Central County

GRAFTON

Members of Boy Scout Troop and Venturing Crew 222 joined forces with other volunteers and staff to help Grafton Lakes State Park clean up the grounds and prepare for another summer season.

It is part of the annual I Love My Park Day, which took place this year on Saturday, May 1.

The scouts and crew helped out this year by setting up two pavilion tents, putting in row boats, moving the canoes and bringing down the kayaks to the boat dock. Other volunteers helped by raking and cleaning up winter debris, planting flowers and putting out signage.



Michael Zlotnick, Joshua Zlotnick, Anthony Prather, Wade Prather and William Holman-Prather erect one of the pavilion tents on I Love My Park Day. Photo courtesy of Andy Zlotnick.

BRUNSWICK

Brittonkill School Budget Set

The proposed 2021-22 School budget for the Brunswick Central School District (Brittonkill) will go before voters on Tuesday, May 18. The spending plan totals \$26,809,812, which is an increase of 2.43% over the current year's budget. If approved, it will hike taxes by 2.75%, which is at the district's tax cap.

Most know the state tax cap is 2%, but it is actually determined by a complicated formula, so the actual number is often lower or higher. Brunswick CSD has stayed at or below the tax cap since its enactment.

Grafton Summer Program

The Grafton Youth Commission will again conduct a Summer Youth Program from August 2 through 27. Join up for crafts, games, music and more. Free lunch and snacks. All COVID-19 protocols will be in place. Please contact Noelle at 518-269-8988 to sign up. The deadline is May 15.

Grafton Peace Pagoda Flower Festival

The event is scheduled for Sunday, May 23 from 11 am to 1 pm. This is a celebration of the birth of Buddha and all living things. It takes place in front of the Pagoda. The ceremony this year is limited to drumming and prayers. Visitors will be pouring sweet tea on Buddha's head for the blessing of all life. Due to the continued COVID-19 concerns, please wear a mask and bring a blanket, cushion or chair to choose a socially distant spot.

BRUNSWICK/BERLIN SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Applications Available For Grogan Scholarship

award of \$300 for the best essay on "What Freedom memory of a former member Elmer A. Grogan. Means To Me" by a graduating senior from Brunswick Central School District or Berlin Central School District who is continuing on with his or her education. The essay should not be less than 250 words or more than 500 words. The scholarship is being given NY 12082, Attn: Commander Len Claus Jr.

Applications are being accepted for the scholarship by the Carner, Etman, Smith V.F.W. Post 6340 in

The deadline for applications is May 10. Applications are available at the guidance counselor offices of both high schools and should be mailed to: Carner, Etman, Smith V.F.W. Post 6340, PO Box 361, Grafton,



Tom Kiely from the Grafton Historical Society sent in this photo of the Grafton 8th grade graduating class of 1947. How many of these faces do you recognize?





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