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RENSSELAER COUNTY

A Week Later Storm Clean Up Is Far From Over

Office To Assist With Insurance Claims Opening In Wynantskill

by Doug La Rocque with Amy Modesti and Chris Tergliafera

Most of the towns in the eastern portions of Rensselaer County were spared the brunt of last Wednesday's storms, but that was not the case in Brunswick, North Greenbush, Sand Lake and portions of Nassau. The damage in these localities will take weeks to repair, and the bill will be in the multi-million dollar range.

Many have been asking about FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) assistance, but Rensselaer County Executive said Wednesday, July 21 on a Facebook post, he is not sure the damage level will reach the threshold to qualify. That threshold is in the neighborhood of \$30 million.

Satellite Office Will Help File Insurance Claims

In a statement released on Wednesday, Rensselaer County said residents who have experienced damage due to the recent rainstorm and flooding can access information and guidance on filing insurance claims

at a special state satellite office established at the North Greenbush Town Offices by the New York State Department of Financial Services. The office was established following discussions this week between

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Workers from the Rensselaer County Highway Department work to put Taborton Road back together after last week's heavy rain, wind and flooding. Photo by Amy Modesti.

HOOSICK FALLS

Garbage Pick Up Schedule Changes

Submitted by the Village of Hoosick Falls

The Solid Waste pickup schedule in the Village of Hoosick Falls will be changing next week. Most residents will not notice a change, but some who are normally scheduled for Friday pickup will be changing to the new Wednesday pickup.

First and foremost, the Thursday pickup schedule will remain unchanged. The current Friday pickup schedule will be split into two groups: those who remain on Friday, and those who are switched to Wednesday.

The new Wednesday pickup (Wednesday, July 28 will be the first Wednesday pickup) include all locations in the Village west of the Hoosic River – River Road, Mechanic Street and the Clay Hill Area, as well as Church Street, Carey Avenue (including McCafrey St., Redmond St., Fiske St., Railroad Ave), and

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along with maps of the new pick up routes

\$62 Million Preliminary Settlement In Hoosick Falls PFOA Lawsuit

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HOOSICK FALLS/AFRICA

Mission Accomplished!

by Bea Peterson

How does it feel to stand at the top of the highest free-standing mountain in the world? Garrett Wright, 24, a 2016 HFCS graduate says "The best part was making it to the top; to overcoming things, to being able to help out." Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania, East Africa is 19,341 feet and is classified an extreme altitude mountain trek. He and his best friends, Mark Hackett from Hoosick Falls and Brennen Thompson from St. John Fisher College were inspired to climb the mountain after they watched a video of San Francisco 49ers football player Ben Garland climbing it and raising money to provide water for villages in Africa. Garrett's thought was to climb that mountain and do something for his hometown. "I wanted to give back to Hoosick Falls," he said. A member of the JLS Foundation Hometown Network, Wright contacted John Liporace for advice on choosing a worthy cause. Liporace suggested the Hoosick Area Church Association (HACA) Food Pantry. The groundwork laid, for a year they saved up their money and trained by climbing the high peaks in California, including Mt Whitney at 14,495 feet.

The Adventure

The trio was in Tanzania for 10 days. It was the first time Garrett had been out of the United States. "It was an

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Brennen Thompson, Garrett Wright and Mark Hackett at the top! Photo courtesy of Garrett Wright.

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Taconic Valley

STEPHENTOWN

Looking For Backup

by Chris Teragliafera

Stephentown, like many towns, hasn't received final guidance on how it can spend the estimated \$292,000 it will receive as part of the American Rescue Plan Act. However, an idea was mentioned at the July 19 Regular Meeting of the Town Board. The town has looked into emergency backup power generators for public facilities such as the Town Hall, Town Garage and the Fire Hall. The library was added to that list after it was discovered they would be without power for several days while a compromised power line was being

repaired. Nothing can be certain until it's made clear what the funds can be used for, but a backup power supply is an option that will be discussed going forward.

Brush Hogging Bids

Two sealed bids for brush hogging the landfill were received by the July 19 deadline. The bids were opened and read at the meeting, with Terry Sykes of Stephentown submitting the winning bid at \$425 to mow the roughly four acre property.

Other than paying the bills, it was a typical quiet summer meeting.

Stephentown Memorial Library

Due to a power outage, SML has been closed since Monday, July 19. We plan to reopen as soon as possible, however we have been told to expect to be out of power until Saturday. We are working on rescheduling Live at the Library-Billy Gilbert and Birds of Prey. Please check our website and Facebook page for up to date information.

Upcoming Events:

Free Lunches and Snacks for all kids 18 and under at SML! Food is grab and go for kids not in camp and is served from 11:45 am to 12:30 pm. All Kids Are Welcome!

Dungeons and Dragons for Tweens/Teens — *Wednesdays at 4 pm.*

Mahjong — *Thursdays at 4 pm.*

Stuffed Animal Storytime and Sleepover — *Rescheduled for July 27 at 5:30 pm.*

Calling all Stuffed Animals and your humans! We invite you to come to the Stephentown Library for a Storytime and Sleepover with Crosby's new stuffed friend, Nash!

Together all Stuffed Animals and their humans will have a Storytime then the humans will say goodnight to their Stuffed Animal friends. The Stuffed Animals will watch a movie, read some books, eat some snacks, and then settle in for a sleepover at the library. Sound

like fun? Tell your human to bring you to the library on July 27 at 5:30 pm. We will post lots of pictures of all your adventures at the library. Your human will be able to pick you up on Wednesday at noon when the library opens.

Live At The Library 🎵

Friday Nights at 7 pm

The Stephentown Library and the Stephentown Historical Society are pleased to present "Live At The Library," a concert series of Stephentown musicians held on Friday nights in July and August under the tent at the Stephentown Library. Bring lawn chairs and/or blankets, make yourself comfy and enjoy the show!

Friday, July 30 — Two Fiddles and a Guitar featuring Stephan Deibel, Bob Morgello and Martha von Schilgen

Friday, August 6 — Scott Connors

Friday, August 13 — Christina Dellea

Friday, August 20 — Dimes for Dollars

Friday, August 27 — John Zarvis, Pug Demary and Martin Echgardt.

Go to www.stephentownlibrary.org for a full list of performers and bios as well as to register for any of these programs.

STEPHENTOWN

Car Show And Barbecue



Looking back at a Stephentown Car Show from years past. Photo provided.

Stephentown Volunteer Fire Department's Car Show and BBQ is happening on Saturday, August 14, from 10 am to 2 pm. Cruise on down to check out antique autos, classic cars, antique tractors, hot rods and antique fire trucks. There is something for everyone to enjoy.

The entry fee for vehicles is just \$10. Door prizes and trophies will be awarded. Vendors are also welcome. Tables are available for \$10. Walk-ins and spectators enter for free, but a donation is suggested. The rain date will be Sunday, August 15.

Petersburgh Public Library

Please come to the library and participate in our community wide art project. We have some wonderful contributions that are drawn around different thumb, finger, hand, foot and even paw prints. We just need your imagination and participation to fill out this colorful display. Folks of all ages are welcome.

Storytime and Summer Reading are going well. Next week the focus is on the color Green. Many thanks to the 4-H club members who came to present an animal program and taught us how to make ice cream in a bag. We were also joined by some special pets that enjoyed all the petting from the children.

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Taconic Valley

PETERSBURGH TOWN BOARD

Parks Committee Will Undertake Playground Renovation

by Alex Brooks

Heinz Noeding said on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Committee that the situation with the playground equipment in the Town Park is quite urgent. He said the Town's insurance provider, known as NYMIR (New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal), inspected that equipment in November of 2019 and notified the Town that some specific repairs were needed and that the base material under the playground was not up to code. Some minor repairs were made at that time, but the base was not fixed then. Noeding said because the Town was notified about the problem with the base material almost two years ago and has not done anything, it could be sued if a kid were to fall off the playground equipment and be injured.

Noeding said the Parks and Recreation Committee has formulated a plan to address the safety deficiencies of the playground area, and it is asking the Town Board to make \$4,000 available for the project. He said they plan to install 9" of wood chips engineered to be a playground base on top of a 3" base of sand, with a layer of landscape fabric. 80 cubic yards of engineered wood fiber will be needed, which will cost \$2,500 delivered. He proposes that the installation be done as a community project, with community members volunteering their time and equipment. The committee will also put in new swings (which cost about \$500), make other repairs to the playground equipment and install a trail cam at the park to keep an eye on things. All of this together they estimate will cost under \$4,000.

The Board agreed that this is something that needs to be attended to right away, and because there would be no cost for installation of these things, it is reasonably priced. The Board agreed to fund the project, and made a resolution to transfer \$4,000 from the garbage fund to the parks fund.

Tammy Dunlop also said she and her husband Joe had already replaced the swings. They also put a barrier in a spot where there used to be a slide, and there was no railing. She said Joe is closing the gate at night, and he opens it again when he goes to work at 6 in the morning. She said it looks like someone on a four-wheeler has been going around the closed gate by driving on the Snyders' lawn and someone has to figure out who that is and get them to stop doing it.

Fuel Reconciliation

Tom Berry spoke again this month about instituting a fuel reconciliation system that compares the amounts of fuel going into the highway department's tank with the amounts being withdrawn. He said he will supply an Excel spreadsheet for this purpose that will do all the math. He asked Highway Superintendent Adam Beaudry to get someone from the County weights and measures office to check the accuracy of the pump meter that shows how many gallons have been pumped into the trucks, and also to get a calibrated stick for manually checking how much fuel is in the tank. Beaudry said he would do those things.

The Town Fire Department and Ambulance also draw their fuel from that tank, but Berry understood

that the Town has not been billing them for the fuel used. He said the Town cannot just pay for all the fuel for the Fire Department and the Ambulance – it must bill those entities for the fuel they use. The Board agreed this would be part of the new system when it is implemented.

Library Grant Project

Petersburgh Library Director Anita Wilson said the Library Board has been contemplating a phased, multi year project to improve the library building with the objective of making it more energy efficient, healthier and more comfortable for staff and patrons, lowering energy costs for heating and cooling and making the environment optimal for housing and preserving library materials. In the future, this may include more insulation, a new roof and upgrading windows and lighting, but the project they would like to pursue for this year is a new heating and cooling system powered by a geothermal heat pump. Estimates from contractors have not yet been received, but Councilman Heinz Noeding was using a figure of \$75,000 in his description of financing possibilities. The Library Board is hopeful that the Upper Hudson Library Association will support it through a grant program aimed at helping libraries improve their facilities. That program would pay 75% of the cost, and the Town would have to commit to funding the other 25%, which would be \$18,750 if the cost was \$75,000. But the Town might end up paying less than that because NYSEG has a rebate program for heat pumps that might pay as much as \$9,000 of the Town's portion of the cost. If the Library were able to secure both the Upper Hudson Grant and the NYSEG rebate, the cost to the Town might be in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

The Library notes that its boiler is about 20 years old. The new system is expected to cost less to operate than the current systems, and Noeding estimated that the payback period to the Town on its \$10,000 investment might be as quick as 5 years.

A preliminary application to the Upper Hudson Library Assn. would be submitted in August, and a

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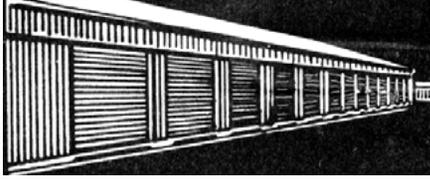
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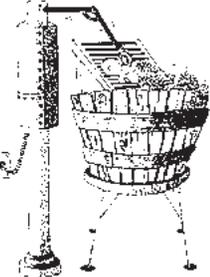
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Central County

TROY

Farmers Market To Remain In Riverfront Park

The Troy Waterfront Farmers Market will be staying at its William D. Chamberlain Riverfront Park location for the foreseeable future.

In previous years, the popular Saturday market has transformed several city blocks to attract as many as 15,000 people on peak days to Downtown Troy.

“The Board recognizes that having downtown Troy’s beautiful streetscape as our setting is what has helped establish our market as a regional attraction, and we intend to return to the streets,” said TWFM Board President Zack Metzger. “But for the time being, the Board has decided that the park is where we are going to be.”



The Troy Farmers Market at Riverfront Park. Photo provided.

Metzger said the market has received a lot of positive feedback from customers who appreciate how the market has been safely laid out and operated in the Riverfront Park location, providing essential access to local food and produce during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Board has also heard requests to

move back to the street from customers and local merchants. All these comments were considered as the market decided to stay put for now, looking to maintain a consistent location for the season that can be easily adjusted to any future changes in COVID-19 guidance for essential and large gatherings.

GRAFTON

Patsy Cline Comes To Grafton

The legendary Patsy Cline comes to life once again through the sounds and stories of Courtney Shayne Karl. Ms. Karl (a capital Region native) has been a professional Patsy Cline tribute artist for over 10 years and will take you back in time to the days when this amazing singer graced the stages of America. A lifelong affinity for Patsy Cline’s music along with a nudge from her grandfather has helped transform Courtney Shayne Karl into one of the finest impersonators performing today. She has



Courtney Shayne Karl in performance as Patsy Cline. Photo from Ms. Karl’s Facebook Page.

been recognized nationally for her appearances and now tours throughout the United States in the national touring show, Memories of Patsy, bringing to life the iconic music of Patsy Cline in an unforgettable performance. It’s a show not to be missed.

We hope to see you at our free concert “After Midnight,” Saturday, August 14, from 2-4 pm at the Roxborough Holdings building, the former Grafton

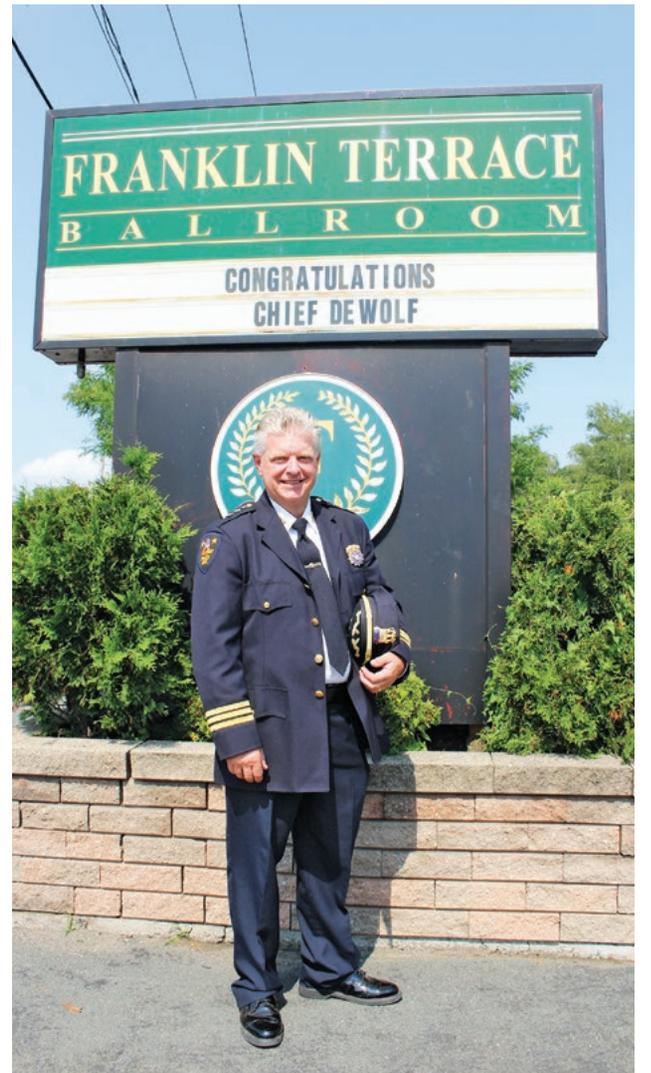
Elementary School, at the intersection of Route 2 and Babcock Lake Road in Grafton.

The event is sponsored by the Town of Grafton with no charge for admission. Sit inside or bring a chair and sit outside. There will also be food and ice cream trucks on the premises.

Come and enjoy the show. We hope to see you on August 14.

TROY

New Chief Sworn In



New Troy Police Chief Dan DeWolf. Photo by Amy Modesti.

Former Troy Police Chief Brian Owens officially retired on Monday, July 12 with a walk out ceremony at police headquarters. On Thursday, July 15, long time Assistant Chief Dan DeWolf was sworn in as the department’s new top officer at a ceremony at the Franklin Terrace Ballroom. At the time of former Chief Owens’ retirement, Chief DeWolf told *The Eastwick Press* he feels strongly that Troy has a solid Police Department and hopes to bring it even closer to the city’s neighborhoods under his watch.

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BRUNSWICK

Summer Concert Series

This will be the 21st year of the Brunswick Summer Concerts, the oldest summer concert series in Rensselaer county. This year the restrictions have eased a bit. Masks are still required for unvaccinated 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 run every Tuesday through August 31 from 6:30 to 8 pm. The line up for the concerts is as follows: July 27 - The Lustre Kings, August 3 - The Matt Mirabile Band, August 10 - Get up Jack, August 17 - The Kyle Bourgault Band and 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.

BRUNSWICK

Burns Named School Bus Driver Of The Year



Photo (from left to right): William Burns' wife, Cathy; NYAPT School Bus Driver of the Year William Burns; and NYAPT Executive Director David Christopher. Photo courtesy of NYAPT.

The New York Association for Pupil Transportation (NYAPT), a statewide organization dedicated to the support, development and representation of professionals responsible for the safe and efficient transportation of our school children, has awarded Brunswick Central School District (Tamarac) school bus driver William Burns with its annual School Bus Driver of the Year Award for 2021.

Burns, who was presented with the award during NYAPT's annual conference & trade show at the Saratoga Springs City Center on July 13, is credited with preventing a student from being seriously hurt, or killed, by a car that had illegally passed his stopped school bus at a high rate of speed. Burns was able to quickly reach out and grab the student as he was exiting the bus to prevent him from being struck.

"It is a tremendous honor to present William Burns with our School Bus Driver of the Year Award," said NYAPT Executive Director David Christopher. "Not only does he represent the pinnacle of his profession with student safety as his top priority, William

is known for going above and beyond what's expected of him every day he gets behind the wheel. From his positive interactions with the kids, community involvement and mentoring of other drivers, this much deserved award is a credit to William's dedication and professionalism."

Burns has been a school bus driver for the Brunswick Central School District in Rensselaer County for nearly 14 years, and also spent a number of years driving for a neighboring district. During the height of the COVID-19 pandemic he was often seen at school and community events holding up a sign wishing students well. He's known throughout the District for his unwavering positive attitude and kindness, and is considered a true champion of student safety.

BRUNSWICK

A Return To Medieval Times

The Brunswick Community Library invites all to a demonstration by The Shire of Anglespur in the Society for Creative Anachronism. The event takes place on Saturday, August 14 from noon to 2 pm. The Library is located at 4118 NYS Route 2 (Brunswick Road) just west of the intersection with NYS Route 278. Call 518-279-4023 for more information.



Some of the demonstrators from the Shire of Anglespur in medieval dress. Photo provided.

GRAFTON

Run For The Roses

The regional 5K race known as the "Run for the Roses" returns to Grafton Lakes State park on **Sunday, August 8**. The day also includes a Nature Walk and Fun Run for the little ones.

The 5K race course, sanctioned by USATF, follows the Park Entrance Road, continues along Route 2, around the Town Park and back into the Park on Long Pond Road. The first half of the course is downhill, with uphill slopes on the second half. Water stations are near the halfway point. Mile Markers and split times will be available. The race completes under the Finish Banner. Chip timing will provide live race results.

The race begins at 9 am with registration forms available at graftoncommunitylibrary.org. The race benefits the Grafton Community Library.

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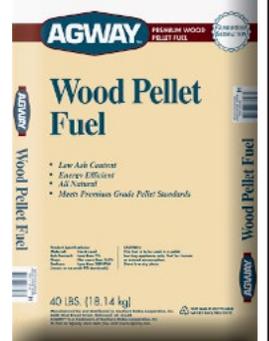
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Permits Required For Pools

The Town of Schodack Building Department reminds residents that permits are needed for swimming pools. Permits are required for any structure intended for swimming, bathing or wading that contains over 24 inches of water. This includes in ground, above ground and on ground pools, hot tubs, spas and fixed wading pools. Fences are also required for any pool with sides or walls less than 48 inches in height, per the New York State Building Code.

Furthermore, the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code states that any residential or commercial swimming pool constructed or substantially modified after December 2006 shall be equipped with an acceptable pool alarm capable of detecting a child entering the water and of giving an audible alarm.

For information on pool requirements call the Town of Schodack Building Department weekdays at 518-477-7940.

SCHODACK

Planning Board Approves Several Projects

by Denise Wright

The July 19 Schodack Planning Board meeting saw several resolutions passed, and many questions answered about upcoming projects in the town. During the public comment section, a resident inquired about blasting during the forthcoming Amazon construction. She was reassured that blasting was “not anticipated.” Another resident working on an upcoming building project near the new Amazon site voiced concerns over the validity of the acoustic study for the project. He mentioned that some of the locations used as baselines would not provide an “honest and fair” reading for all of the surrounding residences. He hopes that Scannell (the developer) would be willing to engage and work with him to create a “mutually satisfactory resolution.”

After a residential lot line adjustment, a 12.45 KW ground mount solar project by Kasselmann Solar on Jensis Road was approved. This project will contain 30 panels, be 280 feet from the residence and will not exceed a height of 10.6 feet. Nicolle Broughton was approved for a change in the tenancy of her new shop, located at 1842 Route 9. Broughton plans to open a home goods gift shop across from the Dirty Bird Antique store. She presently has one shop open in Schenectady that she has had for eight years.

The Route 9 Commercial Business

Park had its three-lot subdivision and site plan approved for its two tenants: Trojan Energy and Dibble Construction. The target to begin construction will be in mid-August.

The final project discussed was the proposed Sales Distribution center for Amazon. According to the presenter, a member of the Board worked with the landscape architect to get an alternate species list to ensure success with the longevity of the landscape. He also mentioned that because there will be a section of the retaining wall exceptionally close to the boundary line, there will be a 60-foot section of the 1550-foot wall that will have no landscaping because trees would not properly thrive in that area. A 500’ section of the wall will be raised to 22 feet at the southern property line to help with sound mitigation. There was a discussion about combining the sound barrier and retaining wall and it is presently being “evaluated on a cost perspective.” One member suggested cutting four truck parking spots to ensure a consistent 10-foot boundary along the border, but was told that would be “Amazon’s decision.” The technical review and drafting of documents on this project will continue. The Board hopes to pass a “big set of resolutions” concerning Amazon at the August 2 meeting but hopes to be able to start reviewing the documents on July 26.

BRUNSWICK

Proposed Harbor Freight Store Moves Ahead

by Doug La Rocque

While the Hannaford Grocery Market proposal continues to inch along at best, Harbor Freight’s plans to build a new store on Hoosick Road (NYS Route 7) seem to be moving ahead as fast as one can turn a socket wrench. At their July 15 meeting, the Brunswick Planning Board declared itself to be lead agency on the long form SEQRA (State Environmental Quality Review ACT) after no other involved agencies desired the job. The planners also set a public hearing for the proposal on August 5, at 7 pm.

The only objection to the plan raised so far was the proposed color of the building, at least on the side that faces Hoosick Road. The prints showed it to be a battleship grey with a red stripe. The applicants, at the first July meeting, brought samples of the tiles to be used, showing to be a much lighter color and the objections seemed to melt away.

Hannaford

This store, proposed for Lord Avenue at its intersection with Hoosick Road, requires a large amount of fill to be brought in, and now appears to be stuck in the mud. Traffic through the neighborhood along

Duncan Lane and connecting roads is a major concern to the proposal’s neighbors. They feel it will result in a significant increase in the number of vehicles traveling over streets not designed to accommodate them. They were quite vocal at a recent public hearing.

Hannaford has presented a traffic study that is based in part on a previous study that did not take into account a new traffic light on Hoosick Road at Lord Avenue, which is now approved by the NYS Department of Transportation. Hannaford’s report extrapolated the information from the previous study and determined the increase in traffic would not be significant. Several members of the Planning Board disagreed and at the July 15 meeting, decided to contract for their own study, which will by law be paid for by Hannaford. The project is set to return at the August 5 meeting as well.

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HOOSICK FALLS

Class-Action Lawsuit Settles For \$65.25 Million

by Doug La Rocque

At press time *The Eastwick Press* has learned the U.S. District Court in Albany attorneys for the complainants in a class-action lawsuit and Saint Gobain, Honeywell International and 3M have reached a preliminary settlement that would provide cash payments and long term medical monitoring for thousands of residents of Hoosick Falls and the Town of Hoosick who were found to have elevated levels of PFOA in their bloodstream. The preliminary settlement stems from a class-action lawsuit that was filed in 2016.

The settlement is subject to approval by a judge of the federal court, which most likely will not happen for several months.

The Eastwick Press will post a complete story on the settlement on our website as soon as we learn the full details of that preliminary accord.

HOOSICK FALLS

Rain, Rain Go Away The Music Is Here To Stay

submitted by Kevin O'Malley



The Bluz House Rockers in concert. Photo provided.

After a washout last weekend The Hoosick Falls Summer Concert Series is back! After a long year without "live" music, Wood Park in Hoosick Falls is ready! The Bluz House Rockers will kick things off on Friday July 23 from 6 to 9 pm.

The Bluz House Rockers are six veteran musicians from upstate New York, five of whom sing lead and harmonies. Although each member is honored by being inducted into the New York State Blues Hall of Fame, the band's broad repertoire ranges from Sinatra to the Allman Brothers.

Bluz House Rockers have had the honor of performing with many famous national acts over the years. Highlights include opening for Pat Benatar at Empire State Plaza for a crowd of 30,000 people (BHR got a rave review in the Albany Times Union the next day), opening for Johnny Rivers on July 4 at Empire State Plaza for a crowd of 20,000, performing four times at the Times Union Center Arena (15,000 seats) in Albany, including the "Millennium Spectacular" on New Year's. They also opened for national acts including Delbert McClinton, Eddie

Money, Marshall Tucker, Loverboy, Little Feat, Joan Jett, the Fabulous Thunderbirds, Rick Derringer, The Turtles and many more.

Come and have a bite to eat under the tent with the American Legion. Enjoy burgers, hot dogs and sausage and peppers. Legal beverages from The Sand Bar are also available. Other summer concerts include Neon Avenue on Friday August 6, 6 to 9 pm. Roadhouse Rhythm and Blues Band August 14. 5:30 to 8:30 pm and Westside Drive August 28. Also 5:30 to 8:30 pm.

All concerts are free and open to the public. For more information contact Kevin O'Malley at 518-894-5035.

HOOSICK FALLS

Defensive Driving Course

A six-hour point and insurance reduction course from the National Safety Council is scheduled for Saturday, July 24, at 9 am. The class will be held at the North Hoosick Fire House, located at 22106 Route 22, Hoosick Falls. You must call 518-686-4854 to preregister. The cost is \$40 and space is limited.

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Fiddlers On The Lawn Concert

The Hoosick Township Historical Society will host Fiddlers on the Lawn on Friday, July 23 at 7 pm.

The string trio features Martha von Schilgen, Stephen Deibel and Bob Morgello with a combination of 120 years experience. Bring a chair, a beverage and enjoy a relaxing start to your weekend.

The event will be held on the lawn of the Louis Miller Museum and is free and open to the public. The museum is located at 166 Main Street in Hoosick Falls. The rain date is Saturday, July 24.

Whoever has been doing the rain dance, please stop!

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BENNINGTON

Audition Call For *The Haunting*

Auditions for the Bennington Community Theater's production of *The Haunting (of Hill House)* will be held August 28 and 29 from 1 to 4 pm at the Second Congregational Church, 115 Hillside Street in Bennington. For more information, please visit bpacvt.org.

Mission Accomplished!

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eye opener," he said. Before their climb they saw elephants, lions, zebras, the Ngorongoro Crater and more.

They were on Kilimanjaro five days and four nights, sleeping in tents. They carried a day pack, but porters carried the rest of the gear. There were 13 members in their group, including two guides. They carried three different types of clothing. Garrett said, "The climate went from farming to rain forest to rocks to alpine desert to tundra. It was warm up 'til the last three days. Before the sun came up it was insanely cold. We had to wait for the sun to thaw our water bottles." He added, "you have to be mentally tough or insane; it's a mind/body thing. The weather is against you, you have or want little food or water." Temperatures at the top range from -20 to +20 degrees Fahrenheit.

"It's the coldest I've ever been! At one point I had on three pairs of gloves and my hands were still frozen! The last day was ten times harder, moving was more difficult." Acute mountain sickness from the altitude is a real issue for many.

And, of course, once you reach the top, you have to walk back down...

Garrett not only conquered the mountain, through his go fund me page, he achieved his \$10,000 goal for the Food Pantry.

What's Next

Garrett proudly admits to being a spontaneous person. "Right after college I decided to move to California," he said. Didn't matter that he didn't have a job out there. And that has worked out very well. And, on July 4, while here in Hoosick Falls, just days after the climb, he participated in a marathon!

His next goal, one or two years down the road, he says, is to walk from Cape May, NJ, where he lived his early childhood, to California. He figures to average 20 miles a day and anticipates the trip to take four months. "We'll see," he adds, "it needs more planning."

WASHINGTON, DC

House Votes To Pass PFAS Action Act

Submitted by the Office of Congressman Delgado

On Wednesday, July 21, the U.S. House of Representatives voted to pass the PFAS Action Act, legislation that would protect upstate families from exposure to dangerous PFAS chemicals. This legislation will clean up these "forever chemicals," which pose a direct threat to public health, which has been proven in Hoosick Falls and Petersburg, and introduce stronger protections against future pollution. The PFAS Action Act passed the House of Representatives with support from Democrats and Republicans.

The PFAS Action Act included two of Representative Antonio Delgado's provisions. The bipartisan PFAS Transparency Act will make it illegal for any industrial facility to introduce PFAS into a sewage treatment system without first disclosing information about that substance. The Test Your Well Water Act will help Americans who utilize private wells find resources to test their drinking water and understand test results.

"Too many children and families are being exposed

to dangerous chemical contamination that can have devastating impacts on their health and well-being," said Rep. Delgado. "We know that PFAS chemicals have been linked to cancer, asthma, liver disease and more, but for too long these chemicals have been allowed to linger in our communities. The PFAS Action Act is a critically important bill that will protect families and empower agencies to address toxic forever chemicals. I'm proud that this bill includes two of my provisions to increase transparency and help folks test their personal water supply. The Senate must vote to take up this legislation immediately – lives are on the line."

PFAS chemicals, which includes PFOA's, represent a serious public health risk to nearly all Americans, as the CDC has reported that nearly every American has PFAS in their blood. These chemicals have exposed countless men, women and children to life-threatening illness and disease, including multiple forms of cancer, liver disease, asthmas, thyroid dysfunction, infertility and impaired child development.

BENNINGTON

Medical Matters Weekly Welcomes Dara Zink Of Bennington's Project Against Violent Encounters

Southwestern Vermont Health Care's (SVHC) Medical Matters Weekly with Dr. Trey Dobson—a weekly interactive, multiplatform medical-themed talk show—will feature Dara Zink, a representative of the Project Against Violent Encounters (PAVE) on its July 28 program. The show will air at noon. Zink will discuss PAVE's efforts to decrease domestic violence and support survivors.

The show is produced with cooperation from Catamount 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.

Dara Zink is the board president for Project Against Violent Encounters (PAVE) in Bennington. She served as the organization's outreach advocate and volunteer coordinator in 2018 and 2019. Ms. Zink holds a bachelor's degree in geology from Castleton State College. In addition, Ms. Zink has worked in finan-



Dara Zink

cial services and art licensing. She is currently the office manager for the Arlington School District. She is a Road Runners Club of America Running Coach and an Empowerment Self-Defense teacher.

Upcoming guests include:

Wednesday, August 4: Alya Reeve, MD, medical director of United Counseling Service in Bennington, will discuss the most pressing mental health needs in our community.

Wednesday, August 11: Art Groux, executive director of the Bennington Rescue Squad, will discuss the Rescue Squad and its work

in our community.

Wednesday, August 18: Patricia Johnson, RN, and Caitlin Tilley, RN, of SVMC, will discuss their efforts to make vaccines available to the BIPOC community in Bennington and the surrounding area.

All shows are at noon.

To contribute questions in advance of each week's show, please e-mail wellness@svhealthcare.org or post to Facebook with #SVHCMedicalMatters Weekly.



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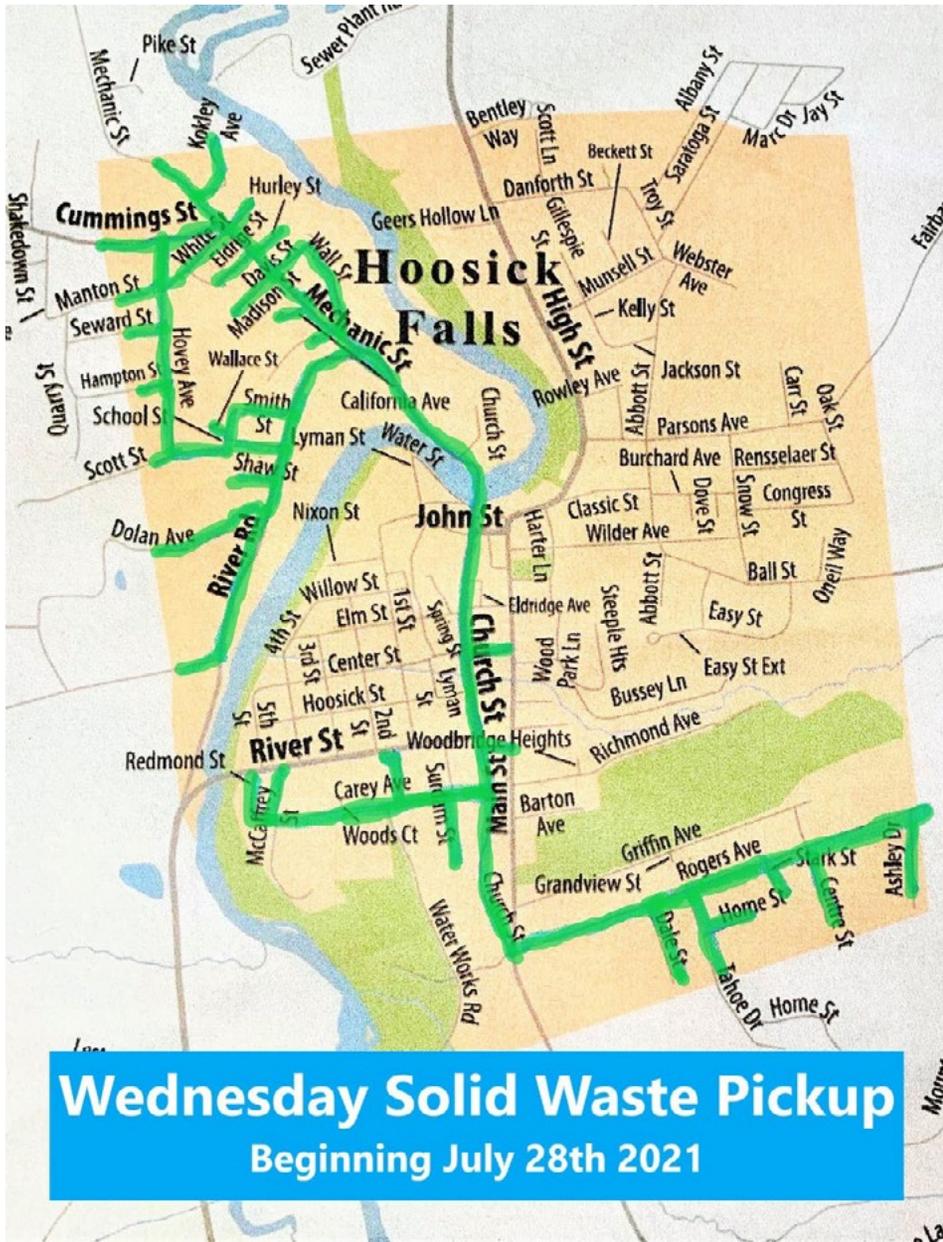
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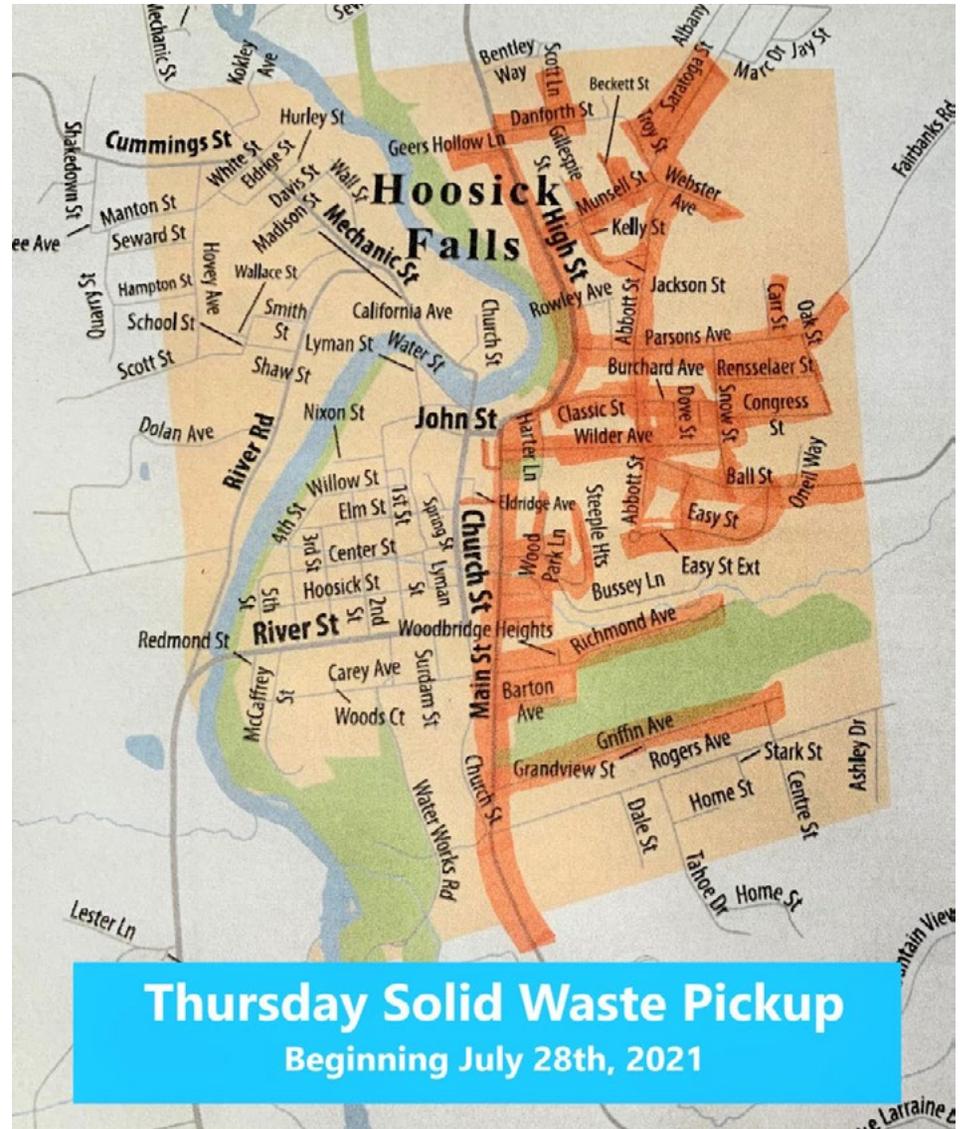
Rogers Avenue (including Dale St., Home St., Centre St., and Ashley Dr.).

The remaining properties who will stay on the Friday pickup schedule are mainly in 2nd ward – River Street, 1st through 5th St., Hoosick St., Center St., most of Elm St., Willow St., up to Nixon St., Lower John St., Lyman St., and Water St.

Flyers will be left by County Waste this week, preparing residents for the changes that go into effect next week, beginning July 28.

Larger Maps Available Online

The maps that appear on this page are reduced in size so as to conform with the confines of the newspaper. Much larger versions are available on our website: www.eastwickpress.com. They have been placed in front of the subscription wall so affected Hoosick Falls residents can view them. The maps are also available in a larger format on the Hoosick Falls website.



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NEW LEBANON

Food Giveaways

The final scheduled date for the food giveaways at New Lebanon Town Hall is July 30. The giveaways will continue however, with more dates to be determined. Please pull in at Shatford Park entering by the baseball fields 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 Tistrya Houghtling at supervisor@townofnewlebanon.com.

Food giveaways will take place rain or shine.

NEW LEBANON

Clay Pot Paint & Sip Fundraiser



The New Lebanon Library is holding its first outdoor Paint & Sip at the New Lebanon Library on Friday, July 30 at 6 pm. This event requires pre-registration, and tickets are \$26 each. The cost includes refreshments and all materials. Participants will be able to take home their creations on a 6 inch clay pot, along with seeds for planting. All proceeds are to benefit the New Lebanon Library. The rain date, if needed, will be August 6.

Save your space now as seating is limited! Please register at <https://tinyurl.com/3mfxhd89>

Submissions Deadline

Please have your submissions for the news and advertisements to us by noon on Tuesdays. Send your news submissions to news@eastwickpress.com and your advertisements to ads@eastwickpress.com.

NEW LEBANON CENTRAL SCHOOLS

Free And Reduced Price Meal Policy

NYS Child Nutrition Administration announced a free and reduced price meal (Free Milk) policy for New Lebanon Central School District area school children. Local school officials have adopted the following family eligibility criteria to assist them in determining eligibility:

2021-2022 Income Eligibility Guidelines For Free And Reduced Price Meals Or Free Milk.

Free Eligibility Scale (Free Lunch, Breakfast, Milk)

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	2 per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$ 16,744	\$ 1,396	\$ 698	\$ 644	\$ 322
2	\$ 22,646	\$1,888	\$ 944	\$ 871	\$ 436
3	\$ 28,548	\$ 2,379	\$ 1,190	\$ 1,098	\$ 549
4	\$ 34,450	\$ 2,871	\$ 1,436	\$ 1,325	\$ 663
5	\$ 40,352	\$ 3,363	\$ 1,682	\$ 1,552	\$ 776
6	\$ 46,254	\$ 3,855	\$ 1,928	\$ 1,779	\$ 890
7	\$ 52,156	\$ 4,347	\$ 2,174	\$ 2,006	\$ 1,003
8	\$ 58,058	\$ 4,839	\$ 2,420	\$ 2,233	\$ 1,117
Each Add'l person add	\$ 5,902	\$ 492	\$ 246	\$ 227	\$ 114

Reduced Price Eligibility Scale (Reduced Price Lunch, Breakfast)

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	2 per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$ 23,828	\$ 1,986	\$ 993	\$ 917	\$ 459
2	\$ 32,227	\$ 2,686	\$ 1,343	\$ 1,240	\$ 620
3	\$ 40,626	\$ 3,386	\$ 1,693	\$ 1,563	\$ 782
4	\$ 49,025	\$ 4,086	\$ 2,043	\$ 1,886	\$ 943
5	\$ 57,424	\$ 4,786	\$ 2,393	\$ 2,209	\$ 1,105
6	\$ 65,823	\$ 5,486	\$ 2,743	\$ 2,532	\$ 1,266
7	\$ 74,222	\$ 6,186	\$ 3,093	\$ 2,855	\$ 1,428
8	\$ 82,621	\$ 6,886	\$ 3,443	\$ 3,178	\$ 1,589
Each Add'l person add	\$ 8,399	\$ 700	\$ 350	\$ 324	\$ 162

NEW LEBANON

The Stranger In New Lebanon

The Theater Barn is pleased to announce their 37th Anniversary Season will continue with *The Stranger* by Agatha Christie. This time it's directed by Barn favorite John Trainor, who has appeared in every Agatha Christie presented at the The Theater Barn with the exception of two, both of which he directed.

Returning to the Theater Barn are cast members Cara Moretto and Matthew Tyler. Moretto has appeared on the Barn's stage many times before. Her Theater Barn credits include *The Nerd* as Tansy, *The Mousetrap* as Ms. Casewell and *Witness For The Prosecution* as Greta. Tyler appeared as Sherlock Holmes in *Baskerville*, A Sherlock Holmes Mystery and as Inspector Hearn in *Witness for the Prosecution*. New to the Barn's stage this year are Stephen Heskett in the role of Dick, and Sasha Conley in the role of Enid. Rounding out the cast is Associate Artistic Director Monica Bliss, making her Theater Barn debut in the role of Mrs. Huggins. The remaining showtimes are:

Friday, July 23, at 8 pm
Saturday, July 24, at 2 and 4 pm
Sunday, July 25, 2 pm

NEW LEBANON

Vaccination Rate

As of July 16, the New Lebanon vaccination rate has somewhat improved from May and June. According to data provided by Columbia County's Public Health Director, Jack Mabb, rates for having received at least one dose are:

United States (full pop)	55.8%
United States (65+)	88.9%
New York State (full)	61.4%
Columbia County (full)	59.6%
New Lebanon (0 - 19)	17.5%
New Lebanon (20 - 34)	34.3%
New Lebanon (35 - 64)	53.9%
New Lebanon (65+)	77.9%
West Lebanon (0 - 19)	---
West Lebanon (20 - 34)	31.8%
West Lebanon (35 - 64)	47.5%
West Lebanon (65+)	83.3%

The goal we must reach for herd immunity is at least 75%. Younger people obviously still lag that threshold. In the past week, a surge in new cases nationwide among unvaccinated people has many health experts worried that restrictions may have to be reimposed. Please consider getting vaccinated if you haven't done it yet.

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final submission to the State would be submitted in early October. The Town should know by the end of the year if they have the grant, and the money would be available by next spring. The Library anticipates the project would be completed by the end of 2022.

The Board agreed that the project sounds like a good idea, but since contractors have not yet even looked over the project to determine feasibility and initial design of the project, it was too early for the Board to take any action.

Transfer Station Ticket Deadline

Town Clerk Deidra Michaels said people are still coming in to get refunds on transfer station tickets purchased from the Town that can no longer be used. She asked the Board to establish a deadline for ticket refunds so this doesn't go on forever. The Board agreed, and set September 1 as the final date when the cost of old dump tickets will be refunded.

Water District

Water Operator Michelle Todd submitted her monthly water report saying the water tank is full and Well #2 continues to produce at least 30 gallons per minute. She said all water testing is up to date, and she submitted the report that she sends each month to DOH showing daily testing of chlorine residuals in the water.

Councilman Heinz Noeding said the day after he reported at last month's meeting that all paperwork was in for reimbursement under the WIIA grant and the Town is expecting a check by mid-July, the EFC which disburses the funds called to inform him of yet another bureaucratic snag, which is that they need an attestation from the Town that all contractors under this grant are paying their workers the prevailing wage. He said the Town must do some research and go through the process of verifying that said contractors are paying the prevailing wage or better, and then send in their attestation. Payments to the Town under the grant will be delayed a bit, but Noeding did not anticipate any major problems getting over this hurdle.

Cemetery Mowing

The Town received only one bid for mowing cemeteries and it was a bit of a shocker. A company from Waterford, NY offered to mow the six cemeteries listed for \$3,400 each time. The bid called for six mowings (although at this point it's hard to imagine that they still need to be mowed six times this season), so the total amount of the bid was \$20,400. The budget for mowing of the rural cemeteries this year is \$4,000, so accepting the bid was not on anyone's mind, but the problem of the overgrown cemeteries remains. The Board rejected the bid and will try to hire this contractor or someone else to mow the five main cemeteries once before Labor Day, and call it a season.

This debacle brought up the arcane subject of the Town's obligations in relation to small family cemeteries that do not have Cemetery Associations to take care of them. State laws, cemetery lists and previous practices were batted around, coming to no particular conclusion except that Town Historian Peter Schaphok said he will research the cemeteries and the state laws and try to come up with some recommendations for next year's mowing program.

Reynolds Road

Priscilla Maxon said she had done some research on Reynolds Road and found that the County owns it but the Town must maintain it. Town Supervisor Dennis Smith acknowledged that the Town must maintain the road, but several questions were raised in relation to that. Highway Superintendent Adam Beaudry asked what exactly is meant by "maintain."

The Town has been plowing that road but not doing any other work on it. The road is in bad condition and needs significant repair, and he said, "We don't have the funds to address that road this year." Other Board members asked if the County, as the owner, is obligated to pay for road maintenance, even if the Town is doing the work. It is not clear how or when this problem will be resolved, but as a first step, the Board agreed to ask Town Attorney Gruenberg to investigate the situation.

Planning Board

Planning Board Secretary Chelsea Jordan has resigned, and Deputy Town Clerk Beth Dare agreed to accept the position, so the Board appointed Beth Dare as Planning Board Secretary. In approving the Planning Board minutes, Councilman Heinz Noeding said he is troubled by the minutes, noting that both meetings were cut short by the abrupt departure of one of the Planning Board members which broke the quorum. He suggested that the Town send a letter to all members of boards and committees saying that if they can't attend meetings they should resign and allow someone else to be appointed, and also that they should plan to stay at meetings until the matters before them are resolved and the chairman adjourns the meeting. The Board agreed to sending such a letter.

The Board appointed Michael Casey to the Planning Board for a term that ends at the end of 2021, which gives the Planning Board a full complement of 7 members. He was present at the meeting and said he is committed to attending the meetings and he is retired so he should have no problems with conflicting demands on his time. Casey lives on Potter Hill Road in Petersburgh, and has lived there for 40 years. He said he is glad to have an opportunity to contribute to the community.

PVMCC Basement Flooding

The recent rains have brought a lot of water down the nearby hill which has been making its way into the basement of the PVMCC. Dennis Smith said a drain in the floor intended to let water out of the basement has lately been the entry point for water coming into the basement from hydrostatic pressure. Tim Church has been pumping out the water for days with his own equipment. The Board agreed that exploring options for installing a sump pump would be a good idea.

Highway

The new truck from Village Truck Sales is being inspected and fixed at Delurey this week and is expected to arrive ready for service later in the week. Highway Superintendent Adam Beaudry said the recent rains which washed out roads all over Rensselaer County did not affect Petersburgh too badly. He had no washouts and only one culvert plugged.

Landfill Update

Tom Berry said it is very wet and swampy on the landfill site right now, so all work on the site is suspended until it dries up a bit.

Heinz Noeding said he had received figures on how much the two towns have spent on the landfill so far, and it is \$69,000 to the engineers, \$9,000 to the attorneys and \$8,000 to contractors working at the site.

Harvest Festival

The Board agreed to allow use of the Municipal Complex for the Harvest Festival again this year, organized by Kolin and Kat of Starry Ridge Farm. It will be held on Saturday September 25, rain or shine. Plans are still being developed – details will be announced later.

PETERSBURGH

PFOA Health Study About To Begin

by Alex Brooks

An in-person public information session was held at the PVMCC in Petersburgh about a health study related to PFOA exposure that is about to begin in the area. The session was run by the two co-leaders of the study, Erin Bell of the SUNY Albany School of Public Health and Betsy Lewis-Michl from the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH). Lewis-Michl is the Director of the Division of Environmental Health Assessment at the Center for Environmental Health, which is part of the NYSDOH. The session was sponsored by the Petersburgh C-8 Committee. There were about 25 people there and it lasted about an hour.

The New York State study will look at people exposed to PFAS chemicals through drinking water in Hoosick Falls, Petersburgh and Newburgh, NY. It will share protocols with studies in six other states to form a large seven state study aimed at getting more reliable information about the health effects of exposure to PFAS chemicals, and in particular at determining what levels of exposure in drinking water and what levels in the blood are likely to have negative health effects. Bell said doctors who are caring for patients who have elevated levels of PFAS chemicals in their blood have very little guidance on what to tell those patients about their risk, what they might be able to do to lessen risk of disease and so on. She hopes this study will help to fill that void.

A community advisory committee is being formed of interested citizens from Petersburgh, Hoosick Falls and Newburgh to help guide the study and its interaction with local people.

Each state study will have 1000 adults and 300 children participating, so the overall size of the study will be 7000 adults and 2100 children.

The groups they want to include from this area are people who drank the public water in Hoosick Falls between 2006 and 2016, and people with private wells in Petersburgh which tested at 400 parts per trillion or higher. They are specifically trying to exclude those with occupational exposure, as those people should be studied separately in a study aimed at assessing occupational exposure. They also do not want firefighters or those who trained as firefighters using AFFF foam for the same reason.

Invitations to take part in the study will be sent out in mid-August, and they hope to hold clinical visits from mid-September through March. The study has leased the building at 140 Main Street in Hoosick Falls (the former CHP doctors office) and will be setting that up as the base of operations for office staff and clinical visits. They are currently hiring staff.

Participating adults will have one clinical visit, and children may possibly have two. Clinical visits will involve taking a blood sample and a urine sample, body measurements and asking questions about residential drinking water usage, occupational history and medical history. Kids will also be given cognitive and behavioral screening. Participants will get two \$25 gift cards, and kids who have additional testing will get 3 of those gift cards.

Bell said she expects it will take about two years to complete lab analysis. Overall this is a four year study, expected to be concluded by 2024. It is possible that it would be extended into a longer-term study, but that would involve a new round of funding which has not been secured yet.

Information about this study can be found at www.albany.edu/sph/pfas. Questions about it can be texted to 518-898-0276.

Eastwick Sports & Outdoors

Mototrial Series Kicks Off In Petersburgh

Round 1 of the first US OSET Cup series got off to a strong start this past Saturday, July 17, hosted by Backyard Mototrials at the Stateline Riders' club land in Petersburgh, NY. There were fourteen young competitors ranging in ages from 4-10 years old, all riding electric motorcycles, competing in what's known as Observed Mototrials.

Observed mototrials is basically a motorcycle sport where the objective is to ride through an obstacle course, also known as a section, without putting your feet down. The rider is given a score as they leave the section, with the best being a zero, or clean, and the worst being a five for either crashing, missing a gate, going through the wrong gate or breaking the section tape.

There are a total of eight sections laid out along a short trail, also called the loop, that the riders must ride a total of four times. Each section consisted of three lines ranging in difficulty from those completely new to the sport to those who have been riding for a couple years and are looking for the next challenge. At the end of the day, the rider with the lowest score in their respective class takes 1st place and so on.

While there are larger gas powered versions of these motorcycles, the ones used on this day were all electric. Youth electric powered trials motorcycles have become really popular in the sport over the past decade, the most popular being an OSET. These bikes offer many advantages for the young riders such as: lightweight, no noise, no hot parts, easy to start, adjustable power controls, low maintenance and just an absolute blast to ride.

Trials is a great sport to get any young two wheeled enthusiasts into. It provides them with a solid foundation of motorcycle riding skills that translate very well into all other forms of motorcycle riding. It's done at very slow speeds which makes many parents feel more comfortable and results in far fewer injuries.

There are three more rounds scheduled in the series with the fourth and final taking place in October. The riders will be given points for their place in each round, and the rider with the most points at the end of the series wins the championship!

TROY

Hiatt Named Pitcher Of The Week

Tri-City ValleyCats pitcher Josh Hiatt has been named the Frontier League's Pitcher of the Week after another dominant outing on July 15 at The Joe. Hiatt is the first player in franchise history to receive one of the Frontier League's weekly awards. The Tri-City ace has dominated on the mound all season, achieving a 4-1 record with an ERA of 3.09 and 37 strikeouts over 52.1 innings of work.

On July 15, Tri-City skipper Pete Incaviglia sent Hiatt to the mound for game one of a doubleheader against the visiting Washington Wild Things. Hiatt dazzled in the ValleyCats third shutout of the season, taking a no-hitter into the sixth. When all was said and done, Hiatt surrendered just three hits, walked one and struck out four over seven innings of work and eighty-six pitches.

Free Program For Teens

Announcing a free program for young people ages 14-16. Working alongside local community members, youth are invited to

- Practice outdoor living skills, like making a fire without a match or lighter
- Complete projects such as building a structure that protects a water source or helping to create a new ADA accessible trail
- Learn about ecology by identifying species in a nearby wetland with a local environmentalist
- Gain essential work experience that could inspire future job opportunities

We can access and provide stipends for up to thirty young people to participate. Dates to choose from are August 7-8 at Poestenkill Community Center, or September 25-26 at Dyken Pond Environmental Center. Programs will run from 9 am to 4 pm, and include time to work and learn, offering physical and mental challenges. For more information visit

<https://www.ryoutdoors.org/events>

Grafton Lakes State Park Events

The following programs remain during the month of July:

Family Movie Night

Friday, July 23 at 8:35 pm

Yoga On The Beach

Saturday, July 24 from 9:30 to 10:30 am

Secret Life Of A Dragonfly

Saturday, July 24 from 10:30 am until noon

Marking The Trails

Saturday, July 24 from noon to 3 pm

Uncharted Wild

Sunday, July 25 from 1 to 3 pm

What's There To Love About Snakes

Saturday, July 31 from 2 to 4 pm

Stride Brewfest With A Twist

Enjoy a fun afternoon with Stride veterans and "Ride 4 Stride" participants at the S&S Farm Brewery to raise funds for Stride Adaptive Sports programs. Join the ride or just the after party. The event takes place on Saturday, August 21 and starts at 1 pm. The Brewery is located at 174 Middle Road in Nassau. Enjoy drinks, food, live music and raffles. Stride Adaptive Sports programs benefit youth and veterans with disabilities.

Storm Clean Up Far From Over... Continued from page 1

the state, New York State Department of Financial Services, County Executive Steve McLaughlin, North Greenbush Supervisor Joe Bott and Vice Chairwoman of the Legislature Kelly Hoffman. The satellite office is staffed by a New York State Department of Financial Services representative and is located in the meeting room at the town offices at 2 Douglas Street in Wynantskill.

"The damage last week affected many residents and businesses throughout Rensselaer County. We appreciate the New York State Department of Financial Services setting up an office so quickly in North Greenbush to help everyone in the county with questions about insurance claims," said County Executive Steve McLaughlin.

"The New York State Department of Financial Services office will be a help to those looking for assistance with insurance claims, general questions about claims for damage and other related issues. We appreciate the assistance coming to our town," added Supervisor Joe Bott.

"Many residents and property owners are navigating a very confusing and challenging situation. This assistance will be a real help to those dealing with a very difficult situation," said Vice Chairwoman of the Legislature Kelly Hoffman of North Greenbush.

Residents or property owners are asked to bring a homeowner's policy, flood insurance policy, documentation of damage and others they believe may be helpful with their claim. Those who are unable to visit in person can email information to: consumers@dfs.ny.gov.

In a statement issued to *The Eastwick Press*, County Executive McLaughlin said "We are still assessing damage, and just yesterday had two more roads require closing. We are asking residents and property owners to document damage. We are seeking involvement by FEMA and that informa-

tion will be a help in that process. The county has engineers working now to review the considerable damage to our roads and bridges. Our Highway Department team has done a tremendous job responding as have emergency services and utility companies. The Executive also thanked the residents of the county who he praised for being "patient and responsive to the emergency," showing real compassion to those in need of help.

One of the towns hit hardest was Sand Lake, where Supervisor Nancy Perry told *Eastwick Press* reporter Chris Teragliafera, "it's difficult to believe it was only a week ago, but I find it touching to see everyone pulling together and persevere." She also said she was proud of how the community has reacted. "Sand Lake Strong" was the term she used to describe it. Supervisor Perry praised all involved in the rescues and clean up, in particular the town's Highway and Fire Departments.

The Taborton Road section of Sand Lake was hit particularly hard, with a huge hole in the road and several residents devastated by the flood waters. One of them was Joan Bishop of 15 Taborton Road. She told *Eastwick Press* reporter Amy Modesti, "We really, really need help. This is ground zero. It's just devastating." Bishop received mud and water damage to the basement and exterior of the house. Water is still being pumped out of her home and garage and she says she has already filled several dumpsters with debris.

In Grafton, one road was particularly impacted, that being Jay Hakes Road on the west side of the town. It has since been repaired, though Grafton Supervisor Ingrid Gundrum says the town wide state of emergency continues, as it does in Rensselaer County as a whole.



Joan Bishop holds her dog Quincey while speaking with *The Eastwick Press*. Photo by Amy Modesti.

Military Honors

New York Army National Guard Promotions

Victoria Harrington from Averill Park who is assigned to the Company G, 427th Forward Support Battalion received a promotion to the rank of corporal on May 3.

Tyler Linendoll from Eagle Bridge who is assigned to the Company C, 2nd Battalion, 108th Infantry received a promotion to the rank of private on May 19.

BENNINGTON

Shakespeare's Will

After a very successful opening production, Oldcastle Theatre Company's 49th season continues with *Shakespeare's Will*, running August 6–15. "We are so grateful to all of the people who came out to see *Visiting Mr. Green*," says Artistic Director Nathan Stith. "You could really feel the excitement about returning to live theatre. We can't wait to share this next show with everyone."

Shakespeare's Will by Canadian playwright Vern Thiessen is a one-woman show about the wife of William Shakespeare, Anne Hathaway. "This is a figure about whom little is known," says Stith, who is also directing the production. "The play sheds light on who she might have been and the struggles she had raising a family with a mostly absent husband." Ultimately, says Stith, the play is about one woman's love for her husband and children. At times funny, at times incredibly moving, Thiessen has written a poetic and beautiful piece that audiences will find both engaging and surprisingly relevant.

Playing Anne is Oldcastle favorite Katrina Ferguson. Katrina has been seen on the Oldcastle stage in *A Moon For The Misbegotten*, *Judevine*, *Engaging Shaw*, and *The Ride Down Mt. Morgan*, among others. She has also appeared off-Broadway, and in regional theatres including Dorset Theatre Festival, Ivoryton Playhouse, and New Jersey Rep, among others.

Shakespeare's Will is directed by Artistic Director Nathan Stith with scenic design by Richard Howe, costume design by Ken Mooney, lighting design by David Groupe and sound design by Cory Wheat. The production stage manager is Kristine Schlachter.

Immediately following the 2 pm show on August 7 and 8, author Gerit Quealy, *Botanical Shakespeare*, will be presenting a talk on Shakespeare's references to botanicals in his plays.

The production runs August 6–15 at Bennington Performing Arts Center—The Home of Oldcastle Theatre Company, 331 Main Street in Bennington, VT. Tickets are \$25. Performances are Wednes-



Katrina Ferguson

Student Honors

SUNY Potsdam

2020-21 SUNYAC Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll
Kristina Sanchez of Averill Park, a junior member of the women's soccer team.

Anita Reitano of Averill Park, a sophomore member of the women's lacrosse team.

Spring 2021 President's List:

Whitney Adams of Stephentown

Sydney Miller of Hoosick Falls

Maeve Morrissey of Averill Park

Anita Reitano of Averill Park

Kristina Sanchez of Averill Park

Spring 2021 Dean's List

Keana Heim of Hoosick Falls

Quinn Kinney of Hoosick Falls

Saint Michael's College

Dean's List For Spring Semester:

Elaina Lamphere, a junior environmental studies major from Petersburg.

Morgan Nichols, a senior biology major from Averill Park.

Aidan Westfall, a junior mathematics & secondary education major from Averill Park.

Rochester Institute Of Technology

Dean's List For Spring Semester:

Briana Mackey of Hoosick Falls who is in the graphic design program.

Trevor Hrubicky of Averill Park who is in the industrial engineering program.

Triston Lincoln of Averill Park who is in the computer engineering program.

Katie O'Neill-Knasick of Averill Park who is in the biochemistry program.

2020-21 Graduates

Will Clifford of Hoosick Falls received a BS in computational mathematics.

Collin Love of Stephentown received a BS in electrical engineering.

Cole Boggan of Cambridge received a BS in game design and development.

SUNY Oneonta

Spring 2021 Provost's List

Ashley Gwin of Valley Falls

Marissa Nagel of Averill Park

Nikita Norman of Eagle Bridge

Spring 2021 Dean's List

Emma Crawley of Poestenkill

Megan Francoeur of New Lebanon

Brecke Gifford of Eagle Bridge

Sam Haita of Stephentown

Julia Huntley of Averill Park

Ariel Loucks of Averill Park

Julia Manny of Averill Park

Shyanne Sherwin of Eagle Bridge

Aaliyah Stalker of New Lebanon

Andrew Stevens of Hoosick Falls

Jamie VanDeWater of Cambridge

Amelia Wilson of Averill Park

Shakespeare's Will

day–Saturday at 7:30 pm and Saturday–Sunday at 2 pm, with a Pay What You Will night on Wednesday, August 11. Face masks are encouraged but not required for this production. Get tickets online at oldcastletheatre.org/tickets, by phone at 802-447-0564 or in person 90 minutes prior to each performance.

Michael J. DeVito of Averill Park graduated from Western New England University with a MS in Law.
Claire Flynn of Averill Park was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester of the 2020-21 academic year at Illinois Wesleyan University.

Evan Crumb of Cambridge was named to the College of the Holy Cross Spring 2021 Dean's List.

Hannah Warrender of Averill Park has been named to Emerson College's Dean's List for the Spring 2021 semester.

James Weber of Hoosick Falls graduated from the Vermont Tech Practical Nursing certificate program in the spring of 2021.

Thomas K. Hacker of Averill Park made the Dean's List at Wentworth Institute of Technology for the Spring 2021 semester.

Emily Lubas of Poestenkill earned Dean's List honors at The University of Tampa for the Spring 2021 semester.

Hannah Katz of Averill Park received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Hamilton College and has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2021 semester.

Siena College

Spring 2021 President's List

Stephen Clemens of Averill Park

Spring 2021 Dean's List

Margaret Berger of Averill Park

Zachary Brimmer of Poestenkill

Trevor Collins of Poestenkill

Mackenzi Flynn of Averill Park

Dylan Hansen of Averill Park

Sarah Kennelly of Melrose

Lillian Kronau of Poestenkill

Carson McLenithan of Cambridge

Matthew Morin of Averill Park

Bridey Nolan of Eagle Bridge

Megan O'Brien of New Lebanon

Amy Perry of Eagle Bridge

Laura Vellucci of Buskirk

Spring 2021 President's List

Nora Kipp of Hoosick Falls

Allison Perry of Eagle Bridge

Sebastian Rossi of Melrose

Emily Schafer of East Nassau

Madison Scott of Petersburg

Sydney Smith of New Lebanon

Victoria Vellucci of Buskirk

Scholarships

Pine Cobble Scholarships Available

Pine Cobble School offers endowed need-based scholarships, open to qualified new students entering grades 4-8. This year's scholarship opportunities include both partial and full tuition scholarships for each academic year the student attends Pine Cobble School, as long as the student remains in good standing.

Guidelines: Scholarships are awarded to select new students who have a love for learning, a natural curiosity and a record of outstanding citizenship. As with all Pine Cobble applicants, students interested in applying for a scholarship must demonstrate the character pillars that are important to the Pine Cobble community. Those pillars are compassion, courage, honesty, respect, responsibility, awareness of self/others, gratitude, patience and cooperation. Scholars must be enthusiastic about joining Pine Cobble School's community of talented students, strong leaders and thoughtful individuals.

Classified Ads

Help Wanted

Caregiver Needed – Looking for someone dependable, caring and trustworthy who has experience working with the elderly. Offers medical and dental insurance after 90 days. \$17 per hour. Monday through Friday 7:30 am to 3:30 pm. If interested please email me at huntnfish40@yahoo.com.

Cook Opening – The Berlin Central School District has an eight hour opening for a Cook. Requirement of one year experience in large scale cooking. Must maintain clean, neat appearance, practice personal hygiene as required by the health department, work from oral and written direction from Cook Manager or Food Service Director, follow federal and state regulations, and maintain excellent working relationships with all segments of the school community. Knowledge and ability to work independently and supervise work of food service workers, prepare, cook, produce and serve quality meals, general cleaning duties, order and maintain inventory and computer skills required. Driver's license is also required. Moderate physical activities include lifting and carrying 50+ lbs. Ability to maintain confidentiality. Send cover letter and resume to Tammy Whitman by July 30, 2021, BCSD Business Office, P.O. Box 259, Berlin, NY 12022 or whitman@berlincentral.org.



Taconic, a global leader in the manufacturing of PTFE coated fiberglass fabric, belts and tapes has the following opportunities available in our Corporate Office in Petersburg, NY:

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- BELTING FABRICATORS
- CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE (1st Shift)
- MAINTENANCE MECHANIC (2nd Shift)
- QUALITY LAB TECHNICIAN (1st Shift)

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www.4taconic.com EOE/AAP**

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company (LLC): SDBH LLC Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 5/19/2021. Office Location: Rensselaer County. The 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, PO Box 117, Cherry Plain NY 12040. Purpose: Any lawful purpose or activity.

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 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.

Notice of formation of Angela Mia Photography LLC Arts. of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/16/2021. Office location, County of Rensselaer. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 51 Munro Ct, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: any lawful act.

PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF NEW LEBANON
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of New Lebanon on August 10, 2021 at 6:45 pm at 14755 Route 22 North, New Lebanon, New York, 12125 regarding the adoption of Introductory Local Law No. 2 (to be officially LL#3 of 2021) of the Town of New Lebanon for the year 2021. Introductory Local Law No. 2 of the Town of New Lebanon for the year 2021 would amend Chapter 16 of the Code of the Town of New Lebanon.

Copies of said proposed Local Law are available for review at the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of New Lebanon, 14755 Route 22 North, New Lebanon, New York, 12125 and the proposed local law can be viewed on the town website at www.townofnewlebanon.com.

Participation by the public will be in person at the New Lebanon Town Hall.

Marcie Robertson
Town of New Lebanon
Town Clerk
7/19/2021

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS
CONCRETE AND MATERIALS FOR SKATEPARK
TOWN OF NEW LEBANON
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of New Lebanon, NY is seeking bids for the following materials for a concrete pad to house a skatepark at Shatford Park, the Town's Municipal Public Park. All materials must be delivered to Shatford Park, 170 Old Post Road, New Lebanon, NY, 12125.

1) Concrete with specifications as defined in the document titled "Section 033000 – Cast-in-place Concrete"

2) Steel Reinforcement with specifications as defined in the document titled "Section 032100 – Steel Reinforcement for Concrete"

All bids must adhere to all the specifications laid out in the above two documents and in line with the slab detail as drawn and defined in the document titled "Slab Detail Mod (1)". All specification and drawing documents can be obtained by emailing townclerk@townofnewlebanon.com.

Bids will be received by the Town Clerk of the Town of New Lebanon, NY, Town Hall, 14755 Route 22 North, New Lebanon, NY 12125 until 4 pm on or before Friday, August 6, 2021, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud, with the contract being awarded, if acceptable, on August 10, 2021, 7 pm at a Regular Meeting of the Town Board at 14755 Route 22, New Lebanon, NY 12125.

No bid will be accepted unless a signed Certificate of Non-Collusion is submitted with the bid. All bids must be submitted in a plain, unmarked envelope with "Concrete Bid" written on the envelope.

The Town of New Lebanon Town Board expressly reserves the right to waive any irregularities in or to accept any bid or to reject any and all bids or to award on any or all items. No bidder may withdraw his/her bid within twenty-five (25) days after the actual date of the bid opening.

By order of the Town Board, Town of New Lebanon, New York.

By: Marcie Robertson
Town Clerk
Town of New Lebanon, NY
7/19/2021

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: Hanging On By A String LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 3/15/2021. 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, 689 Hoosick Rd PMB 145, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: 484 LOUDON, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 6/29/2021. 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, 124 Lord Ave, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

PUBLIC NOTICES

SURPLUS ITEM
TOWN OF NEW LEBANON
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NEW LEBANON TOWN BOARD is seeking bids for the sale of the surplus item:

1988 Champion Grader 6X4 drive, front wheel tilt, 12ft. mold board, 5,379 hours, good operational condition.

The Grader is available for viewing at the the front and must include a "non-collusive bidding certificate." Bids must be received in the office of the Town Clerk at the New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 Route 22, P.O. Box 328, New Lebanon, NY, 12125 no later than 4 pm on Friday, September 10, 2021. Bids will be opened at the Office of the Town Clerk at 4 pm on Friday, September 10, 2021 and will be considered by the New Lebanon Town Board at the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 to be held at the New Lebanon Town Hall at 7 pm. The Town Board and the Highway Superintendent reserve the right to reject or accept all bids.
Marcie Robertson
New Lebanon Town Clerk
7/19/2021

Notice of formation domestic of **MR. EXOTICS LLC**. Articles of Org. filed with NY Secretary of State (NS) on April 1, 2021 office location: Rensselaer County, NS is designated as agent upon whom process may be served, NS shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her to Brandon Futia, 120 Liberty Road, Troy, NY 12180 Purpose: Any lawful activity.

Chabacano LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 5/26/21. 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, 1467 5th Avenue, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation domestic of **T and C Containers LLC**. Articles of Org. filed with NY Secretary of State (NS) on June 29, 2021 office location: Rensselaer County, NS is designated as agent upon whom process may be served, NS shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her to Mark Coyne, 12 Inglewood Rd., East Greenbush NY 12061. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: **Sunflower Fields Forever LLC**. Articles or organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 5/3/2021. 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, 3862 State Route 7, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

Bees & Baas LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/11/21. 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, 924 Stony Point Road, Castleton, NY 12033]. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of **77 SCOTT OPERATING LLC**. Art/Org filed w/SSNY on 4/26/21. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent for svc/proc & shall mail to: 90 State St #700-40, Albany, NY, 12207. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PLLC

Notice of formation of Professional Service Limited Liability Company (LLC). Name: **ROBIN CONNOLLY NURSE PRACTITIONER IN FAMILY HEALTH PLLC** Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on June 3, 2021. County of office location: Rensselaer County. Street address of the principal business location of the PLLC: Robin Connolly Nurse Practitioner in Family Health PLLC, 12 Edward Street, Valley Falls, NY 12185. The 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: Robin Connolly Nurse Practitioner in Family Health PLLC with an address of: 12 Edward Street, Valley Falls, NY 12185. Purpose: the professional service limited liability company shall practice the profession of Nurse Practitioner in Family Health.

PUBLIC NOTICES

File No. 2019-42

CITATION
SURROGATE'S COURT, RENSSELAER COUNTY
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
By the Grace of God Free and Independent

TO: New York State Attorney General

John Doe, if living and if dead, to his heirs at law, next of kin and distributees whose names and places of residence are unknown and if he died subsequent to the decedent herein, to his executors, administrators, legatees, devisees, assignees and successors in interest whose name and places of residence are unknown and to all other heirs at law, next of kin and distributees of Josefina Pancic a/k/a Josefa Cruz Cebrian, the decedent herein, whose names and places of residence are unknown and cannot after diligent inquiry be ascertained and to Purification Cruz Cebrian, Carmen Cruz Cebrian, Dolores Cruz Cebrian, Eduardo Cruz Cebrian and Esther Cruz Cebrian whose whereabouts are unknown.

A petition having been duly filed by Carina A. Mahar, who is domiciled at 1525 Red Mill Road, Rensselaer, NY 12144.

YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, Rensselaer County, 80 Second Street, Troy, New York, on July 28, 2021, at 10:00 AM o'clock in the fore noon of that day, why a decree should not be made in the estate of Josefina Pancic lately domiciled at 10 Fairlawn Avenue, Rensselaer, NY 12144 admitting to probate a will dated March 10, 2015, a copy of which is attached, as the will of Josefina Pancic deceased, relating to real and personal property, and directing that Letters Testamentary issue to Carina A. Mahar.

[] Further relief sought (if any): none.
Dated, Attested, and Sealed,
HON.

Paul V. Morgan, Surrogate
Seal

Susan Wilson, Chief Clerk
William D. Pfeiffer
The Pfeiffer Law Firm PLLC
(518) 407-0347
20 Corporate Woods Blvd, Albany, New York 12211
Address

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Bennington Cinemas

Friday 7/23 – Thursday 7/29

Old (PG13) 1:20 4:00 7:00 9:15

Snake Eyes (PG13) 1:30 4:15 7:00 9:25

Black Widow (PG13) 1:00 3:45 6:45 9:25

F9: The Fast Saga (PG13) 12:45 3:45 6:40 9:25

Space Jam: A New Legacy (PG) 1:25 4:15 7:00 9:20

The Boss Baby: Family Business (PG) 1:30 4:00

The Forever Purge (R) 7:05 9:15

Peter Rabbit 2: The Runaway (PG) 1:00 3:00 7:15

The Hitman's Wife's Bodyguard (R) 5:00 9:05

Hathaway's Twin Drive-in Theatre

Friday 7/23 & Saturday 7/24

Screen 1: Snake Eyes (PG13) 8:25 pm

Screen 2: **A Quiet Place Part II** (PG13) 8:35 pm

Space Jam: A New Legacy (PG) 10:30 pm

Black Widow (PG13) 10:10 pm

Sunday 7/25

Screen 1: **Snake Eyes** (PG13) 8:25 pm

Screen 2: **A Quiet Place Part II** (PG13) 8:35 pm

Hollywood Drive-in Theatre

Friday 7/23, Saturday 7/24 and Sunday 7/25

Black Widow (PG13) at approximately 8:45 pm

Cruella (PG13) at approximately 11:05 pm

Images Cinema

Roadrunner: A Film About Anthony Bourdain 7/16 - 7/29 at 4:30 pm and 7:30 pm

Moana 7/25 at 8 pm – Family Flicks Under The Stars

Charade 8/1 at 8 pm – Family Flicks Under The Stars

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Theme: Legendary Athletes

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- TV tube in days of yore
- Proof of age, pl.
- Medicinal succulent
- Toward shelter, nautically
- White heron
- Poet ____ Angelou
- Where a bib is tied
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- *First African American to play in MLB
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- Italian vermouth brand
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- Informal wear
- "The Man Who ____ Too Much"
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- Hay spot
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- Fastener
- Move a plant
- *Pele or Bob Feller when they debuted
- Armenia's neighbor
- Cabinet div.
- Dirty dwelling
- Declares invalid
- Encourage, two words
- *NHL's "The Great One"
- Very angry
- Type of English course, for short
- Where women are from?
- "To death" in France
- Florence Nightingale, e.g.
- Mountain goat terrain
- Opposite of cathode
- Himalayan country
- *Track and field star of 1936 Olympics
- Frozen rain
- "____ at ease"
- *He simultaneously played in MLB and NFL
- Ginger beer in a cocktail, e.g.
- Pen point
- Sea in the Mediterranean
- Yo-Yo Ma's instrument
- Talks like a chicken
- Overfamiliar from overuse
- Terminate, as in mission
- Same as eon
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Community Calendar

Fridays through Labor Day

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

Saturdays through October

Bennington Farmers Market, 10 am - 1 pm, by the deer park, across from Taste Freeze, 100 Memorial Drive

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

July 22, Thursday

Bennington Battlefield guided tour of Dragoon Breastworks, River Flats & Tory Fort, a mix of driving & walking, begin at Battlefield flag pole, 5 pm

July 22 - 25, Thursday - Sunday

The Stranger by Agatha Christie, The Theater Barn, 654 Route 20, New Lebanon, NY, \$30-\$35, visit www.theaterbarn.org or call 518-794-8989.

July 23, Friday

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

July 24, Saturday

"Preserving the Bounty of the Garden" with Chef Linda Romeo, 10-11 am \$10, registration required, Spencertown Town Park Pavillion, 816 Route 203, Spencertown, presented by Spencertown Academy

Hubbard Hall Free Concert on the Great Lawn with Athena Burke, 6 pm, bring blanket/chair, limited number inside in case of rain, 25 East Main St., Cambridge

Dyken Pond Mindful Nature Walk with Sandy Wilson from Spirit of Dragonflies, LLC, 1-3 pm, donations accepted, 475 Dyken Pond Road, Cropsyville, dykenpond@gmail.com or 518-658-2055

July 25, Sunday

Tickets go on sale for The Roots Concert, Sunday, August 22, 8 pm, outside, MASS MoCA, 1040 MASS MoCA Way, North Adams, MA
Dyken Pond, rent a kayak, basic instruction, guided paddle \$10, limited to 10 boats, 475 Dyken Pond Road, Cropsyville, dykenpond@gmail.com or 518-658-2055

July 26 - 30, Monday - Friday

Teen & Children's Dance Week, 2 separate groups, ages 5-10 years & ages 11-17, \$125, contact [Hubbard hall.org](http://Hubbardhall.org) or 518-677-2495, ext. 314

July 27, Tuesday

Brunswick Summer Concert, The

Lustre Kings (Rockabilly), 6:30 pm, Brunswick Community Center, 18 Keyes Lane

July 28, Wednesday

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

July 28 & 29, Wednesday & Thursday

Auditions for Bennington Community theater's production of The Haunting (of Hill House), 1-4 pm, Second Congregational Church, 115 Hillside St., Bennington, VT

July 30, Friday

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

Dyken Pond, enjoy an evening guided paddle \$10, limited to 10 boats, 475 Dyken Pond Road, Cropsyville, dykenpond@gmail.com or 518-658-2055

July 31, Saturday

Bennington Battlefield Musket Demonstrations, 12-1 pm, brief lecture on weapons used in Battle of Bennington, near hilltop tent (program canceled for rain)

Hubbard Hall Free Concert on the Great Lawn with Men o' War Balladeers, 6 pm, bring blanket/chair, limited number inside in case of rain, 25 East Main St., Cambridge

August 1, Sunday

Dyken Pond, rent a kayak, basic instruction, guided paddle \$10, limited to 10 boats, 475 Dyken Pond Road, Cropsyville, dykenpond@gmail.com or 518-658-2055

August 2 - 6, Monday - Friday

Irish Dance Week, any age with at least one year Irish Step experience, evenings, \$100, register at [Hubbard hall.org](http://Hubbardhall.org) or 518-677-2495, ext. 314

August 8, Sunday

Fish Creek Rod & Gun Club Breakfast, 8-11 am, \$8 adult, \$4 child, NY Route 32, Schuylerville

Meetings

July 22, Thursday

Berlin Planning Board, 6:30 pm, Municipal Complex
Schodack Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

July 26, Monday

Grafton Town Board Workshop, 6:30 pm, Town Hall
Petersburgh Planning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

July 27, Tuesday

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

July 29, Tuesday

Hoosick Falls School Safety Public Hearing, 6 pm

Senior News



Pat Lacroix, President of the Hoosick area seniors, Jim Meyer with Humana, and Donna Lockrow

Hoosick Falls Senior Center

The Hoosick Falls Senior Center, 69 Church Street, Hoosick Falls, is open Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to 3 pm. State and County guidelines will be posted and must be followed. There will be limited van transportation to and from the center. You must call in advance to be added to the list. In addition to Wednesdays and Thursdays, the center will open from 10 am to noon on Mondays for those that wish to play cards. Gather a team or come alone and join the group that is here. There is no van transportation on Mondays. Grab-n-Go meals will be available as you leave.

Wednesday, July 28, lunch will be Fish Filet with butter, rice and vegetable. Followed by a fun game of Senior Challenge. You won't want to miss the fun. All residents 60 and over are invited to join us for the events.

Thursday, July 29, lunch will be Stuffed shells with sauce and a vegetable. Followed by Penny Bingo. All are invited to participate.

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.

Grab-N-Go Meals

The Hoosick Falls Senior Center offers Home Delivered Meals (HDM) for residents 60 and over that do not drive. HDM provides a healthy meal Monday through Friday, to allow residents to safely remain in their home. If you know of a senior that could benefit from this service, please share this information with them. All referrals for HDM need to be made by calling 518-270-2040.

At this time, the center is also offering Grab-n-Go meals for those that do drive, Monday to Friday. Call 518-686-7561 to be added to the list, and then drive your car up to the main door and staff will deliver a take-out meal to your car.

There is a suggested donation of \$3 per meal, whether you choose Home Delivery Meals, Grab-n-Go meals, congregate meals at the center or a combination of any of the above.

Ice Cream Social Sponsored by Humana

With the reopening of the Hoosick

Valley Senior Center, residents 60 and over are getting back to fun activities. On Wednesday, July 14 following lunch and a fun game of trivia, those in attendance enjoyed an ice cream social sponsored by Humana. We encourage everyone over 60 to come and join the good times.

Grafton Senior Center

Rensselaer County's Everett Wagar Senior Center, 2 Roxborough Rd, Cropsyville, is open on

Tuesdays from 9 am to 3 pm. State and County Guidelines will be posted and must be followed at all times. There will not be van transportation to and from the center at this time. In addition to Tuesdays, the center will be open on Thursdays from 10 to 11 am to offer Chair Yoga to residents 60 and over. Yoga is also offered on Tuesdays.

Tuesday, July 27, lunch will be Sloppy Joes with Corn. Following lunch seniors are invited to stay for Bingo and games. 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. There is a \$3 suggested donation for each meal.

Seniors are encouraged to visit other senior centers that are open on days Grafton's center is closed. If you have questions, or want to be added to the lunch list, please call 518-279-3413.

Lebanon Valley Seniors

Lebanon Valley Seniors monthly meeting are held on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month. Meetings are at 1 pm at the New Lebanon Firehouse. Upcoming events at this time include an August 18, Tri-Village seniors Lake George Boat Cruise and Lunch, and a 3-day Amish trip August 25-27. The Amish trip includes Sight & Sound Theater, visits to Good & Plenty and the Amish stores. All trip info will be sent through email and available at the meetings. We suggest for all away events that you have a mask with you. For details, information or to reserve, come to the meetings or call Mary Defreest at 518-733-0009.

We will be collecting items for the Backpack program at the August 20 meeting. You may donate whatever you think a child would need for the upcoming school year. We would also like to thank everyone for supporting our July 17 bake sale. It was a huge success.

Stephentown Seniors

The Stepentown Seniors will resume their biweekly meetings starting on Thursday, August 5. The Seniors will meet the first and third Thursdays of each month at 1 pm. Meetings will be held at the Town Hall on Grange Hall Road, not at the Fire Hall.

Anyone 50 or over is invited to join the Stepentown Seniors. Guests are always welcome. For further information call Judy Hunt at 518-733-5755.

Obituaries

Roseanna R. Sweener

Stephentown, NY - Roseanna Ruth Sweener was born on June 4, 1937, and passed away peacefully in her home on July 10, 2021. She was the youngest child born to Helen Johnson and Earl Williams. Rosie, as she was affectionately known, was predeceased by her spouse, Ulysses F. Sweener, Jr. She was also predeceased by her biological sister, Earlene Williams Hatch, and brothers George and Henry Loomis. As a newlywed in 1955, Rosie worked in a shoe factory, as a waitress in a bowling alley, and took time to raise her three children Bernard (Kelly) Sweener, of Troy, Ronald (Leslie) Sweener, of Stephentown, and Tina (Dave) Kroboth, of New Lebanon, who loved her deeply. She is the grandmother of 4 children, Jessica (Stratton) Dikeman, Nicole Lorenzini Sweener, Damon (Megan) Kroboth and Dustin Sweener. Rosie is the proud great grandmother of Ryley and Jocelyn Dikeman, Darian Furlani, and Ava Kroboth. She was a lover of dogs and leaves behind her constant companion, Artie.

During her years of childrearing and being a housewife, Rosie worked as a caretaker of several homes on Partridge Lane. She and Ulysses would often work caretaking those homes together, often on a daily basis. Rosie and Junior became close friends to many of the people they worked for over the years. The family would like to thank those who cared for Rosie so lovingly over the past 6 months: Lori Mullaly, Art Sousa, Leslie Sweener, and nieces Leona Geerholt and Joanna Jackson Sweener.

A viewing was held at Hall & Higgins Funeral Home in Stephentown on Thursday, July 15. Donations can be made in Rosie's memory to the Stephentown Volunteer Fire Department, who were always there when needed. Special thanks to Rick McClave. Visit www.parkerbrosmemorial.com to leave a message of sympathy.

Church News

First Baptist Church Bible School

Anchored – Deepening Faith In God, weekend vacation Bible school. Saturday, August 7, from 9 am to 3 pm at the First Baptist Church, 80 Main Street, Hoosick Falls.

Dive into a wild weekend. Join the crew at the Coral Reef to celebrate God's unfathomable love and faithful friendship. Registration forms will be located at the First Baptist Church and Wood Park registration, Wednesday evening, July 28, during the band concert. Crews need to be preregistered by Wednesday, August 4. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 518-686-5779.

Zion's United Church Summer Festival

Come join us on August 7 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 fish pond, 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.

Gilead Lutheran Church

Gilead Lutheran Church is holding worship services in our beautiful outdoor setting. Service takes place

Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. We also offer Communion each week. In the event of inclement weather, we will move inside.

Chicken BBQ

Gilead Lutheran Church will be holding their annual chicken BBQ on Saturday, September 11 from 4-6 pm, prepared by our own cooks. Dinner will consist of a half chicken, baked potato, whole ear of corn, coleslaw, roll, along with brownies and cookies for dessert. The cost is \$12 and will be take-out only. Please call Jen Blair at 518-248-1295 to reserve a dinner.

Gilead's Body & Soul Pantry

Our summer hours are 3 to 5 pm on the last Thursday of the 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, on any of the above, please leave a message at 518-279-9270 and someone will return your call. Our web site is gileadlutheran.org.

Johnsonville Thrift Shop

The Johnsonville Methodist Church will be having its Thrift Shop on Wednesdays from 9 am to 12 pm and the first Saturday of the month 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.

David H. Pierce

Stephentown, NY - David H. Pierce passed away June 12, 2021, at the age of 64. He was born September 6, 1956 in New Bedford, Massachusetts to the late Alexander S. and Beatrice D. Pierce. David attended St. John the Baptist School and Cushman Elementary School. After the family moved to Florida, he briefly attended Sunset Elementary School in Coral Gables before attending and graduating from Tabor Academy in Marion, Massachusetts.

David was a hard working, kind, generous man and a caring friend with a notorious sense of humor. He was loved by many.

David was employed in home construction businesses in Florida and New York. He was a skilled carpenter, avid NASCAR and NHRA fan, and a master mechanic. Skateboarding, surfing, sailing, speed boats, motorcycles, dirt bikes, go-carts, restoring high performance classic cars, competing in dragster and sprint car races, pit crewing for several friends and fellow drag and sprint car racing enthusiasts were some of the many recreational activities he joyfully engaged in throughout his life.

David is survived by three beloved daughters, Ellen of Las Vegas, NV, twins Samantha and Alexandra of New Lebanon, and sisters Deborah and Elsa Pierce.

David's extended family, Jennifer G. McKeon, Jane G. Muckle, Joyce G. O'Brien and Janice G. Topor were very important in his life and he considered them a part of his circle.

In addition to his parents, David is preceded in death by his brothers Mark and Alexander S. Pierce, Jr.

A memorial service to celebrate David's life will be held at the Lebanon Valley Speedway Sunday July 25, 2021 at 9 am.

A Note Of Thanks From The Hammond Family

We would like to thank Dad's friends and family for all the kindness you showed our father, the visits, the gifts and the donations to Liberty ARC, where his oldest grandson resides. We also wish to thank the staff at the Thomas M. Barber Funeral Homes for their care, kindness and excellent service during our time of grief.

With the deepest gratitude,

Becky and family; Paul, Jean and family

Ed Taylor Memorial

To all the State, Local and Federal organizations, plus friends, neighbors, and the people of the Town of Hoosick and the Village of Hoosick Falls, that didn't even know Dad or me, but worked together on that Saturday one year ago on July 25, to find my Dad, I want to say thank you.

You all gave up a beautiful Saturday to spend the entire day looking for him. I saw him at 10:30 pm and he was getting dressed. I asked him where he was going, and he told me he was going home. For him, going home meant freedom to go where he wanted and do what he wanted to do. That nothing would be closed. He could go shopping, see bands in the park and go to church and see people. I told him that if he waited till morning we could have breakfast and then leave for Elmira.

He got undressed and crawled back into bed. I went to bed on the other end of the house thinking he would go back to sleep and I would see him in the morning. Not being able to do anything except mow the lawn, he wasn't tired enough to sleep all night. Anyone who knew my Dad knew how active he was.

That didn't happen. When I got up at 6 am the lights were on in the kitchen and bathroom and Dad was gone. I left and drove around the village looking for him. At 6:45 am I went to the village police and had an officer come in. I told I'm what had happened and he said he would look for him where he had found him before. When he called me I met him in front of the church, and he told me we needed to call in the troops. We all know what that means: every organization, police agency, dogs, a helicopter and village residents willing to give up a Saturday and look for the missing person. I did as I was told and stayed home praying he would be found but wanting to take Peanuts and look for Papa.

The Chief came by at 9 pm and told me they would look all night. He wasn't calling off the search. He came back two hours later and told me Dad had been found. He had fallen and had a large gash on his forehead and looked like he had a broken neck, and that he didn't suffer.

He went home, not an earthly home, but his heavenly home. He was now with his wife and his Lord and Savior. I can't wish him back, but I miss him everyday.

Just saying thank you doesn't seem like enough. Know I will always be grateful for everything you have done, and all the kind words and love you have shown me.

Love in Christ,
Debbie

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Monarchs Return Again



This Monarch Butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*) visits a Common Milkweed (*Asclepias syriaca*) flower to sip nectar. Monarchs are in our area now laying eggs on milkweed plants. To develop a way station for these beautiful butterflies, see <https://monarchwatch.org/way-stations/>. A new book (*Bicycling with Butterflies* by Sara Dykman) documents her 10,201 mile journey following their migration. This photo was taken last week in Petersburg by Trix Niernberger.

The Life Of George Holcomb

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

John F. Agrees To Keep School This Winter

Thursday, November 14, 1850: I drove the ox team to plow sward on my Rodgers farm and John F. held plow. Today Geo P. made scaffolding and began to shingle the east side of the roof of my Rodgers house.

Friday: Today I went with my one horse wagon and Charles Palmer with me to Berlin to upper village to Mr. Hall's to see if I could buy sheep, but his price too high, it was one dol 81 cts per head, to pick them. I did not look at them. Today Geo P. and Simeon Wylie Jr. shingled on my Rodgers house and this forenoon Mr. Tanner came and skinned two of my hogs, weight 44 pounds and paid three cents per and Russel Palmer had the pork at five and a half cents per, weight of them 254 and 205 pounds. It came to 25 dol 25 cents and Palmer paid me nine dollars and 25 cents. I this evening took my one horse wagon and carried said pork to Palmer.

Saturday: I and Geo P. went out to my Fairbanks lot to look and see if there was timber to fence it. Mr. Eber Moffitt went with us. Today my wife went with us and visited to said Moffitt's

and we took dinner to said Moffitt's. Geo P. walked home from Moffitt's and I and my wife stayed til nearly night. Today John F. plowed sward and he and Simeon Wylie Jr. finished shingling on my Rodgers house.

Sunday: Today my two sons rode out to Samuel Beers and John F. gave his two sons an answer, he would keep their school at 14 dol per, they being trustees. On the way home Geo P. rode to John Wylie's and fetched Sarah home, today a snow storm.

Monday: This evening John F. walked to the school inspector Eber Rollo and got a certificate to keep school.

Tuesday: I and my two sons went onto my Fairbank lot and Geo P. paid Squ Strait one dollar to survey the lot. Ralph Chapman and Mr Whitman helped for they had land joining. John F. and I drew out rail cuts and Ezra and Nathan Sackett chopped rail timber for Geo P. When I returned home I went to Eber Moffitt's and carried him two bushel turnips to pay him for going with me to show me the bounds on my Fairbank lot and to watch and keep people from pilfering my timber.

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