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## NORTH GREENBUSH

### Rensco Celebrates 25th Anniversary Of The Opening Of VRM

by Doug La Rocque and press release from the Office of the County Executive

Rensselaer County celebrated the 25th anniversary of the opening of the Van Rensselaer Manor in 1996 with a special ceremony on Friday, June 18, that included past and present county officials recognizing an outstanding legacy of service at the senior care facility.

The Silver Jubilee event also included recognition of 39 employees who served at the current

Manor and the predecessor Manor during the ceremony at the facility in North Greenbush.

The Manor was considered a state-of-the-art facility when opened 25 years ago, and remains a standard for senior care in the Capital Region and upstate.



Mary Ellen Bahan, Margaret Brownson and Kim Keenan, the three longest tenured employees of VRM, used golden shovels to throw the first dirt in the hole for the commemorative tree. They are surrounded by the many area officials in attendance. Photo by Doug La Rocque.

County Executive Steve McLaughlin told those gathered there "we are very proud of the outstanding level of care provided at the Van Rensselaer Manor. The Manor is a shining example of our commitment

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## SCHODACK

### Major Developments Discussed By The Planning Board

by Denise Wright

The June 21 Planning Board meeting in Schodack was full of information about development within the community. The meeting opened with three public hearings, but the 12.45 KW residential ground mount project on Jensis Road had to be postponed. Still, the Planning Board declared themselves lead agency in an Environmental Assessment for the Caleb Development Co. project. They also determined there was no significant environmental impact and approved a negative declaration, which allows the project to proceed through the approval process. The planners also declared themselves lead agency on a 2-lot project on Van Hoesen Road following a public hearing. No further action was taken pending some needed map adjustments and approval by the Board's attorney. The site plan and special permit for the Route 9 Commercial Business Park on US Route 9 had some details reviewed by the town engineer but was tabled until the next meeting when a presenter could be present.

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## BERLIN

### Some Special Moments At BCS

Eighth Grade Moving On

The eighth grade team would like to thank Mr. Dhara, Mrs. Cozza, Mr. Paravella, Ms. Curtis, our custodial staff, the parent-teacher association and everyone who helped to make the 8th grade Moving On Ceremony on June 18 such a memorable occasion.

Congratulations to the BCSD Class of 2025!

BHS is looking forward to welcoming you in the fall.

Please find a list of award recipients from the ceremony on the BCSD website <https://berlincentral.org/.../middle-school-8th-grade.../>

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A look at the Senior Class' visit to Berlin Elementary School. Collage courtesy of the BCS Communications Department.

### Higgins Wins Grafton Justice In Primary

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### PETERSBURGH

# Water District Has Permanent Licensed Operator At Last

by Alex Brooks

Assistant Water Operator Michelle Todd has recently received her certificate from the County Health Department which allows her to be the Operator in charge of the Water District, and the Petersburg Town Board appointed her to that position at its regular meeting on June 21.

#### New Truck

Two proposals were received in response to the Town's RFP seeking to buy a used truck for the Highway Department. One was from Delurey Sales & Service in Hoosick Falls and one from Village Truck Sales in Lanesborough, Mass. The one from Delurey's is a smaller (315 HP) but newer truck (2016) offered for about \$80,000, and the one from Village Truck Sales is a larger 470 HP tandem axle model from 2008 offered for \$125,000. Both the Board and Highway Superintendent Beaudry seemed to like the Delurey proposal better because the truck is newer and less expensive, but Beaudry wanted to go look at the truck and research it a little more thoroughly before committing to a purchase. He said when he is ready to go forward with buying the truck, he will ask the Board to hold a special meeting to approve it.

#### WIIA Project Update

Heinz Noeding said the Town's request for reimbursement for work done under the WIIA grant has been submitted to the Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) for reimbursement in the amount of \$213,000. Noeding said he has submitted all of the required forms and paperwork and anticipates the reimbursement request will be approved when the EFC Board meets at the end of the month, which would probably result in the arrival of a check by mid-July. This would eliminate most of the Water District's large debt to the Town, and improve the Town's cash flow considerably.

Noeding said he believes the agreement with Taconic about the WIIA grant is pretty much worked out, but there are a few details to be resolved and the

Town does not have a signed agreement in hand yet, so the Board tabled that until the document is completed and signed.

The Town does have a completed agreement with Taconic about sharing the cost of electricity at the water plant for three years, 2021 through 2023. Taconic will pay 34% of that electric bill in order to cover the cost of electricity for the GAC filter system. The Board approved that agreement.

Noeding said he is trying to get an agreement from Taconic about having them pay for operation and maintenance of the GAC filter system for as long as it is needed, but both Taconic and DEC have told him it's too soon to draft such an agreement. DEC told Noeding that such an agreement would be part of the "Site Management Plan" which spells out ongoing responsibilities of the parties after the cleanup is complete, which would be years from now.

#### Lawn Mowing bids

No bids were received in response to advertising for someone to mow the cemeteries. Town Clerk Deidra Michaels said she will put it out for bids again.

#### Paving RFP

Heinz Noeding described an RFP he and Jack Barnhill and Adam Beaudry had put together seeking a paving contractor for Armsby Road from Lewis Hollow Road south and parts of Coonbrook Road. He said it is about 5,000 linear feet of paving which will cost something in the neighborhood of \$200,000, to be paid with CHIPS money. Bids will be due July 16, and work is to be completed by September 30.

#### Fuel Reconciliation

Tom Berry said the State says towns should have a fuel reconciliation process in place and he thinks Petersburg should be keeping careful track of its fuel usage. The Board agreed and Berry volunteered to work with Highway Superintendent Adam Beaudry to set up a system for keeping track of fuel and bring the details on how it will work to next month's meeting.

#### Town Park Playground

Joe and Tammy Dunlop said they had taken some broken equipment out of the playground in the Town Park, but they said more needs to be done. In particular Joe said there is a drop-off in one spot where a slide used to be that should be immediately closed off, before a kid falls off it. The playground equipment was put in using grant funding

about 30 years ago. It has not been taken care of, and it has deteriorated quite a bit. Also, playground safety standards have changed a lot since that time, and there may be a problem keeping it in compliance with current safety standards. The Board felt that someone should assess whether it can be repaired or if it should be removed. Dunlop said replacing the playground equipment with new equipment is extremely expensive. It is not clear what will happen next, but everyone seemed to agree that something should be done.

#### Farmers Market

Deidra Michaels said she is interested in organizing a weekly farmers market in town and suggested it be held on the lawn in front of the Town Hall on Friday afternoons. She wanted it to be a fundraiser to benefit the Town Park and suggested the money would come from fees paid by farmers who are selling stuff at the market. Heinz Noeding expressed skepticism that such a market would draw enough customers to make it worthwhile for farmers to pay a fee or spend their time staffing a booth. There are already weekly farmers markets in Williamstown, Hoosick Falls, New Lebanon and Troy. Noeding said it takes a lot of time and effort to make that work, and the traffic on Route 2 may not be adequate to support it. Michaels said she would just like to contact local farmers and talk with them about whether they are interested.

#### Reynolds Road

Sean O'Donovan and Priscilla Maxon came to the Board meeting to ask about maintenance of Reynolds Road. For many years the Town has been plowing that road but not doing any other maintenance, and it is now in very poor condition. O'Donovan offered to help the Town with replacing the culverts, but he said the road would need to be resurfaced afterwards.

Town Highway Superintendent Adam Beaudry said it will cost a lot of money to fix that road, and he's not sure he has the funds to do it right away. There are also some questions about who owns it and whether it is on the list of Town Roads, but some thought that if the Town has been plowing it for many years it is a

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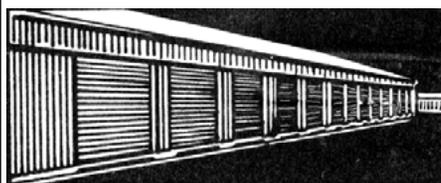
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## BERLIN

### Free Ice Cream!

Berlin Free Town Library will have some ice cream treats to hand out during the 4th of July Parade. We will start passing out the frozen treats around 10:30 am (sorry, no pie for breakfast, just ice cream).

Sign up for the 2021 Summer Reading Program, Tails & Tales, will start June 25th. Stop by the Library to fill out a form and pick up the description sheet. The first program is Storytelling and will be July 6 at 6 pm. The Bennington Museum will present "Our Flag" on July 20 at 6 pm. These events will be held outdoors. A painting class will be held indoors, with limited seating, on July 13.

BFTL will be open on Saturday, July 3 and Monday, July 5 from 10 am to 1 pm. Phone 518-658-2231 for information about the Summer Reading Program. See you at the Parade.

## Berlin Developing Strategic Plan

by Chris Tergliafera

Studer Education will be working with Berlin Central School District to develop a strategic plan. Studer will work with the community and staff, getting input from both, in order to develop a plan that will be specific to Berlin and help the district align all its resources together, and move forward in a unified direction.

### Gratitude

As the school year comes to a close, the common theme among those who spoke at this month's meeting was gratitude. Gratitude for all those who helped keep the District up and running during what was a very challenging school year as well as pride in the fact that Berlin didn't need to shut down for a single day during the pandemic.

### Sports

After concerns about the Berlin-New Lebanon sports merger were brought up at last month's meeting by members of the Student Council, Athletic Director Charles Paravella met with the students to discuss some of the points they addressed. Mr. Paravella stated that constant improvement is the objective of the program, and meetings are planned between the Athletic Directors and Superintendents of both Berlin and New Lebanon to discuss processes going forward.

The Board will hold their annual re-organizational meeting on July 6.

## STEPHENTOWN

### Filing For Federal Funding

by Chris Tergliafera

Stephentown will soon file paperwork to inform the Federal Government through the state of New York that they wish to receive their funds from the American Rescue Plan Act. The town will receive two equal payments, which will be made twelve months apart. At this time it's unclear when the town will receive payment number one.

### Karate Club

The Karate Club will be offered the Town Hall for use on Thursday nights. In the past the club has met on Mondays but some felt Thursdays would work better as the club would not have to cut its meetings short if there was a board meeting or workshop that same evening.

### Summer Celebration

This coming Saturday, June 26, the Stephentown Memorial Library will hold a summer celebration. There will be a storyteller for the kids, a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new story walk, a bake sale and other activities.

### Other Notes

The Board approved the purchase of a new loader for the town highway department.

Summer camp is almost full. With forty-five kids signed up, only three openings remain before the maximum number allowed is reached.

## BERLIN

### Seeking Public Input On ARP Funding

Federal investment rules require a community engagement process. Thusly, the Berlin Central School District is committed to providing everyone in our community an opportunity to give input on how to best use the American Rescue Plan monies, one-time funds to support students during the pandemic, and to address impacts that the pandemic has had on students, faculty and staff.

The district has developed a survey for this. Information and a link can be found on the district website.

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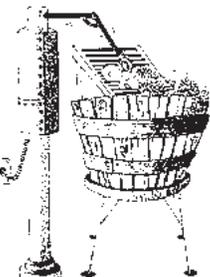
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## Taconic Valley

### Letter To The Editor

## My View On The School Board Report

I would like the opportunity to address the article in last week's edition of the *Press*, which I feel mischaracterized my involvement at the June 15th BCSD Board meeting.

My wife and I have previously explained to the BCSD that our sons have been suffering negative health effects from having to wear masks at school. Under these circumstances, State mandates allow children to remove their masks. The Berlin School District required a doctor's note, which we submitted, but the school administration still refused to accommodate our concerns. I attended the School Board meeting on the 15th to formally voice our situation.

I was not wearing a face covering, since the state-wide mandate had been lifted that very day.

The Board strolled into the room 45 minutes late because they were having (what they called) a celebration in another room. Joseph Dhara, the school superintendent, requested that I don a face covering. I declined, for personal reasons and because the NYS mask mandate had been lifted.

I asked for two minutes to read my statement, and they refused me this opportunity. Instead, Superintendent Dhara and Board member Frank Zwack left the room, apparently to call the State Police.

Four Board members remained in the room: Katie Snyder, Derrick Gardner, Kellie Kaschak and Sherry Bowman-Kluck. After 20 minutes had passed, I asked if anyone in the room would object to me reading my statement, so that they could get on with their evening. No one objected.

I requested that they make a motion to remove Berlin's policy of requiring written proof of negative health effects and to instead follow the state guidance as it's written.

After reading my statement, I left the building. Outside, I was berated by Mr. Zwack and Mr. Dhara. Zwack screamed, "YOU DON'T HAVE THE GUTS TO WAIT FOR THE POLICE!" When I told them I was only doing what I thought was right for my children, Dhara yelled, "It's NEVER right to break the law!" I'd like to remind him that the Boston Tea Party, the Declaration of Independence, the American Revolution, the Civil Rights marches of the 1960s, etc. were all "breaking the law." While I don't think I broke the law by letting them see my nose, I do think we can all agree that sometimes it is necessary to stand up for what's right, even if that would mean breaking the law.

It is my belief that the Berlin School District, by refusing to follow state guidance regarding the health exemption for mask wearing, is physically and mentally abusing children. Also distressing is their refusal to open their meetings to individuals with opposing viewpoints.

I hope your readers will make their opinions known, whether they agree with me or not, by calling the school 518-658-1500, emailing the Board, [BoardOfEducation@BerlinCentral.org](mailto:BoardOfEducation@BerlinCentral.org) and the Superintendent, [JDhara@BerlinCentral.org](mailto:JDhara@BerlinCentral.org).

I would like to hear your opinion as well. Please copy me on your emails at [UnmaskOurChildrenBerlin@gmail.com](mailto:UnmaskOurChildrenBerlin@gmail.com) so that the voices of our community can be heard.

Sincerely,  
Duane Goodermote  
Petersburgh

### BERLIN

## Transportation Department Goes Above And Beyond

The Berlin Community Food Closet is hosting a summer lunch bucket program for families. The pantry recently created a friendly challenge between the BCSD staff at the Transportation Department, Elementary School and Middle/High School, to see who could collect the most buckets for the pantry to use this summer.

The BCSD Transportation Department knocked it out of the park with their staff of just 44 collecting 61 buckets! The Berlin Middle/High School was close behind with 60 buckets. BCSD collected a total of 134 buckets for the Berlin Community Food Closet.

Ms. Dianne Mosher, Ms. Kathy Primeau, Ms. Kathren Jaeger and Ms. Christine French of the Berlin



The Transportation Department employees gather around their 61 buckets of donations for the Berlin Food Pantry. Photo courtesy of the BCS Communications Department.

Community Food Closet thanked the transportation department for their generous efforts by delivering breakfast to the winners of the friendly competition on Wednesday, June 16.

The donated buckets will be filled with lunch items and dropped off to families in the community who have reached out.

For more information about the Berlin Community Food Closet Programs, whether you are in need or would like to offer your support, please reach out using the information below.

### Berlin Food Closet

United Methodist Church at 17 South Main St. in Berlin. Open the third Tuesday of the month 3-5 pm & the third Saturday of the month 9-11.

For more information, call 518-658-2942.

### STEPHENTOWN

## Strawberry Festival

Strawberry shortcake will once again star at the Thirty-Ninth Annual Strawberry Festival to be held this year on Sunday, June 27 at Gardner's Ice Cream and Coffee Shop, located at 15879 NY Route 22 in Stephentown. This fundraiser for the Stephentown Historical Society will run from 11 am to 4 pm. Fresh strawberries will be served on sponge cake or home-baked biscuits with whipped cream, or you can add ice cream for a sundae. Strawberry rhubarb pie a la mode and whole strawberry rhubarb pies will also be available for purchase, as will books, t-shirts and other Historical Society memorabilia. For additional information, please call 732-841-3457 or 518-733-5923.

The Stephentown Strawberry Festival began in 1982 when the Historical Society was in its infancy and was preparing for the town's 1984 bicentennial celebration. Over the years, volunteers from the society have prepared and dished up over 8000 servings of this summer favorite. Hope to see you there!

*Editors Note: NYS did indeed lift the COVID-19 restrictions that day, however they were continued in health institutions, schools, mass transit and prisons, as well as for unvaccinated individuals.*

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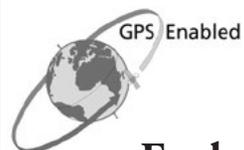
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# Central County

## BRUNSWICK

### Traffic A Headache For Hannaford

by Doug La Rocque

Several residents of the Sycaway neighborhood to the north side of Hoosick Road (NYS Route 7) turned out for a joint public hearing on the proposed Hannaford Grocery store, to be located on Lord Avenue. Held just prior to the Brunswick Planning Board's regular meeting and joined by members of the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) on Thursday, June 17, a member of the Duncan family, who is selling the land to Hannaford, was the only person to speak in favor. All the others who came to the podium (many repeatedly) spoke of their concerns about traffic through the neighborhood, lighting, big corporations impact on small business and flooding. It was a night for passionate comments and emotion, one person becoming so upset, he had to leave the hearing.

Traffic was perhaps the most spoken on topic with concern expressed about the amount of additional vehicles traveling over several area roads created by both the new traffic signal approved for Lord Avenue at Hoosick Street, and the Hannaford store itself, to reach the Lord Avenue light. Several also took exception to the traffic study commissioned by Hannaford, which stated this additional traffic would not be significant. Board member Kevin Mainello echoed those comments, feeling the report did not study all the appropriate roads. Several speakers felt Hannaford's traffic study was theoretical and not sufficient. Mr. Mainello suggested to the Board they commission an independent traffic study, something Hannaford would have to pay for.

The matter concerning the height of several light towers will also go before the Zoning Board of Appeals. Hannaford is planning on 21 foot structures, while town code limits them to 15 feet. Several residents felt that would create a situation where light would impacting

their homes. Spoken upon as well was the amount of fill that would have to be brought into the site, which is on land that tends to flood each spring. Construction traffic it was felt would create a major headache on Hoosick Road. Hannaford reiterated that all trucks would come westbound on Hoosick Road, turn right onto Lord Avenue, and make another right when leaving.

Brunswick has previously placed a moratorium on multi-family housing construction, wishing to look at density as well as zoning issues. It was proposed during the public hearing the town look at placing a similar moratorium on commercial development along the Hoosick Road corridor. Following the meeting, Democratic Town Board candidate Dr. Jennifer Mann told *The Eastwick Press*, "I am extremely in favor of smart commercial development in Brunswick along the Hoosick Rd. corridor because it's a great revenue generator for our town. But we cannot continue developing that area with the current infrastructure. The traffic congestion is strangling our existing small local businesses and surrounding neighborhoods, which we should be doing everything we can to support. We must, as a community, come together as soon as possible to formulate a purposeful plan for future development that combines the best interests of all businesses and residents." It was explained such a move would be up to the Town Board, and that the Planning Board has no authority to do so.

#### Atlas Solar

The only other business of major significance was an update by Atlas Renewable Solar, which hopes to construct a solar field on land on Oakwood Avenue, that was once part of a landfill.

They are asking the Planning Board to take lead agency status on the environmental review. The proverbial catch-22 here is that the land is considered a brownfield, and Atlas has submitted a remedial plan to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). If approved, no environmental assessment is required. Atlas has indicated they expect a ruling from DEC is a matter of weeks.

## Brunswick Summer Concerts

This will be the 21st year of Brunswick Summer Concerts, the oldest summer concert series in Rensselaer county. Last year was a challenge with COVID-19 but we persevered. This year the restrictions have eased a bit. Masks are still required for non-vaccinated individuals as they walk around the park and dance. Last year we started broadcasting the concerts over the airwaves so people could sit in their cars and listen to the music. We will be broadcasting again this year for those who want to socially distance.

The concerts will start on Tuesday June 29, and run every Tuesday through August 31. The concerts will be from 6:30 to 8 pm. The lineup for the concerts is as follows:

- June 29 The Refrigerators,
- July 6th The Tichy Boys,
- July 13th Big Fez and the Surfmatrics,
- July 20th T S Ensemble,
- July 27 The Lustre Kings,
- August 3 The Matt Mirabile Band,
- August 10 Get up Jack,
- August 17 The Kyle Bourgault Band.

We end the season on August 31 with Whiskey Highway.

This year the 50/50's will be done by The Brunswick Community Library, Brunswick Historical Society, Center Brunswick Volunteer Fire Company and the Alzheimer's Association.

Muddaddy Flats is a Quesadillary with unique and delicious quesadillas. Also coming back is Aw Nuts. The Rensselaer County Department of Health mobile vaccine clinic will be at the concerts to vaccinate people on June 29 and August 17. Thanks to the Town Board for continuing the tradition of the summer concerts.



The Refrigerators as they appeared in concert last year at the Brunswick Summer Concert Series. Eastwick Press file photo.

## GRAFTON

### Eagle Scout

Venturer Crew 222 from Grafton would like to congratulate Dylan Bubie on earning Scouting's highest award, Eagle Scout. Dylan is the son of Jeanie and Richard Bubie of Poestenkill. Dylan was awarded his Eagle rank in Troop 528 Poestenkill on Saturday June 19. Dylan has been a member of Grafton Venturer Crew 222 for 2 years while also being a member of both Crew 528 & Troop 528.

Dylan completed an Eagle Scout service project consisting of clearing brush from along Hillside cemetery located on Rt-351 then removing and replacing a broken fence, improving the visual beauty of the cemetery.



L-R Jeanie Bubie, Dylan Bubie, Victoria Bubie and Richard Bubie at the Eagle Scout court of Honor at the Poestenkill VFW. Dylan's Sister Tory will be awarded her own Eagle Scout Award in August as part of the inaugural Female Eagle Scouts in the BSA and she is the first Young Woman in The Yankee Doodle District (Rensselaer and Columbia Counties) to reach the rank of Eagle. Photo courtesy of Scoutmaster Andy Zlotnick.

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# Central County

## Grafton Lakes State Park Celebrating 50 Years

Grafton Lakes State Park, in partnership with the Grafton Historical Society, will celebrate its 50th anniversary with community programming on Thursday, July 1. In honor of the event, park entry will be reduced to its original 1971 opening day fare of 25 cents. A lunch will be held to commemorate the anniversary. A lunch ticket will cost \$5, but the commemoration, as well as all other activities and programs, will be free of charge.

“Grafton Lakes State Park’s breathtaking ponds and miles of trails are just some of the features that make this site a jewel of the State Park system that has drawn many visitors over the decades. This celebration will join past accolades with the next generation of park visitors who appreciate all this special place has to offer,” said NYS Parks Recreation & Historic Preservation Commissioner Erik Kulleseid.

Located in the heart of the Rensselaer Plateau, Grafton Lakes State Park opened July 1, 1971 with five lakes, 1,850 acres, a new 1,000-foot beach, a concession stand and a park

office. Today, the park has expanded to include more than 2,500 acres, 25 miles of trails and six lakes, along with the reopened Dickinson Fire Tower and a new Welcome Center.

Park staff has been gathering oral remembrances from visitors and staff at Grafton to form a video documentary that will be debuted on the beach the evening of July 1. Learn more about the project and some of the park’s history in this post in the NYS Parks Blog.

The park spans both sides of Route 2 in Rensselaer County about 12 miles east of Troy and is a favored place for hikers, snowmobilers, equestrians, kayakers, canoeists and those who like to fish. Amenities also include biking, boat launches and rentals, swimming, equestrian trails, fishing, hunting, pavilions and shelter rentals, playgrounds and showers. During winter months, there is snowmobiling, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. About a quarter-million people a year visit Grafton Lakes State Park.

Please visit the GLSP website for a complete list of the events.

## NORTH GREENBUSH

### Remembering Those Who Served

Submitted by Councilwoman Mary Frances Sabo

North Greenbush commemorated the men and women who gave their lives in the service of our country through a series of solemn wreath laying ceremonies at various memorials in town on May 31. Many residents have asked why North Greenbush did not hold a Memorial Day Parade this year as did many neighboring towns. East Greenbush and Sand Lake, to name a few, managed to do so despite pandemic limitations. I would like to stress that the decision to cancel the parade was not voted on by the Town Board and I strongly supported moving forward with the parade this year.

As the Town of North Greenbush continues efforts to become a certified NYS DEC recognized climate smart community, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rensselaer County is providing support for a Climate Smart Resiliency vision document to be developed. All residents of the Town of North Greenbush are encouraged to be heard in this process. A

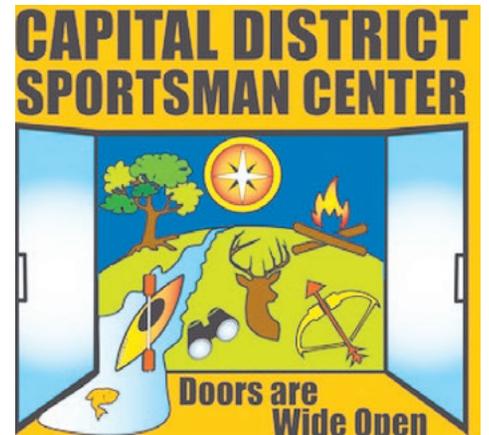
committee is being developed to work specifically on this task. If you are interested in serving on this committee please reach out to Bernie Wiesen at [bw27@cornell.edu](mailto:bw27@cornell.edu) or 518-272-4210 or myself at [msabo@northgreenbush.org](mailto:msabo@northgreenbush.org) by July 16. Why a vision document? A vision document will represent the community members on the topic of strengthening the town’s resiliency capacity. The final document will serve as a guiding statement to help frame the direction the town aims to take when considering the longevity and well being of their residents. This project is made possible through the Climate Resilience Partnership. Climate Resilience Partnership, which is a collaboration between Cornell Cooperative Extension associations in the Hudson Valley, with funding and assistance from the Hudson River Estuary Program and the New York State Water Resources Institute.

## GRAFTON

### Capital District Sportsman Center Open House

The organization, more than 6,500 members strong, has recently found a new home at the Roxborough Holdings Building, the former Grafton Elementary School. To celebrate, they will hold an open house on Sunday, June 27 from noon to 4 pm. It’s a family fun day with vendors, food trucks, high school shooting sports teams, raffles, entertainment and much more relating to the great outdoors.

Founder Brian Canzeri, President P.J. Hyde, Allie Wolf, Penny Spiezio and the other members of the Board of Directors invite you to drop in to see what all the fuss is about.



## Poestenkill Arrest

NYS Press Release

On June 17, the New York State Police in Schodack arrested 35-year-old Monique N. Mooney of Troy for Criminal Possession of Stolen Property 3rd degree (D felony), Driving While Intoxicated- Previous Conviction (E felony), Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 1st degree-Permanent Revocation (E felony), Reckless Endangerment 2nd degree (A misdemeanor) and Fleeing an Officer in a Motor Vehicle 3rd degree (A misdemeanor).

At approximately 12:25 pm on Thursday, state police observed a stolen vehicle that had previously been involved in a vehicle pursuit on I-787, traveling on Pawling Avenue in the City of Troy. Troopers attempted to stop the vehicle, the driver of which was later determined to be Monique Mooney,

but Mooney refused to pull over and a vehicle pursuit was initiated.

Troopers pursued the vehicle until it became disabled on Oak Hill Road in the Town of Poestenkill. Mooney was taken into custody without further incident.

As state police interviewed Mooney, they could smell the odor of alcohol on her breath and observed signs of impairment. Mooney was administered the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests, which she failed.

Mooney was transported to SP Schodack where she refused to provide a breath sample to determine the alcohol content of her blood. She was processed and arraigned in Schodack Town Court. She was released on her own recognizance and was due in Poestenkill Town Court on a later date.

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# Central County

## GRAFTON

### The Yankee Doodle Band Comes To Grafton

Submitted by Betsy Colvin

The Yankee Doodle Band of the Fort Crailo Post 471 of the American Legion in Rensselaer was formed in 1927. The band originally was a drum & bugle corps until 1936 when the bugle corps became the band as we know it today, with a full complement of instruments. The band has members who are Legionnaires and members who have had family members who served in the Armed Forces. The Yankee Doodle Band has a concert and marching band. Many of the members participate in both.

The first bandmaster to conduct and lead the band was Robert F. Winters. He immigrated to this country from Scotland where he had been bandmaster of the Queen's Guard of Edinburgh. The next bandmaster was James J. Layden from the Capital District. During WWII he was an instructor at the Navy School of Music in San Diego. His tenure with the band ended in 1972. Today we are

proud to have Owen "Smokie" Johnson, a former music teacher, as our musical director since 1974.

The band plays local concerts and parades. The marching band travels the United States playing for the American Legion National Conventions each year. We enjoy what we do and always look forward to our concerts and parades. We play a variety patriotic music, Broadway show tunes, tv theme music and foot stomping tunes like Beer Barrel Polka.

We hope to see you at our free concert Saturday July 10, from 2 to 4 pm at Roxborough Holdings (former Grafton Elementary School) Rte. 2 and Babcock Lake Road in Grafton. Sit inside or bring a chair and sit outside. Dolan Dogs Food Truck and Mr. Ding-A-Ling Ice Cream will be there. Come enjoy the music, the food and feel free to sing along or get up dance. We hope to see you July 10!

## WEST SAND LAKE

### Beryl Moul Scholarship

The Beryl H. Moul Memorial Grange Scholarship was established in 1958 by West Sand Lake Grange #949 in memory of prominent Grange Member Beryl H. Moul. Applicants must be Rensselaer County residents and must be accepted in an accredited 2 or 4-year college program in New York State and pursuing a career in agriculture, home economics, nursing, natural resource management, environmental engineering or pharmacology. This year's recipient of the scholarship is Kylin Hemmings. Kylin is the daughter of Kyle and Kristy Hemmings of Johnsonville, NY. She currently attends Hudson Valley Community College majoring in Biological Science. She plans to attend SUNY Cobleskill to get her Bachelors in Animal Science, and study Veterinary Medicine at Cornell University.

Kylin was a 12-year member of Rensselaer County 4-H, learning all she could about the animals she worked with. She also participated in many community service projects such as raising money for Make a Wish, Sleep in Heavenly Peace, National



Kylin Hemmings. Photo courtesy of Cooperative Extension.

Cancer Society and the local Humane Society. Kylin has recently joined Phi Theta Kappa to stay actively involved in her community. Congratulations Kylin!

## VALLEY FALLS

### Library Weekly Events

#### The Tale of Two Stitches

Wednesday afternoon from 1 to 3 pm

Bring your knitting, crocheting or other handwork and join us as we work together and tell a tale or two. Everyone is welcome!

#### "Tales and Tails" Summer Reading Program

The Collaborative Summer Reading Program (SRP) for libraries works to develop interest in reading and library use and is open to all ages, including adults. Participants in the Summer Reading Program are encouraged to keep track of their reading and are invited to participate in fun activities at their local libraries.

Registration continues through mid August!

Participants can sign up in person at the library or create a READsquared account through our Webpage (<https://www.valleyfallslibrary.org/>). READsquared allows you to keep track of your summer reading and earn badges and prizes. (Prizes are also available for those who sign up at the library when they present their reading logs.)

#### Crafts for Critters

Wednesdays at 10 am

This summer, Wednesdays are dedicated to children's crafts! We will be working on "Tales and Tails" related crafts suitable for children of all ages. Swing by to make pinecone creatures and more, and to hear a tale or two! We will be outside - weather permitting - so please plan accordingly. Enrollment in SRP is not required to participate!

#### Creative Writing Workshop

Fridays at 10 am

Friday mornings we will have a teen/young adult creative writing workshop. Join us each week as we use the summer to weave and edit a tale from start to finish! Bring a notebook, laptop, or tablet to work with. Enrollment in SRP is not required to participate!

#### Fun & Games

Saturdays at 10 am

Every Saturday you can join us for games and activities for children of all ages. Check the calendar for dates and program descriptions. We will be outside as much as possible so please plan accordingly. Enrollment in SRP is not required to participate!

### Monthly Events

#### Adult Book Club

Third Monday at 10:30 am

We read and discuss a different book each month. We will have copies of the book available at the library. For more information contact Jackie Marino at 518-753-0442 or at [jlmarino@icloud.com](mailto:jlmarino@icloud.com).

## GRAFTON

### Higgins Wins GOP Justice Line

By typical primary standards, the turnout for the Grafton Town Justice primary on Tuesday, June 22, was heavy. Nearly 100 votes were cast over three party lines: Republican, Conservative and Working Families. The almost final results show former Justice and Town Supervisor Frank Higgins with 51 votes on the Republican line to 29 for Lee Hess. This includes Tuesday's balloting and early voting results (which were



Frank Higgins when he previously sat on the bench in Grafton. Photo provided.

minusculer). The only votes not yet counted are absentee ballots, and the actual number of these ballots is also unknown as of press time.

It appears Mr. Higgins has won the Conservative Party Line as well by a 10 to 4 margin, again pending absentee ballots. The Working Families line shows Mr. Hess with a 10-2 lead at this time.

The Grafton Democratic Party has not caucused yet (no date has been set) so who will have their party line in the general election is unknown.



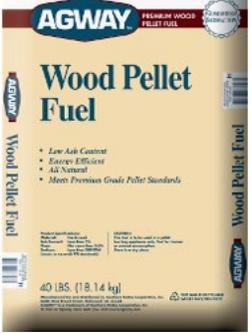
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# Hoosick Falls & Surrounding Areas

## HOOSICK FALLS

### Scouts Celebrate Flag Day



Erin, Emily and Lifetime Girl Scout member Madelyn Y. carry the current version of the United States flag at the June 14 ceremony. Photo provided.

For several years, the Hoosick Falls American Legion has asked Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts of our community to participate in the community flag ceremony, and this has become a tradition. The children break into groups and walk and display the flag once the description and history of that flag has been read. There are six flags displayed throughout the ceremony that represent a part of the US history. The event is always held in the evening of June 14 each year. In past years, the event included community bands, military service members and scholarships awarded by community groups to seniors that serve their community. COVID-19 did have an effect on last year and shortened this year, however our scouts were still asked to participate. We are always honored to serve our community and have a good turnout of girls and boys.

- Senior/Ambassadors: Emily Y. and Erin Y.
- Juniors: Abigail W., Leah A., Lilliana Z., Angelina G.
- Brownies: Molly M., Madelyn Z.
- Daisies: Avery M., Clare Y., Tristan D.

## HOOSICK FALLS

### Village Man Jailed For Animal Abuse

Submitted by the Office of the District Attorney

Rensselaer County District Attorney Mary Pat Donnelly has announced that Joshua Mears, 31, of Hoosick Falls was sentenced to ten months in Rensselaer County Jail after his plea of guilty in connection with an October 2020 Aggravated Cruelty to Animals charge, a class E Felony, in violation of section 353-a, of the Agriculture and Markets Law of the State of New York.



Joshua Mears

Mears pleaded guilty on June 1. In addition to jail time, he has a five year order preventing animal ownership, an eight year order of protection for the victim and an eight year order of protection for the witnesses, as well as fees and surcharges.

Mears was indicted on intentionally killing a kitten on October 29, 2020.

“This case is one of the reasons why I drafted a local law to the Rensselaer County Legislature to include individuals like this on a county animal abuse registry,” said District Attorney Mary Pat Donnelly.

### Chicken BBQ

The North Hoosick Fire Department will sponsor its famous Chicken Bar-B-Que on Saturday, July 11 from 5 to 6 pm at the fire station on NYS Rt. 22. Tickets are now available from any North Hoosick firefighter. All tickets are \$13. Tickets can be reserved by contacting Chief Alan Bornt at 518-378-4538, or by messenger. Only take outs are available.

“The Rensselaer County legislature has the opportunity to prevent animal abusers from owning animals in the future. Unfortunately people who have abused animals in the past are likely to do so in the future, and studies show that there is a near-100% recidivism rate for certain types of animal abuse.”

Assistant District Attorney Nicholas Dorando prosecuted the case.

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# Hoosick Falls & Surrounding Areas

## HOOSICK FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL

### Retiring Staff Take Center Stage

by Alex Brooks

The Hoosick Falls School Board honored retiring staff at its meeting on June 17. Janet Davendonis, Bob and Mary St. Hilaire, Denny James, Ellie Danforth, Colleen Corcoran and Donna Nash will be retiring at the end of this year. Only the last three were present, but Superintendent Patrick Dailey offered congratulations and words of praise to all seven.

Janet Davendonis served the District as a bus driver for a quarter of a century. Bob and Mary St. Hilaire served the District as Custodians, and Mary also worked as a teacher aide. Denny James served on the District's custodial staff for 31 years, and Dailey remarked that he could fix "just about anything." High School History Teacher Ellie Danforth started working at the Hoosick Falls school the same year Superintendent Pat Dailey did, and he remarked that they have been working together for 21 years, although Danforth's career in teaching spanned 40 years, as she had taught at other schools previously. She said "I've had a very good time at Hoosick Falls," and she remarked that it was a great place to raise her own kids, who attended the Hoosick Falls school while she was teaching here.

Dailey praised Health teacher Colleen Corcoran, who has taught HFCS since 2003, as one who had a great relationship with her students. He also noted that Tyler Rondeau, who will be replacing her as the Health teacher, has worked with her for years, which will make for a smooth transition. Dailey thanked Elementary School Secretary Donna Nash for all she has done for the District in her 30 years working here. Andrea Bearor then presented each of the three retirees present a certificate from NYSUT on

behalf of the HFTA, honoring their long careers with the District.

After Dailey's remarks, a short reception was held for the retirees so the Board and all others present could chat with them and offer congratulations and good wishes.

The District is also hiring a bunch of new people to get ready for the next school year. The biggest change for the upcoming year is the addition of a Middle School. Sarah Fleming was appointed as the Principal of the Middle School. Current High School Assistant Principal Nicole Mahoney will serve as Assistant Principal for both the Middle School and the High School next year, so her mandate next year will span grades 5 through 12. Current Teacher Assistant Karen Hemeon will become the Middle School Secretary, and her replacement will be Teacher Aide Ashley Nickles, whose appointment to this position was also approved by the Board this evening.

Tyler Rondeau was hired as the new Health Teacher, Christopher Nelson was hired as the new Technology Teacher, and Brandon Trinkle was hired as the new Business Teacher. The District hired two new School Counselors, Kaitlin George and Jenna Libecchi. Libecchi is to replace High School Guidance Counselor Katelyn Baker.

The District hired 2nd Grade Teacher Ashley Fragoso, 3rd Grade Teacher Anna Rita DeNitto, 3rd Grade Teacher Toni Hanselman, and High School Social Studies Teacher Linda Webber. The District also hired Rose Kalbfliesh as a full-time Speech Teacher, and hired Breannah Bebon and Dillan Grogan as Teacher Aides.

The District also

hired Michael Steen and Ethan Danforth as custodial staff.

Dailey said the District still needs to hire a Spanish Teacher, an English Teacher and one more teacher for the UPK class.

#### School Start Time

HFCS High School Math Teacher Kevin Weeden spoke to the School Board about the School's starting time. He said he believes the school starts too early. He said if you look at the research, all the studies say the earliest time you should start school is 8:30 am. He said moving the starting time 45 minutes later so students could get more sleep would "help every single kid in the school." He said it affects both behavior and academic performance, and the research is very clear that this is the best thing for the students. The Board agreed that the research points to a later start time as optimal, but they are concerned about practical considerations involved in making such a change. Would it work for parents who start work early? Would it be a problem for sports scheduling or for students who have after school jobs? Joe Patire said he thought the District should begin exploring this by talking with the families of students and the community in general to get a sense of whether this would create enormous problems or not. Weeden replied that there are sure to be some problems with it, but having students arrive at school well rested and ready to learn is worth it. "We're problem solvers - let's work through it and get this done," he said. Although the Board was skeptical, they seemed willing to raise the question



(L-R) Health Teacher Colleen Corcoran, History Teacher Ellie Danforth and Elementary Secretary Donna Nash take a minute to pose for this picture during a reception held in their honor on June 17. They will be retiring at the end of this week, after long careers with the Hoosick Falls District.

in the community and see what the reaction is.

#### Capital Project

Facilities Committee Chairman John Helft said contractors are already in the building, working after school gets out, and most of the Univentilators have been removed and most of the new data cabling has been run. He said right after graduation, many contractors will be converging on the building and it will be a tricky feat of choreography coordinating the activities of all the contractors. It will be a blizzard of activity, and Construction Manager Jim Gray will have his hands full keeping all of the construction activities coordinated and moving forward smoothly. The big issue now is to decide what to put off until next summer, and making sure that all the projects started this summer can be completed and have the building put back together in time for the reopening of school in September.

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# Hoosick Falls & Surrounding Areas

## BUSKIRK

### Fauler Claims Weeden Award

Submitted by Kevin Weeden

Each year my family gives an award to a senior at Hoosick Falls Central School in memory of my dad, Vernon P. Weeden. Coaches nominate a senior athlete who displays good character and loves Hoosick Falls sports. My dad's stats can be found on the [hoosickfallscsd.org](http://hoosickfallscsd.org) website.

This year my family proudly announces the Vernon P. Weeden "Panther Pride" memorial award goes to Ayla Fauler. Ayla will be studying environmental engineering at college next year.



Ayla Fauler holds her "Panther Pride" award, shown here surrounded by her family, (LtoR) brother Sam, mom Krissy and dad Dr. Tim Fauler. Photo provided.

## HOOSICK FALLS

### Music In The Park Is Back

The Stardusters, the swing band of Hoosick Falls, will open the concert series in Wood Park on Wednesday evening, June 30, at 7:30 pm.

Music in the Park has been off since 2020 due to the COVID-19 virus. This concert will bring music back to the Park for the first time since August of 2019. Music of all jazz periods will be presented by this band whose beginnings date to 1976. The public is cordially invited to bring a chair and enjoy the music. The Hoosick Falls Community Band will resume summer concerts in the park on Wednesday, July 7, and continue each Wednesday through August 25, at 7:30 pm. The last band concert was August of 2019. Both bands are excited to bring back some melodic sounds to the venerable ole village.

## Hoosick Market Is Open

The Hoosick Local Market (farmers' produce, baked goods, pastured meats, maple syrup, artisan crafts and more) is now open every Friday through Labor Day from 3 to 6:30 pm. The market is located at 5343 NYS Route 7 at Mapletown Road in Hoosick, just before the Bennington Bypass.

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### HOOSICK

# Nine Private Gardens Welcome Visitors To Hoosick Blooms 2021

Hoosick Blooms is back and better than ever! After the 2020 COVID-19 hiatus this unique tour has been expanded with twice as many sites that can be visited over the course of two days. Mark your calendars for this outdoor event on Saturday and Sunday, July 10 and 11 from 10 am to 4 pm.

Participants on this self-driving tour will enjoy nine diverse gardens and farms tucked into the beautiful rolling hills of Hoosick and neighboring communities.

Proceeds from Hoosick Blooms 2021 benefit the CiviCure fund to renovate the historic Wood Block Building and Opera House. Wood Block will also be open during the Hoosick Blooms tour and visitors are welcome to see the grand performance spaces on the third floor where a free art exhibition and sale will be presented.

The \$40 per person tour pass is valid for both days. Children 12 and under free. If cost is an obstacle please contact us at [civicure@gmail.com](mailto:civicure@gmail.com) to request a sponsored pass. Tour passes may be ordered online at [hoosickblooms.org](http://hoosickblooms.org) or purchased locally at



Craven House garden and studio near Cambridge Center. Photo provided.

Brown's Brewing Company's Walloomsac Brewery and Taproom, Hobson's Choice, Hoosick Provisions, SmallSong Gallery and Goods and Clear Brook Farm in Shaftsbury, VT.

### HOOSICK FALLS AREA NEWS AND NOTES

#### Pickleball For Kids

The Hoosick Falls Pickleball Club now offers pickleball to co-ed youth ages 10 to 16 years. The youth club plays on Saturdays from 10 am to noon at the Armory. There is no charge, but a registration form and waivers must be completed by a parent or guardian prior to playing. Equipment and instruction are included. Parents may stay to watch or plan to pick up their child promptly at noon. Once registered, a child must be signed up to attend sessions using the play-time scheduler. This handy scheduling tool can be found online at [www.playtimescheduler.com](http://www.playtimescheduler.com). Please email inquires to [amyst.onges2@gmail.com](mailto:amyst.onges2@gmail.com).

#### Trap/Clay Shoot

The Fish Creek Rod and Gun Club will hold a Trap/Clay shoot on Saturday, June 26 from 9 am to 1 pm. The event is open to the public and a great opportunity to introduce youth to the sport of trap shooting. Novice to Expert are welcome. The cost is \$5 per round.

The club is located at 123 NYS Route 32 in Victory (Schuylerville, 12871 GPS).

#### Cambridge Historical Society

With flags flying and beautiful flowers everywhere, Board members of the Cambridge Historical Society & Museum greeted visitors on the afternoon of Sunday, June 6, to their newly reopened House and Carriage House. During the past year and a half when the Museum was closed for COVID-19, much work has been done by volunteers to redo all rooms with new exhibits, many of which have been in storage for years. Guests were guided around the House by docents explaining the interesting exhibits in all the rooms. Yet the most exciting part of the tour was the opening of the Carriage House, or Barn, which is now part of the Museum's collection. With new flooring, electricity and exhibits from the fire department, rescue squad, Rice Seed Company, farm equipment, a printing press, old kitchen appliances and other miscellaneous items, this building must be a highlight of your tour when you visit the Museum. The Museum will be open every Tuesday and Saturday from 1-3 pm. Please come and visit.

### BENNINGTON

## Medical Matters Weekly Features Expedition/Mountain Medicine Expert

Southwestern Vermont Health Care's (SVHC) Medical Matters Weekly with Dr. Trey Dobson, a weekly interactive, multiplatform medical-themed talk show, will feature Nicholas Weinberg, MD, an emergency physician at Dartmouth-Hitchcock and a member of the organization's Wilderness and Austere Medicine Fellowship faculty, on its June 30 program. The show will air live at noon.

The show is produced with cooperation from Cata-mont Access Television (CAT-TV). Viewers can see Medical Matters Weekly on Facebook at [facebook.com/svmedicalcenter](https://www.facebook.com/svmedicalcenter) and [facebook.com/CATTVBennington](https://www.facebook.com/CATTVBennington). The show is also available to view or download a podcast on [www.svhealthcare.org/medicalmatters](http://www.svhealthcare.org/medicalmatters) and on Youtube.

Dr. Weinberg received his medical degree from the University of Vermont College of Medicine and completed his residency in Emergency Medicine at Albany Medical Center in New York. In addition, he completed a fellowship in Emergency Radiology at Massachusetts General Hospital. He is board certified in Emergency Medicine. He has worked at Dartmouth-Hitchcock since 2017.

Dr. Weinberg has completed a Diploma in Mountain Medicine (DiMM) and is in the process of completing his Fellowship in the Academy of Wilderness Medicine (FAWM). He has worked as a Wilderness EMT instructor, and his fieldwork has taken him from the Peruvian Amazon, where he practiced tropical medicine, to the Everest region of Nepal, where he specialized in treating high-altitude illnesses in climbers and trekkers. Most recently, he worked as the ship's physician on a traditional square-rigged sailing ship crossing the

Indian Ocean from Indonesia to South Africa and as the physician for the National Park Service for several seasons on an upper mountain rescue patrol on Denali/Mt. McKinley in Alaska. In addition to his interests in adventure and travel medicine, he is also an avid mountaineer, ice climber, rock climber, backcountry skier, paddler and offshore sailor.

After the program, the video will be available on area public access television stations. On CAT-TV, viewers will find the show on channel 1075 at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, 1:30 p.m. Monday, 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 7:30 a.m. Friday, and 7 p.m. Saturday. GNAT-TV's Comcast channel 1074 airs the program at 8 a.m. Monday, 9 p.m. Wednesday, and 1 p.m. Saturday.

#### Upcoming Guests Include:

Wednesday, July 7 - noon: Jeffrey Parsonnet, MD, infectious disease physician at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Health, will share his work as leader of the organization's post-acute COVID syndrome (commonly referred to as "long haulers") program.

Wednesday, July 14 - noon: Becca Filson, FNP, of SVMC's Hospital Medicine, and Lisa Downing-Forget, MD, of SVMC Internal Medicine, will discuss diversity and inclusion at SVMC and in the healthcare field.

Wednesday, July 21 - noon: Rosalind Case, PhD, of Monash University about the psychological aspects of healthcare choices.

Wednesday, July 28 - noon: Kelsey Dueland, of the Project Against Violent Encounters in Bennington.

To contribute questions in advance of each week's show, please e-mail [wellness@svhealthcare.org](mailto:wellness@svhealthcare.org) or post to Facebook with #SVHCMedicalMattersWeekly.

### BENNINGTON

## SVMC Earns "A" Rating For Safety From Leapfrog

Southwestern Vermont Medical Center (SVMC), part of Southwestern Vermont Health Care (SVHC), earned an 'A' for hospital safety from the Leapfrog Group. The national distinction recognizes SVMC's achievements protecting patients from harm and providing safer health care.

"Safety is always at the forefront of our minds. This recognition is a reflection on the diligent professionals we have working in patients' best interests," said Thomas A. Dee, FACHE, SVHC's president and CEO. "Our team of outstanding physicians, nurses, and support staff fulfill our mission to provide exceptional care and comfort each day. We're very proud of that."

The Leapfrog Group is an independent national watchdog organization driven by employers and other purchasers of health care. The organization is committed to improving health care quality and safety for consumers and purchasers.

The Hospital Safety Grade's methodology is peer-reviewed and fully transparent, and the results are free to the public.

## New Lebanon & Nassau

### NEW LEBANON

## July Community Food Giveaways

The newest dates for the Community Food Giveaway at the New Lebanon Town Hall are Friday July 2, 16 and 30. Note the date change to Friday. Please pull in at Shatford Park by the ballfields and continue to the Town Hall. We ask that you wear a mask at all times, stay 6 feet apart from others and bring bags or boxes for the food. If you have any questions please reach out to Supervisor Houghtling at [supervisor@townofnewlebanon.com](mailto:supervisor@townofnewlebanon.com).

The food giveaway is completely free and open to all families in the New Lebanon and neighboring communities. Food items include produce, dairy products, frozen meat and non-perishable products. Free masks and hand sanitizer are also available.

The food giveaways take place rain or shine.

### Tilden Plaza Flea Market Is Now Open!

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## Help Celebrate New Lebanon's Class Of 2021

by Matt Klafehn, Principal

Due to the COVID-19 crisis, New Lebanon Junior/Senior High School's Class of 2021 will again be celebrating its commencement in an outdoor ceremony this year.

On June 25, between 7 and 7:30 pm, a graduate recession led by Lebanon Valley Protective Association vehicles and neighboring fire districts will escort our senior class in their cars from Walter B. Howard Elementary School to the Junior/Senior High School to symbolize their educational journey in our district. Community members are invited to

park their cars along Route 20/22 to cheer on our graduates! At the high school, the student "parade" will be met with teachers from both buildings (socially distanced) with signs celebrating their successes.

It is my hope that we will be able to prepare a joyous occasion that seeks to celebrate not what has been lost, but what has been gained with the support of our great New Lebanon community. Thank you for helping to make our celebration outstanding and representative of what a small town community can do for one another.

### EAST NASSAU

## Community Yard Sale

The Senior Advocacy Committee will be holding their yearly rain or shine community yard sale on Saturday, July 10 from 9 am to 3 pm at 7 Tayer Road in East Nassau. There will be a walk-in vaccine clinic with lots of hand sanitizer and free masks as well as food and beverages at this outdoor event. Chili, hot dogs, hamburgers and delicious cookies will highlight the menu.

The committee welcomes any donated items in usable condition. Items that are needed are kitchen appliances, furniture, books, clothes, shoes, sports equipment, accessories, toys and garden supplies. If you are interested in donating or are looking for pickup or delivery directions, call their 24/7 hotline at 518-712-9836 or email [nancy@ensac12062.org](mailto:nancy@ensac12062.org).

### SPENCERTOWN

## A Virtual Talk By Beekeeper Sheri Bauer

Spencertown Academy Arts Center, in collaboration with the Austerlitz Climate Smart Task Force, will present a talk by Sheri Bauer titled "SymBeeOtic: Embracing a Life with Bees" on Sunday, July 18 at 4:00pm via Zoom. This event is free, but advance registration is required. To register, please see [www.spencertownacademy.org](http://www.spencertownacademy.org).

Sheri Bauer is a fourth generation beekeeper who returned home to the family apiary in Coxsackie, NY, in 2019 after the death of her father, master beekeeper Walter Bauer. Twin Spruce Apiaries was started in 1941 by Bauer's grandfather, Wolfgang, and plans

were in the works to close the farm that encompassed bee yards on the farm and in fields and mountains of Greene County.

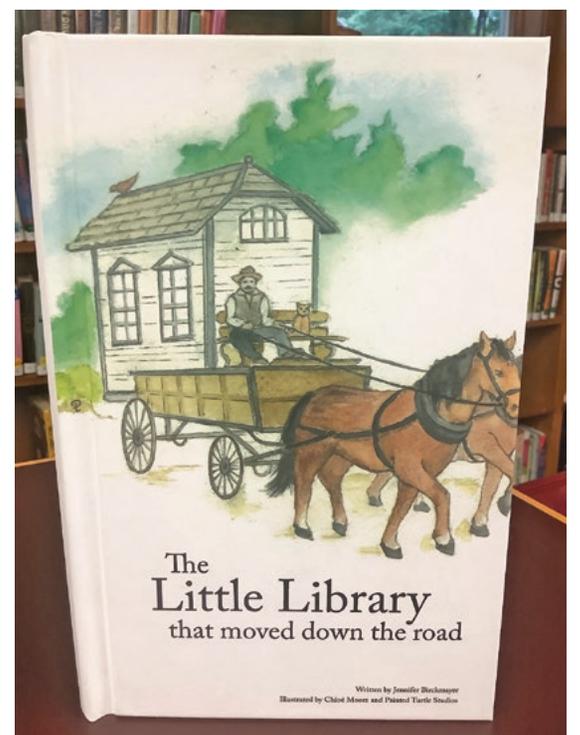
While fellow beekeepers were packing up the last of the hives, Bauer requested that they leave three hives for her care in a field close to the house. The three hives grew to be nine hives and currently the apiary embraces 19 hives. Her two years of living with bees have opened worlds and rekindled connections to past family wisdom of beekeeping. She has formed new alliances with beekeeping clubs, studied apiary practices and philosophies, approaches to seeing and remedying the high loss of bees in NYS, and most importantly she says, learning from these ancient and wild "bee-ings."

### NORTH CHATHAM

## Local Author Reads From Her Book

On Thursday July 8 at 4 pm, local author Jenny Birckmayer will read from her book *The Little Library that Moved Down the Road*, and there will be an ice cream social. This book tells the history of the North Chatham Free Library. All are welcome to attend and no registration is necessary!

The library is located at 4287 NY-203 in North Chatham.



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## Rensselaer County

### Van Rensselaer Manor 25th

#### Anniversary ... Continued from page 1

to our seniors and their families, and we look forward to many more years of service for our seniors at the VRM. Rensselaer County can take pride in making a major investment in how we care for our seniors, and also take pride in the fact the Manor continues to be such a well-regarded facility today. That was especially true during the pandemic, where the Manor again did tremendous work." Mr. McLaughlin also pointed out the County's stance refusing to transfer in COVID-19 positive persons was part of this success, reminding those at the ceremony of their mantra "not here, not now, not ever."

Also participating in the ceremony was former County Executive Henry Zwack and former Chair of the Legislature Neil Kelleher. Former County Executives Kathleen Jimino and John Buono were not able to attend, but sent greetings.

The ceremony also included an announcement by McLaughlin that the county would be naming the lobby at the Manor in honor of longtime Department of Social Services Commissioner John Beaudoin. Beaudoin served as DSS Commissioner for 40 years, working for the county for 50 years. He passed away in 2016.

His wife, Lois, and daughter Theresa, the current county DSS Commissioner, were on hand for the 25th anniversary celebration on Friday.

"John Beaudoin set a standard for competency and compassion during a half-century of valuable service to the people of Rensselaer County. Naming the lobby in his honor will be a tribute to his legacy of service to our residents," said McLaughlin.

The newer Manor was constructed after years of lobbying by then-County Executive John Buono. The original Manor, constructed in the 1950s, had become outdated and worn due to use. The facility was opened during the first year of Zwack's service as County Executive and earned considerable praise for features, including an Alzheimer's wing.

"The Manor was a real point of pride for everyone in the county when it opened. We have two crown jewels in the county, Hudson Valley Community College and the Van Rensselaer Manor. But whether it was at the new or the old Manor, what really matters is the dedication of the staff and we are fortunate to have an outstanding crew working for us at the VRM," said Kelleher.

#### With Gratitude

Part of the ceremony was the honoring of the 39 employees who worked for the Manor when it opened. The longest tenured being Mary Ellen Bahan, who along with her coworkers were honored with certificates of appreciation.

Also speaking that day was State Senator Daphne Jordan, who said that "the fact that 39 employees have been here for over 25 years is just phenomenal." Assemblyman Jake Ashby said the 39 employees' length of service was "incredible, and a testament to the leadership and the commitment of the employees to the Manor."

North Greenbush Town Supervisor Joe Bott also presented the Manor with a certificate from the town.



Rensselaer County Commissioner of Social Services Theresa Beaudoin speaks to those gathered at the Van Rensselaer Manor 25th Anniversary celebration. Photo by Doug La Rocque.

### TROY

## Christopher House Opens Its Doors For Women Veterans

Christopher House will provide shelter for women veterans with the goal of helping them return to independent living. The house is dedicated to the memory of Major Christopher Rem, who purchased the building in 2007 before he passed way in 2012. His wife, Colonel Christine Rem has carried on their mission, founding the home with her organization Capital District Womens Veterans (CDWV).

The ribbon cutting took place on Saturday, June 19.

CDWV is a not for profit organization whose primary mission is to help resolve the problem of homelessness and poverty among women veterans. It is the organization's belief that through supportive services, housing and community with other women veterans, those who are most in need will be able to return to productive and independent lives.

There are currently 2.2 million women veterans in the United States and it is estimated 4,338 are homeless.



Colonel Christine Rem cuts the ribbon officially opening Christopher's House surrounded by many area officials, including Congressman Paul Tonko. Photo by Amy Modesti.

## Satellite DMV Offices Will Reopen In July

Press Release from the Office of the County Clerk

Rensselaer County Clerk Frank J. Merola is pleased to announce that the Rensselaer County Satellite DMV offices located in East Greenbush, Schodack and Hoosick will be reopening for full service on Monday July 12. The Satellite offices will be open only for Rensselaer County residents. The reopening of the Satellites coincides with the opening of the town halls and senior centers and the loosening of COVID related restrictions on governmental buildings "I am really pleased to resume the Satellites once again," Mr. Merola said, "We were just waiting for the go ahead from the towns to start up again. East Greenbush, Schodack and Hoosick Falls have reopened and have invited us back, an invitation we are happy to accept."

The Satellites will resume the same pre-COVID schedule with the East Greenbush Satellite open on Mondays from 9 am - 3 pm at East Greenbush Town Hall, located at 225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer NY 12144, Schodack Satellite open Tuesdays from 9 am - 3 pm at Schodack Town Hall, located at 265 Schuurman Road Castleton, NY 12033 and the Hoosick Satellite DMV open Wednesdays from 10 am - 2 pm at the John J. Murphy Senior Center in Hoosick Falls.

"I would like to thank the residents of Rensselaer County for their patience and good will during this fifteen month period where we were forced to severely restrict DMV operations," Mr. Merola said. "Unlike the State and many other Counties, the Troy DMV was open and fully functioning, but many people were unable to utilize this site for transactions. I am happy to reopen the Satellites in order to make everyone's life a little easier in regard to motor vehicle business."

People with questions about this or any other county matter are encouraged to access the County website at [www.rensco.com](http://www.rensco.com) for more information.

# General News

## News From The Eastwick Press

As has been our practice for many years, *The Eastwick Press* will be taking the 4th of July week off for vacation. We will be printing a special double edition for Friday, July 2. This will include our annual High School Graduation edition, featuring pictures and highlights from graduation ceremonies at Berlin, Hoosick Falls, New Lebanon and Tamarac High Schools.

If you are a business in one of these school districts there is still time to sponsor this edition and show your support for the graduates. Please call 518-203-7574 or email [ads@eastwickpress.com](mailto:ads@eastwickpress.com).

### Hello Schodack And Nassau

*The Eastwick Press* has recently expanded our coverage and distribution areas. We now have a dedicated reporter, Denise Wright, for the Schodack and Nassau communities. We have also expanded our distribution routes. *The Eastwick Press* is now on the news stands at CFarms in East Nassau as well as the Stewart's Shops in Nassau and Schodack. We hope to have more points of distribution in these towns soon.

### It's A Colorful Thing

*The Eastwick Press* has gone full color and updated our website. Color is now available to us for every page of the paper. After all it is the 21st Century. We have also changed the look of our website. No longer are just selected stories posted there, but you can now find the entire paper online. Simply go to [www.eastwickpress.com](http://www.eastwickpress.com). This is a paid news site, but simply follow the subscriber instructions to sign up. The cost is \$25 annually. Watch for more improvements, including some important information in front of the so-called paywall, and the timely posting of important news events.

We also have a Facebook and Instagram account where breaking news and other community information is frequently made available, free of charge.

### Where Has The Time Gone

We are about to enter our fifth year at the helm of *The Eastwick Press* and have and still do enjoy every minute. We would like to take a moment to say thank you to our patrons, be it print or digital. A hearty thank you as well to our advertisers who have stuck with us through this pandemic, and to our communities. We are dedicated to continuing to serve those who support us.

Regards to all,  
Tom Whithcuskey  
Doug La Rocque  
Publishers

## Happy 94th Len



Len Roden surrounded by family and friends. Photo provided.

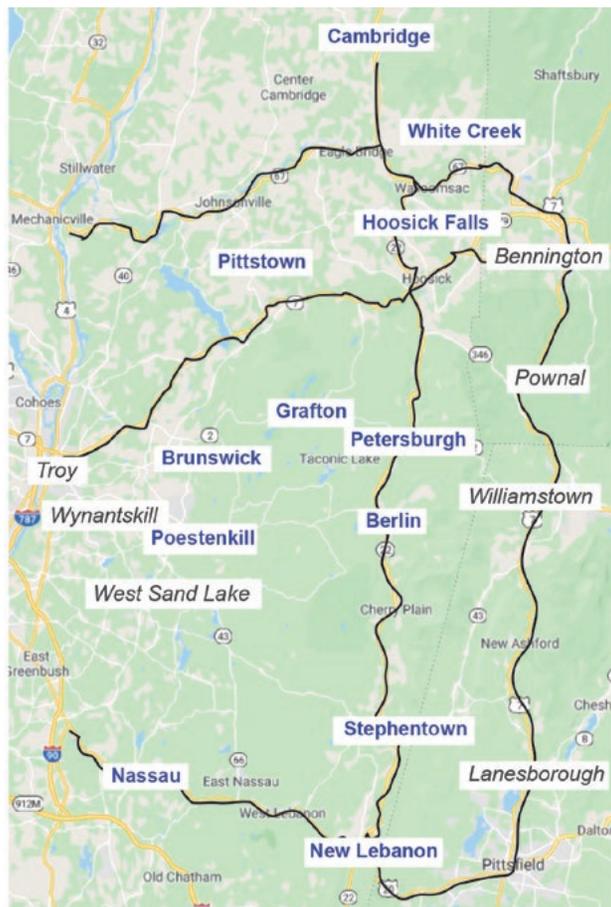
On Saturday June 5, Leonard Roden, patriot and lifelong resident of Brunswick celebrated his 94th birthday on his lawn with family and friends. "Len" was born and raised on a dairy farm on White Church Road and his only time away was to serve in the Korean War, from 1950 – 1952. He was in the 7th Infantry Regiment, Third Infantry Division, Company F of the U.S. Army.

He left Fort Devens, MA and traveled by train, ship, barge and truck, reaching South Korea where he began fighting in

the 38th parallel, known as the "Iron Triangle." It was evening, resources were limited, and there were others injured more seriously. Len walked through the night, into the next day with the gunshot wound in his hip, so that others could be carried. He later had surgery and was awarded a Purple Heart for his injury and valor in battle.

Returning home, Len married his wife of 69 years, Janet, and raised 3 children. He worked 36 years at Niagara Mohawk, alongside his twin brother Lee. He has been retired for 36 years.

Len loves living and is known for his devotion to his "Brunswick Church" family, friends, community and country. Celebrate with him our cherished independence on this coming 4th of July. He will surely be singing, as he does every night at bedtime, "God Bless America," his favorite patriotic song.



Where *The Eastwick Press* calls home.

## Delgado Earns U.S. Chamber's Bipartisanship Award

Submitted by the Office of Congressman Delgado

U.S. Representative Antonio Delgado was recognized by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce with its Jefferson-Hamilton Award for Bipartisanship for his work during the 116th Congress. The award recognizes members of Congress who, in their actions, have demonstrated a willingness to work across the aisle in support of common objectives. This is Rep. Delgado's second time receiving the Jefferson-Hamilton Award for Bipartisanship. "We must work together as Democrats and Republicans to deliver bold solutions and secure a better tomorrow for folks in New York's 19th Congressional District and across the country," said Rep. Delgado. "I am honored to once again receive the U.S. Chamber's Jefferson-Hamilton Award for Bipartisanship. It is more important than ever that our elected officials seek common ground and work on a bipartisan basis."

"These awards recognize members of Congress who demonstrated a commitment to advancing bipartisan solutions that address our nation's problems and move our economy forward," said U.S. Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Suzanne Clark. "In a time of intense polarization and gridlock, Congressman Delgado's record of working across the aisle is to be commended."

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# Eastwick Sports

## SOFTBALL

### Tamarac Girls Fall In Championship Game



Tamarac's Gianna Bucciero, left, and Ichabod-Crane's Emma Scheitinger look to the umpire to see what his call is, on the play at second. There was little doubt as he was so exaggerated both of his feet left the ground. Tamarac lost the game, but it was a great season for the Bengals. Photo by Steve Bradley.

<b>Tamarac</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2
<b>Ichabod Crane</b>	1	0	0	0	1	1	X	3	6	1

Wednesday, 6/16. Sectionals Class B Championship. A crowd of about 250 people came out to watch this game, lining both sides of the field from left field to right field. The Tamarac softball team went up against a very good Ichabod Crane (Valatie) team that showed little weakness on offense or defense. Ichabod Crane scored quickly in the first and then both teams struggled early on offense but as the game went on IC began making contact with the ball while the Bengals never got rolling. Tamarac's Moira Collins struck out six while IC's Isabella Milazzo struck out 13.

### Registration Now Open For Freihofer's Run For Women

Online registration for the 43rd Freihofer's® Run for Women, which is set for Saturday, September 25 at 9 am, is now open at [freihoferstrun.com](http://freihoferstrun.com).

All registrants receive a high-performance women's commemorative t-shirt, delicious Freihofer's® products, chip timing, live results, printable finisher certificates, and post-race refreshments courtesy of Price Chopper Supermarkets. The registration fee is \$30 through August 30.

Runners of all abilities looking to get in shape for the region's premier all-women 5K can also sign up now for the Freihofer's® Training Challenge, which begins Monday, July 12 at 17 sites in Albany, Rensselaer, Saratoga and Dutchess counties.

The 11-week program, which costs \$55, follows a beginner's 5K training plan and features weekly small group training sessions led by mentors. Participants also receive emails with each day's workout schedule, a tech shirt and clinics on strength training, nutrition, run form and injury prevention. A convenient virtual program is also offered for those concerned about being around others or who plan to be away during the summer. For a \$40 registration fee, participants receive weekly workout emails, a tech shirt and the program's educational resources sent electronically.

"The Training Challenge typically begins in March when there's snow on the ground," said FRW Event Director Kristen Hislop. "This year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our Training Challenge is starting later in the year and the weather will be much nicer. We're hoping more women will give their motivation a boost, improve their health and make some new friends by signing up."

To learn more and sign up for the Training Challenge, visit <https://freihoferstrun.com/events/training-challenge>. Online registration for the 5K is the only method of registering. Registration closes on Sunday, July 25. A dedicated Training Challenge Facebook page can be found at [facebook.com/freihoferstrainingchallenge](https://facebook.com/freihoferstrainingchallenge). For more information, email [khislop@freihoferstrun.com](mailto:khislop@freihoferstrun.com).

## AUTO RACING

### Jack Lehner Gets First Albany-Saratoga Win

Albany-Saratoga Speedway. Tuesday, 6/22. Super Dirt Series Horsepower 100 cancelled due to track and ground conditions. No makeup date announced.

Friday, 6/18. (35 laps). Modifieds: Jack Lehner (2018 Modified Rookie of the Year), Matt DeLorenzo, Mike Mahaney, Anthony Perrego, 5) Peter Britten, Jesse Mueller, Ken Tremont Jr., Kris Vernold, Keith Flach, 10) Marc Johnson, Don Ronca, Demetrios Drelsos, Elmo Reckner, Ronnie Johnson, 15) Jeremy Pitts, LJ Lombardo, Derrick McGrew Jr., Adam Pierson, Bobby Hackel IV, 20) Matt Depew, Neil Stratton, Jack Speshock, James Meehan, Ricky Davis, 25) Derek Bornt, CG Morey, Brian Berger, John Lutes Jr., Brandon Daley, 30) Reggie Bonner, Todd Stone, Scott Huber.

Lebanon Valley Speedway. Saturday, 6/19, 30 laps. Modifieds: Rained Out. Pro Stock Bubba Tanner Classic Results (23 laps): Nick Hilt Jr., Chad Jeseo, Steven LaRoche, Jay Fitzgerald, 5) Johnny Rivers, Doug Olds, , Shawn Perez, Zach Seyerlein, Brian Keough, 10) Tom Dean, Jason Meltz, Dave Stickles, Rick Spencer

Fonda Speedway. Saturday, 6/19. (30 laps -\$2,400 to win). Modifieds: Rocky Warner, Ronnie Johnson, Stewart Friesen, Jack Lehner, 5) Mike Mahaney, Josh Hohenforst, Alex Yankowski, Steve Akers, David Schilling, 10) Brian Pessolano, Dave Constantino, Pep Corradi, Ancel Collins, Rich Christman, 15) Craig Hanson, Jim Introne Jr., George Foley, Adam McAuliffe, Robert Bublak, 20) JaMike Sowle, EJ McAuliffe, Brian Calabrese, Jeff Rockefeller, Aaron Jacobs, 25) Bobby Varin

Devils Bowl Speedway. Saturday, 6/19. Sportsman Modified: Demetrios Drellos, Adam Pierson, Vince Quennville, Justin Stone, 5) Elmo Reckner, Johnny Bruno, Mike Fisher, Jimmy Ryan, Justin Comes, 10) Alex Bell, Don Mattison, Tanner Siemons, Marty Kelly III, Billy Lussier, 15) Frank Hoard III, Brian Joey Scarborough, Tim LaDuc, Mike Palmer, 20) Adam Piper, Brent

Warren, Gene Pierson Jr., Shawn McPhee, Anthony Warren, 25.) Josh Masterson, Jason Bruno..

### Coming Up

Albany-Saratoga Speedway. Friday, 6/25. Weekly divisions: Modifieds, Sportsman, Limited Sportsman, Pro Stocks, Street Stocks.

Four-cylinders. Native Pride Street Stock 5. Limited Sportsman Special.

July 2: Weekly divisions. Military Night. \$1,000 to win Pro Stocks. Fireworks.

July 12: Malta Cruise-In.

July 13: Rescheduled Super Dirt Series Horsepower 100.

Lebanon Valley Speedway. Saturday, 6/26. Weekly: Modifieds, Pro Stocks, Pure Stocks.

Sportsman. MVVDMS Vintage Modifieds. \$250 Pro Stock Dash. Double features from last week's rainout.

June 29: Eve of Destruction. Eve of Destruction, School Bus Race, Trailer Race, Roll Over Madness, Truck Tug of War, Hood and Trunk Race, 4 cylinders and unbelievable stunts.

July 3: Weekly plus 4-cylinders. \$3,000 to win Modified event. Fireworks.

Fonda Speedway. Saturday, 6/26. Weekly: Modifieds, Crate 602 Sportsman, Pro Stocks, Limited Sportsman, Four Cylinders. Patriot Sprint Cars, Pro Stock Super Six Series Event No. 4 - \$1,000 to win. NYSSCA Night.

July 3: Thunder on the Thruway. \$4,000 to win.

July 4: Short Track Super Series Firecracker 50. \$10,000 minimum to win, \$400 to take green. Crate 602 Sportsman \$1,500 to win, Pro Stocks \$1,000 to win.

Devils Bowl Speedway. Saturday, 6/26. Sportsman Modified, Limited Sportsman, Super Stock, Mini Stock, 500cc Mini Sprints.

July 3: Weekly. SCoNE 360 vs CRSA 305 Challenge-\$1,200 to win, Enduro 50.

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### Hudson Valley Community College

*HVCC President's List:*

**Julia Aalderink**, of Cambridge, who is studying in the Individual Studies academic program.

**Taylor Brock**, of Petersburg, who is studying in the Individual Studies academic program.

**Tessa Ranellucci**, of Petersburg, who is studying in the Individual Studies academic program.

**Victorianna Rosenberg**, of Averill Park, who is studying in the Liberal Arts and Science: Humanities and Social Science academic program.

**Stacey Arnold**, of Averill Park, who is studying in the Liberal Arts and Science: Humanities and Social Science academic program.

**Sunshine Williams**, of Cambridge, who is studying in the Liberal Arts and Science: Humanities and Social Science academic program.

**Jade Qua**, of Averill Park, who is studying in the Liberal Arts and Science: Humanities and Social Science academic program.

**Courtney LeBarron**, of Eagle Bridge, who is studying in the Liberal Arts and Science: Humanities and Social Science academic program.

**Hannah Williams**, of Poestenkill, who is studying in the Liberal Arts and Science: Humanities and Social Science academic program.

**Christopher Evans**, of Averill Park, who is studying in the Liberal Arts and Science: Humanities and Social Science academic program.

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**Kristian Powell**, of Averill Park, who is studying in the Liberal Arts and Science: Humanities and Social Science academic program.

**Haley Hicks**, of Berlin, who is studying in the Liberal Arts and Science: Humanities and Social Science academic program.

**Rose Denué**, of East Nassau, who is studying in the Liberal Arts and Science: Humanities and Social Science academic program.

**Branden Haughney**, of Melrose, who is studying in the Overhead Electric Line Worker academic program.

**Nethanel Woodcock**, of Cambridge, who is studying in the Mechanical Engineering Technology academic program.

**Zachary Phillips**, of Averill Park, who is studying in the Marketing academic program.

**Katelyn Dolle**, of Berlin, who is studying in the Nursing academic program.

**Amy Hall**, of Hoosick Falls, who is studying in the Physical Education Studies academic program.

**Rebecca Kiablick**, of Berlin, who is studying in the Respiratory Care academic program.

**Brittany Spaniol**, of East Nassau, who is studying in the Respiratory Care academic program.

**Vanessa Rider**, of Averill Park, who is studying in the Surgical Technology academic program.

**Miranda Pleasant**, of Hoosick Falls, who is studying in the Surgical Technology academic program.

**Christina Raffa**, of Averill Park, who is studying in the Special Education Assistant academic program.

**Justine Metzler**, of Stephentown, who is studying in the Teaching Assistant academic program.

**Alyssia Sanchez**, of Averill Park, who is studying in the Radiologic Technology academic program.

**Olivia Flower**, of Stephentown, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Anna McNulty**, of Cambridge, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Daniel Van Alstine**, of Cambridge, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Ruth Nolan**, of Cambridge, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Orion Baker-Porazinski**, of Eagle Bridge, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Aiden Gifford**, of Eagle Bridge, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Hannah Fricke**, of Hoosick Falls, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Frank Scaturro**, of Averill Park, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Jackson Domurad**, of Melrose, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Nikita Ritrovato**, of Poestenkill, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Freling Smith**, of Stephentown, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Eva Sgambettera**, of Cambridge, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Nicole Pyser**, of New Lebanon, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Maurine Fowler**, of Petersburg, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

**Rosalie Presser**, of Buskirk, who is studying in the Non-matriculated academic program.

### Clarkson University

**Katie Snyder Murray** of Petersburg has graduated with a MBA in Business Administration.

**Maxwell Hoffer** of Cambridge, a senior majoring in engineering and management, was named a Presidential Scholar for the spring 2021 semester.

**Alyssa Jager** of Stephentown, a senior majoring in business intelligence and data analytics, was named a Presidential Scholar for the spring 2021 semester.

**Rebekah Ann Schaummann** of East Nassau, a junior majoring in environmental engineering, was named a Presidential Scholar for the spring 2021 semester.

**Logan Becker Bielawski** of Averill Park, a junior majoring in mechanical engineering, was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2021 semester.

**Dean Richard Buttaci** of Averill Park, a freshman majoring in biology, was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2021 semester.

**Laura Alexis Wing** of Averill Park, a senior majoring in civil engineering, was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2021 semester.

### University of Vermont

**Nora Brown** of Hoosick Falls graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration.

**Alyssa Lindheimer** of Stephentown has been named to the Dean's for the Spring semester.

### SUNY Canton

**Amanda E. Garrigan** of East Nassau has earned Part-Time Honors during the Spring semester.

*President's List:*

**Jillian Vallo** of Buskirk majoring in Forensic Criminology.

**Debora L. Hall** of Hoosick Falls majoring in Legal Studies.

### Castleton University

*Dean's List:*

**Nancy McGill** of Cambridge.

**April Myers** of Eagle Bridge.

**Jessie Szary** of Cambridge.

**Sherman Trinkle** of Cambridge

## Meetings

*June 28, Monday*

**Petersburgh Planning Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

*July 1, Thursday*

**Brunswick Planning Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

**Nassau Zoning Board**

**Pittstown Zoning Board**, 7 pm (as needed)

*July 6, Tuesday*

**New Lebanon Zoning Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

*July 8, Thursday*

**Brunswick Town Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

**Nassau Town Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

**Pittstown Planning Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall (as needed)

**Schodack Town Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

**Berlin Town Board**, 7:30 pm, Municipal Complex

*July 12, Monday*

**Pittstown Town Board**, 6:30, Town Hall

**Grafton Town Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

**Hoosick Town Board**, 7 pm, Hoosick Armory

**Schodack Zoning Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

*July 13, Tuesday*

**Rensselaer County Legislature**, presentation 5:30 pm, mtg. 6-8 pm, 1600 Seventh Ave., Troy

**Hoosick Falls Village Board**, 6 pm, via Zoom

**New Lebanon Town Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

**Nassau Planning Board**, 6:30 pm, Town Hall

*July 14, Wednesday*

**East Nassau Village Board**, 7 pm, Hoag's Corners

Ambulance Building

*July 15, Thursday*

**Brunswick (Brittonkill) School Board**, 7 pm

**Brunswick Planning Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

**Hoosick Falls School Board**, 7 pm, HFCS

*July 19, Monday*

**Brunswick Zoning Board**, 6 pm, Town Hall

**Grafton Planning Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

**Petersburgh Town Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

**Schodack Planning Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

**Stephentown Town Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

**Hoosick Planning Board**, 7:30 pm, Hoosick Armory

**New Lebanon Planning Board**, 7:30 pm, LVPA

Fire House

*20, Tuesday*

**Berlin School Board**, 7:15 pm

*22, Thursday*

**Schodack Town Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

*26, Monday*

**Grafton Town Board Workshop**, 6:30 pm, Town Hall

**Petersburgh Planning Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall

*27, Tuesday*

**Pittstown Planning Board**, 7 pm, Town Hall (as needed)

# Entertainment

## Now Showing

### Bennington Cinemas

Friday 6/25 – Thursday 7/1

**F9: The Fast Saga (PG-13)**

12:45 2:00 3:45 5:00 6:40 8:00 9:25

**The Hitman's Wife's Bodyguard (R)**

1:25 4:00 7:00 9:20

**Peter Rabbit 2: The Runaway (PG)**

1:00 3:00 5:00 7:00 9:00

**Cruella (PG-13)**

1:20 4:00 6:45 9:20

**A Quiet Place Part II (PG-13)**

1:00 3:05 5:10 7:15 9:15

**The Conjuring: The Devil Made Me Do It (R)**

1:35 4:15 7:00 9:15

### Hathaway's Twin Drive-in Theatre

Thursday 6/24 - Sunday 6/27

Screen 1:

**F9: The Fast Saga**  
(PG-13) 9 pm

**Nobody (R)** 11:30 pm

Screen 2:

**Werewolves Within (R)**  
9:10 pm

**The Hitman's Wife's**  
**Bodyguard (R)** 10:55 pm

### Hollywood Drive-in Theatre

Friday 6/25 - Thursday 7/1

**F9: The Fast Saga (PG-13)**

at approximately 9 pm

**Nobody (R)**

at approximately 11:25 pm

### Images Cinema

**In The Heights**

6/11 - 7/1 at 4 pm and 7:30 pm

**Summer of Soul**

7/2 - 7/15 at 4:30 pm and 7:30 pm

#### SUDOKU

6				1		8		
		7			3			
				9	8			2 1
		6	5			1	9	
	3	4			1	6		
2	7			3	8			
			7			2		
		8		4				6

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Fill in the blank squares in the grid, making sure that every row, column and 3-by-3 box includes all digits 1 through 9.

### Golden Age Of Hollywood

#### ACROSS

- \* \_\_\_\_ Code, or self-censorship guidelines for movies
- Ship pronoun
- \_\_\_\_ vera plant
- Tiny piece of anything
- Dateless one
- Twist and distort
- "Animal House" party garb
- Cantatrice's offering
- Frost-covered
- \*Mary \_\_\_\_, star of 52 films and recipient of 1976 Academy Honorary Award
- Rounded protuberance
- Breaks off
- Crime scene acronym
- One who insists on implementing #1 Across
- Anxiety, pl.
- U.N. working-conditions agency
- A-one
- Do like exhaust pipe
- Students' dwellings
- Between sol and ti
- Parkinson's disease drug
- Larger-than-life
- For the most part
- \_\_\_\_ Aviv
- Allow to rejoin
- Between Paleocene and Oligocene
- FEMA provisions, e.g.
- \*Instrument central to 1945's "A Song to Remember"
- Manage without help
- \*Marx Brothers' 1933 classic
- Florentine iris
- Fourth largest Great Lake
- \*Hitchcock's "The Man Who \_\_\_\_ Too Much"
- Make children, biblical
- Malicious look
- Highest volcano in Europe
- Object of worship
- Always, in verse
- Like happy people's glasses

#### Last week's crossword solution:

G	H	A	T		S	P	A		T	A	C	O						
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A	J	A	R		T	A	R	T		E	X	A	L	T				
F	I	R	E		W	O	R	K	S		N	A	S	A				
				S	A	L	S	A		D	O	T						
P	A	R	A	D	E		F	U	M	I	E	S	T					
R	N	A		E	N	S	I	L	E		O	P	A	H				
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N	E	E	M		Q	U	A	G	G	A		C	O	G				
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				R	Y	A		J	A	F	F	A						
				G	R	I	N		J	E	F	F	E	R	S	O	N	
				J	U	I	C	E		A	L	O	E		T	O	P	E
				O	L	L	A	S		B	L	U	R		E	Y	E	R
				G	L	E	N			S	O	L			R	A	N	D

#### Last week's sudoku solution:

6	4	1	3	9	8	7	5	2
5	7	8	4	1	2	9	6	3
2	3	9	5	7	6	1	4	8
4	1	7	8	6	9	2	3	5
3	8	6	2	5	7	4	1	9
9	2	5	1	4	3	8	7	6
7	6	4	9	8	5	3	2	1
8	5	3	7	2	1	6	9	4
1	9	2	6	3	4	5	8	7

### CROSSWORD

1	2	3	4		5	6	7		8	9	10	11	
12					13				14				
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	18			19					20				
				21					22				
23	24	25					26				27	28	29
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#### DOWN

- \*Humphrey Bogart's Fedora, e.g.
- At the summit
- Hanna-Barbera anthropomorphic bear
- Kellogg's Sugar \_\_\_\_
- Leather razor sharpener
- Often used to pull #22 Across
- Archaic expression of surprise
- \*Like "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs"
- Mary's pet
- Nabisco sandwich
- Former times
- \*"The Snows of Kilimanjaro" type of adventure
- Straining sound
- Nautical measures
- Party bowlful
- Pressed beverage
- Skip the big wedding
- Waterwheel
- \*Drew Barrymore's grandfather
- What actors do
- Mature, as in fruit
- Like an expired cracker
- Surveyor's map
- "Mai" follower
- \*Hattie \_\_\_\_, first African-American to win an Oscar
- City in France
- Prefix for central
- Deep throat, e.g.
- Middle
- Slow \_\_\_\_ or pressure \_\_\_\_
- Baby food, e.g.
- More unfriendly
- \*Ginger's dance and movie partner
- Therefore or consequently
- Mark for omission
- Archaic "to"
- Back-to-school purchase, pl.
- \_\_\_\_-Wan Kenobi
- \*Bing Crosby's 1944 movie "Going My \_\_\_\_"

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## Community Calendar

### Fridays through Labor Day

**Hoosick Local Market**, farmers' produce, baked goods, pastured meats, maple syrup & artisans crafts, plus more, 3-6:30 pm, 5343 NY 7 at Mapletown Rd., Hoosick just before the Bennington bypass

### Sundays through August 29

**Farmers & Artisan Market**, 10 am-1 pm, Park McCullough Historic Mansion, 1 Park St., North Bennington

### Sundays

**Cambridge Valley Farmers Market**, 10 am-1 pm, Cambridge Central School, Route 22

### June 24-27, Thursday - Sunday

**Fully Committed by Becky Mode**, The Theater Barn, 654 Route 20, New Lebanon, NY, \$30-\$35, visit [www.thetheaterbarn.org](http://www.thetheaterbarn.org) or call 518-794-8989  
Thursday 2 pm & 8 pm, Friday 8 pm, Saturday 4 pm & 8 pm and Sunday 2 pm

### June 25, Friday

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

**Grafton Lakes State Park Family Movie Night**, 8:45 pm, call 518-279-1155 to register

### June 26, Saturday

**Fish Creek Rod & Gun Club Trap/Clay Shoot**, 9 am-1 pm, Novice to Expert, \$5 per round, 123 NY Rt 32, Schuylerville

**Grafton Lakes State Park Go Fish!** Free Fishing Clinic, 9 am-1 pm, Yoga on the Beach, 11 am-noon, Marking the Trails, noon-3 pm, call 518-244-5157 to register for any of these events

**Fishin' with Fran**, 9:30 am-1 pm, from getting the latest recommendations on consumption of recreationally-caught fish from local waters to selfies at the Big Fish photo frame, Valley Falls Library, 42 State St., Valley Falls

**Valley Falls Library Countryside Garden Tour**, 10 am-2 pm, \$10 per car with map, pick map up at Valley Falls Library, 42 State St., Valley Falls

**Summer Celebration at Stephentown Memorial Library**, 11 am-all day, Storyteller Mary Jo Machack, new Story Walks, Crosby the Reading Dog, Musician Mike McMann, Bake & Beverage Sale, bring picnic lunch

**Spencertown Academy Arts Center fundraiser "Hidden Gardens: Twilight in the Garden Party,"** 5:30 to 7:30 pm, Austerlitz Historical Society's Old Austerlitz grounds (GPS 11550 NY22, Austerlitz), pre-packed baskets with wrapped homemade and locally sourced snacks, festive beverages, silent auction, live music by Rob Fisch, \$100-\$250, see [www.spencertownacademy.org](http://www.spencertownacademy.org) for more information

### June 27, Sunday

**Stephentown Historical Society Strawberry Festival**, 11 am-4 pm, Gardner's Ice Cream & Coffee Shop, 15879 Route 22, Stephentown, shortcake, ice cream sundaes, pies

**Capital District Sportsman Center Open House**, noon-4 pm, Roxborough Holdings Building (formerly Grafton Elementary School), Route 2, family fun, food, entertainment

### June 30, Wednesday

**Stardust's Swing Band Concert**, 7:30 pm, Wood Park, Hoosick Falls, bring lawn chairs. Tickets On Sale Now

### July 17, Saturday, 8 pm

**Jeff Tweedy & Special Guest Nels Cline**, 8 pm, Benefit Concert, MASS MoCA, 1040 MASS MoCA Way, North Adams, MA

**KeyBank "Broadway is Back,"** Proctors Series, 6 shows from Capital Repertory Theatre, 7 show series, call 518-346-6204, 432 State St., Schenectady

### July 1, Thursday

**Grafton Lakes State Park 50th Anniversary**, all day

### July 1-4, Thursday - Sunday

**Fully Committed by Becky Mode**, The Theater Barn, 654 Route 20, New Lebanon, NY, \$30-\$35, visit [www.thetheaterbarn.org](http://www.thetheaterbarn.org) or call 518-794-8989  
Thursday 2 pm and 8 pm, Friday 8 pm, Saturday 4 pm and 8 pm and Sunday 2 pm

### July 2, Friday

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

### July 4, Sunday

**Berlin 4th of July Parade**, 11 am, American Music Through The Ages is the theme, entries welcome by 9:30 am, judging 10 am

### July 7, Wednesday

**Hoosick Falls Community Band Concert**, 7:30 pm, Wood Park, bring lawn chair

### July 9, Friday

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

### July 10 & 11, Saturday & Sunday

**Hoosick Blooms Garden Tour 2021**, 10 am-4 pm, visit nine private gardens around the Hoosick area over two days, \$40, visit [hoosickblooms.org](http://hoosickblooms.org)

### July 10, Saturday

**Grafton Summer Music Festival**, 2-4 pm, Roxborough Holdings Building (formerly Grafton Elementary School), Route 2, featuring The Yankee Doodle Band, held inside & out, bring a chair for outside, food available

### July 11, Sunday

**Fish Creek Rd. & Gun Club Monthly Breakfast**, 8-11 am, \$8 adult, \$4 child, 121 NY 32, Schuylerville

### July 14, Wednesday

**Hoosick Falls Community Band Concert**, 7:30 pm, Wood Park, bring lawn chair

### July 15-18, Thursday - Sunday

**The Stranger by Agatha Christie**, The Theater Barn, 654 Route 20, New Lebanon, NY, \$30-\$35, visit [www.thetheaterbarn.org](http://www.thetheaterbarn.org) or call 518-794-8989

### July 16, Friday

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

### July 17, Saturday

**Grafton Summer Festival**, Town Park, Route 2

### July 21, Wednesday

**Hoosick Falls Community Band Concert**, 7:30 pm, Wood Park, bring lawn chair

### July 22-25, Thursday - Sunday

**The Stranger by Agatha Christie**, The Theater Barn, 654 Route 20, New Lebanon, NY, \$30-\$35, visit [www.thetheaterbarn.org](http://www.thetheaterbarn.org) or call 518-794-8989.

## Classified Ads

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Please contact District Business Administrator Francis Rielly at 518-794-1301 or [frielly@newlebanoncsd.org](mailto:frielly@newlebanoncsd.org) for more information or to apply.

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**Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company Name: McStrake LLC.** Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 10, 2021. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 95 Classic Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

**Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company Around The House Property Care, LLC** Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/03/21. Office: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o Justin M. Rutherford, Esq., 8 Airline Drive, Albany, New York, 12205. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

**Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Arts. of Org. of Charlie Potatoes, LLC ("LLC")** filed with NY Dept. of State on 6/4/2021. Office location: Rensselaer County. Sec. of State designated agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: Charlie Potatoes, LLC, 26 Rock Candy Lane, Troy, NY 12182, principal business address. LLC does not have a specific date of dissolution. Purpose: All legal purposes. Filer: Ed Martin, Law Office of Edward J. Martin, PLLC, 125 High Rock Ave., Saratoga Springs, NY 12866.

**Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company. BABE CAVE SKIN AND LASH LOUNGE LLC.** Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 6/4/21. Office: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 16 Cole Lane, Wynantskill, NY 12198. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Form. of **AMAZING DRONE SHOWS, LLC.** Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/28/21. Office location: Rensselaer Cty. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 143 Summit Avenue, Berkeley Heights, New Jersey, 07922. Any lawful purpose.

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: - Tone Color Solutions LLC.** Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 6/2/2021. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC, 3534 E. Lydius Street Schenectady, NY 12303. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

**J. KEAS CONSULTING LLC**

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**RS STEAM SHINE LLC**

**Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company** Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on June 3, 2021. Office location, Rensselaer County. Secretary of State of New York State is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Secretary of State may mail a copy of any process to RS STEAM SHINE LLC, 60 Leverage Road, Troy, New York 12182. No reported agent. Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

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**STORM HILL PROPERTIES LLC**

**Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company** Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on May 24, 2021. Office location, Rensselaer County. Secretary of State of New York State is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Secretary of State may mail a copy of any process to STORM HILL PROPERTIES LLC, 4700 N. Capital of Texas Hwy, Apt. 630, Austin, TX 78746. No reported agent. Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

Notice of Formation of a Limited Liability Company (LLC): Name: **Deltahart Productions LLC**, Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State (SSNY) on 5/13/2021. Office Location: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: C/O Deltahart Productions LLC, 72 Snyder Road, West Sand Lake, New York 12196. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose. Latest date upon which LLC is to dissolve: No specific date.

**Notice of Formation of an LLC The Café Euphoria, LLC**

Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on May 13, 2021. Office Location: Rensselaer County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: Atsushi Akera, 253 Liberty St, Troy, NY 12180. This LLC was formed for any legal purpose.

**245 Broadway Schenectady LLC;** Date of filing of Articles of Organization with the New York Department of State is May 21, 2021; Office of the LLC: Rensselaer County; The NY Secretary of State has been designated as the agent upon whom process may be served. NYSS may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at: 15 Second Avenue, Rensselaer, New York 12144. Purpose of LLC: Any lawful purpose

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: Mom's Lounge LLC.** Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 4/8/2021. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 43 North Road, Troy, New York 12180. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

**Hearts in Hand LLC** filed with the SSNY on 5/03/2021. Office: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, P. O. Box 40, Cherry Plain, NY 12040. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of **22360-22366 STATE ROUTE 22 LLC.** Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/5/21. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 9 Executive Park Drive Clifton Park, NY, 12065. Any lawful purpose.

**Derive Esthetics & Makeup By Laura, LLC.** Filed 4/15/21. Office: Rensselaer Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Laura Diggle, 18275 State Route 22, Berlin, NY 12022. Purpose: General.

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the **Town of New Lebanon Planning Board** will be holding a Public Hearing on a request from Nokomis Ecology Center for a Minor Subdivision approval for a lot line change and a request for a Special Permit and Site Plan Review to construct an ecology center located at 599 Wadsworth Road, New Lebanon, New York 12125. The Public Hearing will take place on Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 7:30 pm at the New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 State Route 22, New Lebanon, NY, 12125. Anyone wishing to speak will be given an opportunity to be heard. More information is available by contacting the Planning/Zoning Clerk during her normal business hours. By: Michelle Bienes Planning/Zoning Clerk Town of New Lebanon, NY 6/21/2021

**LEGAL NOTICE Notice of Public Hearing Village of Hoosick Falls**

The Village of Hoosick Falls will hold a public hearing on July 13, 2021 at 6 pm, at the Hoosick Falls Highway Garage on Waterworks Road for the purpose of hearing public comments on the community development needs, and to discuss the possible submission of one or more Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications for the 2021 program year. The CDBG program is administered by the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR), and will make available to eligible local governments approximately \$20 million for the 2021 program year for housing, economic development, public facilities, public infrastructure, and planning activities, with the principal purpose of benefitting low/moderate income persons. The hearing will provide further information about the CDBG program and will allow for citizen participation in the development of any proposed grant applications and/or to provide technical assistance to develop alternate proposals. Comments on the CDBG program or proposed project(s) will be received at this time. The hearing is being conducted pursuant to Section 570.486, Subpart I of the CFR and in compliance with the requirements of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

The proposed project includes application for \$1 million for replacement of the Rogers Avenue Water Tank.

The hearing will be accessible to the public virtually through the village website [www.villageofhoosickfalls.com](http://www.villageofhoosickfalls.com). A link will be provided the day of the hearing July 13, 2021, and is accessible to persons with disabilities. If special accommodations are needed for persons with disabilities, those with hearing impairments, or those in need of translation from English, those individuals should contact Marie O'Neil at 518 686-7072 at least one week in advance of the hearing date to allow for necessary arrangements. Written comments may also be submitted to Marie O'Neil at [clerk@hfvillage.org](mailto:clerk@hfvillage.org) until close of business on July 8, 2021.

**Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Name: Herrera Housing Holdings LLC** Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 2/13/2019. Office Location: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC, 1015 Nelson Avenue, Bronx, NY 10452. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

**Primo Botanica LLC** filed with SSNY on 3/30/2021. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC: 12 Linden Avenue Troy NY. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Notice is given that a limited liability company named, **536 River View LLC**, has been formed. The Articles of Organization were filed June 1, 2021. The office of the LLC is located in the County of Rensselaer. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The address within the state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 560 State Route 346, Petersburg, NY 12138. The purpose of this LLC is to be a land owner.

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**Annual Drinking Water Quality Report For 2020 Village of Hoosick Falls**

24 Main Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090  
Public Water Supply Identification Number NY 4100041

**INTRODUCTION**

To comply with State regulations, the Village of Hoosick Falls will be annually issuing a report describing the quality of your drinking water. The purpose of this report is to raise your understanding of drinking water and awareness of the need to protect our drinking water sources. This report is an overview of last year's water quality. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains and how it compares to New York State standards. Our constant goal is, and always has been, to provide to you a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and to protect our water resources. If you have any questions concerning this report or concerning your drinking water please contact: Mr. Francis J Hurlburt, Chief Water Operator, Village of Hoosick Falls, 24 Main Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090 Telephone (518) 686-0200; We want our

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valued customers to be informed about their drinking water. If you want to learn more please attend any of our regularly scheduled Village Board meetings. They are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, 6:00 PM at the Village Hall, 24 Main Street, Telephone 518-686-7072 or e-mail us at [Villageclerk@hoosick.org](mailto:Villageclerk@hoosick.org)

**WHERE DOES OUR WATER COME FROM?**

The Village of Hoosick Falls is served by three drilled wells (3, 6 & 7) using an aquifer that borders the Hoosick River. The wells were deemed Ground Water Under the Direct Influence of Surface Water (GUIDI). Because of this designation we are required to comply with the Surface Water Treatment Rule (SWTR) and provide filtration.

Pumping capacity for each well is approximately 900,000 gallons per day. Treatment of the raw water consists of chlorination in order to protect against contamination from harmful bacteria and from other organisms. A polyphosphate compound is also added for corrosion control. This serves to reduce lead and copper leaching into the water from residential water pipes, minimize corrosion in the water mains and minimize discoloration from iron and manganese, thereby

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reducing staining of plumbing fixtures and laundry. We have a 360,000-gallon storage tank located at Rensselaer Street and a 300,000-gallon storage tank at Rogers A venue to meet consumer demand and to provide adequate fire protection.

The Village of Hoosick Falls has a 1.5 MOD membrane filtration plant. Water is pumped from our 3 wells and chlorinated. Potassium permanganate is added to aid in iron and manganese oxidation and removal. The water then flows to a 26,000-gallon pretreatment tank where the chemical treatment is given additional time to work. From the pretreatment tank the water then travels to two skids with 32 membrane filters each. Each membrane can filter out particulate material as small as 3 microns which includes the microorganisms Cryptosporidium and Giardia. In 2017 a permanent Granular Activated Carbon Filtration system was installed for the removal of organic contaminants. After filtration the water flows to a 171,000-gallon contact tank to provide adequate time for the disinfection process to proceed. We also have 68,000-gallon clearwell storage after the water is treated. In general, the sources of drinking water (both

**Hoosick Falls Village Public Water System PWSID# NY4100041**

**Source Water Assessment Summary**

The NYS DOH has completed a source water assessment for this system, based on available information. Possible and actual threats to this drinking water source were evaluated. The state source water assessment includes a susceptibility rating based on the risk posed by each potential source of contamination and how easily contaminants can move through the subsurface to the wells. The susceptibility rating is an estimate of the potential for contamination of the source water, it does not mean that the water delivered to consumers is, or will become contaminated. See section "Are there contaminants in our drinking water?" for a list of the contaminants that have been detected. The source water assessments provide resource managers with additional information for protecting source waters into the future.

As mentioned before, our water is derived from 3 drilled wells. The source water assessment has rated these wells as having a medium-high susceptibility to

microbials, nitrates, industrial solvents, and other industrial contaminants. These ratings are due primarily to the close proximity of permitted discharge facilities (industrial/commercial facilities that discharge wastewater into the environment and are regulated by the state and/or federal government) to the wells, chemical bulk storage, and a hazardous waste site in the assessment area. In addition, the wells are prone to flooding, have detection of halogenated solvents at levels consistent with a high chemical sensitivity and the overlying soils are not known to provide adequate protection from potential contamination.

While the source water assessment rates our well(s) as being susceptible to microbials, please note that our water is disinfected to ensure that the finished water delivered into your home meets New York State's drinking water standards for microbial contamination.

A copy of the full Source Water Assessment, including a map of the assessment area, is available for review by contacting us at the number provided in this report.

**Village of Hoosick Falls Table of Detected Contaminants Public Water Supply Identification Number NY4100041**

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b> (sample data from 3/9/20 unless otherwise noted) ranges represent the lowest and highest levels detected						
Barium	N	178	ppb	2000	2000	Naturally occurring
Chloride	N	133	ppm	N/A	250	Geology; Naturally occurring
Copper (samples from 9/22/16)	N	0.76 <sup>1</sup>	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits;
Range of copper concentrations:		ND-1.65				leaching from wood preservatives
Lead (samples from 9/22/16)	N	ND <sup>2</sup>	ppm	0	AL=0.015	Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
Range of lead concentrations:		ND-0.012				
Nickel	N	1.2	ppb	N/A	N/A	Naturally occurring
Nitrate	N	0.234	ppb	10	10	Erosion of natural deposits
Odor	N	1	units	N/A	3	Natural sources
pH	N	7.45	units	N/A	6.5-8.5	
Sodium <sup>3</sup>	N	89.3	ppm	N/A	N/A	Geology; Road salt
Sulfate	N	19.9	ppm	N/A	250	Geology
<b>Synthetic organic chemicals</b> (samples from 10/19/20)						
2,4-D	N	0.173	ppb	N/A	50	Release to the environment by its application as a pesticide used to control broad leaf weeds in agriculture and for control of woody plants along roadsides, railways and utility rights of way
<b>Volatile Organic Chemicals</b> (samples from 3/9/20)						
Vinyl Chloride (Well#6 Raw Water)	Y	2.1	ppb	0	2	Degradation of other chemicals leaching from waste sites, spills
1,2 Dichloroethane	N	1.4	ppb	N/A	5	Discharge from industrial chemical factories
<b>Microbiological Contaminants</b>						
Turbidity (sample from 9/11/20)	N	0.058 100%	NTU	N/A	TT=5 NTU TT=%samples<1.0	Soil runoff
<b>Stage 2 Disinfection Byproducts</b> (samples from 3/9/20, 6/8/20, 9/14/20 & 12/14/9)						
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM), average	N	3.1 <sup>6</sup>	ppb	0	80 <sup>5</sup>	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Range		ND-8.6				
Chlorine, average of daily samples	N	1.57	ppm	MRDLG	MRDL	Used in the disinfection and treatment of drinking water
Range		0.79-2.15		N/A	4	

**NOTES-**

- The level presented represents the 90th percentile of 20 test sites. The action level for copper was not exceeded at any of the 20 sites tested
- The level presented represents the 90th percentile of 20 test sites. The action level for lead was exceeded at 1 of the 20 sites tested.
- Water containing more than 20 ppm should not be consumed by persons on severely restricted sodium diets. Water containing more than 270 mg/l of sodium should not be used for drinking by people on moderately restricted sodium diets.
- The vinyl chloride and 1,2 dichloroethane was on the untreated water. A treated water sample that goes through the carbon contactors was collected subsequently and there was no vinyl chloride or 1,2 dichloroethane detected.
- Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system. Level detected represents the highest level detected. The regulations also require that 95% of the turbidity samples collected have measurements below 1.0 NTU. Although January 2020 was the month when we had the fewest measurements meeting the treatment technique for turbidity, the levels recorded were well within the acceptable range allowed and did not constitute a treatment technique violation.
- The average shown represents the highest Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA) at the 4 sites sampled in 2020. The highest LRAA for the THMs was in the 3rd quarter of 2020.

Non-Detects (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.  
Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) • one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.  
Parts per billion (ppb) or µg/l, corresponds to one part of liquid in one billion parts of liquid.  
Parts per trillion (ppt) or ng/l, corresponds to one part of liquid to one trillion parts of liquid.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) • nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.  
Picouries per liter (pCi/L) • picouries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.  
Treatment Technique (TT) - A treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.  
90th Percentile Value - The values reported for lead and copper represent the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile. A percentile is a value on a scale of 100 that indicates the percent of a distribution that is equal to or below it. The 90th percentile is equal to or greater than 90% of the lead and copper values detected at your water system  
Action Level • the concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment, or other requirements, which a water system must follow.  
Maximum Contaminant Level - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.  
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.  
Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL): The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants  
Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG): The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contamination  
Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA): The LRA is calculated by taking the average of the four most recent samples collected at each individual site.  
N/A-Not applicable

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tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activities. Contaminants that may be present in source water include microbial contaminants; inorganic contaminants; pesticides and herbicides; organic chemical contaminants; and radioactive contaminants. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the State and EPA prescribe regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The State Health Department's and the FDA's regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

**FACTS AND FIGURES**

The Village provides water through approximately 1,500 service connections to a population of approximately 4,500 people. Our average daily demand is 262,141 gallons. Our single highest day was 479,645 gallons. The total water produced in 2020 was 95,681,782 gallons. Currently 95% of the village limits is metered and read quarterly. We estimate the amount of water produced to the amount of water billed results in approximately a 14.2% loss. The unaccounted water can be attributed to water usage for fire protection, water main breaks and leaks. The annual average charge for water within the village limits per household is \$4.94 per 1000 gallons. Customers outside the village are billed at \$7.20 per 1000 gallons. Sewer is billed at \$4.85 per 1000 gallons within the village limits and \$7.41 outside the village.

**ARE THERE CONTAMINANTS IN OUR DRINKING WATER?**

In accordance with State regulations, the Village of Hoosick Falls routinely monitors your drinking water for numerous contaminants. We test your drinking water for inorganic contaminants, radiological contaminants, lead and copper, nitrate, volatile organic contaminants, haloacetic acids, trihalomethanes and synthetic organic contaminants. In addition, we test 4 samples for coliform bacteria each month. The table presented below depicts which contaminants were detected in your drinking water. The State allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data, though representative of the water quality, is more than one year old and is noted. For a listing of the parameters we analyzed that were not detected along with the frequency of testing for compliance with the NYS Sanitary Code, see Appendix A. It should be noted that all drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791) or the Rensselaer County Health Department (518) 270-2626.

**WHAT DOES THIS INFORMATION MEAN?**

As you can see by the table on page 4, our system had no violations. MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

**IS OUR WATER SYSTEM MEETING OTHER RULES THAT GOVERN OPERATIONS?**

During 2020, the Village of Hoosick Falls was in compliance with applicable State drinking water operating, monitoring and reporting requirements.

**DO I NEED TO TAKE SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS?**

Although our drinking water met or exceeded state and federal regulations, some people may be more vulnerable to disease causing microorganisms or pathogens in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice from their health care provider about their drinking water. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium, Giardia and other microbiological pathogens are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

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**INFORMATION ON PFOA TESTING**

As you know PFOA has been detected in the Hoosick Falls wells. A carbon filtration system has been installed to remove these contaminants. For the test results concerning the Hoosick Falls Public Water Supply you can check the Town of Hoosick Falls web site, contact the Rensselaer County Health Department or the NYS Health Department Bureau of Public Water Supply.

**WATER SOURCE RESTRICTIONS**

Well #3 has been removed from service and is being used as a back-up due to water quality issues. The Department of Environmental Conservation redeveloped Well #3 but high iron and manganese levels clog the filters and until the water quality issues can be resolved the well will only be used for emergency backup.

**INFORMATION ON LEAD**

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Village of Hoosick Falls is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/sa/ewater/lead>

**WHAT IS THE SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (SWAP)?**

To emphasize the protection of surface and ground water sources used for public drinking water, Congress amended the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) in 1996. The amendments require that New York

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State Department of Health's Bureau of Public Water Supply Protection is responsible for ensuring that source water assessments are completed for all of New York's public water systems.

A source water assessment provides information on the potential contaminant threats to public drinking water sources, each source water assessment will:

- Determine where water used for public drinking water comes from (delineate the source areas)
- Inventory potential sources of contamination that may impact public drinking water sources
- Assess the likelihood of a source water area becoming potential contaminated

A SWAP summary for our water supply is printed here.

**WATER CONSERVATION TIPS**

The Village of Hoosick Falls encourages water conservation. There are a lot of things you can do to conserve water in your own home. Conservation tips include:

- Only run the dishwasher and clothes washer when there is a full load
- Use water saving showerheads
- Install faucet aerators in the kitchen and the bathroom to reduce the flow from 4 to 2.5 gallons per minute
- Water gardens and lawn for only a couple of hours after sunset
- Check faucets, pipes and toilets for leaks and repair all leaks promptly
- Take shorter showers

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS**

There were no major capital improvements made to the water system in 2020.

**CLOSING**

Thank you for allowing us to continue providing your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit our customers. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources. Please call our office if you have questions.

**Appendix A**

New York State Sanitary Code Compliance Monitoring Requirements- Compounds Analyzed that were Below Limits of Detection

**VILLAGE OF HOOSICK FALLS TEST RESULTS**

Public Water Supply Identification Number NY4100051

CONTAMINANT	MONITORING FREQUENCY	CONTAMINANT	CONTAMINANT	MONITORING FREQUENCY
<b>POC's (Volatile Organic Compounds)</b>				
Antimony		Benzene	Trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	
Beryllium		Bromobenzene	Ethylbenzene	
Cadmium	Monitoring requirement is 1 sample every year	Bromochloromethane	Hexachlorobutadiene	
Chromium	Sample from 3/9/20	Bromomethane	Isopropylbenzene	
Cyanide		N-Butylbenzene	p-Isopropyltoluene	Monitoring requirement is one sample annually
Fluoride	<b>Non-Detect</b>	sec-Butylbenzene	Methylene Chloride	
Mercury		Tert-Butylbenzene	n-Propylbenzene	
Nitrate		Carbon Tetrachloride	Styrene	Samples from 3/9/20 and 4/6/20
Selenium		Chlorobenzene	1,1,1,2-Tetrachloroethane	
Silver		2-Chlorotoluene	1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	
Thalium		4-Chlorotoluene	Tetrachloroethene	Wells 3,6 & 7
Color	Monitoring requirement is at State discretion	Dibromomethane	Trichloroethene	
Sulfate		1,2-Dichlorobenzene	1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	
Iron	Sample from 3/9/20	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	
Manganese		1,4-Dichlorobenzene	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	
Zinc	<b>Non-Detect</b>	Dichlorodifluoromethane*	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	Non-Detect
		1,1-Dichloroethane	1,1-Dichloroethane	
		1,2 Diichloroethane	Trichlorofluoromethane	
		1,1 Dichloroethene	1,2,3-Trichloropropane	
		Cis-1,2 Dichloroethene	1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	
		Trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	
		1,2 Dichloropropane	m-Xylene	
		1,3 Dichloropropane	o-Xylene	
		2,2 Dichloropropane	p-Xylene	
		1,1 Dichloropropene	Vinyl chloride (Wells#3 & #7)	
		Cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	MTBE	
		Total Coliform & E. coli		Monitoring is 4 samples per month - <b>Non-Detect</b>
		<b>Radiological Parameters</b>		Monitoring is 1 sample every 6 - 9 years - <b>Non-Detect</b>
		Gross Alpha-Beta Scan		
		Radium 226	N/A	

**Synthetic Organic Chemicals**

**Synthetic Organic Chemicals (Group I)**

Alachlor	Aldicarb
Aldicarb Sulfoxide	Aldicarb Sulfone
Atrazine	Carbofuran
Chlordane	Dibromochloropropane
2,4-D	Endrin
Ethylene Dibromide	Heptachlor
Lindane	Methoxychlor
PCB's	Toxaphene
2,4,5-TP (Silvex)	1,4-Dioxane
PFOA	PFOS

**Synthetic Organic Chemicals (Group II)**

Aldrin	Benzo(a)pyrene	Monitoring requirement is 1 sample every 18 months; Sample from 10/19/20
Butachlor	Carbaryl	
Dalapon	Di(2-ethylhexyl)adipate	
Di(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate	Dicamba	
Dieldrin	Dinoseb	
Diquat*	Endothall*	<b>Non-Detect</b>
Glyphosate*	Hexachlorobenzene	*State waiver does not require monitoring these compounds
Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	3-Hydroxycarbofuran	
Methomyl	Metolachlor	
Metribuzin	Oxamyl vydate	
Pichloram	Propachlor	
Simazine	2,3,7,8-TCDD (Dioxin)*	

## Special Moments At Berlin Central School... Continued from page 1

### Pre-Kindergarten

On June 17 Berlin Elementary Pre-Kindergarten students and their families gathered on the front lawn of BES to celebrate the end of their school year.

The Pre-K students in Ms. Erin and Ms. Debbie's classes were recognized with certificates and a bucket of summer fun.

Congratulations to BCSD's youngest Mountaineers on their first year at BES!

### Kindergarten

On June 16 the BES Kindergarteners celebrated their moving up ceremony. Kindergarten families were invited to the front lawn of BES to celebrate the achievements of the young students and picnic.

The class of 2033 were given shirts to grow into, donated by the BES PTO. The BES Kindergarten Team: Ms. Hannigan, Mr. Dobbins, Ms. Hooks and Ms. Wilson handed out certificates and some special mementos to their students as well. Congratulations BES Kindergarten!

### Back To Where It All Started

Berlin High School seniors took a trip down memory lane on Monday, June 21, with a final walk through the halls of the Berlin Elementary School. Cheers, admiration and well wishes from the staff and the youngest Mountaineers boosted the seniors' spirits and prepared them for their final week at BHS.

## Petersburgh Town Board...

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Town "user road" anyway and it doesn't matter who owns it. The matter was not resolved, but the Town is now on notice that the road needs work, and presumably discussions will continue about fixing it.

### In Other Action:

- The Board appointed Christina Hibbs to the Planning Board
- Petersburgh Library Director Anita Wilson said the Library's Summer Reading Program is beginning this week, and will include a number of events at the library over the course of the summer, as well as the usual ice cream social as the concluding event at the end of the summer. For more information or to enroll in the program, contact the library.

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The highlight of the evening, however, were the final two elements on the agenda. Scannell Properties addressed some of the comments and concerns raised at the last meeting about the driveway configuration and landscaping architecture at the Amazon "Middle Mile" sales distribution center on Route 150. Board members, engineering and Scannell met with the Department of Transportation (DOT) and developed an alternative to the driveway configuration that was proposed for the facility. Initially, there were to be three driveways that went in a clockwise fashion, but Board members raised concerns about the safety of the design. This meeting presented a new configuration eliminating one of the driveways but having the traffic flow in a westward, counterclockwise fashion. They will extend the left turn lanes at the intersection of Route 150, and they will also add pedestrian crosswalks with sidewalks to the facility. DOT concurred that this was an acceptable alternative. The second concern that the presenters addressed was landscape architecture. According to the presenter, they have shifted the sound wall five feet from the property line to accommodate more landscaping features. Board members raised concerns over the variety of trees and plants being utilized.

Members want the complex to maintain a "residential look," but the plants and trees to be hearty enough against animals, salt and the climate. Members suggested that Scannell look at one of their other properties, the Fed Ex complex in East Greenbush, as an example to follow. Members of the Board will communicate with the landscaper for the project. At the end of Scannell's presentation, the board decided to hold a "special meeting" for July 12 at 5 pm since the July 4 holiday would impact the calendar.

The final presentation of the evening was from Van Hoesen Station LLC on Richwood Drive and US Route 9. This PD-2 Site plan was an initial presentation of an apartment complex containing approximately 272 1-2-bedroom pet-friendly apartments that highlighted nature trails, community meeting area, dog park and pool as some of its features. The presenters explained the increased demand for affordable rental housing in the area prompted this project. Members of the Board discussed the number of units, proximity to the Scannell project and sidewalk system within the complex. Engineering will be reviewing the project application and then advise the applicants on their next steps.

## RENSSELAER COUNTY Primary Results Around The County

Tuesday, June 22 was Primary Day across New York State and Rensselaer County.

We have already reported in the Central County pages that Frank Higgins won the Republican line for Town Justice, as well as the Conservative line. His Opponent, Less Hess claimed the Working Families Party line.

Here are some other results:

**For County Clerk:** Justan Foster defeated Jason Cloud for the Working Families line

**For County Executive:** Gwen Wright defeated Sara McDermott for the Working Families line

**For County Legislature:** District 1 - City of Troy - Mark Flemming, Ken Zalewski, Cynthia Doran, Nina Nichols, Carole Weaver and Peter Grimm will run on the Democratic ballot. In District 2: Robert Poitras Jr., Brenda Hammond, Jennifer Massey and Sally Lauletta won the Working Families line. District 4: Shawntell Miles-Sanchez, Andrew Bulmer and Alexander Flood captured the Working Families line. In District 5: Gary Contessa and Robin Catalano captured the Working Families Party line.

**In North Greenbush:** Town Justice: Kathryn Dell leads Alan Micheals by two votes for the Conservative Party line.

**In Sand Lake:** Town Justice: Scott Paul won the Conservative Party line.

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## PETERSBURGH

## This Summer At The Petersburgh Library

Remember to come in to register for the Summer Reading Program, and pick up a log sheet and calendar for the July and August schedules. We also encourage you to participate in the community-wide art project for our summer art exhibition. In the meantime, we are still showing the lovely photographs taken by Kimberly Phillips-Roderigue.

We are also hoping to get the story time hour started again for Tuesday mornings. Please stop in or call us at 518-658-2927 to let us know your interest in this program and get your children registered.

years and Billy still gets a twinkle in his eye when he speaks of her.

So this year the Parade will be staged by Charlie Osterhout, Billy's son, keeping it in the family and Billy Osterhout will be at the front the parade, he made it clear that the Grand Marshal can't ride at the end of the parade, "that would be out of order."

Thanks, Billy, for quietly making a difference and keep it up, we're all counting on folks just like you. Have a great July 4 celebration and remember to put some pepper jelly on that burger.

## Berlin July 4 Parade Grand Marshal Is Billy Osterhout

The July 4 Grand Marshal title is a way our community shares both pride and gratitude with individuals or groups. Often these contributions are given quietly without fanfare and contributed solely because of the individual's sense of civic responsibility.

Billy Osterhout quietly contributes to the Berlin community and has for years. The Father of five (counting the step-kids) also has four grandchildren and is married to Tammy. The Mets are his "local" team in summer but he's secretly a Dodgers fan. The Giants have his loyalty during football season. Throughout his high school years, he played soccer, baseball and basketball. He chuckles a bit when folks think soccer is "new." "We were a bunch of country kids playing it back in the 70s." He enjoys fishing and hunting and smiles when he recalls the school halls being empty on the first day of deer season because of "Buck Fever."

Billy remembers setting pins at the Colonial Inn for the Ladies Thursday Night League. "Back when I was younger there were three or four restaurants in

town and square dancing at the Bridgeway - fun stuff to do." He'd love to see something started to give the kids an outlet. "The hard part is finding people to volunteer to help."

Billy started working at Cowee and was there for decades, a "utility guy" doing what whatever needed doing. For the last 8 years he's been working for the Berlin School District and if you guessed doing "whatever needs doing," you'd be right.

Wayne Goodermote's return home in 1973 is Billy's favorite memory of Berlin. "We put on one heck of a parade for that guy - he is a real hero. It was great - everybody in town came out and showed their support." He adds, "We all need to see the things we have in common and not focus on the ways we're different."

The Berlin Fire Company has been part of Billy's life for 46 years, 15 years of this as an EMT. Billy stepped up when asked to be Chief four times. The Parade has been staged by Billy for 40 plus years and he sees it as Berlin's best day every year. Billy's mother Luella was the parade committee chair for

## Church News

### Christmas In July At Brunswick United Methodist Church

On July 16 and 17 Center Brunswick United Methodist Church will be having a Holiday Bazaar from 9 am to 4 pm. There will be crafts, a baked goods table, artificial trees, gift items and decorations for sale. Lunch items will be available to enjoy. Come and shop for the Holiday season. The church is located at 990 Hoosick Rd. Troy, at the intersection of Hoosick Rd. and Rt. 142. Plenty of on-site parking available.

### Chicken Barbecue In Pittstown

The Pittstown United Methodist Church will host a Chicken Barbecue in their Hall just off NYS Route 7 on Saturday, July 17 from 4 to 6 pm. This is take out only. The menu includes a half chicken, macaroni salad, cole slaw, baked beans, roll and a brownie for dessert. The price is \$13 for adults, \$6 for children 5 to 12 and under 5 free. Reservations are suggested, please call Bev at 518-663-5607.

### Petersburgh United Methodist Church Rummage And Bake Sale

Saturday July 17, from 9 am to 4 pm

\$1 bag sale from 2 to 4 pm. Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Chili, Soup, Coffee and Soda. For more information, call 518-658-3757 or 518-658-3555.

### Gilead's Body & Soul Pantry

Our summer hours, 3 pm to 5 pm on the last Thursday of the month, will continue each month through August. The free community dinner will disappear for the summer months but will return in September.

For those individuals who have not visited the pantry in the past, why not? We are located at Gilead Lutheran Church at the intersection of Routes 7 and

278 in Center Brunswick. If you have any questions please leave a message at 518-279-9270 and someone will return your call.

### HFCAC Rocky Railway Vacation Bible School

Calling all kids! Hoosick Falls Community Alliance Church is excited to announce that our Vacation Bible School for 2021 is ON, and better than ever!

Rocky Railway VBS will be hosted at HFCAC, 484 Hill Road in Hoosick Falls, from July 12 to July 16. Children from preschool-age through 6th Grade are invited to join us.

At Rocky Railway, children discover that through life's ups and downs, Jesus' power pulls us through. Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, engage in fun snack-eating experiences, take part in one-of-a-kind Bible Adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them to trust Jesus and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long.

Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through "God Sightings." Each day concludes with the Rock Wrap-Up that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Kids at Rocky Railway VBS will join a mission effort to provide nonperishable food items for local families in need in Hoosick Falls.

Rocky Railway VBS will run from 6 to 8:15 pm each day and transportation is available if needed. You can pre-register by visiting our FB page or [HoosickFalls.org](http://HoosickFalls.org).

[sickfallscac.org](http://sickfallscac.org).

For more information or to reserve a ride, call Cheryl at 774-230-1183.

### Zion's United Church Summer Festival

Come join us on August 7, 2021, for our 112th annual Summer Festival and Chicken BBQ at Zion's United Church of Christ in Taborton. The church is located at 741 Taborton Rd. in Sand Lake. Booths are open from 11 am to 7 pm and music by Cannonball Express with Gloria & Punky from 5 to 8 pm. Games for both kids and adults include the fishpond, ring toss, milk bottle, duck float and dart booths. Enjoy our food and fancy booths and visit the raffle table with prizes from many local businesses. Taborton Treasures offers our version of a large yard sale and there will be an auction in the early afternoon. The chicken BBQ is \$15 and will be served at 4:30 and 5:30 pm. For reservations call Diane Hoffman at 674-2746 or Jane Weber at 258-4307.

### Johnsonville Thrift Shop

The Johnsonville Methodist Church will be having its Thrift Shop on Wednesdays and the first Saturday of the month from 9 am to 12 pm through July 31. Look for the sign at the corner of Route 67 and Route 111. The church is located at 22 Bridge St. Johnsonville.

### Eagle Bridge Thrift Store

The Eagle Bridge Methodist Church is resuming its weekly Thrift Store on Wednesdays through October 27. COVID-19 protocols will be followed. The church is located on Route 67 in Eagle Bridge.

*The Church Directory is online only this week due to limited space. Thank you for understanding. Please visit [eastwickpress.com/news/2021/03/church-directory](http://eastwickpress.com/news/2021/03/church-directory)*

## Senior News

### Grafton Senior Center Reopens

Rensselaer County's Everett Wagar Senior Center, 2 Roxborough Rd, Cropseyville, has been closed since March 2020 due to the pandemic. We are excited to announce that as the state and county start to re-open, the senior centers will be re-opening with limited hours. State and County Guidelines will be posted and must be followed at all times.

Grafton's Everett Wagar Senior Center will open its doors on Tuesday, June 22, 2021. The center will only be open on Tuesdays until further notice. Hours will be 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. There will not be van transportation to and from the center at this time.

A nutritious congregate meal will be available at noon by reservation only. On June 22, the meal will be sausage with gravy, buttered noodles and green beans. On June 29, the meal will be stuffed shells and a veggie blend. Please call the center at least 24 hours in advance to be placed on the list so staff can make sure they have enough food prepared. If you have questions, or want to be added to the lunch list, please call 518-279-3413.

### Hoosick Falls Senior Center Reopens

The Hoosick Falls Senior Center, 69 Church Street, Hoosick Falls, has been closed since March 2020 due to the pandemic. We are excited to announce that as the state and county start to re-open, the senior centers will be re-opening with limited hours. State and County guidelines will be posted and must be followed at all times.

### The Hoosick Falls Senior Center will open its doors on Wednesday, June 23, 2021.

The center will only be open on Wednesdays and Thursdays until further notice. Hours will be 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. There will not be van transportation to and from the center at this time.

A nutritious congregate meal will be available at

noon by reservation only. On June 23, the meal will be fish loin, rice and Brussels sprouts. On June 24 the meal will be roast beef sandwiches and soup. Please call the center at least 24 hours in advance to be placed on the lunch list so staff can make sure they have enough food prepared. If you have questions, or want to be added to the lunch list, please call 518-686-7561.

### Lebanon Valley Seniors

The monthly meetings have resumed on the first and third Fridays of the month. Meetings are at 1 pm at the New Lebanon Firehouse. Upcoming events at this time include July 15 Essex Railroad & Boat Ride including lunch for \$62 and a 3 day Amish trip August 25-August 27. Amish trip includes Sight & Sound Theater, visits to Good & Plenty and the Amish stores. We suggest for all away events that you have a mask with you. Come to the meetings or call Mary Defreest 518-733-0009 for details and information or to reserve.

### Petersburgh Sunshine Seniors

The Sight and Sound/Amishland trip for September is full. Pick up will be September 27 at the Petersburgh Veterans Memorial Hall at 7 am, Grafton Baptist Church at 7:15 am and Walmart in Brunswick (Middle lot closest to Hoosick St.) at 7:35 am. We should be back on the 29th around 9:30-10 pm if all goes well.

The Petersburgh Sunshine Seniors held their first post COVID-19 meeting on June 8. It was a bitter-sweet gathering. It was so nice to see one another again but sad because so many of our members have passed away since we last met.

Audrey Bartus, as the acting President, ran the meeting and three major issues were discussed: The terms of the offices have run out and a new election will need to be held ASAP. The current Treasurer and Secretary are willing to stay on unless someone else runs for these offices but a President and Vice

President need to be elected. There was a nominating committee formed. Please contact Frank or Theresa Cuttone at 518-279-1521 if you would like to run for office or be on the committee.

Special events were discussed and we will be doing bus trips, special dinners and a Christmas Party. Three trips were discussed: a Casino, the Lake George Luncheon Cruise and a Fall Foliage trip to Stowe Vermont. Plans will be finalized and presented by the next meeting if possible.

We will be honoring the lives of the seniors we have lost. Each month we will dedicate the meeting to one of them. This will be in the order in which they passed. The next meeting will be in honor of Ron Bartus. Family and friends are welcome, even if they are not seniors.

The meetings will resume the second Tuesday of each month with a covered dish at 5 pm and the meeting at 6 pm at the Petersburgh Veterans Memorial Community Center. Anyone over 55 is welcome to join the club. There are no membership dues. All we ask is that you bring a covered dish cradled with respect and love for your fellow seniors.

### 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.

**June 25:** Meatballs w/sauce, spaghetti, italian blend veggies, italian bread and fresh fruit

**June 28:** Cheeseburger, tater tots, peas and onions, round roll and a cookie

**June 30:** Egg salad cold plate w/lettuce, italian pasta salad, white bread and fresh fruit

# Short Stop



The Eastern Chipmunk (*Tamias striatus*) is native to the deciduous wooded areas of eastern North America. Its name comes from the Ojibwe word "ajidamoonh" that means "one who descends trees headlong." It carries food in the pouches of its cheeks and constructs underground tunnel systems. This one stopped for a second on a stump in Petersburg and Trix Niernberger took its picture.

## Behind Every Storm There's A Rainbow



Despite all the rain on Tuesday, there was still a rainbow, shining brightly over Latham Farms shopping complex. Photo by Rachel Turetsky and her children.

# The Life Of George Holcomb

by George Holcomb • Transcribed by Betty McClave • Edited by Alex Brooks

## Fall on the Farm - Turnips, Carrots & Pumpkins

Wednesday, October 16, 1850: I pulled and cut turnips and this afternoon I went with one horse wagon to Geo W. Glass factory and carried him and his workmen six bushels turnips at 25 cents per bushel, and said G.W. Glass agreed to pay me for the whole in red flannel at 25 cts per yard, and I bargained to carry him and his workmen more turnips and take my pay in flannel. When I returned I took the one horse wagon that had the axletree broken to Lebanon up to Palmer Barnes and left to have a new axletree put in and he agreed to take carrots for pay

Thursday: I pulled and cut turnips. My two sons dug carrots and Geo P. carried ox wagon load of carrots to Pool Hill to Parsons and he carried one bushel turnips to Walker the blacksmith and he credits me 25 cents on account. I this afternoon took the one horse wagon and carried four bushel turnips to Wm. L. Brown's store at 25 cents per and I got two gallons molasses 81 cents and five and a half pounds sugar 44 cents, which pays me up for five bushels of turnips. I rode up to Palmer Barnes, but

he had not got my wagon mended. Friday: This forenoon John F. took a horse and went after my wagon up to Palmer Barnes shop, I had a new axletree put in.

Saturday: I husked corn and helped John F. draw a load pumpkins.

Sunday: I took my one horse wagon and carried my wife to brother S. Beers but we returned home again, tonight sister was out of health. When I returned home from Samuel Beers he sent thirty dollars to Geo P. which pays him up for the young oxen that he gave fifty dollars for.

Monday: Today I and my son Geo P. went with one horse wagon and Geo P. horse to look for to buy sheep, we went through Hancock into Williamstown and home by the way of New Ashford but did not buy any. We called to Mr. Burrel's shop in Hancock and got Sarah shoes.

Tuesday: On this forenoon or about ten o'clock Henry P. Wylie died. Today Geo P. took his one horse wagon and carried the wife of Simeon Wylie Jr to Lebanon stores to buy mourning clothing for the family of H.P. Wylie.

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