

Hoosick Falls & Surrounding Areas

NEWS AND NOTES

Cheney Library User Survey

How can Cheney Library better serve you? We are looking for feedback from our community. Fill out our survey and be entered into a drawing to win a \$100 Amazon gift card. The survey closes on June 7, and the drawing will be held on June 18. All are invited to participate – even if you don't use the library! Complete the survey using this link: <https://www.cheneylibrary.org/survey/> If you have any questions, please contact director@cheneylibrary.org

Summer Camp Scholarships Available

Gallop To Success, a nonprofit 501 c3 organization that works with at-risk youth from the ages of 5 to 17, is pleased to announce that it is accepting applications for summer 2021 scholarship recipients.

Scholarships are available for:

- One week summer day horse camp (10 week session, schedule is available at www.GallopToSuccess.org)
- Summer overnight horse camp
- Year round scholarships (recipient attends 1-2 days per week, 48 weeks of the year)

Gallop To Success works with at-risk boys and girls through horses and farm life. The program is available for

at-risk youth who are financially unable to attend the camp program. The program is hosted at Kimberly Farms, 1214 Cross Hill Rd., Shaftsbury, VT but is open to New York State residents as well.

For further information, contact us by phone, mail or email. Gallop To Success, 1214 Cross Hill Rd., North Bennington VT 05257. Phone: 802-442-5454. Fax: 802-442-4675 Email: gts@sover.net Website: www.GallopToSuccess.org

Hoosick Falls Tag Sale

Treasures await! The Annual Village-Wide Tag Sale will be held on Saturday, May 29 from 8 am to 4 pm. Pick up a map with all tag sale locations on the day at various locations. Placement on the map is free.

To get on the map. Email Kevin at hoosickkid@gmail.com.

Defensive Driving Course

This six-hour point and insurance reduction course from the National Safety Council is scheduled for Saturday, June 19. The course begins promptly at 9 am at the North Hoosick Fire House at 22106 NYS Rt. 22.

You must call 518-686-485 to pre-register as space is limited. Facial covering is required. The cost is \$40.

DAR To Hold Meeting

The Ondawa-Cambridge Branch of the National Society Daughters of the Revolution will hold a meeting on Friday, June 4 at 1 pm. The meeting will take place at the Louis Miller

Museum, 166 Main Street, Hoosick Falls. The program features Leslie Allen who will speak about the Knickerbocker Historical Society. Refreshments will be served.

Any woman who believes she is eligible to join the DAR may call the Regent JoAnn Trinkle at 518-677-3324 or the Registrar Mindy Kittell at 518-677-3589. Eligibility is based on the Revolutionary War service of a direct ancestor.

Cambridge Historical Society Museum Re-opens

The Collection Committee worked very hard last summer and this spring, working with Curator Amaris Orlemann Lynip to clean and update many of the rooms in the house.

Two big projects have been completed. The cedar closet containing many beautiful clothing items was inventoried and each item aired, brushed and lovingly stored away carefully for safekeeping.

The second project has been a dream for many years. After cleaning, repairs, new lighting, etc. the carriage barn is now a large exhibit area opening to the public for the first time. Among other things there is a nice exhibit of Jerome B. Rice Seed Co., Cambridge Fire Dept. and Rescue Squad, the Washington County Post, antique farm tools, and much more. We hope there will be many guests to help us initiate the opening of the Carriage Barn.

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65, which seeks to pave 65 miles of county roads in 2021. The county set a record by paving 50 miles of roads in 2020.

"Our fire and ambulance companies are always ready to help those in need or facing an emergency. We are reminded every day of their outstanding service to those who live and work in Rensselaer County," said McLaughlin.

"The Rensselaer County Responds fund will help ensure our volunteer fire and ambulance companies are able to continue to deliver a high level of service for our residents and respond when needed," added McLaughlin.

The funds from the Rensselaer County Responds fund will provide a one-time grant to all active volunteer and ambulance companies in the county.

Additional funds will also be provided by the Rensselaer County Industrial Development Agency to fire and ambulance companies to cover costs of PPE and other special materials related to response for the pandemic.

The special Rensselaer County Responds funding recognizes the increased costs incurred by fire and ambulance companies during the pandemic, including loss of income from fundraising. Many fundraising activities for fire and ambulance companies were interrupted due to the COVID-19 outbreak.

"I am extremely excited and thankful to County Executive Steve McLaughlin for the implementation of this program. When I approached the County Executive about the financial pressure that volunteer agencies were facing because of COVID-19, he listened and did not

hesitate to help. Working together with Steve and his team, a support plan was established to keep our emergency first responders solvent and strong. I cannot emphasize enough the appreciation we have for the Rensselaer Responds Program," said Legislator Bruce Patire-Eagle Bridge.

"These volunteer heroes perform life-saving tasks every day, and we are glad that the county is in a position to provide them this critical financial assistance," said Legislator Tom Grant- East Greenbush.

"The pandemic presented many new challenges for fire and ambulance companies, including challenges with raising funds to help cover costs for our operations. The help from Rensselaer County will be welcome and we thank County Executive McLaughlin and members of the County Legislature for their assistance," said Castleton Fire Chief Matt Carner.

"Most fire and ambulance companies operate on very tight budgets. The help from the county is needed and will help keep local emergency services equipped and functional in 2021 and beyond. We appreciate the assistance from Rensselaer County," said Stephentown Fire Chief David Corlew.

"Rural fire departments like ours have faced real difficulty with funding during the pandemic because of the interruption to our fundraising for over a year. We appreciate the help and attention by Rensselaer County, County Executive McLaughlin and the County Legislature as we navigate a return to normalcy and face new challenges," said North Hoosick Fire Department Chief Alan Bornt.

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