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STEPHENTOWN

PFOAs Detected at Mountain View Trailer Park *Levels Only Slightly Elevated*

The Rensselaer County Department of Health issued an advisory on Monday, April 18, that the two wells that service the Mountain View Trailer Park on Route 22 showed PFOA levels above the State's Maximum Contamination Level (MCL) of 10 parts per trillion (ppt). These levels however, are only slightly elevated, according to Town Supervisor P.J. Roder who indicated the reported readings were 10.75 ppt on Well 1 and 12.5 ppt on Well 2. Supervisor Roder told those in attendance at the Town Council's Monday night meeting he has received some guidance from the NYS Health Department that levels this low are not a significant concern and no additional protection steps need to be implemented at this time. He also indicated the levels come from 4th quarter testing in 2021 and that the tests conducted in each of the first three quarters did not show the higher than acceptable levels.

Mountain View Park has a private water system, but as it feeds nearly 80 mobile homes, it falls under public system rules, and must be tested for a number of contaminants each quarter.

Where Is It Coming From?

According to Supervisor Roder, unlike the situation in Hoosick Falls, Petersburg and perhaps Poestenkill, the current thinking is there is not a particular site polluting all area wells but might

be a direct result of previous sewer discharges involving household items, which can create these ppt levels. He indicates it is unlikely there is any danger of this spreading to other parts of the Town. Just the same, the Rensselaer County Director of Public Health Mary Fran Wachunas says "We have taken the necessary action to inform residents of the situation and to provide owners of the Mountain View Park with steps to improve the situation."

According to the Rensselaer County release the owners of the park must hire a consulting engineer within 30 days to perform a feasibility study and submit the results to the

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The entrance to the Mountain View Park along NYS Route 22 in Stephentown. Photo by Doug La Rocque.

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HOOSICK FALLS

Lions Club Penny Hunt

After one rain out the Lions moved inside the Gilchrist-Reynolds skating rink. The weather improved and the event was held outside the rink attended by many kids and their parents.

The penny hunt groups and winners are as follows:

Boys and girls three and under - Layla Colvin of Hoosick Falls

Girls ages four to six: Marcia Thomson of White Creek

Boys ages four to six: Thomas Hale of Hoosick Falls

Girls ages seven to nine:

Allison Bushee of Hoosick Falls

Boys ages seven to nine:

Eli Fredricks of Hoosick Falls

Each of the above winners received a prize of an Easter Basket.

The winners of the egg toss, which was held for older kids, were Chelsea Stevens and Aurora Ferraro.



The Easter Bunny, along with this year's penny hunt and egg toss winners. Photo provided by Bill and Carol Gaillard.



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Taconic Valley

PETERSBURGH

Bridge Project Progressing

by Chris Tergliafera

At the April 18 regular meeting of the Petersburg Town Council, more was revealed about the upcoming project to replace the bridge on Rt. 2 and 22. Engineers have said the bridge can be taken down in one day if the crew is allowed to work through the night, which would require special approval from the Town. Otherwise deconstruction would take roughly two days. How traffic will be rerouted is still to be determined. Efforts are being made to ensure the design of the new bridge will fit with the current bridge's look. It's believed that the project will fall within the \$4.5 million budget. A presentation to the Town will be scheduled once the next design of the bridge is completed. Once started, the project will likely take about five months to complete. More details should be available by early summer.

Cemetery Clean Up

No bids were received for cemetery mowing and upkeep. The Council discussed the possibility of reaching out to the court in order to see if those who need to serve community service can do so by maintaining the cemetery.

RPA Dill Brook Project Update

The RPA has told Petersburg they don't currently have plans for the Dill Brook Forest and will leave that up to the forest's Community Committee consisting of community and RPA members. The RPA

has asked that a member of the Town Council join the committee. Whatever the future holds for the Dill Brook Forest, two things are known: fishing and motorized vehicles won't be permitted on the property. Discussions are ongoing about Petersburg receiving a payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) from the RPA for the land.

Summer Camp

No letters of interest were received in regards to the Summer Youth Director position. The Council will continue to advertise for the position. The past two years Petersburg has partnered with Grafton to send kids to their summer program. The Council will look into this option as a contingency plan for 2022 and look into the cost of transportation to get Petersburg youth to Grafton.

Town Hall Window Replacement

Petersburgh received six estimates for the cost of replacing 14 windows in the Town Hall. Of the six, three are considered viable options, and will be discussed further once information is verified about one of the estimates.

Audit Update

After a presentation by FAZ CPA's at the March meeting, the Council approved a resolution to conduct the forensic audit, at a maximum cost of \$13,000. If it ends up costing more, the Council will have to

approve the additional funds.

Other News

The Memorial Picnic has been scheduled for **Saturday, May 28, from noon to 4 pm**, at the Town Park. In the event of rain, the picnic will be moved to the Petersburg Veterans Memorial Community Center.

Hydrant flushing will take place in May. Residents will be notified of the date and time.

The annual water quality report will be available at the Town Hall sometime in May.

The Council approved a resolution retaining Napoli Shkolnik, PLLC to represent Petersburg in an ongoing PFOA class action lawsuit taking place in South Carolina.

PETERSBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY

Open House

Please join us for socializing, refreshments and some outside cleanup in observance of Earth Day at our open house, **Saturday, April 23, from 10 am to noon**. Bring gloves and some of your gardening tools, along with much needed sunshine to brighten the day.

Remember our regular programming is back on track, but we are planning even more events with your welcome suggestions. The knitters meet here on Wednesday afternoons.

STEPHENTOWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Story Time

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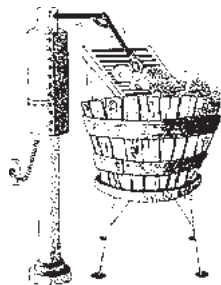
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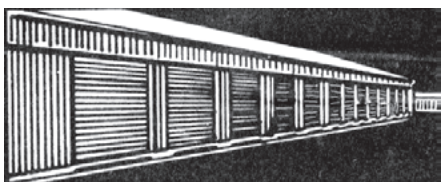
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Taconic Valley

BERLIN

Town Council Highlights

by Chris Tergliafera

The transfer station will begin issuing commercial permits for \$100. What exactly qualifies as a commercial permit is still to be determined.

The Council approved a modification to the Town's contract with Taconic Valley Ambulance (TVA) that will bring it in line with the budget cycle. TVA currently has 16 members with two more in training.

Berlin's rabies clinic is **Saturday, April 23**.

The meeting was adjourned in memory of Donald Yerton and Fred Moses.

Stephentown PFOAs

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RCDOH within 90 days.

You Cannot Sue Us if You Did Not Tell Us

That pretty well sums up the contents of a local law approved by the Town Council Monday. It says the Town or the Highway Superintendent cannot be named in a civil suit for damages or injuries sustained from a perceived failure or lack of repairs to a long list of items, including roads, bridges, sidewalks and culverts. It also includes damages that may have been sustained from a perceived failure to remove snow or ice in a timely manner. There is a caveat to this: if a resident notifies the Town Clerk or Highway Superintendent in writing prior to such a civil filing, and the Town failed to take action, such a proceeding can go forward. The entire text of the law is contained in the News and Notes section on the Town's website. The Council approved the law 5-0.

Other Council Action

Scott Wyner was named the new Chair of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Everything Green was awarded the contract to mow lawns at the Town Hall and Town Park and Town Historian Pat Flint presented a list of potential names for the Town's 250th celebration of the United States. The Council picked "America 250" as the name.

STEPHENTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Vintage Typewriter Talk

Scott Connors will give a talk on vintage typewriters in the digital age, on **Sunday, May 1, at 2 pm**. He is owner and operator of Stephentown Typewriter Co., and will show some vintage machines and tell the history of the typewriter and all aspects of it. This Stephentown Historical Society program meeting will be held at the Stephentown Heritage Center, 4 Staples Road. The program is free and the building is handicapped accessible. For directions, call 518-733-0010.

STEPHENTOWN

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

Open House

On **Saturday, April 23, from 10 am to 2 pm**, there will be an open house at the Stephentown Fire Station. Meet your local Fire Chiefs, firefighters, EMTs and fire police. Get a tour of the station and trucks. You can even grab a free lunch. We'll be grilling hamburgers and hot-dogs. Bring the kids so they can meet and get a photo with Hal, our tiger mascot. Plus they can bring a stuffed animal or doll and our EMTs will provide a check-up. While you're here, pick up a free COVID-19 test kit and get your blood pressure checked. This Recruit NY event is fun for all ages so bring your family, friends and neighbors. All attendees will be entered into a raffle for free tickets to our upcoming pancake breakfast. For more information, visit svfd1.org or our Facebook page.

Pancake Breakfast

Celebrate May Day with a breakfast that supports the volunteers that answer your mayday call. **Sunday, May 1 from 8 am to noon**, the SVFD will be hosting a pancake breakfast at the Stephentown Fire Hall, 35 Grange Hall Road. The cost is \$10, eat-in or take-out. The menu will be pancakes, bacon, sausage, eggs, juice and coffee.

STEPHENTOWN

Household Hazardous Waste Day

Residents of Stephentown are invited to take part in the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day, to be held at the Nassau Village Hall, 40 Malden Street in Nassau, on **Saturday, April 30 from 8 am until noon**. The event is free but you must pre-register at <https://www.ercswma.org>. Participants must show proof of residency: tax bills, utility bills, etc. Please visit the above website for a complete list of acceptable materials. This list will also be posted on *The Eastwick Press* Facebook page and website shortly.

BERLIN

Trap Shooting

The Berlin Rod & Gun Club will be holding a trap shooting novice night on **Tuesday, April 26**. There is a **5 pm** start time and the cost is \$4 for a round of 25 targets. There will be a safety meeting and those under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

STEPHENTOWN

Easter Party

The Stephentown Library and the Town of Stephentown would like to thank all who volunteered to help make our Easter Party a great success. Over 150 people came out to meet the Easter Bunny, play games, make crafts and enjoy lots of treats. Thank you to Dollar General who donated all of the great prizes for the kids raffle basket, and to Norte Azul Cantina, Four Fat Fowl Cheese, Dave's Market and Balderdash Wines for donating all of the great goodies for the adult raffle basket.



PETERSBURGH

Ham Shoot

On **Sunday, May 1, at noon**, the Petersburg Rod & Gun Club, Inc., 160 Scriven Rd., will be hosting a ham shoot. Shoots are \$2.50 a round, Shot Guns and .22 Rifles. We will supply shot shells but you can use .22 shells of your choice. Last shoot will be a free youth shoot for ages 12 through 15. Bring your family and friends and help support our club. Call Phil at 518-258-6842 with questions.

BERLIN

Rabies Clinic

On **Saturday, April 23**, at 17563 State Route 22, the Town of Berlin will hold a rabies clinic. The cash only clinic will be open from **9 to 10 am for cats**, and **10 to 11 am for dogs**. Rabies and distemper shots will be available for \$10 each. For more information contact Douglas Goodermote at 518-658-3308.

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BRUNSWICK TOWN COUNCIL

Ready to Review Code Changes

by Doug La Rocque

More than a year into a moratorium on two-family and multi-family construction in the Town, Supervisor Phil Herrington announced at the Thursday, April 14 Town Council meeting, the proposed changes are nearly complete, and scheduled a Council Workshop for Tuesday, April 26 at 6 pm. This workshop is open to the public, but no comments will be entertained — those will be heard when a public hearing is scheduled.

The moratorium came to be because of many complaints about overcrowding in some areas of the Town along with comments that these multi-family dwellings were being proposed for some rural and agricultural areas. Since the moratorium's enactment, a group of public officials and Town attorneys and the LaBerge Group have been meeting on a weekly basis to identify the issues that needed to be addressed and put together proposed solutions. That work is now complete.

Following the workshop, a new local law making the changes to the 2017 zoning laws will be introduced, possibly as soon as the Council's May meeting, after which a public hearing will be scheduled.

Route 7 Traffic Study

It was announced at the March Council meeting the Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC) had approved \$90,000 for a new traffic study of NYS Route 7 (Hoosick Road). The most recent study is not very recent, at least 20 years old, and much has changed in those 20 years, particularly the number and length of the many traffic back-ups. At their Thursday meeting, the Councilors formally accepted that grant and the CDTC will now arrange for the study to be conducted, apparently sometime in 2022 or 2023.

The Fence Is Unsafe

A Woodward Avenue resident has been complaining to the Council that a

fence erected by a neighbor along their backyard is unsafe and a danger to their children when playing there. While Brunswick does not have any codes concerning fences, the Council had an engineer inspect it who determined it was indeed unsafe.

The neighbor did submit an engineering plan to correct the situation several months ago, but according to the complainant no work on the fence fix has been done. Codes Enforcement Officer Chuck Golden said it was his understanding the work was to begin within days. The Council asked Mr. Golden to check on this with the warning for the fence builder: if not fixed the Town could take it down at the owner's expense.

Disinfectants Too High in Keyes Lane Water

According to Water Superintendent Bill Bradley the Total Trihalomethanes Disinfection Products (TTHM) in the Water at the Town Community Center on Keyes Lane is reading eight one hundreds of a percent higher than is allowed. He feels this is the result of more organics in the water being treated by the City of Troy (Troy provides Brunswick with water). Users in the water district will be notified and the situation closely monitored.

Mr. Bradley says the increased treatment of organics is a direct result of the higher than average rainfall of late.

Other Action

The Council set public hearings to be held before their May 12 meeting on local laws to provide tax relief for eligible senior citizens and disabled homeowners. The Council will submit a Community Funding Project Grant application to rehabilitate the Van Derheyden Reservoir Dam. The Town is under a Department of Environmental Conservation Consent Order to repair the North Lake Avenue structure. The cost of these repairs is estimated at \$2.5 million. The revisions to the Town's website are underway but will take some time and a contract to install an electronic sign where the current Town Hall sign exists was approved.

EAGLE MILLS

Fire Department Open House

The Eagle Mills Fire Department will be having an open house on **Saturday, April 23 and Sunday, April 24 from 9 am to 3 pm**, in conjunction with Recruit New York.

There will be demonstrations on first responder equipment, fire extinguisher training, blood pressure checks and free hotdogs for all.

Sunday, the Rensselaer County Sheriff's department will conduct child safety seat installations and child identification photographs.

Rensselaer County's smoke trailer will be there on Sunday as well. The smoke trailer is an aide for teaching children fire hazards and the importance of having fire drills at home.

We hope to see everyone there rain or shine.

GRAFTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Monthly Breakfast

The Grafton Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary will hold their monthly breakfast on **Saturday, April 30, from 8 to 11 am**, at the Grafton Fire Hall, South Road (County Rt. 85). On the menu are Belgian waffles, pancakes, French toast, eggs made to order, sausage gravy and biscuits, bacon, sausage, home fries, toast, orange juice, coffee and milk. The cost is \$12 for adults, \$6 for children 12 and under while those 5 and under eat free.

GRAFTON PEACE PAGODA

Flower Festival

On **Sunday, May 1, at 11 am**, the Grafton Peace Pagoda, 87 Crandall Rd., Petersburg, will be holding a Flower Festival celebrating the birth of the Buddha. The ceremony will be held outdoors, so please dress accordingly. For more information, call 518-658-9301 between the hours of 8 am and 5 pm.



Grafton Peace Pagoda's Flower Festival from 2018. Photo courtesy of George Cho.

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SCHODACK

Town Council Highlights

by Denise Wright

The April 14 meeting of the Schodack Town Council was brief but full of resolutions. The Council approved two proclamations highlighting two Schodack residents' contributions to the community and resolutions approving everything from employee appointments to equipment and finances.

The first proclamation commended Frederick "Rick" Hiller III on his retirement from 25 years with the Town Highway Department. Hiller began his career with the Town in 1996 as a junior mechanic and rose to the rank of operator III, and served under seven different Town Supervisors. The second proclamation highlighted Carol Wilkinson, one of the winners of the Remarkable Women Contest, which is part of a nationwide Nexstar Media initiative to honor the influence that women have had on public policy, social progress and quality of life. Wilkinson, a mother of 7, grandmother of 16 and great-grandmother of 5, has served her community as part of the Castleton Ambulance squad, volunteering at church and the Kiwanis. She was one of four local women selected out of dozens of nominees highlighted on NEWS10 during January, February and March.

The Council approved Jose Martinez as the part-time Confidential Assistant to the Police Chief and appointed Lynne Torello as Acting Dog Control Officer for 2022. Summer Grounds persons Michael Canestro and Steven Kelly were appointed and will be under the direction of Brian Brahm, the Interim Highway Superintendent.

The Schodack Consolidated Water District 101, Extension No. 7 was approved, which will help with the new housing development on Schuurman Road. The Council approved the inter-municipal water agreement with the Village of Castleton with the rate charged to the Village of Castleton for the purchase of water being \$4.63 per 1,000 gallons.

The new utilities, sewer

and sidewalk maintenance easement agreements for the latest and highly publicized Amazon facility were authorized. The Council approved the purchase of two Silverado trucks for the Town using some funds from the Town's reserve fund.

The schedule for spring clean-up days at the transfer station has been approved for **May 12 through 14**. The price schedule consists of refrigerators and air conditioners costing \$8, rimless tires costing \$2, and rimmed tires costing \$6. The Town is also planning on participating with Rensselaer County in the 2022 Household Hazardous Waste collection day on **July 30**.

Finally, Town comptroller Paul Harter reported that Rensselaer County reimbursed the \$1.6 million inter-fund loan that the Town had to pay in preparation for the Route 9 sewer project using the County's ARPA funds. He also explained that the ABILA accounting software program the Town uses has a support program that needs to be funded every year.

Supervisor Chuck Peter wanted to thank residents Richard and Claire Fabozzi, who have volunteered to erect and maintain a little library at the Town Park.

POESTENKILL

Spring Market Day

The Friends of Poestenkill Library are excited to present our Spring Market Day, **Saturday, May 14, from 9 am to noon**, on the library lawn. There will be a book sale, bake sale, board game sale, flower baskets, gift basket drawings, a small puzzle sale and more. Tasty breakfast and lunch items will be available for you to enjoy while you shop. Come mingle with your neighbors and support the library. Rain date will be Sunday, May 15.

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SCHODACK

Easter Egg Hunt



Councilman Jim Bult, Supervisor Chuck Peter, Assemblyman Jake Ashby and Rensselaer County Executive Steve McLaughlin enjoyed some time with some young participants during the Town of Schodack Easter Egg hunt on Saturday at the Schodack Town Park. Photo by Denise Wright.

Spring/Summer Cleanup

Brunswick – Now through Friday, April 29

Limbs must be piled neatly, 8' long, no larger than 6" diameter. Avoid piling brush near utility poles and under trees, wires, or out in the street. No other material besides leaves and grass should be placed in biodegradable paper bags. For more information on when your area will receive pickup, visit townofbrunswick.org.

Troy – Now through Friday, May 13

The Department of Public Works (DPW) has scheduled six weeks of street sweeping and debris cleanup to clear dirt, brush, leaves and other materials that accumulated during the winter season. Bulk collection pickup will resume April 1. For more information, visit troyny.gov.

Poestenkill – Now through Friday, April 29

Yard waste must be placed in biodegradable paper bags. Brush and branches must be stacked neatly. Maximum diameter for brush or limbs is six inches. Contact David Goyer at 518-269-1656 (cell) or 518- 283-4144 (garage), with questions.

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SCHAGHTICOKE

Child Drowns in Pleasantdale

Submitted by the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office

On Sunday, April 17, at approximately 7:08 pm, Sheriff's Deputies responded to a call for a missing three-year-old child from Oakhurst Street in Pleasantdale, Town of Schaghticoke. Following intense searching by first responders and members of the surrounding community, the missing child was located unresponsive, in a swimming pool on the property from which he was reported missing. First aid was immediately provided on scene, and the child was transported to Samaritan Hospital, but was unfortunately

nately unable to be revived. The death has been determined to be an accidental drowning.

We are extremely saddened by this tragic event and would like to thank the following agencies for their assistance on scene: New York State Police, Troy Police Department, Troy Fire Department, Hoosic Valley Rescue, Pleasantdale Fire Department and Rensselaer County 911. We are also grateful to the over 100 members of the community who came out to assist in the search. No further details are available at this time.

GRAFTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Lego Club

Every Tuesday, from 3:45 to 5 pm

Children ages 5 through 12 are welcome. Drop off from the bus or in person. One-time registration required.

Zumba Gold

Mondays from 6 to 7 pm

The classes will take place at Roxborough Holdings, 13 Babcock Lake Rd. Walk-ins welcome; \$8 fee to the instructor.

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays at 10:15 am

Siblings welcome.

For more information or preregistration, call 518-279-0580, or email director@grafftoncommunitylibrary.org

GRAFTON

Mass Food Giveaway

On Friday, April 22, beginning at 9:30 am, there will be a community partnership mass food distribution event at Grafton Lakes State Park. Come receive food, fresh fruits and vegetables, as well as other items. Please do not arrive early, as that will cause traffic and crowding. Volunteers are still needed for the event, and are asked to arrive by 8:15 am to help with packing and distribution. For questions or more information, please email volunteer@ccrcda.org.

These food giveaways are in conjunction with Catholic Charities Mobile Outreach Vehicle Extension Program, the Capital District Area Labor Federation, the Rensselaer County District Attorney's Office, the Regional Food Bank of Eastern New York, Grafton Lakes State Park and The Eastwick Press.

POESTENKILL LIBRARY

Earth Day Storytime

Friday, April 22, at 10:15 am

Ms. Erin will be reading stories and doing a special planting activity with the children. Older siblings are welcome to join.

Collaborative Poetry

Wednesday, April 27, at 6:30 pm

No prior poetry or creative writing experience required. Open to teens and adults.

Understanding and Raising Your Credit Score with Kim Hale of Citizens Bank

Thursday, April 28, at 6 pm

Registration recommended.

Poem in Your Pocket Day Storytime

Friday, April 29, at 10:15 am

Friends of Poestenkill Library Garden Clean Up Day

Saturday, April 30, from 9 to 11 am

Volunteers needed. Rain date May 1.

Intro to Fly Fishing

Saturday, April 30, at 11 am

In this class you'll learn about equipment set up, basic wading safety and casting. Registration is required for this program.

For more information on upcoming events, visit www.Poestenkilllibrary.org. To register for an event call 518-283-3721, or sign up at the library.

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Every other Wednesday, at 3 pm,

Family Movie Night

Friday, April 22, at 6:30 pm

This month's movie is *Wall-E*. Popcorn and lemonade provided.

For more information call 518-753-4230, email circulation@valleyfallslibrary.org or message us on Facebook.

POESTENKILL

Recycling Day

Saturday, April 23, from 8 am to noon will be recycling day for the Town of Poestenkill. The event will take place at Waste Management, on the corner of Rts. 66 and 351. Residents may bring air conditioners, wash-

ers, dryers, etc., for a cost of \$20 per item. Bulk items such as mattresses, couches, etc. will also be accepted for \$30 per item. Check or credit card only. Waste Management will not accept tires or televisions on recycling day. Any questions, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 518-283-5119.

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GRAFTON

A Call for Entries

Applications for the Ethel Simmons Memorial award, offered by the Grafton Community Library and the Grafton Historical Society, are now being accepted. High School seniors who reside in the Town of Grafton are eligible to win the \$1,000 reward. To enter, write up tourist information as detailed as possible, with up to three photos and possibly even artwork, and mail it to Grafton Community Library, PO Box H, Grafton, NY 12082. Applications are available at the library or school guidance office, and must be postmarked by Friday, May 27.

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SVMC News

Submitted by SVMC

For many years, the Southwestern Vermont Medical Center (SVMC) Annual Heart Hike and Community Wellness Walk has been a favorite event among members of the public, as well as past and current participants in SVMC Cardiac Rehabilitation program.

This year's event takes place on **Saturday, May 14, at 9:30 am**, at the Bennington Elks Lodge on Washington Ave. One, two and three mile courses are available. The walk is free and open to all, and no preregistration is required. Pre-walk warm ups will be led by SVMC Cardiac Rehab staff.

For more information, contact Cardiac Rehabilitation at 802-447-5132.

DAISY Team Award

The Medical/Surgical team at Southwestern Vermont Medical Center (SVMC), part of Southwestern Vermont Health Care (SVHC), was the recipient of the DAISY Team Award for Extraordinary Nurses in March. The department was nominated by several patients who recognized the group's extraordinary efforts to care for them.

Nominations from three different patient families highlighted the nurses' kindness, skill, sense of humor, gentleness, teamwork and family-like treatment of patients.

The Medical/Surgical team is made up of nearly 50 full and part-time magnet nurses. They care for patients who are recovering from surgeries, illnesses and injuries.

Medical Matters Weekly Welcomes John Sayles

John Sayles, CEO of the Vermont Food Bank, is the next guest on *Medical Matters Weekly*, **Wednesday, April 27, at noon**.

Viewers can see *Medical Matters Weekly* on

facebook.com/svmedicalcenter and facebook.com/CATTVBennington. The show is also available to view or download as a podcast on www.svhealthcare.org/medicalmatters.

Sayles joined the Vermont Foodbank as the CEO in March of 2009 after serving ten years in senior appointed positions with the State of Vermont at the Department of Public Service and Agency of Natural Resources. He is currently a member of the boards of Feeding America, One Care Vermont, the Vermont Health Foundation and the Vermont Business Roundtable.

SVMC ExpressCare and Dartmouth-Hitchcock Putnam Physicians Welcome Lauren Gelzinis, PA-C

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New Location with Respiratory Evaluation Center

ExpressCare is now located at 120 Hospital Drive in Bennington. Use parking lot **P1**

PITTSTOWN

Spring Cleanup

The Warren Cemetery Association will hold its spring clean up on **Sunday, April 24, at 1 pm at Warren Cemetery Rd, Boyntonville**. Rain date will be Saturday, April 30.

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The Derby Community Club Celebrates 87 Years

The Derby Community Club will be celebrating its 87th Anniversary at its annual Kentucky Derby fundraising event on **May 7** at the Polish Hall in Hoosick Falls. This event includes a Chinese Auction, 50/50 raffle, horse pool, door prize and prizes for the derby hat contest. Post time is noon to 4 pm on Saturday, May 7, with a preview on May 5 and 6. Since its start, the club has been supporting community projects, local organizations, HACA Christmas baskets and much more. For more information, call 518-686-7559.

WHITE CREEK

Spring Chicken Barbecue

Saturday, May 7, from 4 to 6 pm, White Creek will hold its annual Spring Chicken Barbecue. The take out, drive through event will be held at Jermain Community Hall, Niles Rd. The menu will be a half barbecued chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, cranberries, rolls and homemade pie. Tickets are \$15, and can be picked up at the Church, also on Niles Rd. For questions or reservations, call Marilyn by phone at 518-686-9307 or email at mrobi47966@aol.com.

HOOSICK RESCUE SQUAD

65 Years of EMS Service

Submitted by Bill and Carol Gaillard

Someone once said you should pat yourself on the back because no one else will. The Town of Hoosick Rescue Squad is quite quiet on public information, so it is time to let folks know what is happening at our local agency.

As COVID-19 began, the Town of Hoosick Rescue Squad (THRS) senior members were placed on furlough until proper personal protective gear (PPE) was obtained and placed on the ambulances. This included our bay five disinfecting area with battery operated spraying devices to take care of any possible infecting germs, as we did transport COVID-19 patients.

The cost of this PPE was monumental, but necessary. While we have a membership of 38, due to work and other issues, THRS operates daily with about ten members, and could use more drivers.

THRS hosted an EMT class at our building and we welcome newly certified EMTs Ciaely Sanchez, Jennifer Scapulla, Jakob Hohn and Zachori Mortimer, with another testing. We also welcome advanced

EMT John Hudson, with Deborah Lohnes and Brianna Jones currently in advanced EMT training.

Community CPR and First Aid classes were put on hold during the pandemic. These courses will start up soon as THRS CPR instructors (two) have completed their recertification through the American Heart Association.

THRS operates three ambulances complete with cardiac monitoring, Narcan, epi for allergy problems, aspirin, special binder devices for lifting patients and other treatment modalities for the sick and injured with special methods for severe bleeding cases.

In addition to treating patients, THRS must maintain a trio of ambulances and a building.

When you call 911 you receive a dedicated crew of personnel, with state of the art equipment to assist you.

If needed, and Rensselaer County dispatch deems it necessary, our neighbors from Cambridge or Bennington respond with paramedics or an ambulance for mutual aid, if our other units are on other calls.

After 65 years, we are still here for you.

HOOSICK FALLS

Street Sweeping

The Village Highway Department will be street sweeping from **May 9 through 31**. People should try to park on the even side of the street on even days, and the odd side the following day. Sweeping will begin in the downtown area and continue to the fourth, third, second and first wards.

SCHUYLERVILLE

Monthly Breakfast

The Fish Creek Rod and Gun Club's May breakfast will be on **Mother's Day May 8, from 8 to 11 am**. Adult breakfast is \$10 and kids are \$5. Mothers' breakfasts will be \$5. The club is located at 123 NY-32.

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HOOSICK FALLS CSD Connect Four Winners

Submitted by Hoosick Falls CSD

Dylan Callahan and Justin Mulready won their respective connect four tournaments recently held at Hoosick Falls Central School. Both had a similar track to the championship, battling through the losers bracket where they faced undefeated winners bracket victors Ethan McMahon and Zoe James, and beat them 4-2, in the best of seven championship series. They then beat the same person 4-1 in the grand finale. Congratulations to the champions. Dylan would like to thank his family for all the practice that helped make him victorious.



Connect four champions Dylan Callahan and Justin Mulready. Photo courtesy of Hoosick Falls CSD.

HOOSICK FALLS

Fashionistas' Easter Project

Submitted by Lucy K. Haynes

Just in time for Easter, the Fashionistas 4H Club perfected their cooking skills by making chocolate Easter nests that club member Amelia presented to the group on April 18. This project contained simple and easy ingredients to work with and involved minimal use of heat, making them a perfect treat to make with families or with young children. After we made the bird nests out of chow mein noodles that were covered with peanut butter and chocolate, it was time to use our decorating skills. We touched up our bird nests using coconut we dyed green and with chocolate covered eggs to complete the project. The chocolate peanut butter bird nests tasted as good as they looked.



Lots of laughs in the kitchen with Amelia, Lucy and Jessica. Photo provided by Lucy K. Haynes.

HOOSICK FALLS

Maple Grove Cemetery Cleanup

On **Saturday, April 23, at 8 am**, The Maple Grove Cemetery association is encouraging volunteers to join them in restoring the final resting places of veterans and ancestors of Hoosick Falls. Help us to bring dignity and respect back to these burial grounds.

Volunteers should dress to work outdoors and bring gloves, a leaf rake and tools to cut back overgrowth. The cemetery is located at 210 Main Street.

HOOSICK FALLS

Voice Actors Wanted

The Friends of the Bennington Battlefield has received a grant from NY Parks to add QR-code-enabled audio to existing Battlefield signage. We need actors to voice historical accounts of the Battle from those on both sides who were involved in it. Scripts and audition instructions can be found at the Friends' website, benningtonbattlefield.org.

HOOSICK FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Absentee Ballots

All school districts in New York State must provide absentee ballots to qualified voters. To qualify you must:

- Be absent from the district while polls are open due to business, occupation or studies
- Be confined in a hospital or jail
- Have a physical disability or illness
- Be absent due to vacation

The applicant must submit the application to the District Clerk in one of the following ways:

- Seven days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed
- The day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered personally by the voter

The application and ballot must be received by **5 pm, on Tuesday, May 17**.

Applications and ballots may be picked up at the District Office any day between the hours of 8 am to 4 pm, on or after April 25.

BENNINGTON

Winter Homebrew Festival

The Southwestern Vermont Chamber of Commerce and Hopridge Farms will present the fifth annual Southern Vermont Winter Homebrew Festival on **Saturday, April 30, 1 - 4 pm**, in downtown Bennington at the Bennington Sports Center — formerly the Catamount School — on North Street.

The festival invites the Northeast's top home brewers asking them to bring their very best home brewed beer, cider, mead, braggot and wine for a chance to be

crowned Best Home Brewery. In addition, the festival has also invited regional restaurants to submit their best winter dish which could include a soup, chowder, chili or stew for the chance to be crowned Best Winter Dish in the Region.

Hydrant Flushing

The Village of Hoosick Falls Water Department will be flushing hydrants on the following days:

Monday, May 2 - Second and third wards
Tuesday, May 3 - First and fourth wards

Residents who experience dirty water from their faucets should keep them running until the water is clear again.

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Community Participation Work Group

The next public meeting of the Hoosick Area Community Participation Work Group (CPWG) will be held **Tuesday, April 26 from 6 to 8 pm**, at Hoosick Falls High School, 21187 NY 22.

In addition to the bi-monthly public meetings, the CPWG will be working continuously throughout the year to keep the Hoosick area community well informed. For more information, visit www.hoosickareacpwg.org, <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/108791.html> or <https://www.health.ny.gov/environmental/investigations/hoosick/>.

New Lebanon & Nassau

NEW LEBANON

Community Food Giveaway

The Town of New Lebanon and the New Lebanon CSD will host a food giveaway on **Monday, May 23, starting at 9 am**. The giveaway is completely free and will take place at New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 Route 22. Pull in at Shatford Park by entering the baseball fields and follow signs to the Town Hall. Any questions, contact Town Supervisor Tistrya Houghtling at supervisor@townofnewlebanon.com.

Repair Cafe Looking for Volunteers



After several successful repair cafes, additional events have been scheduled. We are attempting to build a roster of volunteers who can fix whatever comes through the door. If you are interested in volunteering, or would like more information, please contact Bruce Shenker at bshenker@gmail.com. Scheduled events are as follows:

Fisher Store - 528 SR 20, New Lebanon

Saturday, April 30, from noon to 3 pm

Chatham Fire Department - 2 Hoffman St.

Saturday, May 14, from 10 am to 2 pm

Columbia County Climate Carnival

Saturday, July 16, from 10 am to 2 pm, At the Fairgrounds

NEW LEBANON LIBRARY

Storytime Takes a Family Friendly Hike at Hand Hollow

Wednesday, April 27, at 10:30 am

Event takes place at the Hand Hollow Conservation Area, 4079 County Rt. 9. Nets and field guides will be provided. Please bring water and dress for the weather. Registration is appreciated.

Tech Talks

Fridays, May 6 and 20

By appointment only.

New Lebanon Book Group

Sunday, May 1, at 11 am

The Book of Hope, A Survival Guide for Trying Times by Jane Goodall and Doug Abrams. Copies of the book are available by request at local libraries.

Teen Takeover

Wednesday, May 4, from 2:30 to 4:30 pm

Compete with your friends in Wii and board games, make a craft and enjoy snacks.

Storytime

Wednesdays, May 4, 11, 18 and 25, at 10:30 am

Climate Smart Communities Webinar: Heat Pumps

Thursday, May 5, at 6:30 pm

Please visit <https://forms.gle/tzVzAz->

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Online Concert: Linda Worster

Friday, May 6, at 6:30 pm

Visit the library website the day of the event for login details.

miSci STEM Program for Kids: Waiting for Wings

Tuesday, May 10, at 4:30 pm

Discover the amazing world of the butterfly, learn the basics of butterfly anatomy, understand the lifecycle of butterflies and see their fascinating metamorphosis. Please email librarydirector@newlebanonlibrary.org to reserve a spot.

Crafternoon Kids

Tuesday, May 17, at 4:30 pm

Fun crafts for kids ages 5 years and up; all materials provided.

Make It & Take It: Crafts Meetup for Adults

Thursday, May 26, at 6:30 pm

Join our crafty group this month to make mini terrariums. All materials provided.

For registration, appointments or more information, visit newlebanonlibrary.org, or call 518-794-8844.

Hazardous Waste Collection Day

On **Saturday, May 7, from 8 am to noon**, the Highway Garage, 178 Route 23B, Greenport, will be holding Columbia County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day. Residents with large quantities must contact the DPW at 518-828-2737 prior to participating. There is no charge for Columbia County residents. Proof of residency will be required.

NEW LEBANON

Spring Cleanup

On **Saturday, April 23, at 10 am**, at the Pavilion at Shatford Park, we will be celebrating spring with a cleanup event.

After arriving, you'll be assigned to a team and provided the equipment to safely pick up litter along a predetermined route. Refreshments back in the Park will follow. Bring your own gloves and reflective vests if you have them. If you don't, we will supply them.

To join or get more information contact Bob Gilson at nlcac.gilson@gmail.com.

SPENCERTOWN ACADEMY

Novelist Dinitia Smith

Spencertown Academy Arts Center, in collaboration with Chatham Bookstore, presents Dinitia Smith in an event celebrating her new book, *The Prince: a Novel*, on **Saturday, April 30 at 2 pm**. She will be joined in conversation with author Ruth Reichl. Advance reservations are required. Tickets are \$10. For more information, or to order tickets, visit spencertownacademy.org.

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General News

Closing the PFAS Reporting Loophole

Submitted by the Office of Congressman Antonio Delgado

Representatives Antonio Delgado, A. Donald McEachin and Dan Kildee are leading a bipartisan group of 38 representatives urging the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention to immediately close a reporting loophole that allows hundreds of dangerous per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) chemicals to be manufactured, processed, used and released in the United States.

Congressman Delgado secured a provision in the Fiscal Year 2020 National Defense Authorization Act to list certain PFAS on the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) to ensure transparency and accountability about emissions across the country. However, an existing loophole has enabled polluters to release dangerous PFAS chemicals and get around reporting mandates. The members' letter urges the Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention to swiftly take action to close the reporting loopholes for the 176 PFAS chemicals listed on TRI.

Drug Take Back Day

Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal on **Saturday, April 30, from 10 am to 2 pm**, as part of National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. Unused medications that are flushed down the toilet or poured down the sink can enter the water supply, harming fish and other wildlife, as well as posing a potential risk to people. For safe disposal, visit one of these Rensselaer County sites:

East Greenbush Police Department

225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer

Schodack Police Department at Walgreens

1645 Columbia Turnpike, Castleton

Village of Hoosick Falls Police Department

24 Main St., Hoosick Falls

North Greenbush Police Department

133 Bloominggrove Dr., Troy

City of Troy Police Department

55 State St., Troy

Rensselaer County Sheriff

3697 Route 43, West Sand Lake

Rensselaer Police Department

2 St. Francis Place, Rensselaer

For more information, or additional collection sites, visit deaddiversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal/takeback/index.html.

Student Honors

Elmer A. Grogan Scholarship

Applications are being accepted for the Elmer A. Grogan Scholarship award of \$300 for the best essay on what freedom means to me, by a graduating senior from Brunswick or Berlin Central School Districts, who is continuing on with their education. The essay should be between 250 and 500 words. The scholarship is being given by the Carner, Etman, Smith V.F.W. Post 6340 in memory of a former member Elmer A. Grogan.

The deadline for applications is **May 31**. Applications are available at the guidance counselor offices of both high schools and should be mailed to Carner, Etman, Smith V.F.W. Post 6340, PO Box 361, Grafton, NY 12082, attn: Commander Len Claus, Jr.

Delgado Votes to Provide Relief for Restaurants and Small Businesses

Submitted by the Office of Congressman Antonio Delgado

U.S. Representative Antonio Delgado has voted to pass bipartisan legislation that would provide financial relief to tens of thousands of restaurants, food and beverage businesses and other small businesses hit hard by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Relief for Restaurants & Other Hard Hit Small Businesses Act of 2022 would provide \$42 billion to replenish the Restaurant Revitalization Fund (RRF) and \$13 billion to establish the Hard Hit Industries Award Program.

This bill also amends the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant Program by extending the timeframe under which current award recipients are required to incur expenses and expend grant funds.

Free Emergency Preparedness Course

Submitted by the Office of Senator Daphne Jordan

Senator Daphne Jordan announced she is partnering with the American Red Cross to sponsor a free emergency preparedness course. The free, specialized training will be offered **Thursday, April 28, from 6 to 7:30 pm**, at the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library, 475 Moe Road, Clifton Park. In announcing the event, Senator Jordan stressed the importance of emergency preparedness led by the trained professionals at the American Red Cross. More information on American Red Cross emergency preparedness training is available at redcross.org.

Flavored Milk Ban Won't Move Forward

Submitted by the Office of Congressman Antonio Delgado

Following a letter led by Congressman Antonio Delgado to New York City Mayor Eric Adams' administration, it was announced that Mayor Adams is not currently moving forward with plans to eliminate chocolate milk in schools.

"After leading the effort to keep flavored milks in New York City schools, I am glad to see this response from the Mayor's administration," said Rep. Delgado. "Flavored milks help provide key nutrients for students and banning them would limit students' access and hurt our New York dairy farmers, producers and agriculture partners. I thank my Democratic and Republican colleagues in New York for their partnership on this and I will continue pushing to keep milk in schools."

Board Meetings

April 21, Thursday

Hoosick Falls School Bd, 6:30 pm, Jr./Sr. High School
Brunswick School Board, 6 pm, Tamarac High School
Brunswick Planning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

April 25, Monday

Hoosick Falls Village Board Special Meeting, 6 pm, Village Highway Garage

April 26, Tuesday

Hoosick Falls CPWG, 6 pm, Hoosick Falls High School
Berlin School Board, 7:15 pm, Jr./Sr. High School

April 28, Thursday

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

Free Hot Coffee at Stewart's



Bring in any travel mug, up to 32 oz., to Stewart's Shops on **Earth Day, Friday, April 22**, and get a free Earth Day hot coffee. Choose from a variety of hot coffee flavors including Stewart's house blend, decaf, blueberry crumble, French vanilla, hazelnut, richer roast, and maple French toast. Hot tea or hot chocolate will also be free with a travel mug.

McMahon Confirmed as Director of County Probation Department

Submitted by the Office of Rensselaer

County Executive Steve McLaughlin

Linda McMahon has been confirmed by the Rensselaer County Legislature as Director of the County Probation Department.

She replaces Laura Bauer, who retired in 2021. McMahon served as Deputy Director for four years, and has been with the department for 37 years. She has been Acting Director since Bauer's retirement.

McMahon was confirmed by a unanimous vote at the April 12 legislative meeting.

The County Probation Department includes about 60 employees, including 55 probation officers. The department is now largely based in rented County offices at Flanigan Square in Troy.

Stefanik Cosponsors Legislation Protecting Second Amendment Rights

Submitted by the Office of Congresswoman Elise Stefanik

Congresswoman Elise Stefanik recently joined her colleagues in introducing the Protecting Gun Owners in Bankruptcy Act to ensure an individual's right to self-defense is not stripped due to financial hardship.

"I am proud to sponsor legislation to ensure gun owners can always maintain their Constitutional right to bear arms. The government should not be allowed to take advantage of lawful gun owners who have declared bankruptcy," Stefanik said.

This legislation, led by Congressman Chris Jacobs, would modify federal bankruptcy law to allow an individual debtor to exempt from their bankruptcy estate one or more firearms up to a total maximum value of \$3,000. The bill also specifies that such firearms are household goods that are not subject to liens (a claim against assets used as collateral to satisfy a debt) in bankruptcy.

General News

Clean and Renewable Energy

Submitted by Assemblymember John T. McDonald

Assemblymember John T. McDonald III joined with Senator Neil Breslin, Assemblymember Patricia Fahy, Merton Simpson, Co-Chair of SHARE and Albany County Legislator, Arlene C. Way, M.S.Ed., Executive Director Arbor Hill Development Corporation, Dr. Brenda Robinson, President of the Arbor Hill Neighborhood Association, Sheridan Hollow Alliance for Renewable Energy (SHARE) members and other local elected officials to advocate for advancing a bill that will further the State's efforts toward a sustainable future by transitioning the NYS Capitol Building and Empire State Plaza buildings to operate solely on renewable energy sources.

Assemblymember John T. McDonald III said, "As

a legislator who voted for the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) and who recognizes the importance of moving toward more sustainable energy options, New York State has the opportunity to be a leader by transitioning the State Capitol, the Empire State Plaza and other State agency buildings in the heart of the Capital City to renewable energy. This measure would be a step forward in implementing the goals of the CLCPA and demonstrates a path for others to move toward transitioning to renewable energy. NYS is already moving in this direction through implementing the Empire State Plaza solar project and we look forward to working to implement additional renewable options to further these efforts."

National Public Safety Telecommunications Dinner



On Wednesday, April 13, Rensselaer County Undersheriff PJ Higgitt grilled hamburgers and hot dogs at the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Department for local public safety telecommunications workers for their service during National Public Safety Telecommunications week. Also on the menu were corn, coleslaw, potato salad, cookies and chocolate cake. Photo by Amy Modesti.

2022 Household Hazardous Waste Days

Rensselaer County, in partnership with the City of Troy and the Town of Bethlehem, announced 2022 household hazardous waste days. Scheduled dates in Rensselaer County as of now are:

Troy - Saturday, June 11

Schodack - Saturday, July 30

Brunswick - Saturday, August 27

Troy - Saturday, October 29

Poestenkill - Saturday, November 19

More information on locations and times will be announced leading up to the events.

Community Calendar

April 22, Friday

Mass Food Giveaway, 9:30 am, Grafton Lakes State Park, volunteers needed—arrive at 8:15 am, email volunteer@ccrcda.org for information/questions

Earth Day Festival, 5 – 8 pm, \$3, 5 & under free, Grafton Lakes State Park, no registration required

Evening Campfire with Fred McCagg, 7 pm, free, Albert Family Community Forest, East Nassau, s'mores supplies available, bring refreshments if desired, www.rensselaerplateau.org/forests-forever-events

April 23, Saturday

Hiking Safety Outing with Jim Slavin, 9 am, free, Gutierrez Family Forest, East Nassau, www.rensselaerplateau.org/forests-forever-events

Stephentown Volunteer Fire Dept. Open House, 10 am – 2 pm, free, Stephantown Fire Hall, 35 Grange Hall Rd., lunch provided, svfd1.org for information

Berlin Rabies Clinic, cats 9 – 10 am, dogs 10 – 11 am, \$10/shot, *cash only*, 17563 State Route 22, contact Douglas Goodermote at 518-658-3308 for more information

Suede with Fred Boyle, Piano & Rich Hill, Bass, 7:30 pm, \$35–\$40, GE Theater at Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady, masks required, proctors.org or call box office at 518-346-6204 Mon–Fri, 10 am–6 pm

April 23 & 24, Saturday & Sunday

Eagle Mills Fire Department Open House, 9 am – 3 pm, free, 627 Brunswick Rd., Troy, demonstrations, safety seat installations, child ID photographs, free hotdogs

Albany Symphony Orchestra presents Mozart's "Jupiter," 7:30 pm Saturday, 3 pm Sunday, pricing varies by seat location, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 2nd St., <https://www.albanyorchestra.com/upcomingconcerts/2022/4/1/mozarts-jupiter> for info and tickets

April 26, Tuesday

Trap Shooting Novice Night, 5 pm, \$4/round of 25 targets, Berlin Rod & Gun Club, 2564 Plank Rd., under 18 must be accompanied by parent/guardian

April 27, Wednesday

Artist Talk at Clark: Anne Thompson, 6 pm, free, Clark Art Institute auditorium, discusses *Trail Signs* exhibit, advance registration required, clarkart.edu/events

Amir Elsaaffar's Rivers of Sound Orchestra, 7:30 pm, \$30, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 2nd St., <https://www.troymusichall.org/events/533/amir-elsaaffar-s-rivers-of-sound-orchestra/> for info and tickets

April 28, Thursday

Red Cross Emergency Preparedness Course, 6 – 7:30 pm, free, sponsored by Senator Daphne Jordan, Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library, 475 Moe Rd., Clifton Park, redcross.org for information

April 29, 30; May 6, 7

3 Porches musical, 8 pm (4/29 & 30, 5/6 & 7) & 2:30 pm (5/1 & 8), \$20, Sand Lake Center for the Arts, 2880 NY-43, Averill Park, <https://slcactp.square.site/> for info and tickets

April 30, Saturday

Columbia NE Repair Café, 12 – 3 pm, free, Fisher's Store, 528 SR 20, New Lebanon, clothing, lamps, ceramics fixed, advance signups recommended, contact Bshenker@gmail.com

Hubbard Hall Garden Book Sale, 9 am – 12 pm, Lovejoy building on Hubbard Hall Campus, 25 East Main St., Cambridge, contributions of used garden books, seeds, garden tools and accessories welcome

Antiques Appraisal Fair, 1 pm – 4 pm, \$10/item appraised, up to 5 items, Bennington Museum, 75 Main St., benningtonmuseum.org

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Eastwick Sports & Outdoors

AUTO RACING

From Down Under to the Very Top

by Doug La Rocque

Australia's Peter Britten claimed victory Friday, April 15 at the season opener at the Albany-Saratoga speedway in Malta. Britten got the jump on Matt DeLorenzo on a lap 19 restart and never looked back to capture the 40-lap main event that paid \$6,500. It is Britten's third opening night win at A-S. DeLorenzo finished second. The rest of the top five runners were Larry Wight, Mike Mahaney and Michael Maresca.

Cody Ochs won the Sportsman Class. Rob Yetman claimed the Pro Stock Feature and Chris Crane Jr. finished first in the Limited Sportman's race, while Paul Braymer claimed the Street Stock Checkers.

Fonda Speedway's season opener along with racing at the Orange County Speedway once again felt Mother Nature's rainy wrath.

Lebanon Valley holds its season opener on Saturday, with the other area tracks also planning their regular shows.

NYS Parks Are Hiring

The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation is seeking applicants for a range of permanent year-round and seasonal positions at State Parks and Historic Sites across New York. The positions offer an opportunity to support a premier network of parks, campgrounds, historic sites, hiking trails, swimming beaches and pools, marinas, golf courses, museums and nature centers.

For information on employment and current job openings visit parks.ny.gov/ employment.

DEC Hiring for 2022 Summer Recreation Season

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) announced the availability of employment opportunities for the summer recreational season. All applicants for seasonal summer employment must be willing to work weekends and holidays. Those interested in summer employment with DEC or looking for more information should visit dec.ny.gov/about/726.html, call 518-457-2500 Ext. #1 or email campinfo@dec.ny.gov.

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Empire 8 Player of the Week

Arianna Papas, an outfielder for Russell Sage, is the Empire 8 softball player of the week. Papas slashed .556/.609/1.000 across six games, while recording ten hits, seven runs scored, six RBI's and five doubles. She went 3 for 3, with a two run homer in a 2-1 win at Utica, and 4 for 4, with four runs scored, three doubles and two RBI's in an 11-1 victory over Union.

GRAFTON LAKES STATE PARK

Earth Day Festival

Friday, April 22, from 5 to 8 pm

Partake in activities, demos and crafts. \$3 per person, 5 and under a free. No registration required. Special presentation with live birds of prey.

Volunteer Spring Social

Sunday, May 1, from 2 to 4 pm

All ages are welcome.

I Love My Park Day

Saturday, May 7, from 8:30 am to noon

All ages are welcome.

Events have no charge unless otherwise noted. To register for all events and programs unless otherwise specified, call us at 518-279-1155.

DYKEN POND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

Tuesday Treks

Every Tuesday, from 12:30 to 2:30 pm

Preregistration is required.

Find Our Nest of Eggs at Dyken Pond

Available through 30

To celebrate the return of spring, our seasonal geocache is back. Geocaching is a scavenger hunt using GPS to find a hidden prize. Enter the nest coordinates, N 42°43.785', W 073°26.048', into your GPS app and find your way to the nest.

Volunteer for Earth Day

Saturday, April 23, from 9 am to noon

Preregistration is required. Lunch will be provided for all who preregister.

Please preregister for programs at 518-658-2055 or dykenpond@gmail.com.

RENSSELAER PLATEAU ALLIANCE

Albert Family Community Forest, East Nassau. Evening Campfire with Fred McCagg

Friday, April 22, at 7 pm

We will provide supplies to make s'mores, but please bring any other refreshments you would like to enjoy. Families of all ages welcome. This is a free event.

Gutierrez Family Forest. Hiking Safety Outing with Jim Slavin

Saturday, April 23, at 9 am

This outing is family friendly. Please wear comfortable walking shoes or boots and bring water and a snack. Rain gear is recommended in case of inclement weather. This is a free outing.

It is important to remember to dress accordingly for any hike. Please read the full description of an outing before joining. To learn more and register, visit www.rensselaerplateau.org/forests-forever-events.

Barbecue Recreation Bowling

Wednesday Night League

Team Standings	Won	Lost	High Scores
The Jabronis	37	13	Ryan Shumway 279 278 826
Chico's Bail Bonds	31	19	Mitch Andrew 300 258 795
Farmers Tires	29	21	Justin Wilson 268 267 782
Lebowski Rug Co.	28	22	Tyler Colvin 257 236 721
Wack'em & Stack'em	23	27	Mike Weeden 258 258 720
Lou's Plumbing	23	27	Matt Brownell 253 235 717
Boner's	23	27	Chris Pelletier 257 245 707
Gallup Inn	20	30	Tim Marbot 265 222 702
Mag-Way	20	30	Colin Cipperly 235 235 685
McNally Insurance	16	34	Trevor Patch 255 214 680

Thursday American League

Team Standings	Won	Lost	High Game
RGI Insurance	535	395	279 Ryan Bedford
Huntin' Time	519½	410½	278 Wayne Gundrum Jr
Modern Game Pro Shop	507	423	269 Shawn Field
Team Taconic	477½	452½	259 Tim McCart
Lauzon Machine Shop	465½	464.5	258 Max Taylor Jr
Wack 'em & Stack 'em	448	482	257 Mike Weeden
Lo-Ridge Farm	435½	494½	247 Tom Mongeon
Dave Clark Excavating	433	497	245 Mike Smith
Sharpe For Governor	417	513	243 Mark Leary
Stevens and Sons Tents	412	518	236 Josh Sweet

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Community Calendar

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April 30, Saturday

Gala to Benefit Bennington Performing Arts Center, 6 pm, \$150, Mount Anthony Country Club, reservations required by April 19, 802-447-0564, bpacvt.org/tickets

Grafton FD & Ladies Auxiliary Monthly Breakfast, 8 – 11 am, \$12 adults, \$6 children 12 and under, under 5 free, Grafton Fire Hall, South Rd. (County Route 85)

5th Annual Southern Vermont Winter Homebrew Festival, 1 – 4 pm, \$45, Bennington Sports Center, North Street, www.vthomebrewfests.com for tickets and more information

11th Annual Tailgate Sale, 8 am – noon, Farm Committee of the Town of Nassau, Town of Nassau Highway Department, 599 Central Nassau Rd./County Rt. 16, East Nassau, email farms@townofnassau.org or call 518-766-3559 (ext. 2 option 1) to participate

Novelist Dinitia Smith celebrates new book, *The Prince: a Novel*, 2 pm, \$10, Spencertown Academy Arts Center & Chatham Bookstore, 790 State Route 203, Spencertown, advance reservations required, www.spencertownacademy.org

Golden Oldies Spectacular, 7 pm, \$40.25–\$55.25, MainStage at Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady, proctors.org or call box office at 518-346-6204 Mon–Fri, 10 am–6 pm

May 1, Sunday

Stephentown Volunteer Fire Dept. Breakfast, 8 am – noon, \$10, Stephentown Fire Hall, 35 Grange Hall Rd., eat-in or take-out, svfd1.org for information

Ham Shoot, noon, \$2.50/round, Petersburg Rod & Gun Club, 160 Scriven Rd., call Phil at 518-258-6842 with questions

Flower Festival, 11 am, free, Grafton Peace Pagoda, 87 Crandall Rd., Petersburg, outdoors, call 518-658-9301 8 am – 5 pm for information

May 1, Sunday

Vintage Typewriter Talk, 2 pm, free, Stephentown Historical Society, Stephentown Heritage Center, 4 Staples Rd., call 518-733-0010 for directions

May 3 – 8, Tuesday – Sunday

CATS, times vary, \$20.50 – \$95.50, MainStage at Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady, proctors.org or call box office at 518-346-6204 Mon–Fri, 10 am–6 pm

May 6, Friday

Kids Dance, 7 – 9 pm, \$3, North Hoosick Fire Department, 22106 NY-22, Hoosick Falls, parents must sign children out after dance

May 7, Saturday

White Creek Spring Chicken Barbecue, 4 – 6 pm, \$15, Jermain Community Hall, Niles Rd., take-out/drive-thru only, contact Marilyn at 518-686-8307 or mrobi47966@aol.com for reservations/questions

I Love My Park Day, 8:30 am – noon, free, Grafton Lakes State Park

Derby Community Club 87th Anniversary & Kentucky Derby fundraiser, noon – 4 pm, The Polish Hall, 12 Mechanic St., Hoosick Falls, call 518-686-7559 for information

May 8, Sunday

Fish Creek Rod and Gun Club Breakfast, 8 – 11 am, adults \$10 (mothers \$5 for Mother's Day), children \$5, 123 NY-32, Schuylerville, bill.simmes@outlook.com, 518-796-6553

Albany Pro Musica presents Brahms' "Human Requiem," 3 pm, \$30 – \$60, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 2nd

St., <https://tickets.troymusichall.org/TheatreManager/99/online?bestavail=103987&qty=0> for info and tickets

May 10, Tuesday

Shorts & Sweets 2022, 1 pm, \$10, Sand Lake Center for the Arts, 2880 NY-43, Averill Park, <https://slcactp.square.site/> for info and tickets

May 14, Saturday

Friends of Poestenkill Library present Spring Market Day, 9 am – noon, free, rain date Sunday,

May 15, Sunday

SVMC Annual Heart Hike and Community Wellness Walk, 9:30 am, free, Bennington Elks Lodge, Washing-

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Last week's Sudoku solution:

1	9	2	6	4	5	3	8	7
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Fill in the blank squares in the grid, making sure that every row, column and 3-by-3 box includes all digits 1 through 9.

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Theme: Beatlemania

CROSSWORD											
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ACROSS

- In the Queen of Hearts' oven?
- Indiana Jones' quest
- Dance with leis
- Sheikh, alt. sp.
- Opposite of paleo
- Hedgehog of movies and video games
- Toilet, to a toddler
- Pilot's estimate acronym
- One deserving of respect?
- *Like submarine
- *Abbey Road location
- Lobe location
- Per person
- To the ____ degree
- *"Twist and Shout" endearment
- English confection
- Wraths
- Swarm like bees
- Not taken and taken
- Skiing helmet manufacturer
- Homework assignment
- Kamakawiwo'ole's strings, pl.
- Thermonuclear weapon
- Type of list
- Frost residue

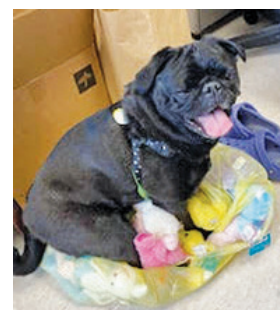
- "God, We Praise You" (2 words)

- Redecorate, e.g.
- What Carl Lewis did
- Doctor's order
- December 31st, e.g.
- *"Whisper words of ____"
- *"Please ____ Me," 1st album
- Amusement
- Rage
- Scary movie consequence
- ____ del Carmen, Mexico
- Corn spot
- Reach a goal (2 words)
- Unit of heredity
- Cry of alarm
- Wipe out

DOWN

- Cough syrup amt.
- Greeting at sea
- Blood vessel network
- Ownership document
- NASA's first space station
- All over again
- Retired, abbr.
- Aussie bear
- *"I want to ____ your hand"
- Editing arrow
- Bank holding
- Acronym, abbr.
- Mister in Brazil
- Speak from a podium
- Month X
- Hideous sight
- *"It's been a hard day's ____"
- Social group
- Roman king of Judea
- *Starr's predecessor
- *Fabulous number
- Faquir, alt.sp.
- Swelling
- Ruhr's industrial center
- Not all
- Like a full-fledged Mafia man
- Cry of the Alps
- The enlightened one
- Barn sound
- Nervous (2 words)
- Inflict a blow
- Truth or Dare player?
- ____ E. Coyote
- Persian Gulf country
- Eye infection
- Peephole glance
- ____ good example
- Chows down
- Frugal driver's acronym
- Fish eggs
- Unidentified Jane

Happy Retirement



Four-legged favorite, Louie, is finally retiring after 12 years of visiting and comforting residents at Van Rensselaer Manor. Enjoy your retirement, Louie. Photo courtesy of Rensselaer County.

Classified Ads

Help Wanted

Grade B Technician Auto Mechanic Experience required

Christian's Eagle Mills Garage is looking for a Mechanic to join our team! You will be responsible for repairing various vehicles.

Responsibilities:

Repair automobiles, trucks, and other motor vehicles
Perform routine vehicle maintenance
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Perform quality inspections prior to returning the vehicle to the customer

Qualifications:

Previous experience as a mechanic
Knowledge of shop equipment
Strong mechanical aptitude and troubleshooting skills
Deadline and detail-oriented
Ability to thrive in a fast-paced environment

Full time position M-F, no nights no weekends. Paid holidays. Personal hand tools required, heavy tools provided. Wage based on experience.

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Help Wanted

Town of Petersburg

The Town of Petersburg is accepting applications for the following positions:

Planning Board Member Youth Program Director

All letters of interest or applications must be received by the Town Clerk's office townclerk@petersburgh.org. Additional information can be found at www.petersburgh.org.

Help Wanted

BERLIN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NON-INSTRUCTIONAL VACANCY 2021 - 2022 SCHOOL YEAR

Position: Payroll Clerk

-Competitive Civil Service Examination required. If you have not yet taken this exam, the district can still hire the successful candidate, conditional on their taking the exam as soon as it is offered.

- 8 hours per day
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- Management Confidential – compensation is based upon an annual salary

Qualifications:

- Graduation from high school
- 2 years of experience in maintaining payroll or financial accounts and records preferred
- Knowledge of state and federal employment laws related to payroll functions

General Statement of Duties:

- Prepares accurate bi-weekly payroll including gross and net figures, retirement loans, garnishes, routine deductions, etc. for all employees
- Prepares confidential source data related to salaries and fringe benefits to aid administrators in contract negotiations
- Makes appropriate payroll changes regarding deductions for data processing unit check preparation
- Reviews and processes all labor bills
- Verifies accuracy of payroll checks with source documents and payroll edit register
- Tracks employee usage of benefits for all non-instructional employees
- Prepares payroll-related tax reports and forms
- Manages all ERS, TRS, and 403 (b) forms and benefits
- Manages civil service activities, performs monthly reporting, ordering lists, familiar with civil service procedures, advises management on civil service implications
- Assists with all payroll-related aspects of the budget
- Provides payroll and payroll-related information for audits
- Performs other duties as assigned

Contact Person:

Joseph Dhara, Superintendent – email: jdharma@berlincentral.org – phone: 518-658-1500

Posting period ends 5/6/22

Help Wanted

Employment for Summer Program 2022 DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS MAY 6, 2022

The Town of Brunswick is looking to fill the following positions for the upcoming summer camp program.

You have to live within the Town of Brunswick to apply.

- Camp Counselor
- Town Beach: Maintenance Worker, Gate Guard
- Lifeguard

Applicants must be 15 years old or older by July 1, 2022.

Age 15 – 17 attach a copy of working papers. Age 18 attach a copy of birth certificate.

NOTE: 15-year-old employees are limited to the Gate and Boat positions at the Town Beach Only. Please attach copies of CPR, First Aid, Lifeguard, Lifeguard Management, and Water Safety Instructor Certifications if you are applying for a lifeguard position.

Employment applications are available on our website at Townofbrunswick.org. or you may stop in at the clerk's desk to pick one up.

Auto Engine For Sale

327 Classic Chevy Engine

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF MEETING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a meeting of the Rensselaer County Civil Service Commission will be held in the conference room located on the third floor of the Rensselaer County Government Center, 1600 Seventh Avenue, Troy, New York on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at 2 pm.

This Notice is given or transmitted and posted in accordance with section 104 of the Public Officers Law.

Dated: April 18, 2022

Public Notice Town of New Lebanon County of Columbia State of New York

NOTICE OF MEETINGS Board of Ethics

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Ethics of the Town of New Lebanon is setting a standing meeting date and time of the first Thursday of every month at 6 pm. The meetings will be held at the New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 State Route 22, New Lebanon, NY, 12125. The meetings will be held on an as needed basis with no meeting held when there are no items for consideration in front of the Ethics Board.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday evening, May 5, at 6 pm at the Town Hall. The public may attend the first part of this meeting in person or remotely. The Google Meet link will be available through the Town Clerk several days in advance. Pending business for this meeting is a request for an advisory opinion on conflicts of interest. That business requires the Board to meet in executive session.

You may write to the Board with concerns by mailing or delivering a sealed, confidential letter in the Board's mailbox at Town Hall.

DATED: April 19, 2022
Board of Ethics
New Lebanon, New York

Public Notice

Village of Hoosick Falls Street Sweeping

The Village Highway Department will start street sweeping May 9 running to May 31.

They ask that people try to park on the even side of the street on even days and on then odd side of the street the next day which will help as the sweeper goes through the village.

They will start in the downtown area then move to the 4th Ward, 3rd Ward, 2nd Ward and finally the 1st Ward.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Niel Stowell
Highway Superintendent

PUBLIC NOTICES

Meeting Notice

The Annual Meeting of the Warren Cemetery Association will be held on Tuesday, May 10 at 7 pm. The meeting shall take place at the Pittstown Methodist Church Hall, 57 Ole Route 7, Valley Falls, NY 12185.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF: BPNY Property Management, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State (SSNY) on 04/15/2022. Official Location: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail the process to: Salazar and Erikson LLP, 573 Columbia Turnpike, Bldg 2, East Greenbush, NY 12061. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NEXUS RENTALS LLC. Filed 3/21/22. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Barry Chau, 28 Edgeview Ln, Staten Island, NY 10302. Purpose: General.

JN WINDOW SERVICES AND MORE LLC. Filed 3/4/22. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: John Noel, 1233 Broadway, Rensselaer, NY 12144. Purpose: General.

AMPTECH Energy Systems LLC (the "LLC") filed its Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State ("SOS") on November 9, 2000. The LLC's office is in Rensselaer County. SOS was designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SOS shall mail a copy of any process served on the LLC to Marc A. Miller, President, AMPTECH Energy Systems LLC, 20 Gurley Ave., Troy, New York 12182. The purpose of the LLC: any lawful act or activity.

MJGTwo Properties, LLC. Filed: 2/14/22. Office: RENSSELAER Co. Org. in OHIO: 12/3/2021. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to its principal office: 210 S Main St, Findlay, OH 45840. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy Of State, 22 N Fourth St, Columbus, OH 43215. Purpose: General.

GOMIBAKO GAMES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 3/31/22. 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, 4 Abbott St. Hoosick Falls, NY 12090. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

A & A Investing LLC. Art. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03-17-2022. 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, 100 Nyroy Drive, Apt. 03, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Starry Ridge Farm LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 01/24/22. 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, 37 Fred Moon Rd. Petersburg, NY 12138. Purpose: Farming.

Scratch n Release LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/02/2022 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, 2987 NY Highway 2 Cropseyville NY 12052. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

MD Crete, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/10/2022. 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, 106 Kelyer Ave. Petersburg, NY 12138. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation domestic of **CAFÉ 1204 LLC.** Articles of Org. filed with NY Secretary of State (NS) on March 25, 2022, 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 Christopher J. Phelan, Castleton, New York 12033. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE and NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED WARM SPRING CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL AREA
TOWN OF NEW LEBANON, COUNTY OF COLUMBIA**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that, pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.14 (g), the Town Board of the Town of New Lebanon is considering designation of a critical environmental area within the Town of New Lebanon, to be known as the Warm Spring Critical Environmental Area, comprising the emergence site of the Warm Spring and the landscape contribution area as shown on the map available for inspection in the office of the Town Clerk, and on the town website at <https://www.townofnewlebanon.com/>; and

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the specific environmental characteristics warranting the designation are as follows:

The proposed Warm Spring Critical Environmental Area (the "CEA") encompasses the place where the New Lebanon warm spring emerges near the summit of Spring Hill Road in the Lebanon Springs hamlet, along with its contribution area. The springwater issues from the carbonate bedrock of the Stockbridge Formation at a fault between the carbonates and phyllite bedrock to the east. In the area of the warm spring, the Stockbridge Formation consists of whitish to grayish marble and beds of dolostone. Phyllite (metamorphosed shale) lies to the east, and may act as an impermeable barrier to the movement of water. The boundary of the proposed CEA encompasses the contribution area and a 200-foot-wide buffer zone at the perimeter to help provide additional protection.

Springs are not unusual in the Town of New Lebanon or the region in general.

Most springs emerge from the ground at temperatures of 45-55 degrees F, but the New Lebanon warm spring emerges at temperatures in the range of 65.7 – 71.4 degrees F year-round. The New Lebanon warm spring is the only known warm spring in the New York State. The warm spring was long used by Native Americans and then figured prominently in the original European settlement and development of the town, and to this day is an iconic landmark for the people of New Lebanon. The land within the proposed CEA is mostly forest and hayfield. Forests of all sizes provide ecological services to the human community and valuable habitat for wildlife and plants. Standing live and dead trees are habitat for invertebrates and fungi, and for cavity-using amphibians, reptiles, songbirds, and mammals. Forests provide important nesting habitat for raptors and songbirds. Large forests are especially important for birds and other wildlife that have large territories or require the conditions of the deep forest interior to maintain populations in the long term. Hardwood trees with loose, platy bark such as shagbark hickory, deeply furrowed bark such as black locust, or dead standing trees with cavities or peeling bark can be used for summer roosting and nursery colonies by bats.

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

J. C. BEAUDRY, LLC

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on March 18, 2022. Office location, Rensselaer County. Secretary of State of New York State is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Secretary of State may mail a copy of any process to J. C. BEAUDRY, LLC, 40 Groveside Road, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090. No reported agent. Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)**

Articles of Organization for a New York LLC, to wit, **HUEOLOGY, LLC** whose principal business location is in Rensselaer County, were filed with the New York State Department of State on March 18, 2022. The Secretary of State is designated agent for service of process. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him or her is c/o The LLC, 11 Haywood Lane, Rensselaer, New York 12144. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful activity to which a LLC may be organized under the LLCL of New York State.

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The ecological values of meadows can differ widely according to the types of vegetation present, disturbance histories (e.g., tilling, mowing, grazing, pesticide applications, trampling), and meadow size. Meadows of any size can be valuable habitats for small mammals, butterflies, moths, dragonflies, native bees, and many other invertebrates. Undisturbed meadows develop diverse plant communities and support an array of wildlife, including invertebrates, frogs, reptiles, mammals, and birds. Large hayfields or pastures (e.g., 10+ acres) dominated by grasses and sedges may support grassland-breeding birds, depending on the meadow size and configuration, the mowing schedule, or the intensity of grazing. Grassland breeding bird populations have experienced steep declines in recent decades in the northeastern US. The land within the CEA may include swamps, wet meadows, other wetlands, shrublands, and bedrock outcrops (ledges). General ecological values of such habitats are described in the New Lebanon Natural Resource Conservation Plan and the Natural Resources Inventory for Columbia County. The forests in the proposed CEA are part of a very large forest (5000+ acres) of the Taconic Ridge that extends into Rensselaer County, NY, and Berkshire County, MA. This has been identified by the New York Natural Heritage Program as part of a forest "linkage zone"—providing important connectivity between the even-larger "matrix forests" of the Northeast. The Warm Spring CEA is within the Taconic Mountains Significant Biodiversity Area, an area designated by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation because of the large forests, plants and animals of conservation concern, and importance as a water source feeding the wetlands, streams, and groundwater of the valleys below. This area is also within the "High Taconics" conservation area identified in the New Lebanon Natural Resource Conservation Plan to draw attention to the special habitats of the Taconics, the warm spring, and the scenic importance of these hills visible from places along and westward of NYS Routes 20 and 22.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the Town Board of the Town of New Lebanon will hold a public hearing on the proposed designation of the Warm Spring Critical Environmental Area on May 10, 2022, at 6:55 pm, at the Town of New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 N.Y. Route 22, New Lebanon, New York, 12125, at which all interested persons will have an opportunity to be heard.

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

Dated: April 12, 2022

By order of the Town of Board of the Town of New Lebanon. Marcie Robertson
New Lebanon Town Clerk

**NOTICE OF THE COMPLETION
OF TENTATIVE ASSESSMENT ROLL
AND HEARING OF COMPLAINTS
(PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 506 AND 526
OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW)**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Assessor for the Town of Hoosick, Rensselaer County, New York, has completed the Tentative Assessment roll for the current year and a copy of it may be seen and examined by any person interested therein until the fourth Tuesday in May.

The Assessor will be in attendance with the roll at: 80 Church Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090 on:

**May 4 - 9 am to 1 pm
May 9 - 9 am to 1 pm and 6 to 8 pm
May 14 - 8 am to 1 pm
May 17 - 9 am to 1 pm**

The Board of Assessment Review will meet from 4 to 8 pm on Tuesday, May 24 in the Town of Hoosick to hear complaints in relation to assessments of real property.

A publication containing procedures for contesting an assessment is available at the Assessor's office. Tony Rice, Assessor, Town of Hoosick

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**PUBLIC NOTICE and NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED COOL RAVINE CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL AREA
TOWN OF NEW LEBANON, COUNTY OF COLUMBIA**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that, pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.14 (g), the Town Board of the Town of New Lebanon is considering designation of a critical environmental area within the Town of New Lebanon, to be known as the Cool Ravine Critical Environmental Area, comprising four cool ravines and adjoining buffer zones, as shown on maps available for inspection in the office of the Town Clerk and on the town website at <https://www.townofnewlebanon.com/>; and

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the specific environmental characteristics warranting the designation are as follows:

A "cool ravine" is a narrow ravine with steep, high, rocky walls flanking a rocky stream. The ravine walls are commonly forested with a mixture of hardwoods and conifers, usually including eastern hemlock. The steep ravine walls and conifer canopy create an unusually shady, cool, moist microclimate that often supports plants of more northern affinities or higher elevations, and a cool haven for other plants and animals. The four ravines of the proposed critical environmental area (the "CEA") are along tributaries or sub-tributaries to Wyomanock and Kinderhook creeks. The CEA boundaries are drawn generally at 200 feet beyond the rim of each ravine to encompass the area most important to maintaining the habitat conditions of the ravine. Ravines are a common occurrence in New Lebanon and the region in general, but the special habitat known as a "cool ravine" is rare. These places where air temperatures are markedly cooler than those of the surrounding landscape provide habitat for unusual plants and animals, and may offer critical refuge for wildlife and plants stressed by the advance of global warming. In this region, cool ravines often have plants such as mountain maple, fly honeysuckle, hobblebush, American yew, and red-berried elder. Mosses, liverworts, and ferns are often abundant on the moist rocky walls. Because the steepness and rockiness of the ravine walls may have protected some ravines from past logging, some may retain older trees than are found in adjacent forests on gentler slopes. Northern slimy salamander and small-footed bat may use talus (loose rock) areas of the rocky ravine walls, and northern dusky salamander and perhaps even the regionally rare spring salamander may use the streams and associated seeps of cool ravine habitats. Uncommon birds such as Blackburnian warbler, black-throated green warbler, and winter wren sometimes nest in the trees clinging to the steep walls and forested rims of cool ravines. Barred owl and saw whet owl may use the hemlocks for daytime roosts. These places are important contributors to regional biological diversity, providing cool, moist habitats for wildlife and plants requiring those conditions. They serve both as long-term habitats that anchor certain populations and as local temporary refuges that allow other organisms to withstand immediate stresses. All four streams that run through these ravines have been identified by the New York Natural Heritage Program as Areas of Known Importance for their sensitive coldwa-

Notice of Special Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting will be held by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hoosick Falls on Monday, April 25, 2022, commencing at 6 pm at the Village Highway Garage, 7 Waterworks Road, Hoosick Falls, New York, for the purpose of adopting the final 2022-2023 municipal budget, together with any other business that may come before the Board of Trustees.

Dated April 14, 2022
Hoosick Falls, New York

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HOOSICK FALLS
By: Robert Allen, Mayor

PACKAGE MANIA LLC. Filed 3/10/22. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 16 W Shore Dr, Averill Park, NY 12018. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave, Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General

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ter stream habitats, and one is classified as a trout spawning stream by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. Cool stream temperatures in all these streams also help to maintain the coolwater conditions of the Wyomanock and Kinderhook Creeks, both of which are classified as trout streams in their New Lebanon reaches. All of the ravines in the proposed CEA are embedded in forested areas of 200+ acres that serve to protect the ravine habitats, in addition to providing other important habitat themselves, and allowing safe movement of plants and animals between larger forest blocks—migrations that may be increasingly important for the persistence of populations in this era of a warming climate. Two ravines are within the Taconic Mountain Significant Biodiversity Area, an area recognized by NYSDEC for its large areas of contiguous, high-quality forests, its support of regionally rare and state-listed rare and uncommon plants and animals, and its importance as a water resource for wetlands, streams, and groundwater of the lowlands to the west.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the Town Board of the Town of New Lebanon will hold a public hearing on the proposed designation of the Cool Ravine Critical Environmental Area on May 10, 2022, at 6:50 pm, at the Town of New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 N.Y. Route 22, New Lebanon, New York, 12125, at which all interested persons will have an opportunity to be heard. Participation by the public will be in person at the New Lebanon Town Hall.

Dated: April 12, 2022

By order of the Town of Board of the Town of New Lebanon. Marcie Robertson
New Lebanon Town Clerk

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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION & ANNUAL BUDGET
HEARING FOR THE NEW LEBANON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting and Election of the New Lebanon Central School District will be held at Walter B. Howard Elementary School, 1478 Route 20, New Lebanon, NY, on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 between 12 pm and 9 pm for the election of Board of Education members, the vote upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of the District for the 2021-22 school year and the levy of taxes to finance the same. The district's proposed budget totals \$12,924,465.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the Board of Education will hold the District's Annual Budget Hearing on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at 7 pm at the Walter B. Howard Elementary School, 14665 Route 22, New Lebanon, NY, to present the proposed 2022-23 budget to District voters.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money required for the ensuing year for school purposes may be obtained by District residents during the 14 days preceding the Annual Meeting (except Saturday, Sunday, or holiday) at the New Lebanon Junior/Senior High School main office and the District Office (in the High School), between 9 am and 3 pm.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the propositions stated below shall be submitted to the District voters at the Annual Meeting:

PROPOSITION # 1

Shall the Board of Education of the New Lebanon Central School District be authorized to expend the total amount of \$TBD during the school year 2022-23 and to levy the necessary tax therefor?

PROPOSITION # 2

Shall the Board of Education be authorized to (1) acquire two (2) 66 passenger school buses at a cost not to exceed \$251,000 which is estimated to be the maximum cost thereof, (2) expend such sums for such purpose, (3) levy the tax necessary therefor, to

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Public Notice

Village of Hoosick Falls Hydrant Flushing

The Village Water Department will be flushing hydrants beginning May 2 as follows:

Monday May 2 in the 2nd and 3rd Wards

Tuesday May 3 in the 1st and 4th Wards

If residents experience dirty water please run your faucets to clear.

Jim Hulbert
Water Plant Operator

CLIMATE SMART TASK FORCE VACANCY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the New Lebanon Town Board is seeking persons interested in serving in the following position:

CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES TASK FORCE:

The town has pledged to be a Climate Smart Community. We have set up a task force to work on helping the town to achieve actions related to the Climate Smart Communities Program. The committee meets monthly with meetings held the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm. We are looking for residents who are interested in working on Climate Smart Certification Actions to serve on this committee to fill one vacancy. To find out more information please email Steve Powers at nlcac.powers@gmail.com.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all applicants must be residents of the Town of New Lebanon unless otherwise specified above. Persons interested in serving on the CSC are to submit a letter of interest to the New Lebanon Town Clerk. Letters may be submitted via mail to P.O. Box 328, New Lebanon, NY 12125; delivered to the Town Hall at 14755 Route 22; or emailed to townclerk@townofnewlebanon.com. Letters must be received in the Office of the Town Clerk by 4 pm on Friday, May 6, 2022.

Marcie Robertson, Town Clerk
4/18/2022

be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education, taking into account state aid received, and (4) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, to issue bonds and notes of the District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed \$251,000, or enter into a lease-purchase agreement at a principal amount not to exceed \$251,000 to acquire such vehicles.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that pursuant to Education Law Section 2014 personal registration of voters is required and no person shall be entitled to vote at said meeting whose name does not appear on the District's register or who does not register as herein-after provided, or who is not registered to vote under the provisions of Election Law Article 5. Individuals who are registered with the county board of elections will also be eligible to vote. The Election register shall include all persons who shall be registered for and who shall have voted at any annual or special District meeting or election held or conducted within the four calendar years prior to 2022. Individuals may register to vote with the District Clerk on Tuesday, May 9, 2022 between the hours of 8 am to 2 pm at the District Office. An individual must be registered at least five days preceding an election in order to vote in that election. The register of voters will be open for inspection between 8 am and 2 pm Monday through Friday on each of the five days prior to and the day of the meeting, except Saturday, Sunday, or holiday.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that Absentee Ballots may be applied for at the District Clerk's office. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available for inspection in the District Clerk's office on each of the five days prior to the day of the election except Saturday, Sunday, or holiday and will also be available at the New Lebanon Junior/Senior High School on May 17, 2022 between 12 pm and 9 pm.

Kelly McGivern, District Clerk

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**NOTICE TO BIDDERS
FENCING FOR SHATFORD PARK
TOWN OF NEW LEBANON
COUNTY OF COLUMBIA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of New Lebanon, NY is seeking bids for the following: replacement fencing for all of the existing split rail fencing around the perimeter of Shatford Park, the Town's Municipal Public Park. All fencing must be installed at Shatford Park, 170 Old Post Road, New Lebanon, NY, 12125.

All bids must adhere to the following specifications:
1,550 LF of 2 rail split rail fencing
Installation of new fencing and removal of old fencing
All posts must be locust wood
All rails must be hardwood or non-pressure treated, rot resistant softwood
Please specify wood type for the rails in your bid
All wages must be quoted and paid at NYS prevailing wage rates

Please also include a part B to your bid (separate prices that can be an add on if the town decides to move forward) with the following:

Options for 240 LF of the 1,550 LF of 2 rail split rail fencing to have a protective barrier from balls and other items being able to go into the street (this is for the section where our playground is right next to the road and we want a safety barrier in place)
You can present multiple different options such as a mesh barrier, a wire barrier, a plant barrier, etc. with the cost options for each
Please include a photo example of each option presented
All wages must be quoted and paid at NYS prevailing wage rates

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, May 6, 2022. at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud, with the contract being awarded, if acceptable, on Tuesday, May 10, 2022, 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. A certificate of non-collusion can be obtained by emailing townclerk@townofnewlebanon.com. All bids must be submitted in a plain, unmarked envelope with "Park Fencing" 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
4/18/2022

Notice of formation of **PALISADOES LLC**. Articles of Organization filed with New York State Dept. of State on 1/12/2022. The County within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is located in is Rensselaer. The Secretary of state is designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is to the limited liability company at 114-30 199th St., Saint Albans, NY 11412. Company is organized for any lawful purpose.

**NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF
ARCH LOVE HOLDINGS LLC**

Under §203 of the LLC Law. The name of the LLC is: **Arch Love Holdings LLC**, and the Articles of Organization were filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on November 9, 2021. Office location Rensselaer County. The SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC ; 106 Sally Lane, Neenah, WI 54956. Purpose: any lawful activity.

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Notice of Special Meeting

The Petersburg Town Board will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, April 27 at 7 pm at the Town Hall, 65 Main Street in Petersburg, NY 12138. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss an agreement with Taconic and any other business that may come before the Board.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF: Reclaimed Woodworking, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State (SSNY) on 04/15/2022. Official Location: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail the process to: Reclaimed Woodworking, LLC, 3548 US-20, Nassau, NY 12123. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: **TJS CONSTRUCTION AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, March 9, 2022. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Rensselaer County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 1822 7th St., Rensselaer, NY, 12144.

Notice of formation of **ST. ROSE CAPITAL LLC**. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/18/21. Office in Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 170 5th Ave Fl 2 Troy, NY, 12180. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

601 BRUNSWICK ROAD LLC

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on April 5, 2022. Office location, Rensselaer County. Secretary of State of New York State is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Secretary of State may mail a copy of any process to 601 BRUNSWICK ROAD LLC, 809 Farm to Market Road, Troy, New York 12180. No reported agent.
Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

141 Mohawk Street, LLC

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on March 7, 2022. Office location, Rensselaer County. Secretary of State of New York State is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Secretary of State may mail a copy of any process to 141 Mohawk Street, LLC, 451 Plank Road, Troy, New York 12182. No reported agent.
Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
Name: **Elocin Farms LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 3/22/22. Office location: Rensselaer County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to c/o Elocin Farms LLC, 190 Spicer Road, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

PAC 280, LLC. Filed 3/10/22. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to: 163 Camden Ave, Staten Island, NY 10309. Purpose: General.

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Please submit your information to us by 2 pm on Tuesdays to appear in that week's publication.

Community Calendar

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ton Ave., one, two and three mile courses available, no registration required, contact Cardiac Rehab at 802-447-5132 for information

Columbia NE Repair Café, 10 am – 2 pm, free, Chatham Fire Department, 2 Hoffman St., clothing, lamps, ceramics fixed, volunteers wanted, advance signups recommended, contact Bshenker@gmail.com

The New York Neo-Futurists: The Infinite Wrench, 7:30 pm, \$25 adults, \$10 student 18 & under, Hubbard Hall Mainstage, 25 East Main St., Cambridge, free workshop at 1:30 pm, registrations required, <https://hubbardhall.app.neoncrm.com/np/clients/hubbard-hall/eventRegistration.jsp?event=13853>

A British Invasion! Starring Keller & McGowan and Friends, 8 pm, \$20, Sand Lake Center for the Arts, 2880 NY-43, Averill Park, <https://slcactp.square.site/> for info and tickets

May 15, Sunday

The Musical Adventures of Flat Stanley, 2 pm, \$15, Russell Sage Schacht Fine Arts Center Theatre, 5 Division St., Troy, <https://theatre.sage.edu/>, contact Heather at 518-244-4504 for school group tours

May 21, Saturday

Armed Forces Day ceremony, noon, free, Liberty Memorial Park, Hoosick Falls

May 22, Sunday

Community Drumming Circle with Bolokada Conde, 2 pm, free, Hubbard Hall, 25 East Main St., Cambridge, 40 drumming & 40 audience slots, registration required, <https://hubbardhall.app.neoncrm.com/np/clients/hubbardhall/eventRegistration.jsp?event=13850>

May 23, Monday

Community Food Giveaway, 9 am, free, New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 Rt. 22, contact supervisor@townofnewlebanon.com with questions

May 25, Wednesday

The Lift Series: The Westerlies, 6 pm, \$15, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Franklin Alley Entrance, <https://tickets.troymusichall.org/TheatreManager/99/online?performance=105402> for tickets

May 28, Saturday

Petersburgh Memorial Picnic, noon – 4 pm, free, Town Park, PVMCC if raining

ValleyCats Baseball Returns

Preparations for our 20th Season are underway as we are just over one week away from the team reporting to "The Joe" for Spring Training! It's sure to be an exciting, and competitive, couple of weeks with familiar faces and some new additions. Be among the first to see the 'Cats take the field in 2022 by coming out to our exhibition games at Joseph L. Bruno Stadium!

April 30th - vs. HVCC

For the first time ever, we're facing off against our roommates, the Vikings of Hudson Valley Community College in a FREE exhibition game!

May 4th & 7th - vs. Empire State

The 'Cats will take on the Empire State Greys twice during camp. The Greys, a new member of the Frontier League in 2022, will play all of their games as a road, or travel team this season, deriving their name from the color of a traditional road uniform. Tune in to our social media channels and tvalleycats.com for more information on tickets and when they go on sale.

Senior News

Grafton Senior Center

The Everett Wagar Senior Center, 2 Roxborough Rd., Cropseyville, will be open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to 3 pm. Mondays and Fridays there will be 10 am chair yoga class. Tuesdays at 10 am will be senior yoga plus class. **Tuesday, April 26**, following lunch, the center with host Kim Freeman with Unity House to discuss Elder Care Violence. The next Grafton Senior meeting is **Tuesday, May 3**. The center accepts donations of small tag sale table items, in new or good condition. The money goes toward entertainment at the center. Also accepted are donations of clothing for the clothes closet. Clothes should be clean, without stains or tears, and in good condition. There is a \$3 suggested donation for all meals at the center. Please call 518-279-3413 if you wish to be added to the lunch and/or activity list.

Lebanon Valley Seniors

Meetings are at 1 pm on the first and third Fridays of the month at the LVPA firehouse. We will be having a barbecue at Shatford Park on **Friday, June 17, at 1 pm**, which is a meeting day.

The cost of the Maine trip on **October 17 through 19** is \$400 per person. There will be two people to a room, and the trip will have a very early boarding time. We will be stopping for food on the way up, and at Stone Wall Farm on the way back. Signups for the trip have begun. For any questions reach out to Mary Defreest at 518-733-0009.

Hoosick Falls Senior Center

The Hoosick Falls Senior Center, 69 Church Street, is open 9 am to 3 pm Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and 9 am to 1 pm Tuesdays and Thursdays, with limited van transportation Wednesdays and Fridays only. Lunch will be served at noon on days the center is open, with a suggested donation of \$3 per meal. Grab-N-Go lunches are available Monday through Friday. Mondays there is card group 10 am to noon, with open card play following lunch. Wednesdays offer senior games at 12:30 pm and senior exercise group at 1:30. Fridays there's Wii bowling in the morning and bingo following lunch. The gym and library are open

daily. **Friday, May 6**, there will be a Mother's Day tea event with a comedy video by Anita Renfroe. Please call the center at 518-686-7561 to be placed on the meal or van transportation list.

Hoosick Area Senior Bus Trip

On **Saturday, June 11**, the Hoosick Area Seniors have planned a bus trip to Schenectady. The bus will go to Rivers Casino, Capitol Buffet on Wolf Road for lunch, the New York State Museum and a live comedy play at Latham Curtain Call Theater. The bus will leave Hoosick Falls TOPS on June 11 at 7:30 am and will return about 6:30 pm. Cost for the trip is \$60 which includes the bus, lunch, entrance to the museum and your ticket for the play. Please call Julie for reservations at 518-686-7561 ASAP. Money is due at the time of sign-up, along with proof of vaccination for the theater.

Stephentown Seniors

The first trip of the year for the Stephentown seniors will be on **Wednesday, May 18**, to the Turning Stone Casino in Verona. The cost of the trip is \$3, and includes a \$35 complimentary voucher for use on slot machines or bingo and \$5 for food items. Call Judy Hunt at 518-733-5755 by May 13 to reserve a space. The bus will leave Stephentown at 7 am.

Senior Menu

To reserve or cancel call: Troy: 518-270-2740; Schodack: 518-477-6591; Rensselaer: 518-463-2166; Hoosick Falls: 518-686-7561; Grafton: 518-279-3413

Apr 22: Swedish meatballs, buttered noodles, sliced carrots, dinner roll, diced peaches, + sandwich bag

Apr 25: L/s hot dogs, parmesan mashed potatoes, cut green beans, white bread, fresh fruit

Apr 26: Chipotle crusted cod, white rice, steamed broccoli, yogurt

Apr 27: Chicken patty w/ bbq sauce, buttery mashed potatoes, peas and pearl onions, cookie

Apr 28: Spaghetti and meatballs w/ sauce and parmesan cheese, Italian blend veggies, Italian bread, fresh fruit

Apr 29: Sliced turkey cold plate w/ lettuce, macaroni salad, tomato and onion salad, wheat bread, granola bar, + sandwich bag

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The Eagle Bridge Methodist Church,

Obituaries

Ruth E. Devlin

Stephentown - Ruth Elizabeth Devlin, 88, a resident of Stephentown for over 50 years and recently of Mannsville, New York, passed away on April 9, 2022, after a brief illness, surrounded by loving family members. She was married for 67 years to the late Vincent S. Devlin, who passed away November 26, 2020.

Ruth was born in Jamaica, Queens, NYC on February 11, 1934. She was the only child of the late Kurt O. Krell and Elizabeth P. Mueller Krell.

Ruth is survived by her daughter, Linda (Allen) Sicley of Worth, NY; son, Kenneth (Denise) Devlin of Orlando, Florida; son, Chris (Cathy Humphries) Devlin, NC; seven grandchildren: Allen (Kimberly) Sicley III, Greenville, NC; Rebecca (Lyle) Sicley-Stevens, Mannsville, NY; James Sicley, Ayden, NC; Melissa Sicley Anglemeyer, Grimesland, NC; Michael Sicley, Rome, NY; Rachel (Kyle) Rover, Orlando, FL; Christine (Lance) Vick of East Palo Alto, CA; ten great-grandchildren: Allen IV, Adrianna and Hampton Sicley; Joshua, Cora and Mabel Sicley; Bridget and James Sicley; Bruce and Holly Anglemeyer.

Ruth worked as a secretary before her marriage.

Ruth loved to knit and sew, making beautiful items for her family. She enjoyed helping her husband, Vincent, finish the wooden items he would make.

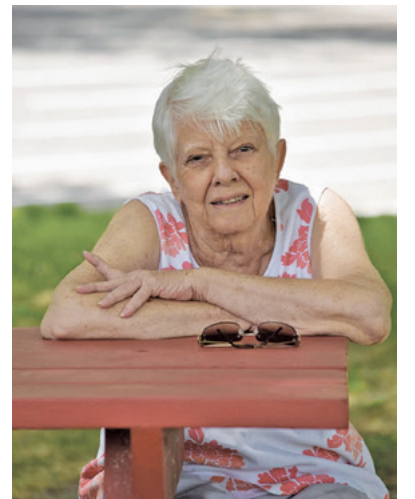
She enjoyed cooking and baking with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Ruth loved teaching them how to cook and bake, with rhubarb pie, pinwheel cookies and anise drops being her favorites.

Ruth enjoyed watching and playing along with Wheel of Fortune and was the house champion nearly every night.

Her four-legged family was much loved by Ruth as well. Past members were King, Dana, Stubby, Sheba and her most recent best buddy, Duke, who would lay next to her chair, keeping her company and hoping for treats.

A private funeral service will be held at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements are by the Hall & Higgins Funeral Home in Stephentown. A condolence book is available at ParkerBrosMemorial.com.



Elizabeth Glanz

Elizabeth Glanz (nee DiNenno) passed away on April 18, 2022 at the age of 98.

A longtime native of Storrs, she worked for many years at University of Connecticut, most recently in the School of Fine Arts.

She is survived by her sister, Anne (N.Windham), her three children, Roberta (Petersburg, NY),

Robert (Fulton, NY) and Thomas (Locust, NC), her 7 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren.

Elizabeth "Liz" was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Edward, sisters Josephine and Rose, brother William and grandson Christopher.

Memorial mass at St. Thomas Aquinas church in Storrs is planned at an unannounced date.

She is to be buried with her husband at Arlington National Cemetery.



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from the church rectory in Hoosick Falls. Doors open at 5:15 pm, with games beginning at 6:30. For more information, call Ellen at 518-686-5075 or Karen 518-686-4737.

Merge Service

Hope Chapel, 3429 Rt. 9, Valatie, will hold a merge service on **Friday, April 29, at 7 pm**, for members from a variety of Capital Region Christian Churches. The event is free to the public. For more information, call 518-395-9471.

Obituaries & Announcements

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First Yellow Bloom



One of the first blooms in area woods is the Round-leaved Violet (*Viola rotundifolia*), which is such a tiny thing that you can easily miss it peeking out from the leaf litter. It is a native wildflower announcing spring in the eastern United States and Canada. Happy Earth Day and enjoy our local forests. Photo taken in the Petersburg woods by Trix Niernberger.

Changes at The Eastwick Press

The Eastwick Press is proud to announce two promotions within our organization. Chris Tergliafera will become the paper's Editor effective Monday, April 25. Chris has been serving as Assistant Editor for some time now and is well qualified for his new position. Chris can be contacted at news@eastwickpress.com or by calling 518-203-7574.



Chris Tergliafera



Heidi Woofenden

Heidi Woofenden has been named Chief Financial/Administrative Officer. Heidi has previously served the paper admirably as the Executive Assistant, and has been slowly assuming the CFO's responsibilities. She has also been filling the role of Copy Editor. Heidi can be contacted at Heidi@eastwickpress.com or by calling 518-203-7574.

Former Publisher and Editor Doug La Rocque will now assume the role of Sales Manager/Public Relations, a position The Eastwick Press has had open for some time, unable to fill until now. Doug can be contacted at ads@eastwickpress.com or by calling 518-491-1613. Doug will also continue to cover Hoosick Falls, Brunswick and Stephentown for the paper.

Tom Withcuskey remains Publisher.

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The Life of George Holcomb

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

Geo P. Sells Oxen to Butcher, and Buys More

Tuesday March 23, 1852: My foot quite lame walking yesterday. Today John F. and Mr. Runnals drew logs to the mill with ox team and one horse team and drew 13 which makes 19 in all, three of them white ash and one black oak and 15 Hemlock and at night John F. fetched said Runnals ox sled load alder wood and said Runnals fetched me home a one horse load wood that I had left near the school house in the highway, and tonight I and John F. reckoned with said Runnals.

Wednesday: I went to Randall A. Brown's store and I paid him one dollar on a subscription for Elder Havens, which makes up the two dollars that I signed for - I had paid the other dollar to Daniel Gardner. I paid 12½ cts for a bottle of black ointment to put on my lame foot, and found Mr Burrel and he came with me to Wm Harris and got me my empty jug that he agreed to have filled with molasses but he renewed his promise and agreed to pay me the dollar in cash in a short time.

Thursday: I carried five and a half pounds butter to Frederick Everett's store and traded it at 1/6 pence per. I got in exchange two gallons molasses at 2/9 pence per.

Friday: At night Geo P. rode to Lebanon to Butcher Dike and Babcock's, they had sent young Hatch and got the yellow fat ox today and butchered it and weighed one half, the other half the pole not stout enough. I sent by Geo P. and paid 12½ cts for powder and shot to Gay's store. Wednesday: Stormy, snow and rain. We sorted over and put apples for market. Thursday, April 1: I went to Pittsfield with one horse wagon and carried seven bushel greenings and one bushel common fruit and one ¾ bushel of spitsenburgh for Geo P. and sold the whole to Cooley's grocery at one dollar and six cts per bushel, and I paid to said Cooley's grocery half a dollar for one gallon syrup molasses and half a dollar for eight pounds brown sugar. I sold 31 pounds butter at twenty cents per to Mr. Clark that takes care of the town paupers, and I gave three dollars of the butter money to my women. Today Geo P. drove his last yoke of fat oxen to Dike and Babcock, they came to one hundred and eight dollars and 60 cts and then Geo P. walked to Pittsfield. There he met Samuel Minor and bought a yoke of five year old oxen and paid him the cash for them and Geo P. drove them home.

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