432.6641 607.433.6284 (f)	Mohawk Valley Builders Exchange 10 Main Street, Suite 202 Whitesboro, NY 13492 315.736.2441 315.736.2445 (f) info@mvbe.com / www.mvbe.com
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Northern NY Builders Exchange 22074 Fabco Road Watertown, NY 13601 315.788.1330 315.788.9357 (f)	Dodge Data & Analytics www.construction.com
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OBTAINING ELECTRONIC CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Contract Documents may be downloaded from the Plan and Print Systems, Inc. website for a **non-refundable** cost of \$100.00. Electronic Contract Documents on a flash drive may also be obtained from Plan & Print (Telephone: 315.437.5111, Fax: 315.463.1510) upon payment of a **non-refundable** \$100.00 plus shipping and handling per flash drive. Contact Plan & Print for shipping and handling costs. Checks shall be made payable to **Plan & Print Systems, Inc.**

OBTAINING PAPER CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Contract Documents may be obtained at Plan & Print Systems, Inc., 6160 Eastern Ave, Syracuse, NY 13211 (Telephone: 315.437.5111, Fax: 315.463.1510) upon receipt of a \$100.00 deposit per set. Checks for deposit for Contract Documents shall be made payable to Brasher Falls CSD. Cash will not be accepted as a deposit. Prospective Bidders will be issued a maximum of two (2) sets each. Subcontractors, Material Suppliers, etc., will be issued a maximum of one (1) set each.

Contract documents will be delivered via UPS Ground service upon request and receipt of an additional non-refundable delivery and handling charge, payable by separate check to Plan & Print Systems, Inc. Contact Plan & Print for shipping and handling costs.

Any sets required in excess of the above-mentioned maximums are to be obtained directly by interested parties at the full cost of printing, **at their cost**, directly from Plan and Print Systems.

Only complete sets will be issued.

At the time the order is placed, plan holder shall advise Plan and Print Systems of status as to prime bidder, subcontractor, or material supplier and to trade affiliation. Postal address, telephone number, fax number, and email will also be required.

ADDENDA

Addenda for this project will be emailed to each plan holder of record, except as noted. Addenda containing full sized drawings will be issued in hard copy format only and sent via UPS. It is the responsibility of each prospective bidder to submit an accurate email address when requesting Bidding/Contract Documents and to download each addendum.

Addenda will be sent to the e-mail address on record.

RETURN OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Upon returning sets promptly and in re-usable condition to **Plan & Print Systems, Inc.** within **30 days** after the date of the Bid opening, deposits will be refunded as follows:

1. Any Bidder will be refunded his or her deposit in full.
2. All other persons receiving any or all the Contract Documents, including Subcontractors and Material Suppliers, will be refunded their deposit in full.

All Contract Documents received (except for Documents held by Successful Bidders) must be returned to **Plan & Print Systems, Inc.**, at the above address.

For Contract Documents which are not returned to the printer within this 30-day period, deposits will NOT be refunded.

RIGHT TO WAIVE OR REJECT

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any or all Bids.

BID SECURITY

Each Bidder must deposit with its Bid, security in an amount and form subject to the conditions provided in the Contract Documents.

WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

Withdrawal of Bids will be subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders.

COMPLETION TIME

The work of this project shall be completed by the dates set forth in Section 011100 entitled "Multiple Contract Summary."

PRE-BID MEETING

A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held to answer questions that may arise during the bidding period. The meeting will be held at 1:00 P.M. on Monday, January 27, 2025 at the HS Cafeteria, 1039 State Highway 11C, Brasher Falls NY 13613.

INSPECTION OF SITE

Bidders will be able to visit the Site at the convenience of the Brasher Falls CSD with a minimum of forty-eight hours prior notification to Mr. Tim Redmond by telephone at 315-389-4957.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Requests for interpretation, information or clarification (RFI) of the Contract Documents must be made in writing to King + King Architects. Responses to RFIs will not be made over the telephone. Responses to RFIs will be advisory only and will not modify the Contract Documents. The Contract Documents stand as published except as modified by written Addenda before bid and Modifications after execution of the Agreement.

RFIs may be e-mailed to Megan Vanderbrook (King + King Architects) at mvanderbrook@kingarch.com and Drew Turck (Watchdog Building Partners) at dturck@watchdogbp.com and Vicki Engelberger (Watchdog Building Partners) at vengelberger@watchdogbp.com

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

Notice of Formation of Alec Graham Properties LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/30/2024. 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 Northwest Registered Agent LLC: 418 Broadway, Ste N, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**BRASHER
TAX COLLECTOR'S
NOTICE**

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the undersigned, the collector of taxes of the Town of Brasher, has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes for the Town of Brasher for the fiscal year January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the undersigned will receive the taxes listed on said roll at her office located at 11 Factory Street, Town of Brasher, St. Lawrence County, New York, during usual business hours, i.e. 7 AM to 4 PM on the following days: Monday through Thursday. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that taxes may be paid to the undersigned without interest on or before the thirty first day of January. Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one per cent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. The date for the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is June 3, 2025. DATED: December 30, 2024
Bethany St. Hilaire
Collector of Taxes

**POTSDAM
NOTICE OF MEETING**

Public Information Meeting

The St. Lawrence County Department of Highways will conduct a Public Information Meeting to discuss the proposed replacement of the County Route 34 (West Potsdam Road) Bridge over Trout Brook. The meeting will be held from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, January 29th, 2025, at the St. Lawrence County Highway Garage, located at 7074 US-11, Potsdam, NY 13676.

The project is being progressed by the St. Lawrence County Department of Highways and the New York State Department of Transportation as Project Identification Number (PIN) 7754.26. At present, the project is in the preliminary design phase. Representatives from the St. Lawrence County Department of Highways, NYSDOT and Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. will be available at the meeting to answer questions and obtain comments on the proposed project from individuals, groups, officials and local agencies.

Questions regarding this meeting may be addressed to Mr. Donald Chambers, Superintendent of Highways, St. Lawrence County Department of Highways, 44 Park Street, Canton, NY 13617.

**LOUISVILLE
PUBLIC NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the following dates are Holidays for the Louisville Town Employees who are not covered by a labor contract for the year 2025:
January 1 New Year's Day
January 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
February 17 President's Day
April 18 Good Friday
May 26 Memorial Day
June 19 Juneteenth Day
July 4 Independence Day
September 1 Labor Day
October 14 Columbus Day
November 4 Election Day
November 11 Veteran's Day
November 27 Thanksgiving Day
November 28 Day after Thanksgiving
December 24 Christmas Eve
December 25 Christmas Day

Amy Ellsworth
Louisville Town Clerk
1/09/2025

**LOUISVILLE
PUBLIC NOTICE
EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITY**

The Town of Louisville is seeking Summer Employees for Recreation & Maintenance positions. Labor expected is maintaining parks and general park maintenance. Up to 40 hours a week. Louisville residents are preferred, but all are encouraged to apply and must possess a clean NYS Drivers License. Applications can be picked up at the Thomas J. Carroll Louisville Municipal Building, and are also located on louisvillemnny.com. Applications can be dropped off at 14810 State Hwy.37 or emailed to townclerk@louisvillemnny.com. Applications will be accepted until March 14, 2025.

Amy Ellsworth
Louisville Town Clerk
01/09/2025

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY
NOTICE OF MEETING**

Public Information Meeting

The St. Lawrence County Department of Highways will conduct a Public Information Meeting to discuss the proposed replacement of the County Route 22 (Farm-to-Market Road) Bridge over Sawyer Creek. The meeting will be held from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, January 23rd, 2025, at the Town of Fowler Town Hall, located at 87 Little York Road, Gouverneur, NY 13642.

The project is being progressed by the St. Lawrence County Department of Highways and the New York State Department of Transportation as Project Identification Number (PIN) 7754.25. At present, the project is in the preliminary design phase. Representatives from the St. Lawrence County Department of Highways, NYSDOT and Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. will be available at the meeting to answer questions and obtain comments on the proposed project from individuals, groups, officials and local agencies.

Questions regarding this meeting may be addressed to Mr. Donald Chambers, Superintendent of Highways, St. Lawrence County Department of Highways, 44 Park Street, Canton, NY 13617.

OGDENSBURG NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of Richardet Tree Farm, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/19/2024. 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 Kevin Adner: 613 Greene St., Ogdensburg, NY 13669. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Winthrop NOTICE OF FORMATION 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.

PIERCEFIELD NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of PB & Drive LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/24/2024. 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 PB & Drive LLC: 6 Wood Avenue, Piercefield, NY 12973. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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

Notice of Formation of CROSSROAD CENTER LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/14/24. Office location: St. Lawrence County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: JESSE OSHIER, 480 Hardscrabble Rd., Lisbon, NY 13658. Purpose: any lawful activities.

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

Notice of Formation of AMR Management Consultants Holdco, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Dept. of State: 12/19/24. Office location: St. Lawrence County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Curran Boyce, 28 Hamilton St., Potsdam, NY 13676, principal business address. Purpose: all lawful purposes.

MASSENA PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the undersigned, the Receiver of Taxes and Assessments of the Town of Massena, has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes for the Town of Massena for the fiscal year **January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.**

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the undersigned will receive the taxes listed on said roll at her office located at Town Hall 60 Main Street, 1st window on right, Town of Massena, St. Lawrence County, New York, during usual business hours: 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM on the following days: Monday through Friday excepting holidays.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that taxes may be paid to the undersigned without interest on or before the thirty-first day of January. Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one per cent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. The date for the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is **June 3, 2025.**

DATED: December 31, 2024
Pamela Burton
Collector of Taxes
Town of Hammond

HAMMOND NOTICE OF TAX COLLECTION NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the undersigned, the collector of taxes of the Town of Hammond, has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes for the Town of Hammond for the fiscal year January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the undersigned will receive the taxes listed on the said roll at the office located at 21 South Main Street, Town of Hammond, St. Lawrence County, New York, during usual business hours of 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM, Monday through Thursday, excluding legal holidays.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that taxes may be paid to the undersigned without interest on or before the thirty first day of January. Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one per cent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. The date for the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is **June 3, 2025.**

DATED: December 31, 2024
Pamela Burton
Collector of Taxes
Town of Hammond

LOUISVILLE NOTICE AND RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Louisville Tax Collector has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes for the Town of Louisville for the fiscal year **January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.**

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the Louisville Tax Collector will receive the taxes listed on said roll at the town office located at 14810 State Highway 37, Town of Louisville, St. Lawrence County, New York, 8:00am to 3:00pm, Monday through Friday.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that taxes may be paid to the Louisville Tax Collector without interest on or before the **thirty first day of January.** Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one percent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. The date for the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is **June 3, 2025.**

DATED: 12/30/2024
Terri O'Keefe
Tax Collector, Town of Louisville

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY NOTICE OF SALE

STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE

Massena Savings and Loan, 255 Main Street, Massena New York 13662
Mortgage Servicer: Massena Savings & Loan 255 Main Street Massena, NY 13662 (315) 764-0541

Plaintiff, -against- NOTICE OF SALE
Index No.: EFCV-23-165562
RJL No.: 44-1-2024-0110

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 18th day of February, 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: January , 2025
THOMAS ADAMS, ESQ., Referee

LEGAL NOTICE

Valerie M. Francis has requested letters of Administration on the Estate of Jade Johnathan Moses Benedict of Akwesasne, NY. Any creditors shall contact the Tribal Court Clerk at 518-358-6300.

Notice is hereby given to all potential creditors to said estate who may have an interest in said estate to present their interest to the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Court by February 7, 2025.

LOUISVILLE PUBLIC NOTICE

Please take notice that, Louisville Town Board will hold their regular monthly meetings at the Louisville Municipal Building at 6:00pm for the year 2025 on the following dates:

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

Amy Ellsworth
Louisville Town Clerk
1/09/25

ROSSIE NOTICE AND RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the undersigned, the collector of taxes of the Town of Rossie, has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes for the Town of Rossie for the fiscal year January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025. PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the undersigned will receive the taxes listed on said roll at her office located at 908 County Route 3, Town of Rossie, St. Lawrence County, New York, during usual business hours, i.e. Tues, Wed 7:30-12 and Thur 12-5.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the taxes may be paid to the undersigned without interest on or before the thirty-first day of January. Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one percent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. The date for the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is June 3, 2025.

Dated: December 31, 2024
Jennifer Gardner, Collector of Taxes, Town of Rossie

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that taxes may be paid to the undersigned without interest on or before the thirty-first day of January. Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one percent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. Taxes may also be paid in installments as provided in St. Lawrence County local law; the first installment must be at least one-third of the total amount due plus 2% service charge on the total amount billed to be paid by January 31, 2025; the second installment must be at least one-third of the January tax bill to be paid by March 31, 2025 to avoid interest; the third installment is the remainder due on or before June 2, 2025. The date for the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is **June 3, 2025.**

DATED: December 31, 2024
Taya M. Pryce
Receiver of Taxes and Assessments
Town of Massena

CANTON TAX COLLECTOR'S NOTICE NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the undersigned, the collector of taxes of the Town of Canton, has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes for the Town of Canton for the fiscal year **January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.**

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the undersigned will receive the taxes listed on said roll at his/her office located at 60 Main Street, Town of Canton, St. Lawrence County, New York, during usual business hours, i.e. 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM on the following days: Monday-Fridays (except holidays).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that taxes may be paid to the undersigned without interest on or before the **thirty first day of January.** Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one per cent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. The date for the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is **June 3, 2025.**

Dated: January 2, 2025
Heidi L. Smith, RMC
Collector of Taxes
Town of Canton

STOCKHOLM NOTICE AND RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the undersigned, the collector of taxes of the Town of Stockholm, has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes for the Town of Stockholm for the fiscal year **January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.**

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the undersigned will receive the taxes listed on said roll at her office located at 540 St. Hwy. 11C, Winthrop, NY, Town of Stockholm, St. Lawrence County, New York, during usual business hours, i.e. 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM on the following days: Monday - Thursday.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that taxes may be paid to the undersigned without interest on or before the **thirty first day of January.** Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one per cent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. The date for the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is **June 3, 2025.**

Dated: January 2, 2025
Heather Kish
Collector of Taxes
Town of Stockholm

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DATED: December 31, 2024

OSWEGATCHIE TAX COLLECTOR'S NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the undersigned, the collector of taxes of the Town of Oswegatchie, has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes for the Town of Oswegatchie for the fiscal year **January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.**

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the undersigned will receive the taxes listed on said roll at her office located at 51 State St, Heuvelton, NY 13654, Town of Oswegatchie, St. Lawrence County, New York, during usual business hours: Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 8:00 - 11:30 am and 12:30 - 4:00 pm. Wed 8:00 - 11:30 am only.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that taxes may be paid to the undersigned without interest on or before the **thirty first day of January.** Taxes received after the 30-day penalty free period shall have interest added at the rate of one per cent for each month or fraction thereof until such taxes are paid or until return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer pursuant to law. The date for the return of unpaid taxes to the County Treasurer is **June 3, 2025.**

Vicki L. Thornhill,
Collector of Taxes
Town of Oswegatchie
January 2, 2025

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.

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

Notice of Formation of Phippen's Investors LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 01/03/2025. 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 Phippen's Investors LLC: Massena NY. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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

ST LAWRENCE EYE
PHYSICIAN PLLC
Certificate of Registration
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.

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' W 200 feet; thence N 70° 30' E 100 feet and S 19° 30' E 200 feet to the place of beginning. As surveyed August 1, 1956 by Howard M. Smith, Surveyor #7744.

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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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MASSENA NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Notice of Formation of Spin Drift Precision LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/27/2024. 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: 253 Trippan Rd Massena, NY 13662. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.



NCNow photo

Ice time at the Arena

Massena residents Gary Sommer, in front, and Ross O'Geen were among those at free public skating Dec. 30 at Massena Arena. Several free sessions were available over the holiday vacation, thanks to sponsors Seacomm, Northside Community Church, Massena Sons of Amvets, Massena Amvets, Mike Hazelton Foundation and Warden's Custom and Vinyl.

Groundhog Day 5K(ish) to be held at Heuvelton, Lisbon, M-W schools

CANTON -- The St. Lawrence County Public Health Department, in partnership with the Youth Bureau, will offer a Groundhog Day 5K(ish) event at participating local schools on Saturday, Feb. 1, from 9-10:30 a.m.

Three schools hosting this event are Heuvelton Central, Lisbon Central, and Madrid-Waddington Central.

"Our organizations recognize that winter in the North Country is long and it can be easy to get stuck on the couch hiding from the cold. It is our goal to get community members up and moving, even if only for one day," said Jena Sloan, Public Health Specialist.

Walking loops will be mapped out in each school for participants to walk or run at their own pace. Individuals can choose how many laps they complete.

For some, it could be a 5k, for others it could be a quarter mile or less.

Participants are encouraged to show their school spirit by wearing their school colors or consider wearing Groundhog Day themed attire.

In lieu of paying a registration fee, attendees are asked to bring one canned or pantry item to donate to the school's food pantry.

Contact the Youth Bureau by emailing Alexa Chase at ACHase@stlawco.gov or calling 315-379-9464 with any questions.

Twangtown Paramours to perform at Pickens Hall

HEUVELTON -- Pickens Hall, 83 State St., will feature the Twangtown Paramours in concert on Saturday, Feb. 8 at 7 p.m.

Nashville-based husband-and-wife duo Mike T. Lewis and MaryBeth Zamer, known on stage as The Twangtown Paramours, have made a

name for themselves defying boundaries with their award-winning catalogue of Americana, Folk, and Blues anthems.

With a slew of accolades for their first three full-length albums, they've earned a loyal following, balancing serious instrumental and vocal

chops with witty stage banter and a lighthearted approach to life.

Tickets cost \$15 and are available by calling the hall at 315-344-7950 or visiting www.pickenshall.com.

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Math/Science TRiO SSS Tutor

The State University of New York (SUNY) College at Canton invites qualified applicants for a part-time, temporary position in the TRiO SSS Department beginning January 2025.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree or Associate's Degree with 3-5 years of experience in the area(s) of Math or Science is preferred.
- Ability to develop positive rapport with participants and campus faculty/staff.
- Proficiency in Mathematics, Science.
- Excellent communication and organization skills.
- Tutoring experience.
- Ability to work with multiple students at once.

Duties:

- Provide tutoring on specific subject areas such as but not limited to algebra, statistics, accounting, biology, chemistry, and physics.
- Provide intensive in-person academic assistance and guidance in one-on-one or group settings.
- Must be able to work on campus during the academic year, no remote availability will be allowed.
- Greet participants and ensure they have electronically signed in and out of the tutoring lab.
- Review assignments and homework with participants.
- Identify and develop tutorial material as needed.

Please submit a cover letter, resume, 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.

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

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

The Research Foundation, a unit of the State University of New York, is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer, with a commitment to building a culturally diverse and pluralistic faculty to meet the needs of our diverse student population and strongly encourages applications from minority and women candidates.



Clinical Instructor (Adjunct) Nursing

The State University of New York (SUNY) College at Canton is seeking clinical adjuncts for their RN and PN programs. Come join our team of qualified instructors for a rewarding position teaching our future nurses with an attractive pay scale!

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

Contact Kimberly Davies DNP, RN for more information.

Email: ferreek@canton.edu

Phone: 315-386-7172

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

Qualifications:

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

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

Persons interested in the above position should send their resume to hr@canton.edu

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Cook

Dining & Conference Services Department

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

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

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

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

St. Lawrence University is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Secondary Math Teacher

Start Date: **January 16, 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.



Lecturer Healthcare Management

Salary Range: \$55,000-\$60,000

The State University of New York (SUNY) College at Canton invites qualified applicants for a full-time, Lecturer position in the Healthcare Management Department beginning September 1, 2025.

Required Qualifications:

- Master's degree in Healthcare Administration.
- Healthcare management experience.

Preferred Qualifications:

- FACHE certification or other certificates considered.
- Previous college teaching experience.

Duties:

- A 4/4 teaching load, which will include online and flex modalities.
- Teaching assignments may include courses in introductory Healthcare Management, U.S. Healthcare System, Healthcare Facility Administration and other courses as needed.
- Advising and mentoring students.
- Collaborative participation in course, curriculum, program development, accreditation, and assessment.
- Participation in campus, university, and community service activities.

Please submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching philosophy, statement of diversity, equity, and inclusion, and three professional references to Human Resources.

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

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LISBON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



is accepting applications for the following positions:

- Long-Term Substitute Teaching Assistant
- Long-Term Substitute Teacher
- Long-Term Substitute School Psychologist

Applications will be accepted until the positions are filled. Early application is encouraged and applications will be reviewed as they are received.

* Proper Certification is required for some positions.

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

- ▶ Cover Letter
- ▶ Application (Please apply using the Regional Common Application) - Application and information about Lisbon CSD may be found at: <https://www.lisboncsd.org/>
- ▶ Resumé
- ▶ Letters of Recommendation (three)
- ▶ Copy of New York State Certifications
- ▶ Original College Transcripts

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

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

EOE



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/>

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Child Care Professionals Needed

Preschool Head of Group (3-4 yo)

Full time position. Requirements:
Associates Degree in Early Childhood or Infant/Toddler CDA and 2 years experience working with children 3-4yo.

\$16.50/Hour. Paid holidays, sick, personal & vacation time.

Toddler Head of Group (18 mth - 2 yo)

Full time position. Requirements:
Associates Degree in Early Childhood or Infant/Toddler CDA and 2 years experience with toddlers.

\$16.50/Hour. Paid holidays, sick, personal & vacation time.

Employment is subject to background checks.
Email resume and two professional references to:

cantondaycare@twcny.rr.com

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

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Clubhouse Worker: Under the direction of the Clubhouse Supervisor and Assistant Clinical Director, the Clubhouse Worker will organize, plan, implement, and supervise activities to develop pro-social skills that promote long term health, wellness, recovery and drug free lifestyle with Clubhouse participants. Status: Full-time, Non-exempt, Term 9/29/2029 Salary: \$15.63 - \$21.71 Deadline: Open Until Filled. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

Per Diem Pharmacist: The pharmacist will dispense drugs prescribed by physicians and other health practitioners and provide information to patients about medications and their use. The Pharmacist may advise physicians and other health practitioners on the selection, dosage, interactions and side effect of medications. Status: Per Diem, Non-Exempt Salary: \$47.17 – \$86.54 Deadline: January 29, 2025. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

Registered Nurse/ Licensed Practical Nurse: The Registered Nurse/Licensed Practical Nurse under the direction of the Nursing Supervisor will collaborate with all members of the health care team to develop and maintain a high quality of nursing care. Status: Non-Exempt, Full-Time Permanent Salary: \$27.29 - \$41.03/\$17.09 - \$22.59 Deadline: Open Until Filled. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

School Based Mental Health Therapist: Under the direction of the Lead Therapist, the School-Based Mental Health Therapist will provide individuals and their families with counseling/psychotherapy services to promote optimum mental health in the Salmon River Central School and the Mohawk School satellite clinic. Status: Full-

Trivia Test

1. TELEVISION: Which popular spinoff series originated with the drama "Breaking Bad"?
2. HOLIDAYS: What is another name for Three Kings Day, celebrated on Jan. 6?
3. LANGUAGE: What does the Latin phrase "bona fide" mean?
4. MOVIES: In the movie "Babe," what kind of animal is the title character?
5. MEASUREMENTS: How many grams are in a kilogram?
6. GEOGRAPHY: Which strait separates Saudi Arabia from Africa?
7. SCIENCE: What are the three layers that make up the Earth?
8. FOOD & DRINK: Which breakfast food is associated with the retro series "Stranger Things"?
9. MEDICAL: What is the common name for muscae volitantes?
10. LITERATURE: Which poet wrote a six-volume biography of President Abraham Lincoln?

Answers found elsewhere in this paper.

time, Exempt, Permanent Salary: \$32,510.40 - \$80,392.00 Deadline: Open Until Filled. Complete announcement and application instructions are available online at: www.srmt-nsn.gov

Searching for a supportive and reliable assistant to help a high-functioning autistic 31-year-old man with daily apartment routines in Canton, 10-20 hours weekly. Please contact 315-854-5043 if interested.

The Town of Pierrepoint is seeking a new member for the Planning Board as an alternate. Please send a letter of interest to the Town Clerk at 864 State Highway 68, Canton, NY 13617.

Immediate need for Medical Biller in busy Massena physician's office. Previous medical billing experience a must. Send resumes to cbrown@saisystems.com.

Town Line Market needs good people! We are a fast paced, high volume deli and convenience store who caters to the Tri-town area and beyond. We are currently hiring for all shifts; food service/cashier experience, 18+, and full time applicants preferred. The ability to work well with others in a high paced, stressful environment is a must. Schedule flexibility, paid vacation/sick time, and 401K available for FT employees after Probation period. Pay range \$15.50 and up, based on experience. <https://townline-market.com/employment>

The School of Education and Professional Studies at the SUNY College at Potsdam invites applications for a full-time (10-month) Instructor of Elementary Education in the Department of Teacher Education. With a commitment to enhancing diversity and equity for all students, this position focuses on excellence in teaching while offering a unique opportunity to actively engage with P-6 school partners in the support of preservice and inservice educators. The successful candidate will be responsible for supporting curricula and teaching undergraduate and graduate courses for SUNY Potsdam's Elementary Education programs, developing and maintaining partnerships with regional schools, and supervising teacher candidates in practicum and/or student teaching placements. While a variety of instructional modalities will be required, including online, this is a residential position at the SUNY Potsdam campus. Required qualifications for this position include an earned master's degree in Education or a closely related field from an accredited institution; at least 3 years of successful classroom teaching in a P-6 setting; state teaching certification; and experience supervising preservice teachers. Applicants must submit a CV, letter of intent specifically addressing the responsibilities and candidate qualifications as stated in this position announcement, and a list of 3-5 references. To review the complete job description and upload appropriate documents, visit <https://employment.potsdam.edu/postings/5288>. Application review will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. EOE

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. Open until filled.

Local public accounting firm seeking applicants for the following full-time positions in Ogdensburg: Staff Accountant - Minimum Associates in Accounting or business-related field or 5+ years of appropriate experience. Tax & financial statement preparation experience a plus. CPA/CPA Candidate - This is a management-track position. Must be CPA or actively pursuing CPA license. 5+ years public accounting experience a plus. We offer a full benefit package. Salary is based on qualifications. Email your cover letter & resume to klawton@pmhvcpa.com or mail to Kate Lawton, PO Box 109, Potsdam, NY 13676

St. Lawrence County Department of Social Services is in search of a Computer Programmer/Analyst. Starting salary is \$49,172 with excellent benefits. Generous vacation and sick time allowance, Public Service Loan Forgiveness eligibility and the option to enroll in the St. Lawrence County's health insurance or opt out of the insurance and

SUNY CANTON Campus Safety Specialist Staff Assistant SL-2

Salary Range: \$60,000-\$65,000

The State University of New York (SUNY) College at Canton invites qualified applicants for a full-time, staff position in the Environmental Health and Safety Department.

Required Qualifications:

- Associate's degree.
- Code Enforcement Officer Training or willingness and ability to obtain certification within one year of employment.
- Fire Extinguisher Maintenance Certification or willingness to obtain certification within 6 months of employment.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree.
- RCRA/DOT Certification.
- Hazwopper Certification
- OSHA 40-Hour Certification.
- Familiarity with CAD.
- Familiarity with Microsoft word and excel.
- Electrical and construction/building trades background.
- Reading of and understanding construction drawings.

Duties:

- Performing and management of required life safety system inspections to include but not limited to emergency egress lighting, fire extinguishers, AEDs, ADA doors, SPCC above ground tank inspections, sprinkler systems, standpipe systems, SAAs, hot work areas.
- Facilitating the management, proper collection, classification, storage, transportation, and disposal of non-hazardous, electronic, and universal waste as required and assist with the management of hazardous waste.

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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Madrid-Waddington Central School

is accepting applications for a 2025-2026

1.0 FTE NYS Certified Spanish Teacher

Application with list of required documents is available online at www.mwcsk12.org or call 315-322-5746, ext. 35221.

Mail applications to:
**Eric Burke, Superintendent,
PO Box 67, Madrid, NY 13660.**

Application deadline is **January 21, 2025.**
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Safety and Occupational Health Manager Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Massena, NY

View complete posting on www.USAJOBSS.gov (search on Massena, NY). This vacancy will close on 04/14/2025, there will be early consideration 02/10/2025.

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.



Healthcare Management Assistant Professor Tenure Track

Salary Range: \$60,000-\$70,000

The State University of New York (SUNY) College at Canton invites qualified applicants for a full-time, tenure-track position in the Healthcare Management Department beginning September 1, 2025.

Required Qualifications:

- PhD in the field or Master's plus 7 or more years of management experience in the field; (FACHE certification or other certificates to be considered).

Preferred Qualifications:

- PhD in the field.
- Prior college teaching experience.
- Familiarity with online LMS and online teaching experience.
- Prior experience in field.

Duties:

- A 4/4 teaching load, which will include online and flex modalities.
- Teaching assignments may include courses in Introductory Healthcare Management, U.S. Healthcare System, Public Health Issues, Legal and Ethical Issues in Healthcare, Healthcare Facility Administration and other courses as needed.
- Advising and mentoring students.
- Collaborative participation in course, curriculum, program development, accreditation, and assessment.
- Participation in campus, university, and community service activities.
- Engagement in professional development and relevant scholarly activity.

Please submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching philosophy, statement of research, statement of diversity, equity, and inclusion, 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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The Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority

The Ogdensburg Bridge and Port Authority is hiring:

EXECUTIVE ACCOUNTANT

The Authority seeks to hire an **Executive Accountant**. This position would be considered to assume the role of CFO within 2 years. The ideal candidate will: ensure business transactions are reported in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles; work closely with team members to assist in monthly closing procedures including performing account & bank reconciliations and maintaining the general ledger; research and analyze expense variances; assist with audit preparations; prepare and submit tax returns; produce and submit reports to governmental agencies, and other accounting/compliance duties as assigned.

Minimum requirements include: Bachelor's Degree or higher in accounting or finance; a minimum of 3 years accounting experience; working knowledge of GASB and GAAP; practical knowledge of fund accounting; strong financial analytical skills; proficiency in Microsoft Office particularly Excel; strong communication skills, both written and oral; proven ability to handle multiple projects/tasks simultaneously. Familiarity with Sage Business Works and Paychex Flex is preferred.

Salary: \$70,000 annually.

Submit cover letter, and resume to pnisco@ogdensport.com; at the Authority office; or by mail at One Bridge Plaza Ogdensburg, NY 13669. All applications must be received by the Authority by 3:00 PM on Wednesday, February 5, 2025.

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Application Deadline: January 2025 or Until Filled

Or

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- Licensed Master Social Worker (Ogdensburg, Massena)
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- Mental Health Therapy Aide (Adult, Children)
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315.541.2179 or slpc.humanresources@omh.ny.gov



Colton-Pierrepont Central School District

A PreK-12 district of 390 students, innovator in technology, and located in the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains, invites applicants for the following positions:

Long-Term Substitute during the 2024-2025 School Year for:

- Fourth Grade Teacher (NYS Certification Preferred)

Contact:

Jennifer Fleury, 4921 SH 56, Colton, NY 13625, jfleury@cpccs.us or (315)262-2100 ext. 6
 Application deadline is **January 31, 2025**, EOE



Massena Central School District

is currently accepting applications for the 2025-26 school year for the following position:

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

TENTATIVE ASSIGNMENT: Nightengale Elementary School
 Nightengale Elementary School Demographics:

- Student Enrollment: 472
- Certified Instructional Staff: 54
- Non-Instructional Staff: 33

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Active School Building Leadership (SBL) Certification
- Three (3) years of teaching experience

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Experience in administration and supervision comparable to that of an elementary principal.

For more information and to apply, please contact Massena Central School Human Resources at (315)764-3700 ext. 3011 or visit www.mcs.k12.ny.us.

Please forward a letter of interest, completed application, SBL Certification, three current letters of recommendation and transcripts by **FEBRUARY 10, 2025**.

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Need someone reliable to shovel walks and entries to 3 commercial building all in same parking lot. In Massena village. Pay is \$25.00 per hour!!

FRONT OFFICE/ADOPTION ASSISTANT
 Potsdam Humane Society is seeking an experienced office professional with exceptional customer service skills and an outgoing personality. Skilled with social media. Proficient in math, communication, and computer skills. Experience in animal-related field highly desirable. Full time position available.

KEY COMPETENCIES: Attention to detail. Ability to think quickly and problem-solve. Must be able to multi-task and change direction at any given moment. Must work well in a team setting. Please email resume to victoria@potsdamhumanesociety.org or apply online at <https://potsdamhumanesociety.org/applications/employmentapplication/>. EOE

Bronson Service Corp is looking for a highly motivated heating service technician with great oil burner skills as well as well-rounded, overall heating knowledge. Wages and commission from \$47,500 to \$69,500 for the right technician. Stop by at 7585 US Highway 11, Potsdam for an application or email pbronson@nynymail.com.

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

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

Registered Nurse/Behavioral Health Coordinator: 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

HEUVELTON Central School District
 is accepting applications for the following:

2025-26 TENURE-TRACK POSITIONS

(1) Secondary Math Teacher
Deadline: Friday, Jan. 24, 2025
 NYS certification required.

Online applications available at
<https://www.heuvelton.k12.ny.us/>

Direct inquiries to:
Tessa Herron, District Clerk,
therron@heuvelton.k12.ny.us or 315-344-2414 x28891

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Canton Central School
 The District is currently accepting applications for a

Teaching Assistant (anticipated vacancy)
Middle School Special Education Teacher

Accepting applications until the positions are 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

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To apply, visit mynorthernlights.org.

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**City of Ogdensburg Employment Opportunity
Recreation Director**

The City of Ogdensburg is currently accepting applications for the position of RECREATION DIRECTOR.

The starting salary range is \$54,080 to \$62,192 (DOQ) with an excellent fringe benefit package including NYS retirement and platinum-level health insurance significantly covered by the City.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Either

A) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with a Bachelor's Degree in Recreation, Physical Education, Parks Management or a closely related field; AND one (1) year of experience in the conduct of recreation activities or operating a recreation facility which shall have included one (1) year in a supervisory capacity; OR

B) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with an Associate's Degree in Recreation, Physical Education, Parks Management or a closely related field AND three (3) years of experience in the conduct of recreation activities or operating a recreation facility which shall have included one (1) year in a supervisory capacity; OR

C) Graduation from high school, possession of a high school equivalency diploma, or possession of an Individual Education Plan diploma AND five (5) years of experience in the conduct of recreation activities or operating a recreation facility which shall have included one (1) year in a supervisory capacity.

Applications will be accepted and reviewed weekly until the position is filled.

To apply, please complete a Civil Service application along with a resume and cover letter to: "Recreation Director Search" c/o City Clerk Cathy A. Jock, 330 Ford Street, Room #4, Ogdensburg, NY 13669.

Applications are available at the City Clerk's office or on the City website at www.ogdensburg.org. Please contact City Clerk Cathy A. Jock at cjock@ogdensburg.org or (315) 393-3540 with questions.

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**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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**PARISHVILLE-HOPKINTON
CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**
seeks candidates for the following positions:

SCHOOL COUNSELOR

NYS Certification required.

Salary: \$50,369-\$75,225 (commensurate with experience).

SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

NYS Certification required.

Salary: \$50,369-\$75,225 (commensurate with experience).

SPEECH & LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST

NYS Certification required.

Salary: \$50,369-\$75,225 (commensurate with experience).

Please contact:

DISTRICT OFFICE

P.O. Box 187, Parishville, NY 13672

or submit the SLL BOCES Regional Application

<https://forms.sllboces.org/Forms/CommonApplication>

by January 24, 2025

EOE



Assistant Bookstore Director

The Assistant Director of the Bookstore is responsible for assisting in the general management of the bookstore and primary oversight of the café. Responsibilities include supervision of operations and staff, training, scheduling, administering student employee scheduling and payroll and managing workflow. Enhance and support purchasing operations making recommendations and decisions. Respond courteously to customer inquiries. Prepare reports, assist with inventory planning and execution, promote sales events, orders, supplies and related retail and administrative duties. The person in the position will perform store opening and closing duties and hours of work vary and include weekends.

The salary range is \$25.00- \$27.88 per hour.

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Madrid-Waddington Central School

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- Bus Drivers**
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- Bus Monitors**
- Substitute Bus Drivers**
- Substitute Monitors**

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Community Coordinator & Communications Specialist

The St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce seeks a motivated professional with communications & marketing expertise and a passion for community development and business support to join its team.

The new team member will spend approximately 50% effort to manage and execute Chamber communications including member business information, newsletters, social media, and oversight of press releases. The other 50% effort will involve providing leadership in the community, engaging with business leaders, creating initiatives, and coordinating events that benefit member businesses and highlight the community, thereby enhancing the business climate and community vitality.

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Canton Central School

School Year 2025-26

Elementary Principal

Salary is negotiated based on experience.

Application deadline is **February 10, 2025**

All interested candidates must submit the following:

- Cover Letter • Resume
- Three Letters of Recommendation
- Copy of Appropriate NYS Administrative Certification
 - College Transcript
 - Instructional Application

Please submit information to the attention of:
Mrs. Sarah Smith, Senior Account Clerk
CANTON CENTRAL SCHOOL
99 State St. Canton, NY 13617
Phone: 315-386-8561 ext. 44203
Email Mrs. Smith at: ssmith@ccsdk12.org EOE



Colton-Pierrepoint Central School District

A PreK-12 district of 390 students, innovator in technology, and located in the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains, invites applicants for an Anticipated Opening:

Full Time Bus Driver / Custodian

will train for bus driver license.

Contact: Jennifer Fleury, 4921 SH 56, Colton, NY 13625. jfleury@cpcs.us or 315-262-2100, ext. 6

Application Deadline: **January 24, 2025**. EOE
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| B1

Change, expansion come to Community Health Center of the North Country

2024 was a year of significant change and planning at Community Health Center of the North Country (CHCNC).

Everyone is welcome, and most insurances are accepted at the Full Service Family practices in Canton, Gouverneur, Malone, and Ogdensburg.

Services include but are not limited to: primary and pediatric care, dental, behavioral health, physical therapy, care management, outreach and enrollment, WIC, and many programs for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Optometry services are also available at the Arsenal Street center in Watertown.

After a 10-year run at the helm, CEO Anne Richey retired in February. This ushered in a new era under CEO Dave Bender who joined the team after many years with St. Lawrence Health System. Other changes have come in other roles: Jennie Flanagan joined as Chief Operating Officer, and Alexander Bryden signed on as the new Chief Financial Officer.

With new people comes new goals, visions, and plans to make those visions reality.

There is a renewed commitment to the mission of providing comprehensive, equitable and accessible high quality healthcare and human services to people of all income levels and those with individualized needs.

In 2025 this will be most noticeably evident with the addition of new providers and expansion of facilities to meet the needs of these new members of the CHCNC team.

Starting this month you will see the first in a number of doctors joining, CHCNC as the team embarks on an extensive expansion of Pediatric Services.

This begins with the return to the North Country of Pediatrician Scott Spicer, MD; he



joins the pediatric team of Donald Schuessler, MD and Kylie Lansing, PA at the CHCNC location in Gouverneur.

This will be followed by two pediatricians

joining the Ogdensburg health center this summer. Future primary care arrivals in 2025 include Family Practice Physicians at both the Canton and Ogdensburg locations with the potential for another doctor in Malone.

Finally, after an extensive time searching, CHCNC welcomed Sara Elliott, LCSW and Bob Stickels, LCSW-R to the Behavioral health unit at the Canton health center. With the growth in providers comes expansion in facilities. To accommodate the new pediatricians, remodeling will take place at both the Gouverneur and Ogdensburg health centers which will result in nine new pediatric suites being added — six in Ogdensburg and two in Gouverneur.

Change can be unnerving, but at the same time exciting. The past 12 months have brought both to CHCNC. The one thing that

has not changed is the 50-year commitment to serving the North Country communities the team cares for.

CHCNC, one of Northern New York's premiere independent providers of healthcare services for people of all income levels, is part of a national network of community health centers serving over 30 million patients including 300,000 veterans, one in six Medicaid beneficiaries, nearly 1.2 million homeless, and over 7.5 million children.

Join the 2.4 million New Yorkers and over 100,000 people across the North Country entrusting Community Health Centers with their care. Experience, quality, and affordability; that, is the Community Health center of the North Country experience.
Info: www.cpnorthcountry.org

Orchestra of Northern New York celebrates next chapter

POTSDAM – The North Country's only year-round symphony orchestra marks its 37th season of bringing high quality orchestral music to the region.

The Orchestra of Northern New York celebrates the 2024-2025 season with a new Music Director, increased attendance at seven performances in Massena, Potsdam and Watertown, the return of its Young Artist Competition and Challenge for Young Artists, and a successful summer chamber music series in the Adirondacks.

Colonel Michael J. Colburn (USMC, Ret.) is ONNY's current Music Director, selected from a

field of 84 applicants last May.

In 1987, he won a position with "The President's Own" U.S. Marine Band. In 2004, he was appointed the 27th director of the Marine Band and promoted to Colonel. As such, he served as the music advisor to the White House, regularly conducting the Marine Band and Chamber Orchestra at the Executive Mansion and at the presidential inaugurations of George W. Bush and Barack Obama.

Upon his retirement from the Marine Band in 2014, he was appointed director of bands at Butler University, a position he

held until 2022.

He and his wife, Nancy, then re-located to their home state of Vermont, from which he works as a freelance guest conductor and clinician, leading professional and student ensembles in festivals, residencies, and other settings around the country. He is also the Music Director of the Me2 Orchestra in Burlington, VT. He will be the guest conductor of the Crane Orchestra for the spring 2025 semester. On Jan. 25, he will oversee the return of the James and Katherine Andrews Young Artist Competition in which high school students compete for a

\$500 first prize and the opportunity to solo with ONNY at its April concert. Colburn will also supervise the Challenge for Young Artists on April 12, when area students perform their NYSSMA work and receive feedback from ONNY's professional musicians prior to that competition.

ONNY's Adirondack outreach program, Music Amid the Pines, a summer chamber music series, held four concerts this past year and will again in 2025. Programs occur in Wanakena, Childwold, and Lake Clear in July and August.

Info: onny.or, 315-212-3440.

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St. Lawrence County IDA promoting local industry in the North Country

The mission of the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency is to promote, encourage, attract, and develop job opportunities and economically sound commerce and industry in St. Lawrence County.

Outreach efforts involve direct calls, site visits, advertisements, tradeshow participation, job fair coordination and participation, and a variety of business-to-business sponsored activities and other co-sponsored events with the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce.

In 2024, activities designed to support both business and workforce development included a Business Resource Mixer highlighting the local resource providers in the county, and Business Connection Events which spotlight specific resources such as the SUNY Canton Canino School of Engineering and the three BOCES Tech Centers.

The IDA also worked with BOCES to schedule 360 local high school students to visit 13 manufacturers in St. Lawrence County as part of Manufacturing Day, introducing the students to careers with local employers.

The “Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership” networking and business development program, a collaboration with the University of Buffalo and SUNY Canton, and hosted by the IDA and the New York Power Authority, saw seven small business leaders from throughout the county complete the 20-week session in June 2024.

In 2022, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators allocated \$3.387 million in American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) funds to be administered by the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency to assist businesses, organizations, and individuals impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic through several program categories.

Training programs for CDL-A licensure, Heavy Equipment Operator, the Family Child Care Training Program were undertaken with participation from a variety of partners, including SUNY Canton, BOCES, the Cornell Cooperative Extension, the St. Lawrence County Child Care Council, and the St. Lawrence County One Stop Career Center.

At the end of 2024, the IDA completed the process of awarding ARPA funds throughout St. Lawrence County.

In 2025, the IDA will complete the expenditure of awarded funds, which in addition to the training programs, include small business and non-profit assistance programs, tourism promotion and development support, and facility and infrastructure development funding.

Project activity for the IDA, and its affiliated development entities, including the IDA Local Development Corporation and the St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency, continued in 2024 with projects at GoCo Massena, LLC, Cives Steel in Gouverneur,

L&T Crafts n Things in Massena, Bent Beam Brewing (dba St. Lawrence Suds) in Canton, Miskarie, USA LLC (dba Summit Shred Lab) in Potsdam, Lakeside Haven Cottages in Black Lake, and Thompson’s Diesel Works in Waddington.

Air Products, Inc. completed clearing work at the project site for its green hydrogen facility on the Pontoon Bridge Road in Massena.

Construction work is anticipated to continue through 2025. The project represents an investment of over \$400 million, a major milestone in further establishing St. Lawrence County and New York State as leaders in the clean energy sector. The company proposes to create 90 full-time jobs within its first three years of operation.

The IDA is partnering with the Development Authority of the North Country for the demolition and redevelopment of the former Massena School of Business site in downtown Massena.

Requests for proposals were issued, and

contractors were selected for the architecture and design services and demolition work.

Grant funding is provided as part of the successful Downtown Revitalization Initiative award in Massena to transfer the property into a community space, while maintaining the historic Main Street façade of the building.

Other DRI and Restore NY Projects the IDA is assisting include Massena Arts and Theatre, Bent Beam Brewing in Canton, and the former Hackett’s facility in Ogdensburg.

The IDA approved a lease with the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Adult Education & Workforce Development Program for space in the IDA’s Ernest J. LaBaff Industrial Building in Canton.

This will create a more significant connection with BOCES adult services programs as collaborative efforts for economic and workforce development issues continue.

The space will be used for offices, classrooms, and training programs.

The St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency approved \$100,000 in awards for the 2024 River Valley Community Development and Environmental Improvement Program.

The program has provided over \$4.4 million in funding over the past 14 years for a variety of projects throughout St. Lawrence County.

Tropical Storm Debby resulted in extensive flood damage around the county, affecting operations for a handful of businesses. The IDA quickly outreached local businesses and municipalities to assess the damage to determine assistance needed.

The Small Business Administration set up an operations center in the IDA offices for two weeks at the end of the year to answer questions and help residents and businesses complete funding applications.

For more information contact the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency at 315-379-9806 or visit www.slcida.com.

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Art store and custom framing at new location

MASSENA — St. Lawrence Art Gallery and Supply has moved to 274 East Orvis St. in Massena.

The Gallery offers space to artists and crafters to sell their work as well as selling art supplies and creative gifts.

The Gallery offers custom frames and mats along with frame repair and restoration.

The Gallery and Supply carries many sizes of prestretched canvas, and will make custom sizes.

They also carry many different types of paint, brushes, papers and crafting supplies.

They also have a lot of project kits for all ages along with diamond art and paint by number.

The Gallery is open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

The owner, Bob Girard, invites everyone to stop in and see what we offer and view the artwork of our local artists.

You can call us at 315 705-4012. Find us on Facebook or email us at stlawart@gmail.com

SeaComm to launch new online and mobile platform in the new year

MASSENA — Since 1963, SeaComm has maintained unwavering dedication to the financial health and well-being of its membership. As such, 2024 was another year of success for the credit union. In 2024, SeaComm continued to focus on enhancing its current offerings to improve the member experience.

Through its “Enhanced Loyalty Rewards” program, SeaComm provided members a boost on certificates of deposit, IRA certificates, and reductions on loan rates.

The credit union also announced the upcoming launch of its new online and mobile platform, Access Digital, which will roll out early in the New Year. This upgrade will include new features for the credit union’s members, including person-to-person payments, and the ability to open new share accounts from the mobile app or website.

SeaComm continued to provide access to other services as well, including the Loan Engine pre-approval program, Homebuyer Dream Program®, and Benefits Plus® checking, which provides members with retail and

travel savings, and identity theft protection.

SeaComm’s year-long celebration of the organization’s 60th anniversary was completed June 6 with a special celebration for the credit union’s last remaining charter member, Earl Jackson, in recognition of his years of service and dedication.

The credit union’s “Pay-it-Forward” program continued to spread joy in the communities it serves by delivering random acts of kindness that impacted over 4,000 people.

Throughout 2024, SeaComm provided hundreds of free meals to individuals at restaurants, encouraged financial literacy through engaging trivia nights, sponsored evenings of free tickets and popcorn at movie theatres, donated school supplies to local districts with students in need, covered the cost of admittance to a holiday brass orchestra, and more.

To further support its local communities, SeaComm has encouraged staff members to participate in the organization’s “Do Some Good” Program, which grants them the opportunity to volunteer for a charity or cause of

their choice during work hours.

Through this program in 2024, SeaComm staff volunteered at various charities including St. Peter’s of Massena, 4-H, St. Lawrence Power & Equipment Museum, Salvation Army, The Morning Side Cemetery in Malone, Emmanuel Congregation Summer Vacation Bible School, Ready-4-School Event in Massena, Light Up a Life and Helping Hands of Potsdam.

In addition, SeaComm contributed more than \$323,450 in donations and sponsorships to organizations including Massena Memorial Hospital, Canton College Foundation, North Country Children’s Museum, Canton-Potsdam Hospital, and many more.

Demonstrating a commitment to fostering creativity and innovation, SeaComm awarded four young entrepreneurs \$500 to aid the growth of their new businesses through the organization’s Summer Grant Program. SeaComm also awarded the Shirley J. Eagles scholarship of \$1,000 to ten college-bound high school seniors.

SeaComm was proud to accept two presti-

gious Diamond Awards from the CUNA Marketing and Business Development Council.

The credit union won the first in overall “Social Media” for credit unions with assets of \$500 million to \$1 billion, and second as Category’s Best “Diamond in the Rough,” for the organization’s “Plunky’s aMAZEing Race” sweepstakes. SeaComm was also awarded the 2024 Silver MAC Award from the Marketing Association of Credit Unions in recognition of its Social Media.

In 2024, SeaComm was certified by Great Place to Work® as elected by its employees for the fourth consecutive year. This distinguished award is based entirely on what current employees say about their experience working at SeaComm. In 2024, 90% of SeaComm employees said it’s a great place to work, compared to 57% of employees at a typical US-based company.

Bauer Financial, an independent financial rating company, awarded SeaComm their Superior Five-Stars. The star ratings classify each credit union based upon a complex formula which factors in relevant data including capital, historical trends, loan delinquencies, differences in the book and market values of the investment portfolio, profitability, repossessed assets, reserves, charge-offs, regulatory compliance, and asset quality. It has deemed SeaComm as safe, financially sound, and that the organization is operating well above regulatory capital requirements.

With strong financial performance and a solid plan for the future, SeaComm is well positioned for another successful year ahead.

SeaComm is a member-owned financial cooperative, headquartered in Massena with over 55,370 members and assets exceeding \$776 million. The credit union has nine branches in Massena, Potsdam, Malone, Canton, Ogdensburg, Plattsburgh, South Burlington, Essex, and Watertown.

SLCCF leads fight against cancer

CANTON -- The St. Lawrence County Cancer Fund (SLCCF) has existed in our community since 1979. We are an all-volunteer group that prides itself on the fact that all funds raised remain here in St. Lawrence County to help our friends and neighbors. Our mission is and always will be to be dedicated to the local fight against cancer.

Our focus is to raise awareness and funds for hospitals, cancer treatment centers and organizations in the county which works to provide education, early detection screening, treatment and financial support for individuals battling cancer throughout the county.

Through an application process, local groups are encouraged to apply for grants distributed by the Fund. This past year we gave out almost \$60,000 to our local communities.

Long-time recipients of funding include the Cancer Treatment Center at Canton-Potsdam Hospital, Richard E. Winter Cancer Treatment Center at Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center, Ryan’s Wish and Hospice of St. Lawrence Valley. New recipients this year were the Community Health Center of the North Country, Jerry’s Run for Cancer and The Compassionate Care Foundation.

As an illness, cancer does not discriminate against who it touches even in the times of a pandemic. Support for the programming and services provided by these organizations during this time are more important now, than ever before. Each year, community members who have been impacted by cancer gather at the annual Edward I. Moses Walk/Run for Life, the Fund’s primary fundraiser.

It is a mix of cancer survivors and their supporters, families remembering those who fought a courageous battle and hopeful community members who join together to ensure support for important local programs that support our friends and neighbors.

All funds raised by the St. Lawrence County Cancer Fund remain in St. Lawrence County to help St. Lawrence County residents.

This year the event will be held on April 27 in both Canton and Potsdam. To get a registration form, donate or to learn more about our group and any future activities visit www.walkrunforlife.com.

Those who want to join our committee are always welcome. Visit the website and fill out a contact form or email president@slccf.org.

Rochester Regional brings new providers to North Country

Rochester Regional Health's (RRH) St. Lawrence Region is comprised of three hospitals, Canton-Potsdam (CPH) – a Certified Primary Stroke and Level III Trauma Center, Gouverneur (GH), and Massena (MH).

It offers more than 40 outpatient specialty and primary care practices within Brasher, Canton, Colton, DeKalb, Edwards, Gouverneur, Louisville, Massena, Norfolk, and Potsdam.

The St. Lawrence Region employs 2,131 team members, including 215 full-time medical providers.

Throughout 2024, 20 new providers were recruited among the specialty fields of cardiology, emergency medicine, endocrinology, hematology/oncology, hospitalist medicine, neurology, pain management, pediatrics, primary care, otolaryngology, surgical services, women's health, and urgent care.

The Region achieved the distinguished Pathway to Excellence® designation from the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the only system of hospitals in New York State to achieve this success.

RRH's Isabella Graham Hart School of Practical Nursing (IGH) in Potsdam celebrated three graduates from the program in 2024; another 16 students are currently enrolled and on track to graduate in 2025.

RRH's St. Lawrence Region began offering Virtual Urgent Care for non-emergency injuries and common illnesses. Available seven days/week, providers meet with patients remotely, call in prescriptions, and/or order labs or swabs for further diagnosis.

Additionally, Virtual Intensive Care is now available locally where bed-side clinicians and specialists collaborate remotely with experts from across the RRH network of care. Experts access real-time monitoring and offer guidance on evidence-based medicine to support optimal patient outcomes.

In collaboration with the local orthopedics team, specialists from Rochester and the Finger Lakes began offering monthly spine clinics in Canton.

Consultations focus exclusively on the comprehensive evaluation, management, and treatment of spine-related conditions.

Canton-Potsdam Hospital

Canton-Potsdam Hospital, through the support of many generous donors, grant funding, and RRH, opened its Regional Care Pavilion, doubling the size of the campus.

The facility houses a new gift shop, an expanded emergency room, 60 single-occupancy large private in-patient rooms with family accommodations, family consultation rooms, and bedside vital signs monitoring, among other enhancements. Exclusive within New York State, Potsdam is among only three locations offering this state-of-the-art bed technology across the nation.

The new Emergency Department offers 11 additional treatment rooms, triage rooms with sub waiting area, four flex exam rooms, and four resuscitation/trauma rooms.

Additionally, CPH began offering lung nodule biopsies using the Ion Robotic Bronchoscopy System. Robotic support allows for access to smaller nodules resulting in earlier cancer diagnosis and treatment.

Through collaboration with cardiothoracic surgeons from Rochester General Hospital, CPH's surgical team began performing thoracic surgeries using its da Vinci Xi robot.

A full range of robotic-assisted thoracic services are now offered in Potsdam.

Gouverneur Hospital

Gouverneur Hospital opened a speech language pathology room to enhance outcomes for patients requiring speech therapy.

Through a state Rural Access Grant, the hospital acquired a new state-of-the-art Fuji FDR Go Portable x-ray unit, which offers improved image quality while reducing radiation exposure.

GH also received a Pediatric Crash Cart and eight Care-e-Vac Portable Aspirator machines through the generosity of its Auxiliary.

Massena Hospital

Massena Hospital received Critical Access Hospital (CAH) status with swing bed services, further ensuring its long-term sustainability, and opened its \$1.2M Wound Care

center offering hyperbaric oxygen therapy.

Behavioral Health services expanded into a newly refreshed, modern suite with much needed additional square footage to accommodate increased patient volumes.

Additionally, the Hospital initiated an Emergency Department refresh project to upgrade its nurses' station, registration, and private counseling areas.

With generous donations from community and team members, local businesses, the MH Foundation and Auxiliary, the project is on target for a spring 2025 completion.

Additionally, all three hospitals have put forth a concerted effort to implement hourly and/or leader rounding, which has led to increased patient experience scores.

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SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, April 27, 2025

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More than 200 individuals attended the ribbon cutting ceremony and guided tours of Rochester Regional Health's new Regional Care Pavilion at Canton-Potsdam Hospital.

Deep Root Center celebrates 11th birthday

Deep Root Center (DRC) just celebrated its 11th birthday at the beginning of January.

Our drop-in learning resource center in Canton offers an educational alternative for youth ages 5-19 and currently serves 28 student members.

DRC's foundational belief is that all young people deserve a safe, non-coercive educational environment where they feel like they are part of a community with people who care about them as individuals.

DRC supports each student member in following their interests and aspirations at their own pace. It is a place where young people are free to explore all the possibilities and rekindle their love of learning and belief in themselves.

Deep Root Center also provides a Consultation Service for families who wish to homeschool at home.

The demand for this service has grown this year — so much so that they have developed DRC Pop-ups, an extension of the consultation services available to any homeschool family.

The Pop-ups are pay-as-you-go and meet Wednesday and Thursday afternoons at rotating venues in the Massena area. A caring mentor facilitates opportunities for social engagement, games, arts and crafts, and project collaboration.

As our reputation for providing a supportive, educational alternative to anyone who needs us grows, the DRC staff and board are pleased to help any child who requests our services.

Families interested in learning more are encouraged to visit www.deeprootcenter.org or contact Maria at maria@deeprootcenter.org.

Significant additional grant funding was awarded throughout 2024 to support the healthcare priorities of Women's Health, Emergency Medical Services and Access to Care, Clinical and Rural Health Research, and our Hospitalist Quality of Care Service Model.

"I am immensely proud of the tremendous progress our amazing teams have made over the last year; expanding upon the care we deliver locally and accessing quality care for our patients and the communities we serve," noted President Donna McGregor.

"Although we've accomplished so much, we're really just getting started. Our work is never done, and never done alone. There are many more exciting initiatives on the horizon for our Region. From standing up specialty practices to welcoming additional advanced care providers from the Rochester and Finger Lakes regions, we're here for whatever our community needs most."

To learn more about the St. Lawrence Region, visit www.rochesterregional.org.

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Patient feedback continues to be a critical component of improvement initiatives.

St. Lawrence Health Foundation
The St. Lawrence Health Foundation

realized over 2,600 contributions totaling more than \$1.1 million toward its \$15 million Great Care, Right Here campaign. Success was due, in large part, to the generosity and commitment of private foundations, businesses, and individual donors. Additionally, its Grand Masquerade Gala alone raised over \$200,000.

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Embracing a sustainable approach to tourism

As the designated tourism promotion agency for the county, the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce comprises both a membership services team and a dedicated tourism promotion team.

In 2024, the Chamber's tourism efforts were led by Tiffani Amo, Director of Tourism, and Kathryn Puleo, Tourism & Events Manager.

Throughout the year, tourism promotion efforts were guided by a commitment to authenticity and sustainability with a mission to support initiatives that would contribute to making St. Lawrence County a place where people want to live which in turn makes it a place where people want to visit.

Leveraging grant funding to support our programming

In 2024, the tourism team kicked off two major grant-funded projects secured through a state Economic Development Agency (EDA) sub-award grant, including a sport tourism initiative and a Canadian Marketing initiative.

Ongoing projects funded through the American Rescue Plan Act in partnership with the Industrial Development Agency moved forward, including the use of an online booking platform and the production and distribution of rack cards and brochures throughout New York and Canada. Funds leveraged through these grant applications totals more than \$400,000 over the duration of the projects.

Canadian marketing initiative

The EDA-funded Canadian marketing initiative focuses on attracting Canadian visitors to the area year-round through print and digital marketing efforts including the creation of 'Weekend Getaway' itineraries designed to make it easy for visitors to plan a trip and explore all the many and widespread hidden gems throughout the county.

Sport tourism initiative

The EDA-funded sport tourism initiative is aimed at fostering economic growth and community development through strategic plan-

ning that will maximize sport-related opportunities that utilize the area's natural beauty, recreational assets, and vibrant community spirit to attract visitors and stimulate the local economy.

Visit www.visitstlc.com/sport-tourism/ to learn more.

Tourism event support & promotional highlights

More than 50 industry partners came together from all corners of the county for the Chamber's 2024 annual tourism dinner.

The event, themed "S.E.E. the Big Picture," showcased the pivotal role of tourism in the county with consideration to Sustainability, Education, and Engagement.

Keynote speaker and sport tourism industry expert Grant MacDonald of Cimarron Global Solutions shared initial discoveries, opportunities, and strategies from the Chamber's ongoing sport tourism project.

Two tourism excellence awards were also presented, including the 2024 "Best to the Guest" Tourism Excellence Award to Otto's Abode, of Wanakena, for outstanding customer service, and the "2024 Best Destination Marketing Initiative Award" to SLC Arts for executing an exceptional marketing campaign for the annual North Country Arts Festival.

Regional, statewide, and international connectivity

2024 was a year of investing in local partnerships and growing a wider, stronger tourism network domestically and internationally.

Through a combined effort of tourism and chamber staff, team members attended the New York State Tourism Industry Association conferences in partnership with I Love New York and other key tourism partners throughout New York State, as well as the Akwesasne Tourism Summit and the 1000 Islands Binational Tourism Summit to bolster connections with our tourism counterparts across the border and throughout the seaway region.

To support promotional for history and cul-



St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce | Submitted

Tiffani Amo, Director of Tourism, left, and Kathryn Puleo, Tourism & Events Manager, for the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce.

ture groups in preparation of America's 250th Commemoration, STLC was also represented at the state's 250th Commemoration Summit.

2024 Bassmaster Elite Series

The Bassmaster Elite Series made another stop in Waddington, hosting more than 3,400 attendees and receiving a "Peak Performance" award from Bassmaster.

Promotional efforts included a digital marketing campaign throughout New York State and Canada along with radio interviews, TV coverage, and more.

2024 total eclipse Promotions

Tourism promotions for the total eclipse included brochures and a custom landing page on the VisitSTLC.com website showcasing information on where and how to view the eclipse, along with sales and distribution of viewing glasses, and collaboration with town and city officials, universities, businesses, and volunteer organizations to organize and promote safe viewing opportunities.

Out-of-county tourism trade shows

The Chamber provided support for partners at trade shows throughout New York State and surrounding states, including organizations like the Black Lake Chamber of Commerce, the Town of Massena, the St. Lawrence Valley Paddlers, the St. Lawrence Mountain Biking Association, and Potsdam Pride.

The Chamber/Tourism team attended the Ottawa Travel & Vacation show with partners from the Seaway Visitor at Eisenhower Lock, the Frederic Remington Art Museum, and Fort de la Presentation.

Resident-first tourism in 2025

In 2025, sustainable tourism initiatives will delve even deeper into a sentiment of 'Resident-First Tourism' which will prioritize the needs and preferences of local communities when it comes to supporting existing tourism assets as well as when and how to pursue new tourism opportunities.

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Celebrating a year of transformation and connection at St. Lawrence

2024 marked an exciting year of growth and achievement at St. Lawrence University, highlighted by the completion of major renovations to athletic and residential facilities, rising national rankings, and expanded career networking opportunities.

These milestones further enhance student experiences, foster community connections, and drive Laurentian impact on campus and beyond.

Growing the new Center for the Environment

Diane Husic, PhD, is the inaugural leader for the Center for the Environment (CFE).

Husic took the helm as the Richard '64 and Gail Stradling Executive Director of the Center for the Environment in July, bringing a distinguished record of environmental advocacy, research, and leadership to the role.

Her vision for the CFE emphasizes interdisciplinary collaboration, integrating environmental issues across academic disciplines while linking students' diverse passions — from art and writing to social justice and mental health — with sustainability challenges.

The CFE unifies the University's existing programs and ties them to new initiatives, including funding for environmental research and innovation on campus, green internships, and environmental scholarships.

CFE programming is for all students, regardless of their major, and will help them develop the environmental leadership, critical thinking, and communication skills they'll need to make an impact in a rapidly changing world.

Karpus Athletic Center strengthens the student-athlete experience

After a year of significant renovations at St. Lawrence, the University proudly unveiled the completed George W. Karpus '68 Athletic Center at Appleton Arena with a ribbon-cutting ceremony in October.

Named to honor the generosity of its lead donor, the Appleton renovations and expansion



SLU | Submitted

Thanks to a \$30 million facilities enhancement initiative, St. Lawrence has transformed several of its first-year residence halls with modern amenities and furnishings.

sion are already elevating the St. Lawrence student-athlete experience, with a special emphasis on Division III athletics.

The new center includes an expansion of the Michael "Buddy" Cornacchia '74 Strength and Conditioning Center for all student-athletes, as well as new locker rooms and team facilities for the field hockey and softball teams, and the men's and women's lacrosse and rowing teams.

An athletic training and treatment center for Division III student-athletes, a dedicated strategy room for coaches, a player's lounge, and a video/media room are also part of the project.

As part of the renovations, the University also revamped the existing strength and conditioning space in the Stafford Fitness Center, allowing open access to a larger fitness area for all students, faculty, and staff.

First-year residences get a major facelift

The University completed major improvements to multiple living-learning spaces across

campus just in time for the arrival of the Class of 2028. There are now newly renovated lounges, student rooms, and bathrooms in Rebert north, east, and south, as well as two updated main lounges in Lee.

These areas have been fully upgraded with new fixtures and finishes, including dimmable LED lighting.

Lounges in several other first-year and upper-class residences alike have been enhanced with new flooring, freshly painted walls, new finishes, upgraded furnishings, climate control updates, electric fireplaces, smart TVs, kitchenettes, and more.

These refurbished spaces feel like home and are the perfect settings for getting to know classmates during movie nights, group study sessions, club meetings, and more.

All these improvements were made possible by an ongoing \$30 million facilities enhancement initiative taking place across campus.

St. Lawrence ranked among the nation's best colleges

It was another successful year in the rankings for St. Lawrence, with recognition in best colleges reports from both U.S. News and World Report, The Princeton Review, and Forbes.

Notably, the University ascended in several rankings for The Princeton Review, coming in at No. 2 on "Top 20 Best Private School Alumni Networks," No. 5 on "Top 20 Best Private Schools for Internships," and No. 9 on "Best Schools for Making an Impact."

Elsewhere, the Wall Street Journal ranked the University 57 for student experience out of 500 total colleges and universities nationwide.

National recognition for study abroad success

St. Lawrence University has risen to 16th in the nation for semester-length study abroad participation in the 2024 Open Doors Report, climbing two spots from last year.

This achievement reflects the University's robust support for providing a global education to its students, including over \$500,000 awarded annually in financial aid.

The University also touts a standout success rate for Gilman Scholarships, with 6 of 13 applicants awarded in the recent cycle—more than double the national average.

Kickstarting careers with connections around the country

In 2024, St. Lawrence added a career networking trip to Buffalo and Rochester to its SLU Connect portfolio, which already includes extended excursions to places like Washington, D.C., Boston, and Burlington, Vermont.

Students on the SLU Connect Buffalo/Rochester trip got a first-hand look into careers in advocacy, education, finance, professional sports, and so much more.

SLU Connect 2025 kicked off in early January with nearly a week of networking and career exploration in both San Francisco and New York City, including visits to Amazon Web Services, eBay, Marvel Entertainment, the NFL League Headquarters, and Bloomberg.

New perks for early decision applicants

Finances are often a predominant factor in choosing whether to apply Early Decision. As of 2024, every applicant admitted under an Early Decision Agreement will receive a St. Lawrence Choice Award worth \$20,000 per year for four years.

Those who deposit will be among the first to begin course registration for the fall and will have priority housing in the University's newly renovated first-year residence halls.

A legacy of empowering North Country students

At St. Lawrence, a world of opportunities awaits North Country students—from our six newest majors to our Center for the Environment to career networking trips in cities like Boston and Washington, D.C.

We award over \$500,000 in tuition assistance to North Country students each year through the Augsburg/North Country Scholarship, which is exclusive to students from our region. Learn more about starting your journey at St. Lawrence. Visit: stlawu.edu/admissions.

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Hardy's Bakery & Café expands with catering division after holiday success

MASSENA — Hardy's Bakery & Café, a beloved local favorite at 116 North Main St., is ringing in the new year with exciting news for the community.

After a highly successful holiday season offering pre-made Christmas and New Year's meals, the bakery is officially expanding its services to include catering for special events, corporate meetings, weddings, and more.

Over the holiday season, Hardy's Bakery introduced pre-made holiday meal packages designed to bring ease and convenience to family gatherings.

Customers simply reheat the meals before serving, making holiday hosting stress-free.

The response from our community was overwhelmingly positive.

"We're so grateful for the support we received during the holiday season," said Josie Hardy, owner of Hardy's Bakery & Café.

"Our goal was to provide families with delicious, homemade meals that made their holidays easier and more enjoyable. The feedback has been amazing, and we're excited to build on that success by offering catering services year-round."

Some of the most popular holiday items included festive charcuterie boards, buffalo chicken pinwheels, cherry bourbon glazed ham, potatoes au gratin, bacon and cheddar quiche, and house-made cinnamon rolls.

The demand for these dishes made it clear that Hardy's Bakery is more than just a spot for morning coffee and pastries — it's becoming a go-to destination for memorable, home-cooked meals.

With the launch of the new catering division, Hardy's Bakery & Café aims to bring that same homemade quality to events of all kinds. Whether it's an intimate gathering, a corporate meeting, or a grand wedding reception, Hardy's is ready to customize menus to



meet clients' needs.

"We understand that every event is different," Josie shared. "We're here to work with any budget and make sure that every guest leaves happy and full."

As Hardy's Bakery & Café enters this new chapter, the team is excited to continue serving the community with the same warmth and dedication that customers have come to love.

For more information about catering services, visit hardysbakery.com or call us at 315-514-1399 to discuss how we can make your next event unforgettable.

Think Spring...CONCERTS!

At right, Colonel Michael J Colburn (USMC, Ret.) conducts the Orchestra of Northern New York summer pops concert in Watertown's Thompson Park in July 2024 for literally thousands of attendees.

Colburn, from North Hero, VT, will conduct ONNY's spring concert, Delights and Dances, April 26 at 7:30 pm in SUNY Potsdam's Hosmer Hall and April 27 at 3 pm in Watertown's Trinity Episcopal Church.

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In 2024, we connected thousands of people across our region with inclusive, welcoming programming, and we are excited to expand on that success in the coming year.

Our Creative Spirit space has become home to dynamic exhibitions showcasing local talent and weekly programming designed to inspire people of all ages.

By offering affordable and even free events, we ensure that everyone has the opportunity to engage with and enjoy the arts. Looking ahead, we are thrilled to announce the return

of beloved initiatives like the North Country Arts Festival and Studio Tours, as well as the debut of a newly designed Plein Air Festival.

These events, along with continued partnerships across our community, exemplify our mission to enrich the vibrancy of the North Country by cultivating art appreciation and inspiring creative expression for everyone.

"As we look to the future, it's deeply fulfilling to see the arts flourish throughout our county," says Executive Director Erica Kelso. "We are all participants in art—it sustains and shapes our lives. Helping bring that to my neighbors is a privilege and a joy."

We invite you to check us out, experience the arts, and join in celebrating the power of creativity and community as we move forward together. For more information about the St. Lawrence County Arts Council, visit www.slartsCouncil.org



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 - LANGUAGE: What does the Latin phrase "bona fide" mean?
 - MOVIES: In the movie "Babe," what kind of animal is the title character?
 - MEASUREMENTS: How many grams are in a kilogram?
 - GEOGRAPHY: Which strait separates Saudi Arabia from Africa?
 - SCIENCE: What are the three layers that make up the Earth?
 - FOOD & DRINK: Which breakfast food is associated with the retr series "Stranger Things"??
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