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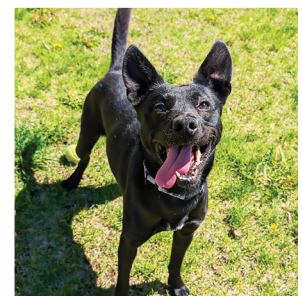
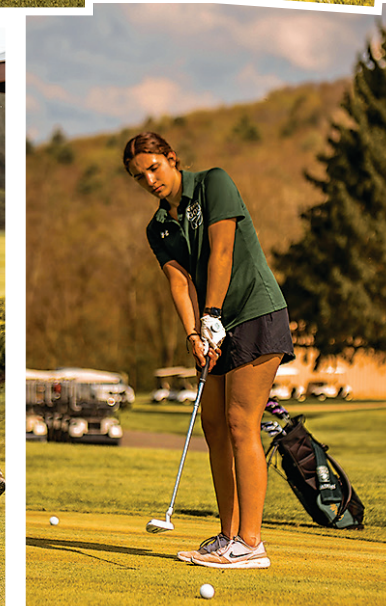
VESTAL GIRLS GOLF SENIOR NIGHT!

Photo credits go to Brian Schuler

With an excellent record, the Vestal Girls golf ended their season this week. The exception being Allison Yoon who qualified for the NYS Championship in Albany this weekend. The team is graduating five seniors: Madison Lilley, Molly Schoenfeldt, Stella Tomancik, Jaelynn Wiggins and Natalie Christensen. The girls were coached by Frank D'Esti!



PET OF THE WEEK:
Motley



STARTING THIS WEEK!

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MIDWAY LANES AND THE VESTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT ARE GETTING THE BALL ROLLING WITH **FREE OPEN BOWLING!!**

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Every Thursday through August 29th! Students aged 5-17, from our local communities can come down every Thursday afternoon from 12PM to 5PM, and receive 2 free games of open bowling with shoe rental included!

Parents are required to stay with their children during bowling.

Approved by the Vestal Chief of Police, Stace L. Kinter.

Excludes August 15th

AEGIS CREMATION AND FUNERAL SERVICES NOT LICENSED
See Front Page of the **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Hi, I'm Motley! I'm a 2-year-old trouble maker! I love playing catch but I don't like giving the ball back to mom. Squirrels fear me.

Send in a photo of your pet with a short bio to: kirsten@tiersnews.com to have your pet in the paper!



Vestal CALENDAR

Friday, June 7th
THE PTO Carnival
 6PM, Tioga Hills Elementary

Saturday, June 8th
VHS Senior Prom!
 8PM, Cornerstone at W & W

Sunday, June 9th
VHS Chemical-Free All-Nighter
 12AM - 5AM, Vestal High School

Tuesday, June 11th
Take&Make Diamond Art Book Marks
 VPL, Pickup at 5PM

Wednesday, June 12th
 >VPL Tech Assistance
10AM, Vestal Senior Center
 > Pins& Needles: Knit and Crochet
 6PM, VPL

Thursday, June 13th
 >Yin Yoga- Sign Up Online
 6PM, VPL Large Meeting Room
 >Sound Bath- Sign Up Online
 7PM, Large Meeting Room

Friday, June 14th
Open Game Day- All Ages
 11AM - 3:30PM, VPL Meeting Room

Saturday, June 15th
Nifty Swifty Kitten Adoption: Taylor's Version
 11AM - 3PM, VPL Meeting Room,
 Every Cat's Dream

Monday, June 17th
VPL Board of Trustees Meeting
 6:30PM, VPL Meeting Room

Tuesday, June 18th
Statewide Budget Re-Vote Day

Tuesday, June 25th
Java Joe Jammers - Live Music
 6PM, VPL Meeting

Wednesday, June 26th
Pins& Needles: Knit and Crochet
 6PM, VPL



Vestal Fire Department Responses

vestalfire.com

by Walt Schlundt, Public Information Officer

Vestal Fire this week responded to:
5 fire alarms, 1 smell of natural gas, 1 carbon monoxide alarm, and 1 house fire

05/28 10:56	Appalachian Drive	Natural gas smell
05/28 13:34	Vestal Parkway E.	Fire alarm - water flow activation
05/30 03:42	Tracy Creek Road	Two-alarm house fire - totally destroyed
05/30 17:13	Murray Hill Road	Main lobby pull station alarm
05/30 21:21	Bunn Hill Access Rd.	General fire alarm
05/31 13:48	Clubhouse Road	General fire alarm
05/30 19:47	Vestal Parkway E.	Commercial fire alarm
06/01 19:52	Bunn Hill Road	Carbon monoxide alarm activation



Vestal District Council Unit Honorees

On May 23rd 2024, members of our agency were recognized by the Vestal District Council for going above and beyond in their roles within our schools. SRO Conor Talbut was recognized by the Glenwood School Community Association as well as the Tioga Hills Parent Teacher Organization. SRO Chris "Cards" Cardarelli was recognized by the Vestal Middle School Parent Teacher Organization. Marge Baldwin, a school crossing guard employed through the Police Department for the last three years was recognized by the Vestal Hills Parent Teacher Association. We are proud of these three Unit Honorees who consistently and positively represent our agency and continue to foster a strong relationship between our department and the Vestal Central School District by investing our youth. We also thank the Community and Parent Teacher organizations who supported and honored these three individuals.

Article courtesy of crimewatch.net; for more information, visit www.crimewatch.net



VESTAL POLICE REPORT

James McMiller, 46, Johnson City, arrested for Bail Jumping 3rd Degree for failing to appear in court on a scheduled court date or within 30 days thereafter.

Brandi Portararo, 41, Owego, arrested for Petit Larceny for stealing a cell phone from the victim.

Joseph Ulm, 66, Vestal, arrested for Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 7th Degree for possessing Meth during a traffic stop.

Mark Marcello, 61, Vestal, arrested for No/Inadequate Plate Lamps and Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 7th Degree for possessing a controlled substance during a traffic stop.

Nina Deleon, 38, Binghamton, arrested for Petit Larceny for shoplifting from Wal-Mart.

Rabii Rhrara, 44, Conklin, arrested for Petit Larceny for shoplifting from Wal-Mart.

David Babezien, 42, Port Crane, arrested for Improper Plates, Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 2nd Degree, Uninsured Motor Vehicle, Unregistered Motor Vehicle, Criminal Use of Drug Paraphernalia and two counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 7th Degree for possessing Meth, another controlled substance and a digital scale during a traffic stop.

Brandon Humphrey, 37, Harpursville, arrested for Criminal Possession of a controlled substance 7th Degree and Criminal Use of Drug Paraphernalia for possessing a controlled substance and a digital scale during a traffic stop.

Brittney Hall, 34, Johnson City, arrested for Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 7th Degree and Criminal Use of Drug Paraphernalia for possessing a controlled substance and a digital scale during a traffic stop.

Jenifer Gaston-Reistetter, 36, Binghamton, arrested for Petit Larceny for shoplifting from the Shoe Carnival.

Janescka Regis, 37, Endicott, arrested for Petit Larceny for shoplifting from Wal-Mart.

Victoria Price, 27, Binghamton, arrested for Petit Larceny for shoplifting from Wal-Mart.

Tabitha Smith, 36, Binghamton, arrested for Petit Larceny for shoplifting from Wal-Mart.

Michelle Seaman, 52, Apalachin, arrested for Petit Larceny for shoplifting from Wal-Mart.



Resignations, Retirements, Appointments, Intramurals, etc. In Vestal

NEWSPAPER EDITED MINUTES CONTINUED, Vestal School Board, May 14th, 2024

PRESENT:

- Shoba Agneshwar
- Mark Browning
- Kathryn Egan
- Kay Ellis
- Eric LaClair
- Joshua Mertens
- Lisa Milkovich
- Dinno Nistico

ALSO PRESENT:

- Superintendent of Schools Clifford Kasson
- School Business Executive Angela Rogers
- School Attorney Michael Sherwood
- District Clerk Michelle Lewis
- Director of Instruction Andy Blaine

Music

- NYSSMA Major Org Pgm Level I, Middle School, \$142.00, 6/21/23, Wendell, Steven, 5/14/24, *CANCEL*
- NYSSMA Major Org Pgm Level I, High School, \$142.00, 6/21/23, Backus, Ernest, 5/14/24, *CANCEL*
- NYSSMA Solo Level I, Elementary, \$202.00, 6/21/23, Lacey-Corcoran, Denise, 5/14/24
- NYSSMA Solo Level I, Elementary, \$202.00, 6/21/23, (Hill) Clark, Mary, 5/14/24
- NYSSMA Solo Level I, High School, \$202.00, 6/21/23, Kiley, Austin, 7/11/23, *CANCEL*
- NYSSMA Solo Level I, Elementary, \$269.00, 6/21/23, (Hill) Clark, Mary, 7/11/23, *CANCEL*
- NYSSMA Solo Level II, Elementary, \$269.00, 6/21/23, Gribbin, Marissa, 9/26/23, *CANCEL*
- NYSSMA Solo Level II, Elementary, \$269.00, 6/21/23, Lacey-Corcoran, Denise, 5/14/24, *CANCEL*
- NYSSMA Solo Level II, High School, \$269.00, 6/21/23, Kiley, Austin, 5/14/24
- NYSSMA Solo Level II, High School, \$269.00, 6/21/23, Backus, Ernest, 7/11/23, *CANCEL*
- NYSSMA Solo Level III, High School, \$471.00, 6/21/23, Backus, Ernest, 5/14/24

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS/
SUBSTITUTES: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**
NAME, POSITION, EFF. DATE

- Dino, Spencer, Cleaner PT/S, 5/13/24
- Roe, Robert, Cleaner PT/S, 7/2/24
- Sanguinito, Maureen, Teacher Aide PT/S, 9/1/24

**PART-TIME NON-COMPETITIVE
APPOINTMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**
NAME, POSITION, SHIFT/BUILDING, PROB. PERIOD, SALARY

- Roosa, Edward, Bus Driver, Transportation, 5/9/24-7/10/25, \$21.50/hr., 52-week probationary period

**CHANGES IN STATUS:
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL**

NAME, POSITION, SHIFT/BLDG, CHANGE, EFFECTIVE

- Harman, Tammy, Bus Driver PT/S, Transportation, Change Effective Date From: 9/1/24 To: 7/1/24, 7/1/24

**The following employees have achieved
satisfactory completion of district
probationary period:**

- Ame, Farhana, Teacher Aide, VMS, 5/22/24
- Chowdhury, Hoasne, Teacher Aide, VHE, 5/23/24
- Packer, Melissa, Sr. Typist PT, ARE, 5/22/24
- Ryczak, Alyssa, Teacher Aide, GLE, 5/22/24
- Slyman, Peter, Bus Attendant, Transportation, 4/17/24
- Streby, Nancy, Teacher Aide, VMS, 5/27/24

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 pm.
Michelle Lewis, DISTRICT CLERK



Director of Personnel & Administrative Services Heather Pufky
Director of Special Education Katherine Mazourek
CAE Principal Brad Bruce
VHE Principal Cathy Willis

Approximately 20 visitors

RESIGNATIONS: INSTRUCTIONAL
NAME, POSITION, EFF. DATE

- Kimmell, Nicole, Speech Teacher, 6/27/24

RETIREMENTS: INSTRUCTIONAL

- Miller, Andrea, Dean of Students, 7/1/24

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS:
INSTRUCTIONAL SUBSTITUTES**

- Meeker, Madison, Physical Education, 5/15/24

**TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS:
ABOVE CONTRACT**

We are asking for approval for the person, position, and stipend.

Area of appointment, season/bldg., Stipend, posted, name, approved

Interscholastic Athletics

- Lacrosse: Girls - VOLUNTEER Spring
Fey, James 5/14/24

Intramurals

- Elementary - Wiffleball Spring, \$516.00, Anderson, Nicholas, 5/14/24
- Elementary - Bear Tracks Spring, \$558.00, Siegrist, Valery, 5/14/24
- Elementary - Bear Tracks Spring, \$516.00, Dattoria, Chris, 5/14/24

RESIGNATIONS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL

- Abdallah, Maha, Teacher Aide PT, VHE, 6/27/24
- Audino, Philip, Bus Attendant/DIT, Transportation, 4/25/24
- Clark, Steven, Cleaner, 2nd Shift, ARE, 5/7/24
- Lynah, Armell, Custodian, 2nd Shift, VHS, 5/12/24
- Nasir, Umair, Bus Attendant/DIT, Transportation, 4/17/24
- Schaffer, Raymond, Bus Attendant/DIT, Transportation, 4/22/24

RETIREMENTS: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL
NAME, POSITION, SHIFT/SCHOOL, EFF. DATE

- Marcello, Thomas, Senior Stores Clerk, Transportation, 6/28/24
- Sanguinito, Maureen, Teacher Aide PT, VHE, 7/1/24

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EDITORIAL NOTES

We have been receiving letters and reviews of the changes to the Vestal Town Crier, we will post them here without names listed. The absence of names has a long history in American Reporting, up until the early to mid 1970's. We do so to protect our sources.

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VESTAL GIRLS VARSITY SOFTBALL!



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Vestal Hills Elementary 3rd grade to Kopernik,
Mr Barney, Mrs Giovannone, Ms Vimislik
and Ms Monell's classes 5-23

KOPERNIK
SPACE EDUCATION CENTER



Adara and Katioynna learning about Lego Robotics

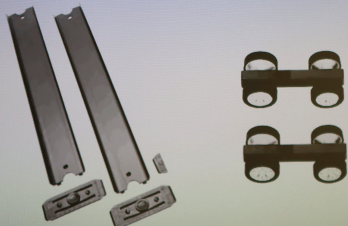


Dakota and Tobey



Andrew learning about Magnets

Your turn: Use magnets to start and stop motion



Let's Engage – How do magnets create motion?

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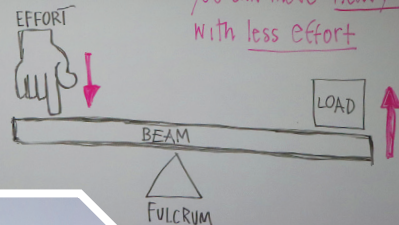
Magnetic Launch Roller Coasters



BALANCED and UNBALANCED FORCES

A LEVER is a simple machine. Machines make work easier.

You can move heavy loads with less effort



Tristian and his magnet car



Lego Robotics are fun



Logan



Tristian being an astronaut

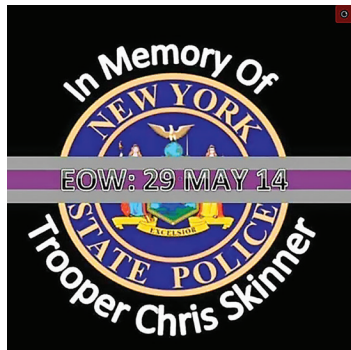


Lilly learning about Magnets



Having fun after Lunch

10-Years Since The Death Of Trooper Christopher Skinner



This time of year, we mark the solemn 10-year anniversary of the Line of Duty Death of NYSP trooper Christopher Skinner. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends and loved ones.

On May 29, 2014, Trooper Christopher G. Skinner, 42, was

struck and killed by a vehicle while conducting a traffic stop on Interstate 81 in the town of Chenango.

Trooper Skinner was patrolling a construction zone and had made a traffic stop. He was in the process of interviewing the operator when a passing vehicle veered from the driving lane to intentionally strike Trooper Skinner. Trooper Skinner was killed instantly.

Trooper Skinner was a 13-year veteran and was a member of the Troop C Traffic Incident Management Detail at the time of his death.

Sourced via CRIMEWATCH*: <https://crimewatch.net/us/ny/broome/ves-tal-pd/245804/post/10-years-death-trooper-christopher-skinner>

Photo on page 8, courtesy of the Vestal Police Department



“Flag Day” Pie & Ice Cream Social



Friday, June 14, 6PM-8PM

Vestal Center United Methodist Church
478 West Hill Rd.

Celebrate our American flag with a piece of homemade pie and ice cream.

Remember to fly the flag in honor of our military, our veterans and all first responders.

Regular Meeting Minutes of the Vestal Town Board, May 22nd

(NEWSPAPER EDITED) For More Info, Visit: www.vestalny.gov
TOWN BOARD PRESENT:

- Supervisor Maria Sexton
- Councilwoman Sue Messina
- Councilman Stephen Donnelly
- Councilman Glenn Miller
- Councilman Robert Greene

ALSO ATTENDING:

Town Clerk Debra Wallace, Attorney Daniel Reynolds, Town Comptroller Nicholas Angeline and 22 members of the public.

Supervisor Sexton convened the meeting at 6:02 PM.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mark Tomko, President, Vestal Volunteer Emergency Squad, Inc. and Jerry Schultz, Chief, Vestal Volunteer Emergency Squad, Inc. to discuss Ambulance Tax District.

EMS presented information in regards to the need for the Vestal EMS to form a Tax District.

Member of the public stated that they thought the EMS was already in the Town Budget.

Mark Tomko stated that no it is not part of the Town Budget.

Member of the public asked what will happen if the Town Board does not pass the vote to make the EMS a taxing district?

Tomko stated that the EMS will not be able to remain in Vestal.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Donnelly, the following was ADOPTED

Ayes 5, Nays 0

Motion approving the May 8th, 2024 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Board.

3. BID OPENINGS

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. SUPERVISOR UPDATES

- Public Hearing will be done again on June 12th for everyone to have the right to speak at the Public Hearing.

- Solar Committee- If interested in being on Solar Committee an application will be available sometime next week.

6. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

7. RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS

8. PUBLIC WORKS (DONNELLY/Greene)

Councilman Donnelly stated that last Friday the Town Highway Department assisted a town resident whose lawn mower flipped over. The Highway Department employees were able to assist this resident and get it running again. Thank you to our employees who go above and beyond to help our residents.

9. FINANCE (MESSINA /Donnelly)

On a motion by Councilman Greene and seconded by Councilman Miller, the following was ADOPTED

Ayes 5, Nays 0

R2024-114 Approval of Bond for Rail Trail

Request from Nicholas Angeline, Town

Comptroller, to adopt the following:

BOND RESOLUTION DATED MAY 22, 2024. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING, SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM, THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RAIL TRAIL FROM AFRICAN ROAD TO SYCAMORE ROAD, IN AND FOR THE TOWN OF VESTAL, BROOME COUNTY, NEW YORK, AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$3,000,000, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,000,000 BONDS OF SAID TOWN TO PAY THE COST THEREOF.

On a motion by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Greene, the following was ADOPTED

Ayes 5, Nays 0

R2024-115 Authorization to Cancel MetLife

Authorization for Nicholas Angeline, Town Comptroller, as of 8/1/2024, to cancel MetLife, the current carrier of ancillary benefits for Town employees and to sign contracts with Prudential and Trustmark to become the new carriers of ancillary benefits for Town employees.

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My RideK - 12 Mobile App

Families of students who ride Vestal CSD buses can sign up for the My Ride K - 12 mobile app on their Android or Smart phone. This tool allows parents/guardians to access their student(s)' location when riding the bus to and from school.

Download "My Ride K - 12" from the Google Play or Apple App stores. After installing, open My Ride K - 12 application and search for your school district - Vestal CSD. Once your district is selected, you'll be asked to log in. If you don't already have an account, click "Register" and set up your email address, desired password, and name. After registering, you'll receive an email confirmation with link to confirm your registration.

Now you can begin adding students. Click the + button at the top... Follow the on-screen instructions to link a student to your account. You will need to enter your student's last name and Student ID number. (See your student's account in Parent Portal for student ID.)

For more information, visit: <https://www.vestal.stier.org/TransportationRide360App.aspx>

Vestal Public Library's Summer Reading Challenge

Dive into Adventure: Join Our Summer Reading Challenge! Get ready for an exciting literary journey as we launch our Summer Reading Program at the Vestal Public Library on Monday, June 24!

This year, the theme is "Adventure Begins at Your Library," and we're inviting readers of all ages to embark on an epic quest through the pages of their favorite books. Whether you're a seasoned reader or just starting to explore the wonderful world of books, our Summer Reading Challenge is the perfect opportunity to ignite your imagination, expand your literary horizons, and make unforgettable memories at the library.

Stop by the Vestal Public Library to sign up starting Monday, June 24, and pick up your Adventure Begins at Your Library reading log or punch card. Let the adventure begin!

For more information and updates on special events and activities, visit vestalpubliclibrary.org or follow us on social media. Happy reading and happy adventuring!



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On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Donnelly, the following was ADOPTED

Ayes 5, Nays 0

R2024-116 Approval to Sign Contract with Insero & Co CPA's Request from Town Comptroller, Nicholas Angeline, to sign a contract with Insero & Company CPA's, LLP to audit the Town of Vestal's (the Town) governmental activities, each major fund, aggregate remaining fund information and supplementary information as of and for the year ending December 31, 2023. This will cost \$19,000 for the audit work.

On a motion by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Greene, the following was ADOPTED

Ayes 5, Nays 0

R2024-117 Authorization to Sign Contract with Insero & Co CPA's Request from Town Comptroller, Nicholas Angeline, to sign a contract with Insero & Company CPA's, LLP to perform the audit of the Town as of December 31, 2023 to satisfy the audit requirements imposed by the Single Audit Act and Subpart F of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (the Uniform Guidance). This will cost \$7,000 for the audit work.

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Donnelly, the following was ADOPTED

Ayes 5, Nays 0

R2024-118 Approval to Pay Coughlin & Gerhart LLP

Authorization for the Town Board to approve payment in the amount of \$2,273.50 to The Law Firm of Coughlin & Gerhart, LLP., for outside counsel fees for professional services rendered through April 30, 2024.

10. PERSONNEL (DONNELLY/Miller)

On a motion by Councilman Miller and seconded by Councilman Greene, the following was ADOPTED

Sexton, Messina, Donnelly, Miller, Greene

Ayes 4, Nays 0

R2024-119 Authorization to Hire Playground Instructors and Lifeguards

Authorization by the Town Board for the Recreation Department to hire summer Playground Instructors and Lifeguards as outlined in the May 15, 2024 memo from Patrick Harnan, Recreation Planner. The start dates and rates of pay are also identified in the memo which is included in the addendum.

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Donnelly, the following was ADOPTED

Ayes 5, Nays 0

R2024-120 Authorization to Hire Myers

Authorization to hire Evan Myers as summer help in the Engineering

Department effective June 3, 2024 at the rate of \$18.00/hour. He will be hired part-time to provide field work identifying and locating existing stormwater facilities.

11. PLANNING & ZONING (MILLER/Greene)

12. PUBLIC SAFETY (MESSINA/Greene)

13. ADMINISTRATION (GREENE/Miller)

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Donnelly, the following was ADOPTED

Ayes 5, Nays 0

Councilman Greene left the meeting

R2024-121 Approval to Accept Grant from USTA

Request from Patrick Harnan, Recreation Planner, for Town Board approval, to accept a \$1,500.00 grant from USTA Eastern, Inc. for Tennis Lessons supplies.

The money will be deposited into line item A7310.4331.

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Donnelly, the following was ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Donnelly, Miller, Greene (absent)

Ayes 4, Nays 0

R2024-122 Authorization to Accept Grant from USA Football

Request from Patrick Harnan, Recreation Planner, for the Town Board to approve accepting a grant from USA Football in the form of 40 flag belts and 6 footballs to be used for Girls Flag Football camp and Co-Ed Flag Football camp.

On a motion by Councilman Donnelly and seconded by Councilman Miller, the following was ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Donnelly, Miller, Greene (absent)

Ayes 4, Nays 0

R2024-123 Approval to Accept Grant from S. Leonard III Water Safety Foundation Inc.

Request from Patrick Harnan, Recreation Planner, for the Town Board to approve accepting a \$5,500 grant from the S. Leonard III Water Safety Foundation, Inc. to be used for the hiring of two additional swim instructors to support more swimming lessons for children. The money will be deposited into line A7180.

On a motion by Councilman Donnelly and seconded by Councilman Miller, the following was ADOPTED Sexton, Messina, Donnelly, Miller, Greene (absent)

Ayes 4, Nays 0

R2024-124 Authorization to Accept Reimbursement from USA Pickleball

Request from Patrick Harnan, Recreation Planner, for the Town Board to approve accepting a \$300.00 reimbursement from USA Pickleball for pickleball lesson supplies. The money will be deposited into line A7310.4331.

On a motion by Councilman Donnelly and seconded by Councilwoman Messina, the following was ADOPTED

Sexton, Messina, Donnelly, Miller, Greene (absent)

Ayes 4, Nays 0

R2024-125 Authorization to Accept Grant from Earlville Opera House

Request from Chereese Wiesner-Rosales, Museum Director, for Town Board approval to accept for \$4000 grant from Earlville Opera House for the Second Saturday Music Series.

RECEIVE AND FILE:

- Warrants: 2024: 19, 20, 20C
- Change of Tenant 450 Commerce Rd BCTMP 142.04-1-24.2
- Change of Tenant 2220 Vestal Rd BCTMP 158.09-1-16
- Change of Tenant 4700 Vestal Parkway E BCTMP 159.15-2.37.1

14. PETITIONS & PROTESTS

15. OLD BUSINESS

16. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

On a motion by Councilwoman Messina and seconded by Councilman Miller, the following was ADOPTED

Sexton, Messina, Donnelly, Miller, Greene (absent)

Ayes 4, Nays 0

R2024-126 Approval to Advertise for

Public Hearing on June 12, 2024

Request to advertise on May 31, 2024 with a public hearing on June 12, 2024 for a "Local Law Imposing a Moratorium on Approvals Regarding Solar Array Farms"

17. SUPERVISORS ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Front St. Day will be Saturday, June 1st from 10am – 3pm. There are 135 vendors plus food trucks, kids' fun zone, town trucks, Emergency Response Vehicles & more. We hope that you join in on the fun for this great event.

• Brush pick-up has started and will run monthly through September beginning on the first Monday of each month. For additional details, please see our website vestalny.gov

- Highway: (residents only) FREE
 - 1) Mulch
 - 2) Clean fill (when available, whole truck loads only, accessible areas)
- Saturday, June 29th the Rumble Ponies will spotlight the Town of Vestal at their 607 Saturday Game.
- The pool progress is looking great. It is scheduled to open by the end of the school year.

18. COMMITTEE CHAIR COMMENTS

AND UPDATES

19. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Member of the public spoke on assessments and had questions regarding the Board of Assessments Reviews.

Member of the public asked the Town Board what the business hours of the Town Hall? And when the Supervisor is available?

Councilwoman Messina stated that the Town Hall hours are Monday- Friday 8am- 4:30pm.

Supervisor Sexton stated that she has regular hours Tuesdays and Thursdays from Noon to 4:00pm and available for appointments at any time.

Member of the public spoke on solar farm development.

Town Board stated that we will be having another Solar Public Hearing on June 12th, 2024.

Member of the public spoke on solar farms. This member wanted to know if there is a NY State mandate for solar?

Supervisor Sexton stated no there is not.

Member of the public stated that she would like to not be video recorded by a member of the public while she is speaking.

Supervisor Sexton stated that this is a public meeting.

This member of the public spoke on assessments and the Board of Assessment Review.

Vestal Fire Chief Paffie wanted to thank the Vestal EMS for all their service and support of our community.

Member of the public spoke on assessments and asked if she could get more clarity of the assessments.

Councilwoman Messina stated that there are videos available on the Town website under Assessor that might answer some of the questions the public may have.

ADJOURNMENT

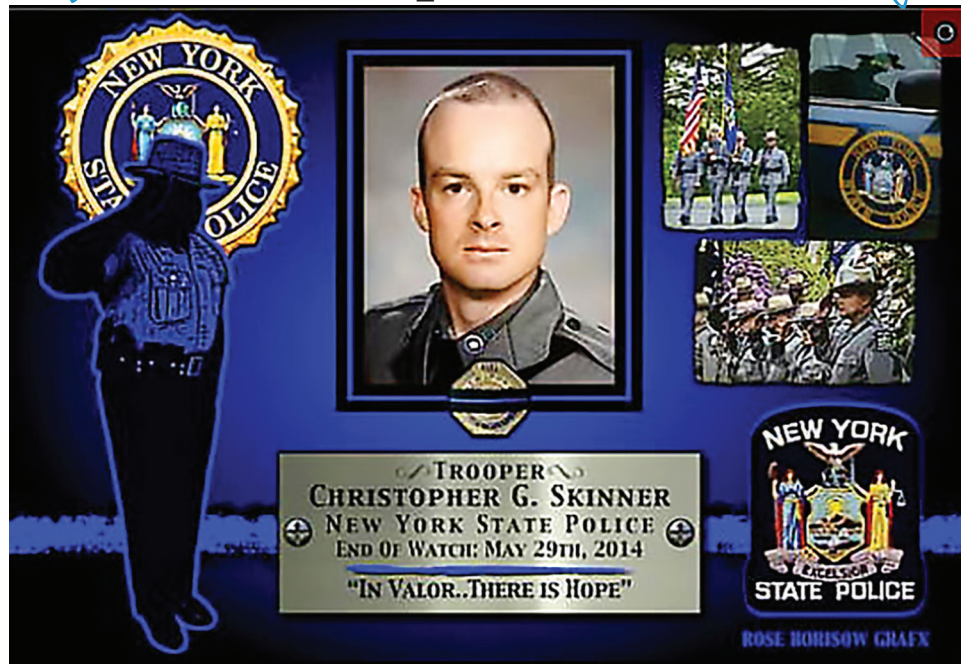
On a motion by Councilman Donnelly, seconded by Councilman Miller the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 P.M. Carried unanimously.

Approved by Debra Wallace, Town Clerk

JUNE FUN FACTS!

1. June's birthstone is the pearl, the Moonstone and the Alexandrite.
2. The June birth flower is the Rose and the Honeysuckle.
3. No other month in the year begins on the same day of the week as June.
4. The name June came from the Roman goddess Juno who was the goddess of marriage, childbirth, and love.
5. In the US, June is recognized as LGBT+ Pride Month, National Oceans Month, and Great Outdoors Month.
6. June is accordion awareness month, as well as candy, dairy and papaya month.
7. June holidays include: National Best Friends Day - June 8th, National Iced Tea Day - June 10th, National Corn on the Cob Day - June 11th, Peanut Butter Cookie Day - June 12th, Flag Day - June 14th, Sushi Day - June 18th, Juneteenth - June 19th, World Giraffe Day - June 21st, National Pink Day - June 23rd, National Bingo Day - June 27th
8. Some famous people with June birthdays are: Anne Frank, Che Guevara, George H. W. Bush, Morgan Freeman, Johnny Depp, Nicole Kidman, Angelina Jolie, Neil Patrick Harris, Marilyn Monroe, Elon Musk, George Orwell, Chris Pratt, and Ariana Grande!
9. It's the most popular month for weddings.
10. On June 14, 1900, Hawaii officially became a US territory after President William McKinley signed the Hawaii Organic Act, marking the end of its time as a sovereign nation.

In Memory of Trooper Christopher Skinner

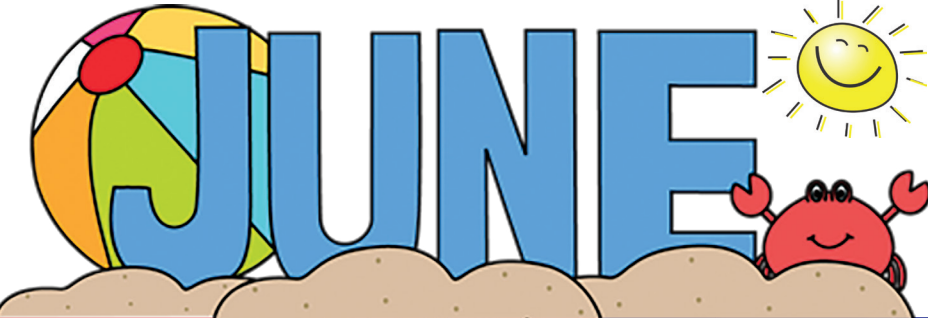


The date is set for our 40th Birthday Party on Saturday, June 8, 2024! The Discovery Center and Story Garden will turn into a Storybook Carnival Land with fun, games, contests, entertainment, and of course, birthday surprises!

The Weis BBQ tent will be here, storybook character appearances, chances to win birthday presents as well as birthday treats! AP Entertainment will be here with a hula hoop and limbo contest, see a Rubik's Cube Master demonstration and the Girl Scouts will be on site to print special birthday t-shirts. Help us celebrate with a day of play and fun!

All activities are free with admission. This event is sponsored by Weis Markets, Raymond Foundation, and Sante: Comprehensive Women's Health Care.

For admission info, visit: <https://thediscoverycenter.org/visit>



★ **MOVIES IN THE PARK** ★
OTSININGO PARK

FREE!

JUNE 14

ADULT ONE

MOVIE Night

SPONSORED BY: Prevention Coalition of Broome County



Join us under the stars for the showing of "E.T. The Extra Terrestrial" at Otsiningo Park! This is a FREE and family-friendly event brought to you by our generous sponsor Prevention Coalition of Broome County.

Arrive early and enjoy activities such as cornhole, hula hooping, bubbles, and jump roping!

Be sure to bring a lawn chair or blanket, grab a snack from our concession table and enjoy the show!

FREE admission and parking! Seating will begin at 7:30 pm. The movie will begin at dusk approx. 8:30PM

REMINDER From the Vestal Fire Department!



Keeping a Fire Hydrant clear not only shows that you care about your community... it also helps your Fire Department when seconds count!

Vestal residents are encouraged to keep hydrants clear all year round.

CALL TO ARTISTS

Send your Correspondence Art to the Vestal Museum for a Summer Show
 Deadline for Submissions: June 15th

Your Address-
 With your art inside the envelope and outside

Send your work to this address

Vestal Museum
 605 Vestal Parkway West
 Vestal, NY 13850

Want to be a part of an exciting summer art exhibition? Exhibition opening date July 13th 2024. Send us your 'mail art!' Send photos, college, mixed media, political statements, drawing, poetry...Send by June 15th to:

The Vestal Museum
 605 Vestal Parkway West
 Vestal, NY 13850

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