

Community Calendar

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May 20, Thursday

Tickets on Sale Now for October 28, Thursday Postmodern Jukebox Grand Reopening Tour, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 7:30 pm, call 518-273-0038 for tickets (\$29.50-\$54.50, VIP Experience \$105-\$154.50), tickets purchased for original date March 18 will be honored, 30 Second St.

May 21, Friday

Petersburgh Fire Auxiliary Hot Dog Charlie's Fundraiser, preorder by May 20, \$15/dozen, \$8/half dozen, call 518-339-7311 to order, Petersburgh Fire Station, Route 22

May 21 and 22, Friday and Saturday

Pittstown UM Church Rummage & Food Sale, Fri., 9:30 am - 4 pm, Sat. 9:30 am - 2 pm, Sat. \$2/bag, buy 2 bags, get 1 free, Church Hall, NY Route 7, Pittstown

May 22, Saturday

Cambridge Area Branch Perennial Plant Sale, 9 am - noon, Embury UM Church, 41 E. Main St., Cambridge

Fish Creek Rod & Gun Club Trap/Clay Shoot, 9 am - noon, Open to Public, \$5/round, 123 NY Route 32, Schuylerville

May 22 and 23 Saturday and Sunday

Cambridge Valley Fine Art Tour & Sale, 11 am - 4 pm, self-guided tour to artists' homes & studios to view their work; artists Matt Chinian, Sara Kelly, Elana Mark, George Van Hook, Mark Tougias, all within a few blocks of each other, COVID guidelines visit cambridgevalleyart.org for more information

May 23, Sunday

Grafton Peace Pagoda Flower Festival, 11 am - 1 pm, celebrating the birth of Buddha and all living things, 87 Crandall Rd., please wear mask, bring blanket, cushion or chair to choose a socially distant spot

Petersburgh Rod & Gun Club Fun Shoot, noon, 22 rimfire rifles, 12 shot event, cash prizes, bring your rifle's favorite ammo., 160 Scriven Rd.

May 28-30, Friday - Sunday

Brunswick Grange Yard Sale, 9 am - 4 pm, corner NYS 142 & 7, Center Brunswick, space available, all 518-279-9113

May 29, Saturday

Hoosick Falls Annual Village-Wide Tag Sale, 8 am - 4 pm, placement on map is free (hoosickkid@gmail.com), pick up map with locations on day of event

May 29, Saturday

Petersburgh Parks & Recreation Committee Memorial Picnic, 1-5 pm, Petersburgh Town Park, Depot Rd., bring side dish to share; hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, chips water & soda provided; Corn-hole, Horseshoes & other activities, bring lawn chair & umbrella or use tables & chairs provided

May 31, Monday

American Legion Post #937 Memorial Day Parade & Chicken BBQ, Memorial Service, Petersburgh Cemetery, 9 am, parade in Berlin 11 am, BBQ \$13, 12:20-2 pm, take out only. Call 518-658-9397 or 518-658-9525 for tickets

June 4, Friday

Bennington Museum Free Concerts in the Courtyard, starring Bennington Traditional Jazz Band, 5-7 pm, weather permitting, bring chair, wear mask, with food & drink available by The Avocado Pit, 75 Main St.

June 9, Wednesday

Southern Vermont Chamber of Commerce Annual B2B Golf Classic, Manchester Country Club, 11 am registration, 1 pm shotgun start, Trophy, prizes, visit www.SWVTChamber.com/Golf for more information

June 11, Friday

Bennington Museum Free Concerts in the Courtyard, starring Mike McMann Band, 5-7 pm, weather permitting, bring chair, wear mask, with food & drink available by The Avocado Pit, 75 Main St.

June 12, Saturday

United Methodist Women of Pittstown Craft Fair, 9 am-4 pm, Church Hall, 45 Old Route 7, Valley Falls

Taborton Zion Church Chicken & Biscuit Dinner, 4-6 pm, \$12 adults, \$5 children 12 & under, call 518-674-2746 to order, 744 Taborton Rd., Sand Lake

June 18, Friday

Bennington Museum Free Concerts in the Courtyard, starring Patrick Sargent, 5-7 pm, weather permitting, bring chair, wear mask, with food & drink available by The Avocado Pit, 75 Main St.

Senior News

Senior Meetings Resume

Lebanon Valley Seniors have resumed our monthly meetings the first and third Fridays at 1 pm. Note: we are now meeting at the New Lebanon firehouse. We will observe social distancing and masks are required. Upcoming events are a covered dish on June 18 and a bake sale on July 16. Any questions call Mary Defrest at 518-733-0009.

Petersburgh Sunshine Seniors

The organization will be resuming their meetings on June 8. Thereafter the meetings will resume on the second Tuesday of the month.

For now there will only be the meeting at 6 pm with no covered dish ahead of time. Bring your own beverages. The meeting is held at the Petersburgh Memorial Community Center. Please plan to adhere to whatever county COVID-19 protocols are in place at the time of the meeting.

Sunshine Seniors Look To Visit Amishlands

The trip to Amishlands slated for September 27 to 29 needs another 8 people to make it a go. The cost is \$363 and includes transportation, lodging, 2 breakfasts and dinners including the Maple Grove Smorgasbord, performance of "Queen Esther" at the Sight and Sound Theatre, Underground Railroad Experience, outlet shopping at Rockvale Outlets, Mt. Hope Winery Stop, Log Cabin Quilt Shop and all gratuities. \$25 deposit due by June 15. Contact Mary Lou Walters at 518-658-0136 or waltersmarylou@gmail.com to sign up or for more details. Call for a flier. Travel insurance is available for \$38. Your trip is fully refundable up to the final payment date of August 6.

Although this is sponsored by the seniors, no funds from seniors are being used for this trip. It is open to adults who are under 55 as well. Quilters and Church groups may find this an ideal trip to break that COVID vacation pause we have endured.

Senior Menu

The Rensselaer County Senior Centers are providing meals for seniors during the COVID-19 pandemic and while the centers are closed. Call 518-270-2730 for information about these services. Frozen Meals are provided for Tuesdays and Thursdays, and Sandwich Bag provided for the weekend.

May 21: Low sodium hot dogs, vegetarian beans, seasoned sauerkraut, long roll and yogurt

May 24: Sloppy joe, cut corn, diced carrots, round roll and pudding

May 26: Swiss steak w/tomato gravy, mashed potatoes, cut green beans, whole wheat bread and a fruit cup

May 28: Sliced ham cold plate w/lettuce, italian pasta salad, pickled beet salad, white bread and fresh fruit

Meetings

May 20, Thursday

Brunswick (Brittonkill) School Board, 7 pm
Brunswick Planning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall
Hoosick Falls School Board, 7 pm, HFCS

May 25, Tuesday

Grafton Workshop/Special Mtg, 6:30 pm, Town Hall
Pittstown Planning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall
(as needed)

May 27, Thursday

Schodack Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

May 31, Monday

Petersburgh Planning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

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ments of a final remediation plan. Noeding urged that IRMs be ordered in the meantime.

Ben Krahforst said it seems like Taconic calls the shots and are taking their time. Beilby replied that Taconic has resisted some of the investigative measures proposed by the DEC, and the DEC has insisted on them, so it is not really accurate to say that Taconic is controlling the scope of the investigation. Firebaugh said she does not feel that Taconic is dragging its feet, and she would say that the investigation is moving forward at a good pace.

Joe Dunlop said he thought some tests had been done on maple syrup produced from trees in Petersburgh, but he has not seen results from any testing of that kind. Beilby said he is not familiar with that, but he will look into it. Dunlop also asked if any testing has been done of livestock grazing in Petersburgh to see if the meat might be tainted with PFOA. Beilby said he doesn't think any testing of that kind has been done, and Dunlop replied that it should be done. Dunlop also said PFOA levels found at various points in the Little Hoosick River should be posted in an easily accessible place.

Ben Krahforst said the recently completed proj-

ect funded by the Emerging Contaminants Grant has identified an area where the Petersburgh Water District might find an adequate quantity of water free of PFOA contamination, but it now needs to do some test wells in that area, and he wondered if the DEC can help with that. Beilby suggested that he meet with Petersburgh engineer Tom Suozzo, who wrote the Emerging Contaminants project report, to discuss the issue.

Loretta Minervini said when her well was found to have high levels of PFOA, she had a much deeper well drilled, and even at 600 feet they found concentrations of 1100 PPT, so she believes the deep aquifer is contaminated. Beilby said the investigation includes deep well sampling, and it is certainly the intention of the DEC to model the levels of PFOA concentration in the deep aquifer.

Although the conference involved a certain amount of contention between the DEC representatives and local leaders, it was civil in tone throughout, and both sides seemed to feel that a productive dialogue was being established. Barbara Firebaugh said the DEC will come out to do another meeting of this kind when they have new data to present, which will probably be sometime in the fall.