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# Eastwick Press

Rensselaer County's Community Newspaper

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## Esme's Stories: A Magical Journey

by Amy Modesti

Since 1987, Make-A-Wish Northeast New York has granted more than 2,000 wishes to children fighting illnesses throughout the local area. These wishes aim to bring hope and joy to the child, their family and those involved in its fulfillment.

Saturday, May 7, the first of its kind Make-A-Wish art exhibition was fulfilled at The Arts Center of the Capital Region for 11-year-old Troy resident Esme Savoie. Savoie, a storyteller, fights intractable epilepsy and other health challenges that inhibit her ability to speak, walk and eat. Using only an eye gaze as a means of communication, it took several years for Savoie to communicate what she wanted for her wish.

'When we started Esme's wish journey, her communication with her talker was still very limited, and it was incredibly important that Esme be given the time and opportunity to articulate her wish," said Wish Mom Hillary Savoie. She continued, "When she wished for an 'Esme Museum,' it was the first time Ez used communication to share a creative vision of how she wanted something to be, and from there, with the support of her communication team, her creativity exploded."

From May 7 through June 4, visitors stepped into the creative mind of Esme Savoie in her exhibit, "Esme's Stories: A Magical Journey." Upon entering, visitors viewed photos of Esme with



The outside area of the "Esme's Stories" exhibit, on view at The Arts Center of the Capital Region in Troy, NY. This was the first ever Make-A-Wish art exhibition wish fulfillment for a child, eleven-year-old Troy resident Esme Savoie. Photo by Amy Modesti.

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#### **GRAFTON**

## We Had a Great Time

The Town of Grafton and, in particular, their events committee, had tremendous weather and a great turnout for the second annual town wide picnic, held once again

at Greywacke Meadows (the Wedding Barn). Hamburgers and hot dogs were provided and most in attendance also brought a side dish or dessert. Music was provided by the River Road band and Grafton native Christina Reger.

The committee wishes to thank volunteers Nancy La Rocque and Sharon Crandall, as well as the Grafton Town Store. Hannaford, Market 32 and The Eastwick Press for their contributions.



Christina Reger performs one of her original songs at the Grafton Town Picnic. Photo by Doug La Rocque.



From left to right, Legislator Scott Bendett, local legend Gordie Gundrum and County Executive Steve McLaughlin, at the Sunday, June 5 Grafton Town Picnic at Greywacke Meadows. Photo courtesy of Rensselaer County.

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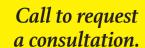


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## **Taconic Valley**

#### **BERLIN HIGH SCHOOL**

## **Envirothon Competition**

Submitted by BCS Communications













A collage of pictures from this year's Envirothon competition, including the Berlin Green team, who won the 2022 Rensselaer County Envirothon Championship. Photo courtesy of BCS Communications.

This year Berlin Middle/High School sent two teams from the high school and one from the middle school to the Regional Envirothon Competition. The students competed to test their knowledge of soils, forestry, wildlife, aquatics and current environmental issues and were tasked with creating a presentation that solves a current issue.

The Berlin Green team consisting of Riley Smith, Dan Hendricks, Elsie Corbett, Samantha Rokjer and Sophie Ericson came in first place, making them the 2022 Rensselaer County Champions and qualifying

them for the State Envirothon Competition. During the State Envirothon Competition, the Green team gave an outstanding effort, finishing 22nd out of 35 teams. Congratulations to all of this year's Envirothon teams.

For more information about New York State Envirothon go to <u>nysenvirothon.org</u>.

#### **STEPHENTOWN**

## Clean Up Day

On Friday, June 10, Stephentown will hold its clean up day. The event will take place at the Stephentown Transfer Station, Newton Rd., from noon to 8 pm. This is free for residents and no permit or advance tickets are required, however residency must be proven with a tax bill. Each resident can bring up to a pickup truck with an eight foot bed or a small 6x10 trailer worth of items. There is a max of two TVs or four vehicle tires per household. Console TVs and hazardous waste won't be accepted. Highway crew, attendants and volunteers will be present to provide assistance.

#### **BERLIN FOOD CLOSET**

## **Plans for Summer**

For the second year, the Berlin Community Food Closet will sponsor a kids lunch bucket program. For eight weeks this summer, volunteers will pack 5 gallon pails with lunch supplies for families with children in the Berlin Central School District. Participants can pick up their lunch supplies at the United Methodist Church in Berlin on Saturday mornings.

If you would like to participate, as a recipient or volunteer, please contact Dianne Mosher. Applications can be obtained by calling the Food Closet at 518-658-2942. Leave your name and mailing address and an application will be sent to you. Deadline for applications is June 17.

#### Father's Day

The Food Closet will sponsor the annual community appreciation Father's Day take out picnic on Saturday, June 18.

Register now by calling 518-658-2942. This meal is open to all.

#### **Pew Raffle**

The Berlin Community Food Closet has been given a pew from the former Sacred Heart Church. Raffle tickets will be available for \$5 each. A limited number of tickets will be sold. The drawing will be held in mid-July.



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## **Taconic Valley**

#### PETERSBURGH

## **Democratic Party** Gathering

The Petersburgh Democratic Party will be holding a gathering on *Thursday, June 16, at 7 pm* at the Petersburgh Veterans Memorial Community Center, 71 Main St. Meet new Democratic Committee members Carol Holland and Claudia Kavenagh and learn how recent redistricting affects you.

#### **PVMCC**

#### **AED Donations**

The Petersburgh Veterans Memorial Community Center is purchasing an automated external defibrillator (AED). Use of an AED greatly increases the chance of surviving a cardiac arrest, and is effective in preventing brain damage. The cost to PVMCC will be \$1,400 for the unit. Donations toward the purchase would be much appreciated.

Donations can be sent to PVMCC, PO Box 516, Petersburgh, NY, 12138 or will be accepted by any Board member.

#### **Lane Brothers 10th Anniversary Show**

On *Friday, June 17*, at the Petersburgh Veterans Memorial Community Center, The Lane Brothers will have their 10th anniversary show. Doors will open at 6:30 pm and the show will start at 7 pm. Admission is \$5, however minors get in free. There is a suggested donation of \$2 for coffee, tea and snacks. Unihog of Hoosick Falls will be setting up a cash bar.

#### **STEPHENTOWN** MEMORIAL LIBRARY

#### **Scholarship Winner**

The winner of the Stephentown Memorial Library Robert J. Smith Scholarship is Carol Kirsimagi, who will be graduating from New Lebanon High School at the end of the month. Carol has been an active member of the Stephentown Community by volunteering with her church, Scouts and through the New Lebanon School. The Board of Trustees of the Stephentown Library congratulate Carol on all of her From left to right, SML President Jen Peabody, 2022 Robert J. Smith moves on to Le Moyne College to begin a career in nursing.

#### **Magic the Gathering Club**

Second and Fourth Wednesdays of the month, at 4 pm No experience necessary, all are welcome.

First and Third Wednesday of the Month, at 4:30 pm

#### World Wide Knit in Public Day

Saturday, June 11, at 11 am

#### SML's First Ever Type-In

Saturday, June 18, at 10 am

#### PETERSBURGH PUBLIC **LIBRARY**

Our Creative Writing group will meet next Tuesday, June 14, at 6:45 pm.

Be sure to come in and sign your children up for the Summer Reading Program which starts in July. We

will also be curating our own Community-Wide Art Project throughout the summer, and we welcome participants of all ages.

Remember, there are always a lot of new books here for you to check out and enjoy.



achievements and wish her luck as she Scholarship winner Carol Kirsimagi and SML Director Kim Roppolo. Photo courtesy of Stephentown Memorial Library.

#### Teen Night

Saturday, June 18, at 5 pm

#### **Summer Reading Kick Off** with Rhonda's Reptiles

Saturday, June 25, at 11 am

#### Live at the Library

Fridays at 7 pm, beginning June 17 All are welcome to attend; all shows are free.

Mike McMann - June 17 Deb Cavanaugh and Dandelion Wine - June 24

#### **Welcome Reception**

Are you new to Stephentown? We would like to welcome you to town.

Join us on *Friday*, *July 8*, *at 6 pm* at the Stephentown Memorial Library for a casual welcome reception where you can learn about local resources, tour the library and make some new friends while you enjoy some appetizers and beverages. Plus, stick around for a free Live at the Library music concert at 7 pm with local singer/songwriter Scott Connors.

This is the first of a series of new resident welcome receptions the Stephentown Memorial Library and the Stephentown Historical Society will be co-hosting with the hope of building stronger community connections.

If you have a new neighbor, or know of a new family in Town, please spread the word.



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## **Taconic Valley**

#### **BERLIN MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL**

## **Quarter 3 Honor Roll**

Submitted by BCS Communications

#### Grade 12

Principal's List Bailey Catlin Katherine DeLaurentis Ashton Evans Liam Lowry Austin Meyette Micayla Price Honor Roll Gabrielle Bink Jesse Cameron Sophie Ericson Shontia Gates **Brady Hills** Daniel Hunt Matthew Kluck Malorie Zink Merit List Christopher Alderman Alexis Curtiss Camren Hoffman Russell Miller Izabella Montanez Brianna Reger Macayla Roberts

#### Grade 11

Principal's List Charles Brand Cadence Church Nora Colin Elsie Corbett Raymond Ericson Honor Roll Brady Beckwith Sadie Giumarra Tatum Kells Hannah Mace Cloey Purdy Samantha Rokjer Annie Weeden Merit List Alden Barto Daniel Hendricks Thomas Hunt **Brooke Lockett** Acelyn Plouffe Sarah Roy Shawn Sams Hannah Yerdon

#### Grade 10

Principal's List
Jake Collen
Josephine Cummings
Lorelai Goodermote
Elizabeth Hunt

Harris Meketa Katelvn Miller Nikki Minkler Lindsey Oswald Vivian Whelan <u>Honor Roll</u> Katie Crandall Ashlee Evans Rilynn Jones Rebecca Madsen Khloe McKeown Merit List Juliann Amuso Jessica Bosso Layne Chaykowski-Jew-Nicholas Chittenden Seamus Faulkner Matthew Goebel Cole Jones Benjamin Klein McKenzie Krause Rebecca Moore Trevor Nunley Joann Prather **Ethan Saunders** Elaine Savaria Joseph Schoeffel Jaden Sniger Abigail Thela Aidan Van Dyk Daniel Williams

#### **Grade 9**

Marissa Yerdon

Principal's List Curtis Adams Britney Barto Lillian Gardell Sophia Hart Owen Lowry Honor Roll Madison Bell Kaylee Bleau Jayli Capasso Kyle Collen Katherine Dundas Julia Neet Alana Prestipino Alexis Rifenburg Alana Zuke Merit List Graziella Hartman Logan Healy Nathanael Hendricks Nathaniel Mace Colin Perkins

#### UGS

Honor Roll
Jeremiah Bentley
Silas Nieves

Grade 8 Principal's List Penelope Haas Seth Hendricks Haylee Jones Mackenzie Lowell Alicia Minkler Carley Ploof Valentina Popov Ellen Sanders Lillian Von Schilgen Erika Yerdon Charlie Young Honor Roll Ava Amuso Alaina Bombardier Anthony DeLaurentis Kaylee Ferrarin Kelli Gryn Jaylynn Harmon Lillian Hasbrouck Tyler P Lumpkin Norah Smerdon Merit List Celia Bautista Landon Demers Emma Duncan Christopher June Lilly Meyers Cameron Van Dyk

#### Grade 7

Principal's List Noah Bonesteel Elijah Burdick Pevton Geerholt Nathan Goodermote Allie Manchester Isabella Ovitt **Grace Pelletier** Jaiden Quinones Emma Shorter Elliot Smith Anna Ward Honor Roll Cevin Burdick Avyn Capasso Jadyn Colantonio Alexzander Esposito George Lamphere-Webster Santiago Ruiz Julia Schoeffel Ronan Whelan Merit List **Dustin Andrew** Nicolas Bonesteel Ezekial Colin Andrew Crimmel Gabriel Florada Jack Healy Joseph Hoffman Cale Maxon Nicholas Neet, Jr. Madison Rontey Jesse R. Saunders Journey Sniger

Sasha Williamson

#### **Grade 6**

Principal's List Luis Gardell, Jr. Mackenzie Garhartt Ridley Hughes Logan Lenyk Markell Popov Alyah Varela Sydney Ward Honor Roll Addison Dezess Levi Giumarra Summer Levin Lydia Morgan Tyler Webster <u>Merit List</u> Blake Arena Jayden Bucvk Sophia Ciliberti Jordan Clark Rylee Colantonio Alivia Cornell Mikhael Florada Riley Foss Elijah Gorman Lillian Howard Addison Mosher Sophia Neet Christopher Roberts Conner Rougeau Clair Schaaphok **Emmett Smerdon** William Snyder Braydin Yerdon

#### CHERRY PLAIN STATE PARK

## Lakeside Picnic

Come to Cherry Plain State Park on *Thursday*, *June 16*, *at 6 pm* to enjoy a lakeside picnic and hear what is new at the park and Capital District Wildlife Management Area (CDWMA). You'll be updated on plans for the park and CDWMA. Join us at the pavilion for lakeside eats. There are many volunteer opportunities, and your support makes a difference. Please park just before the park entrance. For more information please contact Francille Egbert at 518-674-3214 or <a href="mailto:fran.egbert@gmail.com">fran.egbert@gmail.com</a>. Don't forget to check out our Facebook page, Friends of Cherry Plain State Park.

## STEPHENTOWN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

## **Car Show**

Cruise on down to Stephentown on *Saturday, August 20, from 10 am to 2 pm* to check out the Stephentown Volunteer Fire Department's (SVFD) Car Show. There will be antique autos, classic cars, hot rods and more. Plus food, vendors and raffles. The entry fee for vehicles is \$10. Door prizes and trophies will be awarded. Walk-ins and spectators enter for free, but a donation is suggested. Rain date will be Sunday, August 21.

The SVFD is also seeking vendors for the event; if you are interested, please email stephentownfire department@gmail.com. Tables are \$10.

#### **BERLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

## **Community Celebration**

Submitted by BCS Communications

Thank you to all of the Berlin Elementary School (BES) families who attended our Community Celebration on Friday evening, organized by the BES Character Education Committee.

It was a gorgeous night with spectacular entertainment. Thank you to former BES Band teacher Mr. Josh Greenberg and the Mother Goose Jazz Band for the lively and fun music that included many of our talented fourth grade singers.

Thank you also to the BNL Booster Club for providing snow cones throughout the evening

It is wonderful to be able to come together again as a school community. Thank you for all of your support and we look forward to many more celebrations in the future.



Photo collage courtesy of BCS Communications.



## **Central County**

#### BRUNSWICK

## More Clarity on Proposed Town Code Changes

by Doug La Rocque

made news at the Thursday, June 2 Brunswick Planning Board meeting than what was on it. In particular, Planning Board Attorney Andy Gilchrist outlined some of the proposed changes to Town code in relation to multi-family dwellings and where they could

Currently a number of locally zoned parcels have what is called an overlay attached to them. That means the restrictions or permitted uses for that zoned area can be altered if there is, say, an agricultural overlay as well. Anything allowed in the overlaid district would also permitted. These overlays, while well intended, have on occasion created some controversy, most recently involving the Belair Lane Solar project. Under the proposed changes to the code, these overlays would be eliminated. Anything that is currently constructed would generally be "grandfathered" in, however, each use would need to be reviewed.

One of the biggest complaints that spawned the moratorium on two-family and multi-family homes and the code's review was density, particularly in areas the Town's master plan has identified as in keeping with its rural character. Many such comments were directed to the Planning Board, who in turn passed them along to the Town Board. As a result, one of the more important new clauses in the code requires a density calculation, not only for multi-family but large single family home projects as well.

The Planners received their proposed code changes at this meeting, and plan to further review them at

tion due to the Town Board before a Monday, July 11 public hearing.

The general public can also view these code changes on the Town of Brunswick website.

#### Solar Overload

There seems to be a plethora of large scale solar projects lately, and Brunswick is not an exception to this. The Planning Board has already approved 5 such solar farms, as they are sometimes called, with one more in front of it for consideration. There are two more pending before the Zoning Board of Appeals, and three in the application stage. They would be sited on McChesney Avenue Extension, Town Office Road and Hakes Road.

That totals 11 in all, not including the proposed site at the corner of NYS Routes 7 and 278. That has been

One of the concerns spoken about that evening was that National Grid has indicated at the present, their transmission lines are at capacity, so even if constructed, there is no guarantee National Grid could even accept the energy generated by a new solar facility.

Speaking of withdrawn, a request by Verizon Wireless to extend the height of the cell tower under construction at Creek Road and Menemsha Lane is no longer being pursued.

#### No Waivers for You

of the Board that evening, one involving land on under. There is no charge.

It was more of what was not on the agenda that the June 16 gathering, with a letter of recommenda- Indian Creek Road, where the Board informed the applicant they could not act on the request by law, because a stop work order is in place. Another waiver request for parcels on Tarbell Avenue and Hoosick Road was denied because of recent subdivisions. The applicant will now have to submit a Minor Subdivision application.

## **Food Distribution Event in Troy**

This month's Catholic Charities CC Move food giveaway event in Rensselaer County will take place Thursday, June 30 at the Lansingburgh Boys and Girls Club, 501 4th Avenue, Troy. Pickup will begin at 9:30 am, with volunteers starting at 8:15 am.

#### **GRAFTON**

## Youth Fishing Derby

On Saturday, June 18, from 9 am to noon, Mill Pond at Grafton Lakes State Park will be having a youth fishing derby, sponsored by Mountain Chapel Church. There will be hot dogs, soda and chips, as Two Waivers of Subdivision were also in front well as prizes. The derby is for those ages 15 and

#### The Eastwick Press **Graduation Special Edition**

Our 2022 Special will not only contain photos and information about the various graduation ceremonies, but the lists of graduates and future plans, comments from school officials and students and much more.

As in the past, we will offer area businesses a chance to be part of this special edition with congratulatory ads.

This year, we are also offering the parents, grandparents or other loved ones the opportunity to submit a photo of their graduate along with a short personal message.

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## **Central County**

# The Schaghticoke Fair VALLEY FALLS FREE LIBRARY

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A previous year's event from the Eastwick Press Archive.

This year's version of the Great Schaghticoke Fair will run from August 31 through Labor Day, September 5, with everyone allowed into the grounds for one dollar (Dollar Day) when the gates open on August 31. This is also Military Appreciation Day — veterans and active duty military get in free with a military ID. Other Dollar Day specials include \$1 rides when There will be a new challenge each week. you buy 10 tickets and some \$1 food items. Dollar Day is sponsored by Rensselaer County in honor of all First Responders.

A complete itinerary of all the shows, events and exhibits is available on the Fair's website: schaghticokefair.org.

#### **GRAFTON**

## Summer Fun 2022

The 2022 Grafton summer drop-in program will be running Monday through Friday, from 9 am to 2 pm, August 1 through 26. The program is intended for kids ages 4 to 17, is free for Grafton residents and will provide free breakfast and lunch, as well as crafts, music, games, sports and more. The program will be held at Roxborough Holdings, 13 Babcock Lake Rd. Information is available online, by visiting townof grafton.org, at Town Hall or by calling Noelle Goyer at 518-269-8988.



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#### **Gardens Wanted**

We are seeking area gardens for our Valley Falls Library Countryside Garden Tour. If you're an avid gardener, want to show off your hard work and have some unique features to share, then you can apply to be one of the gardens in our second annual tour. Contact the library for an application, which are due no later than Saturday, June 18.

#### Village Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, June 11, from 9 am to 2 pm

We'll be selling books, a wide variety of locally grown plants, home baked goods and all kinds of treasures. Donated items can be dropped at the library during regular hours. Baked goods can be dropped off the day before or day of the sale. Rent a spot on the lawn for \$10 to sell your own treasures, or place your sale location on a map for a \$5 donation. Rain or shine. The summer reading program, Oceans of Possibilities, will also begin on June 11. Stop by our table to register.

#### **Lego Time**

Fridays from 3 to 6 pm

#### Lockdown in the Library

Every other Wednesday, at 3 pm

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

#### POESTENKILL LIBRARY

#### Storytime with Ms. Erin

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#### **National Pigeon Day Storytime**

Monday, June 13, at 10:15 am

#### **Bluebird Basics**

the library.

Wednesday, June 15, at 6:30 pm

#### Yoga on the Library Lawn

Saturday, June 18, at 10:30 am

#### Make Your Own Father's Day Card

Saturday, June 18, from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

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

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## Fowler Fuels

Esme's Stories ... Continued from page 1 pull up a YouTube video to listen to Esme's biogra-

phy. The three remaining QR codes for the remain-

ing stories, "Magical Ninja Pirate Story," "Surfing

Story" and "Magical Dogs Story," were found inside

"Esme's wish is wholly unique, yet representa-

tive of all Make-A-Wish wishes. We've never done

a wish for a museum exhibit. It's one of a kind, yet

all wishes are founded in a child's imagination, and

imagination takes center stage in Esme's wish. Esme

writes using an eye gaze and she writes these stories

that are part autobiographical and part fantasy. They

go off in these wild tangents and it took several years

for Esme to be able to communicate what she wanted

for a wish" said Mark McGuire, director of market-

ing and communications of Make-A-Wish Northeast

tricycle with a mustache, a magical ninja pirate sail-

ing a pirate ship in the sea, a giant surfboard, a giant

shark eating a peanut butter and jellyfish sandwich,

a castle on a cliff and three sled dogs mechanically

moving up and down next to a sled. Each segment

one viewed told a magical tale of Esme meeting a

pirate, her experience surfing on a surfboard while on vacation and being pulled on a sleigh by sled

dogs while on vacation at Lake Placid. Upon exiting

"Esme's Stories," one can view a beautiful array of

painted butterflies and birdhouses with birds perched

in high shrubbery. At the entrance, the tall ninja

pirate greets visitors with a rhyme: "Knock Knock?

cal and beautiful. Savoie has the creative vision and

drive to tell a tale about her magical, beautiful life

with all its unique twists and turns that have viewers

and listeners captivated. And it was all done with the assistance of the contributing artists, The Arts Center

of the Capital Region and the exhibit sponsors includ-

ing brother and sister duo, Jocelyn and Chris Arndt,

who performed for Savoie while Savoie was receiving

medical treatment at Boston Children's Hospital on

Esme's Stories: A Magical Journey" was whimsi-

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Walking through "Esme's Stories," one can view a

New York, to The Eastwick Press.

Esme's Stories" itself.

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## **Hoosick Falls & Surrounding Areas**

## Celebrating 75 Years



To celebrate turning 75, the North Hoosick Fire Department has planned three separate days of special events. The following events take place on the first of those three days, which will be Saturday, June 11.

#### **Anniversary Parade**

The parade will begin at 10 am, with lineup at 9:30 am at Hathaway's Drive-In, Route 67. If you are interested in joining the parade you can do so by contacting Chief Alan Bornt at 518-378-4538, or via Messenger.

#### Flea Market

From 10 am to 3 pm at the fire station. To reserve space contact Stephen Gorman Jr. at 802-379-2038.

#### Cornhole Tournament

Starting at 11 am at the fire station. Entry fee is \$50 per team. To enter contact Steve Gorman at 518-961-4883 on or before June 4.

#### **Car Show**

From 11 am to 3:30 pm. Awards will be presented for special categories chosen by the department. To enter, contact firefighter Greg Fox at 518-469-5794.

#### **Chicken Barbecue**

From 4:30 to 6 pm at the fire station. Tickets can be purchased form any North Hoosick firefighter, or reserved by calling Chief Alan Bornt at 518-378-4538, or via Messenger. Take-out is available.

#### 5 Days Out

From 6 to 10 pm at the fire station. There will be a cover charge.

#### **WEST HOOSICK**

## Letter to the Editor

Written and Submitted by David Sutton

After 18 years of service to the community, I would like to express gratitude to police chief Bob Ashe, and wish him the best future.

As a man uniquely suited to our small community, this big-hearted law officer did his best to reach out to those in need. An excellent communicator, people person and leader, Bob's dedication and compassion are and will be missed. No one I have spoken to has not had positive words to say about him. Many of us are dismayed by his dismissal from his job.

The nature of the charges against him smack of a persecution by people with either personal animus or political motivation. They have deprived the entire community of a difference-maker unlikely to be replaced.

Sometimes things need to be said.

Thank you for your service Bob Ashe. You will always have friends in Hoosick.

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#### CAMBRIDGE CSD

## **Perfect Inspection Rate**

Submitted by Cambridge CSD Communications

The Cambridge CSD Transportation Department mechanics have achieved a 100% New York State Department of Transportation inspection rate. For the 2021-22 school year, 69 inspections were completed and each one was perfect. Buses, unlike personal vehicles, are inspected twice per year by NYSDOT.

During inspections, everything is checked, including brakes, steering, body condition, tires, glass, passenger cabin, exhaust and many other systems. CCS has a fleet of 31 buses, which are inspected by the district's team each month. District vehicles drive more than 352,000 miles in a year.

#### SCHUYLERVILLE

## **Rod & Gun Club Events**

The 2022 Gary Priest Memorial Bass Fishing Tournament will be held Saturday, June 18. Registration will be June 15 and 17, from 4 to 7 pm at the Club. Fishing will be from the 9P bridge to the last barrier before the Hudson River on Fish Creek. The entry fee is \$15 per person, with 100% payback for prizes, which will be determined based on the number of entries. Fish must be weighed in at the Club no later than 2 pm. Drinks, hot dogs and fries may be purchased at the club.

For further information contact Dave Labaron at 518-588-0766.

#### **Monthly Breakfast**

The Fish Creek Rod and Gun Club's next monthly breakfast will be Sunday, June 12, 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 & Surrounding Areas**

#### BENNINGTON

## Medical Matters Weekly

Submitted by SVHC

Matthew Vernon, MD, a radiation oncologist, medical director of the Southwestern Vermont Regional Cancer Center, and an avid road and adventure racer, will be the next guest on Medical Matters Weekly at noon on Wednesday, June 15.

The show is produced by Southwestern Vermont Health Care (SVHC) with cooperation from Catamount Access Television (CATTV). Viewers can see *Medical Matters Weekly* on facebook.com/symedicalcenter and facebook.com/CATTVBennington. The show is also available to view or download as a podcast on syhealthcare.org/medicalmatters.

Dr. Vernon has been instrumental in procuring advanced technology for cancer treatment in southern Vermont, including a linear accelerator. The device delivers treatment with greater accuracy and fewer side effects. Similarly, he helped introduce hippocampal sparing radiation, which helps patients with metastatic brain tumors retain thinking and short-term memory function typically lost with full-brain radiation. A third innovation, tumortreating fields, slows the growth of primary brain cancer in ways that can extend life and improve quality of life for patients.

Dr. Vernon received his medical degree at the Medical College of Wisconsin and completed his residency in the Department of Therapeutic Radiology at the University of Minnesota. He is certified by the American Board of Radiology.

#### **HOOSICK FALLS**

## **Summer Concert Series**

The Village of Hoosick Falls is pleased to announce the lineup for the Hoosick Falls Summer Concert Series:

#### **Whiskey City**

Saturday, June 25

#### The Bluz House Rockers

Saturday, July 23

#### **Soul Sky**

Saturday, August 6

## RoadHouse Rhythm and Blues Band Critical Mass

Saturday, August 13

Southwestern Vermont Health Care Night. Both bands feature doctors from SVHC.

#### **West Side Drive**

Saturday, August 27

All concerts are held in Wood Park from 5:30 to 8:30 pm, with the exception of August 13, which will feature two bands from 4:30 to 8:30 pm. All concerts are free and open to the public. Food will be available from Hoosick Post #40 American Legion and The Los Lobos food truck. Cash bar from The Sand Bar Restaurant.

For more information check out our Hoosick Falls Summer Concert Series Facebook page, or email Kevin O'Malley at hoosick kid@gmail.com.



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## **New Lebanon & Nassau**

#### **NEW LEBANON**

## **Cemetery Restoration**



The Cypress Hill Cemetery, located within New Lebanon's Cemetery of the Evergreens, attracted the public on Memorial Day 2022. It is now visitor friendly, thanks to the ambitious restoration project that former Town Historian Sharon Moon began some years ago. Working with her on a new "Restoring History" project are the Hendrick Hudson Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, the Board of the Cemetery of the Evergreens, the Floyd Carlton American Legion post and the Town of New Lebanon. Photo by Sharon Moon.

## Free Rabies Clinic

The Columbia County Department of Health will be holding a free rabies clinic at New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 State Rt. 22, on *Wednesday, June 15, from 4:30* to 6:30 pm. The clinic will be for cats, dogs and ferrets. All pets must be on a leash or in a pet carrier. No retractable leads please.

If you have any questions, please call Dog Control Officer you to Don Meltz of Maggie Banker at 518-365-9872.

#### **EAST NASSAU**

## End of the Year Meeting Highlights

The East Nassau Board of Trustees held their need for notices for special meetings and hearings. annual closing of the books meeting on May 31. This meeting enables the Village to start its fiscal year on June 1 with a clean slate.

Mayor Adam Acquario commented that the Village had a budget for 2021-2022 of approximately \$180,000, and the Village only spent \$153,000 because of the Trustees and Village officials' financial diligence. This surplus has given the Village a revenue of \$27,743.57 which is a great place to be.

Some budget lines did require a slight adjustment from the contingency budget. Areas such as records management and public information were slightly over budget because of increased digital website fees and a

The equipment budget line was significantly lower this year, and Mayor Acquario mentioned a goal for the upcoming year to get safety vests for Village officials and workers who help with challenging situa-

The Village spent \$35,000, which, according to Acquario, is the most that they have on road maintenance and the Village's snow removal line was significantly lower this year. Still, Trustees realized the unpredictability of that line.

Mayor Acquario hopes during 2022-2023 to get Emergency Service 911 signs for residents to adhere to State codes.

#### COLUMBIA COUNTY

## **Historians Website**

Submitted by New Lebanon Town Clerk Marcie Robertson

has been released, and can be found at historian. interactive map of historical sites in the County. The columbiacountyny.com. The website is full of map, in addition to the website, will continue to be information regarding historic sites, town and village a work in progress as we find more information to histories, historic events, links to historic resources include. Thank you also to the MIS Department for and more. Kudos to all of our local historians who their continued support.

provided much of the information for the site work tirelessly provide accurate information for their respective organizations and towns. A huge thank

The new Historians of Columbia County website our Planning Department, who has provided the





Seniors Safe) program, sponsored by Columbia County Clerk Holly

Tanner, will run until Friday, June 24, at the New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 Rt. 22. Seniors can bring documents such as bank statements, pay stubs, credit card bills, legal documents and any other documents that may contain sensitive personal information to the Town Hall for shredding on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, from 9 am to 5 pm.

**NEW LEBANON** 

**KISS Program** 

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## **General News**

# Reimagine Plan Will Modernize and Improve County Government

Submitted by the Office of County Executive Steve McLaughlin

Rensselaer County will be undertaking an ambitious plan to improve County facilities, expand important County services and broaden access for the public to County government, County Executive Steve McLaughlin announced.

The Reimagine Rensselaer County project will modernize and strengthen County services at all levels. Funds for the project come from the surplus generated by the County the past four years.

"This is a major step forward for Rensselaer County, and will ensure a solid platform of facilities and services for future generations. This is an investment in our operations and the future viability of County services and government and how we serve the public," said McLaughlin.

The resolution for the Reimagine Rensselaer County project has been introduced to the County Legislature, which may take up the resolution at the June 14 meeting. The Reimagine Rensselaer County expansion and improvement effort would utilize \$26.8 million. Along with County surplus funds, some funds from the federal American Rescue Plan would be utilized, as well as some previously budgeted funds.

The components of the project include appropriations to allow for the improvement and fit-up for conversion of 99 Troy Road in East Greenbush. The

County will be relocating many offices and services to the location, following a purchase approved this spring. The move would mean the majority of County facilities would be in County ownership.

Rensselaer County currently spends \$1.1 million to rent Flanigan Square for DSS and Probation services, meaning \$11 million has been spent for the rental.

The effort would also include \$3 million to allow for maintenance and upgrades at the County Sewer District, utilizing ARA funds. The sewer district has supported major economic development and job creation projects in areas of the County. It would provide for replacement and improvement of senior centers operated by the County.

New components for the County emergency radio system would also be provided. Funding would replace emergency radios nearing the end of warranty, and help enhance coverage across the County.

Funds included in the plan would allow Rensselaer County to continue a strong paving effort in 2022, to build on the 170 miles paved over the last four years, along with making additional investments in highway equipment. Funds would also be provided the replacement of a County garage in Cropseyville and allow for full-time use of the garage. Replacement of a recently closed bridge in Berlin would also be provided.

# **Ban Lifted on Poultry Shows**

New York State Agriculture Commissioner Richard A. Ball has announced the end of the bans on live poultry shows, exhibitions, auctions, sales, meets and swaps in New York State. The Department had previously issued the bans on March 25 and April 14 as highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) spread across the United States. The decision to lift the ban comes as cases decrease nationwide, including in New York State, which has not had a detection of HPAI in nearly two months. Additionally, as the State enters agricultural fair season, phylogenetic studies have shown that the majority of flocks affected in the current outbreak were infected by introductions from wild birds, rather than by farm-to-farm transmission, lending additional confidence in the decision.

Department officials are conducting extensive outreach to poultry and egg farms across the State to ensure best practices are being implemented.

Commercial and hobby poultry farmers should continue practicing good biosecurity measures to help prevent the spread of the disease. The Department encourages all poultry producers, from small backyard to large commercial operations, to review their biosecurity plans and take precautions to protect their birds. Poultry biosecurity materials and checklists can be found on the USDA's "Defend the Flock" website.

## **Student Honors**

Spring 2022 Dean's List

#### Hudson Valley Community College

Spring 2022 President's List **Brodie Smith** of Averill Park **Heather Vooris** of East Nassau Robert Okerman of Hoosick Falls Michael Sprague of Hoosick Falls Sarah Whiteside of Hoosick Falls Jared Amuso of Hoosick Falls **Dylan Hart** of Melrose Benjamin Epler of Cambridge Megan Kalbfliesh of Hoosick Falls Keenan McCauley of Cambridge Tanya Chittenden of Stephentown Owynn Arnold of Hoosick Falls Michael Schiller of Valley Falls Tiffany Eggleston of West Lebanon Gabrielle Deck of Averill Park Caileigh Sawyer of Hoosick Falls Ryan Morey of Hoosick Falls Spencer Johnson of East Nassau Julia Acker of Melrose Justine Metzler of Stephentown Jasmine Dunn of Buskirk Catherine Blakeman-McClain of

Alyssa Makar of Averill Park
Troy Windover of Averill Park
Noah Grandjean of Cropseyville
Evan Face of East Nassau
Kevin Wendell of Averill Park
Matthew Burton of Valley Falls
Matthew Marks of Averill Park
Jacob Rieck of Averill Park
Gavin Sessions of Averill Park
Kathryn Stackrow of Poestenkill
Victoria Scott of Stephentown
Davis Snyder of Averill Park

Sierra Jesmain of Melrose Kylieann Krause of Stephentown Amy Griswold of Melrose **Connor Powers** of Hoosick Falls Nathaniel White of Poestenkill Anastasia Peters of East Nassau Emily Brownell of Eagle Bridge Morgan Bellard of Stephentown Maegan Morgan of Hoosick Falls **Rvan LaPorte** of Hoosick Falls Glory Fusco of Hoosick Falls Riley Drew-Cross of Hoosick Falls Makenna Jansen of Berlin Rosalie Presser of Buskirk Nickolas Handy of Buskirk Philip Orsini of Averill Park Logan Escobar of Averill Park **Andrea Catone** of Averill Park **Emily Rosenburg** of Averill Park Seth Daughton of Eagle Bridge Christian Marsh of Hoosick Falls **Brandy Lee** of Hoosick Falls **Christopher Evans** of Averill Park Rose Denue of East Nassau Jordyn Sorel of Hoosick Falls Zachary Phillips of Averill Park Ian Hansen of Averill Park Alexis Smith of Hoosick Falls Molly Rossi of Melrose Rebecca Kiablick of Berlin **Cassandra Crandall** of Melrose **Taylor Muckle** of Cropseyville Emma Herrington-Deerfield of Averill Park Rochelle Daniels of Cambridge **Emmet Kelly** of Petersburg **Brooke Hastings** of Averill Park

Keagen Vrsalovic of Poestenkill

Mya Julius of Cambridge Connor Spiezio of Cambridge **Dennis Dobert** of Poestenkill Robert Passineau of Buskirk **Brandon Watkins** of Buskirk Erick Bedell of Averill Park Zachary Alessi of East Nassau John Loughlin of Petersburg Seth Miller of East Nassau Paul Howard of Valley Falls Emily Turriglio of Valley Falls **Sophie Estes** of Hoosick Falls Oliver Eckler of Valley Falls **Branden Haughney** of Melrose Tyler Basle of Averill Park David Kiszka of Poestenkill Colin Rescott of Averill Park Alyssa Remington of Melrose Jordan Summersell of Buskirk Quinn Dzembo of Averill Park Anastasia Prica-Haner of Poestenkill Brianna Nash of Averill Park Meghan Backes of Buskirk Anna Rizzo of Averill Park Sarah Wing of Averill Park Nicholas Youngstein of Averill Park Aislinn Kaptanoglu of Cropseyville Gabriel Straw of Cropseyville Julianna Keeler of Cropseyville **Derek Howard** of Valley Falls Jonah Smith of Valley Falls Kianna Flavin of Berlin **Cole Cipperly** of Hoosick Falls Brvan Watkins of Eagle Bridge **Emily Dorr** of Averill Park Michael Re of Averill Park

Alysa Barton of Buskirk

Jadalynn LeBarron of Eagle Bridge Carissa Seror of Cropseyville

#### The College of Saint Rose

Spring 2022 Dean's List

Breannah Bebon of Hoosick Falls
Caroline Contessa of Hoosick Falls
Hosanna Davis of Cambridge
Kaia Haskell of Cambridge
Jesse LeVan of Melrose
Ciana Phillips of Valley Falls
Emily Popp of Averill Park
Alyssa Rowland of Cambridge
Skyla Suarez of East Nassau
Nicholas Thomas of Averill Park
Katelynn Weeden of Cambridge
Madeline Yeung of Hoosick Falls
Emma Limoges of Averill Park has been
named to the Lehigh University Dean's
List for the Spring 2022 semester.

#### **Clarkson University**

Presidential Scholars

**Dean Richard Buttaci** of Averill Park **Ruth Elizabeth Nolan** of Cambridge **Rebekah Ann Schaummann** of East Nassau

Dean's List

**Joseph R. LaPell** of East Nassau **Laura Alexis Wing** of Averill Park

## University of Vermont Graduates

Theresa Kirsimagi of Stephentown Colin Van Oort of Averill Park

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**Sydney Eggsware** of Hoosick Falls has graduated from Lasell University

## **Eastwick Sports & Outdoor Activities**

## HIGH SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD

## Berlin Wins State Qualifier

Submitted by BCS Communications

Congratulations Berlin-New Lebanon's Track and Field 4 x 800 relay team (from top left to right) Elsie Corbett, Allura Meizinger, Haylee Jones and Sadie Guimarra, who won their recent qualifier and competed in the States this week. Sadie Guimarra will also be competing individually in the 800. Photo courtesy of BCS Communications.









#### **RUSSELL SAGE COLLEGE**

## **Gator Awards**

Basketball player Syrita Faraj of Troy was named Female Rookie of the Year on a team sport.

David Adadjo of Nassau was named Gator of the Year for men's indoor track and field and Male Rookie Submitted by Cambridge CSD Communications of the Year in an individual sport.

Taylor Dicranian of Bennington was named Gator of the Year in softball.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL TRACK** AND FIELD

## Cambridge **Sectional Winners**

Cambridge senior, Cliff Lewis, won sectionals and set a new school record in discus. In his first year, junior Evan Day won sectionals in shot put.

#### DYKEN POND **ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER**

#### **Tuesday Treks**

Every Tuesday, from 12:30 to 2:30 pm For adults and older teens; preregistration required.

#### The Hill Hollow Band

Saturday, June 11, from 6 to 9 pm Light snacks will be on hand. The event is free, but donations are always welcome.

#### Wonder Walk

Sunday, June 12, from 10 to 11:30 am Preregistration required, donations welcome.

#### **Full Moon Kayak**

Tuesday, June 14, at 6:30 pm Preregistration required, and limited to 10 boats. \$10 boat rental per person.

#### **Experience Forest Bathing**

Saturday, June 18, from 10 am to 2 pm Suitable for anyone able to walk at a slow pace on easy to moderate, uneven, possibly muddy trails.

#### Learn to Fish

Saturday or Sunday, June 25 or 26, from 9:30 to 11 am Fishing basics and safety will be covered in a small group, no license required. Poles and tackle available for loan. \$5 per person. Preregistration required.

#### Keeping Kids in Kayaks

Saturday, June 18, from 10:30 am to noon Program fee of \$10 includes boat rental. Preregistration required. Space is limited.

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

#### AUTO RACING

## Sprint Cars Back at Albany-Saratoga

The Empire Super Sprints highlighted the night and that is actually what Matt DeLorenzo accomlast Friday at A-S, the first of two scheduled appearances this year. The speedy little winged warriors ran a 25-lap, \$2,400 to win the feature, with defending series champion Jason Barney taking the checkers, followed by Chuck Hebing, Danny Varin, Brett Wright and Jordan Poirier.

Matt DeLorenzo became the first two time modified feature winner at the track this season. DeLorenzo was running 4th when caution flew on lap 25, but just two laps later he grabbed the lead and never looked back.

Jack Speschock held on for second, followed by Marc Johnson, Kenny Tremont Jr. and Jeremy Pitts. Joey Scarborough claimed the Sportsman race.

#### Fonda Speedway

One good turn (around the track) deserves another, Josh LeClaire

plished on Saturday night at the Track of Champions. He followed Friday night's win at A-S with another in the Modified Feature at the Fonda Speedway. It was his third time in Victory Lane this year at Fonda, and his 40th feature win at the track overall. Ronnie Johnson came in second on the evening, followed by Dave Constantino, Jessica Friesen and Rocky Warner. The 25-lap Sportsman feature was claimed by Payton Talbot.

Billy Lussier pick up his first win this year in the Sportsman Modified feature at the West Haven, VT track. He was followed under the checkers by Shawn McPhee, Adam Piper, James Hanson and Brian Whittemore. The Limited Sportsman feature went to

#### GRAFTON LAKES STATE PARK

#### Summer Yoga on the Beach

Sunday, June 19, from 9:30 to 10:30 am

#### **Movie Night**

Friday, June 24, at 8:35 pm At Long Pond beach, weather permitting.

Friday, June 24, 9 pm to midnight Telescopes will be provided. No registration. Meet at Deerfield Pavilion.

#### **Free Fishing Day**

Saturday, June 25

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Please send resumes and letters of interest to: Town of Hoosick Supervisor, PO BOX 17, 80 Church Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090 or via email to: <a href="mailto:hoosicksupervisor@townofhoosick.org">hoosicksupervisor@townofhoosick.org</a> Deadline to apply: 7/31/2022 Posted 5/24/22

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

#### **Legal Notice of Meeting**

The annual and regular meeting of the Berlin Community Cemetery Association will be held on Monday, June 13, 2022 at 7 pm at the cemetery land (rain location - Cherry Plain Church).

#### **Legal Notice of Caucus**

The Petersburgh Republican Party will caucus on Wednesday, July 13 at the Petersburgh Veterans Memorial Community Center (PVMCC) at 7 pm. The purpose of the caucus is to choose one candidate for Town Council.

#### **Public Hearing Notice**

The Hoosick Falls Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing to discuss a new electronic sign in front of the Hoosick Falls Fire Department on Main Street in the Village. This will replace an existing sign.

The hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, June 28 at 6 pm at the Village of Hoosick Falls Municipal Building, located at 24 Main Street, Hoosick Falls, NY. All comments will be heard at that time.

## PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF STEPHENTOWN PLANNING BOARD

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the Town of Stephentown Planning Board, County of Rensselaer, State of New York, will hold a Public Hearing at the Stephentown Town Hall, 26 Grange Hall Road, in the Town of Stephentown, New York on the 14th day of June at 7:30 pm to accept public comment on the application of Longroad Development Company, LLC for a special use permit for a public utility structure at NY Route 22, Stephentown, NY, known as tax parcel(s): 196.-1-2. Copies of the application and related materials are available for inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk in Town Hall.

The comments of the public are welcomed on this matter.

By order of the Planning Board Laurie Gilliland Planning Board Secretary

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

Town of Petersburgh Notice to Bidders County of Rensselaer State of New York

Please take notice that sealed bids will be received at the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Petersburgh located at the Town Hall, PO Box 130, 65 Main Street, Petersburgh, New York 12138 up to July 8, 2022 at 11 am for (1) **Parking Lot Repair and Repaving Contract** for the entire municipal complex parking area covering approximately 19,000 square feet located adjacent to the principal government buildings of the Town of Petersburgh. All bids should be plainly marked "Parking Lot Repair and Repaving Contract" on the outside of the envelope.

All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at noon on July 8, 2022 in the Town Clerks office, and a summary of each bid shall be prepared by the Office of the Town Clerk for public review at the following Town Board meeting currently scheduled for July 19, 2022 at 7 pm.

All proposals must be accompanied by a Certificate of Insurance showing General Liability and Worker's Compensation coverages and naming the Town of Petersburgh as a certificate holder.

See Bid Specifications for coverage amounts. In addition, all proposals must be accompanied by a signed Non-Collusive Bidding Certification, and a signed Waiver of Immunity Certificate as noted below.

The Town of Petersburgh reserves the right to reject any and all bids for no stated reason and to waive any formalities or technicalities. Bidders are fully responsible for delivery of bids.

Reliance upon mail or public carriers is at the bidders' risk. Late bids will not be considered.

Persons with general questions on the bid package may contact the Office of the Town Clerk at (518) 658-3777 ext 10. Specific questions must be made via formal communications.

Deidre Fowler Town of Petersburgh Town Clerk 518-658-3777

**SMCO MARKETING, LLC**. Filed 12/27/21. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Stanley S. Mellas, 1630 Burden Lake Rd, Averill Park, NY 12018. Purpose: General.

NOTICE OF THE FORMATION OF A LIMITED LI-ABILITY COMPANY. NAME: **JJC Cellular Health LLC**. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on April 19, 2022. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC, 307 Pleasant Street, Troy, NY 12182. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company: 518 DONUTS HOLDING, LLC

Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on 3/18/2022. Office location: 501 Broadway, Troy, NY 12180. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at: 501 Broadway, Troy, NY 12180. No reported agent. Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: To engage in any lawful activity.

Optimal Equipment Management LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/09/2022. 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, 2 Hillview Ave. 1FLL, Rensselaer NY 12144. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

STEP BY STEP INSPECTIONS LLC. Filed 2/16/22. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Christian Ozack, 163 Bloomingrove Dr, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: General.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

888 NY Real Estate LLC. Arts of Org. filed with the SSNY on 4/13/22. Office: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of the process to the LLC, 1204 Washington Avenue, Rensselaer, NY 12144. Any lawful purpose.

Let It Go Dumpster Service LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 4/1/22. 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, 258 Columbia Hill Rd. Averill Park, NY 12018. Purpose: Any lawful

MATTS REFILLERY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 5/5/2022. 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, 285 Pawling Ave Troy NY 12180. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**Dapylil Dreams LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 5/19/2022. 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, 39 Elm Avenue, Mechanicville, NY 12118. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF THE FORMATION OF A LIMITED LI-ABILITY COMPANY. NAME: **JJC Vending LLC**. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on April 19, 2022. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC, 307 Pleasant Street, Troy, NY 12182. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

#### NOTICE OF FORMATION

FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).
Name: 14 SECOND ST, TROY LLC. Application for Authority filed with NY Secretary of State, November 2, 2021. Original Jurisdiction: Vermont. Date of Organization: August 23, 2021. Office: Rensselaer County. Purpose: Any legal purpose. of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 261 Brush Hill Rd., Stowe, VT 05672.

preformIO, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/15/22. 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, 9 Washington Place, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Monson And Sons Construction LLC. Filed 3/30/22. Office: Rensselaer Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Joshua Monson, 2382 E Schodack Rd, East Schodack, NY 12063. Purpose: General.

Notice of formation of AJUBEAN LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 04/12/22. 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, 192 4TH ST TROY, NY, 12180. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

Notice of Form. of B&H FARM, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/12/22. Office location: Rensselaer County SSNY desg. as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY mail process to 68 Main Street, Poestenkill, NY 12140. Any lawful purpose.

Brianna Clark, LCSW, PLLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/17/22. Office: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of the PLLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the PLLC, 1604 Park Blvd, Troy, NY, 12180. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Ironsilk Games LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/08/22. 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, 1005 Pine St. Fox River Grove, IL 60021. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

#### PUBLIC NOTICES

#### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Brunswick at 6 pm on Monday, June 20, 2022, at the Brunswick Town Hall, 336 Town Office Road, Brunswick, New York 12180, concerning the application submitted by Peter Hickey for an area variance for property located at 5 Heather Ridge Road. The applicant seeks a lot line setback variance in connection with the installation of a pool. Copies of the application are available at the Brunswick Town Hall, and are available for public inspection during regular business hours. All interested persons will be heard at the Public Hearing.

DATED: June 8, 2022 Brunswick, New York
THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS OF THE TOWN OF BRUNSWICK Ann Clemente, Chairperson

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DATED: June 8, 2022 Brunswick, New York
THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
OF THE TOWN OF BRUNSWICK Ann Clemente, Chairperson

232 3RD ST LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 5/16/2022. 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, 232 3RD ST Apt 3 Troy NY . 12180. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Collar City Mushrooms 333, **LLC**. Articles of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/18/2022. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process served to: The LLC at 167 Hill Street, Troy, NY12180. Purpose: any lawful act.

**92 Oakwood Ave LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 04/29/2022. 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, 92 Oakwood Ave. Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 1020 Adventures, **LLC**. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of New York (SSNY) on 2/19/22. Office location: Rensselaer Counity. SŚNY designated agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail copy of process to LLC at 45 Genesee Street, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: any lawful act.

JCH Softwash LLC. Arts. of Org. filled with the SSNY on 05/19/2022. 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, 2256 Brookview Road Castleton, NY 12033. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: Cosmic Crystals and Treasures, LLC. Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 5/12/22. Office location: Rensselaer County. SŚNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to the LLC, 3678 NY Highway 43, West Sand Lake, NY 12196. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

Breathe Easy Scuba Training LLC Art of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/10/2021. Office: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, John N Mazzacco Jr. 276 Millers Corners Road East Greenbush , NY 12061 Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

**LEGAL NOTICE** 

Izayah's LLC Filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY). on 02/15/2022. The company office is in Rensselaer County NY. SSNY is Designated Agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to 702 Eddy's Lane Troy NY 12180. Company Purpose: Property Maintenance and Construction

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## **Community Calendar**

June 10, Friday

pm, free, Grafton Lakes State Park, info/register at www.capitalregionprism.org

June 11, Saturday

North Hoosick FD 75 Year Celebration, 10 am -10 pm, parade, flea market, corn hole tournament, car show, chicken BBQ, 5 Days Out

Valley Falls Village Wide Yard Sale, 9 am – 2 pm, Valley Falls Free Library, drop off donations at library during regular hours, rent a spot on the lawn for \$10, or place own sale location on map for \$5

The Hill Hollow Band, 6 – 9 pm, free, Dyken Pond **Environmental Education Center** 

Great Works for Piano & Violin, 1 pm, \$20, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, 30 2nd St., <a href="https://www.attps:// troymusichall.org/events/1689/great-works-forpiano-violin/ for info/tickets

SVHC Summer Gala, 5:30 pm, \$200, \$100 raffle tickets, 1768 Hubbell Homestead, Bennington, benefit SVHC and honor 2022 Vision Award recipients

June 12. Sunday

Fish Creek Rod and Gun Club Breakfast, 8 - 11 am, adults \$10 (mothers \$5), children \$5, 123 NY-32, Schuylerville, <u>bill.simmes@outlook.com</u>, 518-796-

Wonder Walk, 10 - 11:30 am, free, Dyken Pond Environmental Education Center, preregistration required, 518-658-2055 or <a href="mailto:dykenpond@gmail.com">dykenpond@gmail.com</a>

Brunswick Elks Club #2556 Clam Steam, luncheon 1 - 3:30 pm, dinner 5 pm, \$30 with soda/water, \$40 with draft beer/wine, pavilion, 665 Brunswick Rd., Troy, games, music, raffles, reservations required, contact Mike Pendergast at 518-286-1645

June 14, Tuesday

Full Moon Kayak, 6:30 pm, \$10, Dyken Pond Environmental Education Center, preregistration required, 518-658-2055 or <a href="mailto:dykenpond@gmail.com">dykenpond@gmail.com</a>, limited to 10 boats

#### Theme: Cars

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- 1. Fountain treat
- 5 Pharaoh's cobra
- the Woods," movie
- 12. Gulf V.I.P.
- 13. Native American tent 43. 3 or 6 in 3+6=9
- 14. Rapper Dogg
- 15. Hindu princess
- 16. \*Used to alert when driving
- 17 who?'
- 18. \*Corvette, e.g.
- 20. Cambodian money
- 21 \*Like Stephen King's Christine
- "Some Nights' (2012) band
- 23. \*Aston follower
- 26. State legislature's home
- 30. 7th letter of Greek alphabet
- 31. \*What I used to step on the gas
- 34. Lowest brass
- 35. Salon offerings
- 37. Exclamation of surprise

- 38. Fathered
- 39. Do like phoenix
- 40. Underarm
- 42. The Jackson 5's Be There'
- 45. Knit cap
- 47. Shed tears
- 48. Winter Olympics participant
- me, then 50. Embarkation location
  - 52. \*Earth traveler (2 words)
  - 56. 2-time NBA Champion Rajon
  - 57. Double-reed instrument
  - 58. Muscovite or biotite
  - 59. Lopsided
  - 60. Undesirable dwell-
  - 61. Causing pain
  - 62. Like certain military tent
  - 63. Between "ready" and "go"
  - 64. #63 Across, pl.

June 16, Thursday

Invasive Species Talk & Naturalist Walk, 1 – 3:30 Lakeside Picnic, 6 pm, Cherry Plain State Park pavilion, park just before Park entrance, for information contact Francille Egbert at 518-674-3214 or fran. egbert@gmail.com or visit Friends of Cherry Plain State Park Facebook page

June 17, Friday

Pizza Night, 5 – 8 pm, Hoags Corners Ambulance

Lane Brothers 10th Anniversary Show, doors 6:30 pm, show 7 pm, \$5, under 18 free, Petersburgh Veterans Memorial Community Center, suggested donation of \$2 for coffee, tea, snacks, cash

bar by Unihog

June 18, Saturday

Keeping Kids in Kayaks, 10:30 am noon, \$10, Dyken Pond Environmental Education Center, preregistration required, 518-658-2055 or dykenpond@gmail.com, space is limited

Gary Priest Memorial Bass Fishing Tournament, \$15, register 6/15 & 17 from 4 – 7 pm at Fish Creek Rod & Gun Club, 123 NY-32, Schuylerville, fishing from 9P bridge to last barrier before Hudson River on Fish Creek, weigh in by 2 pm, contact Dave Lebaron at 518-588-0766 for information

Last week's crossword solution: 

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#### **DOWN**

- 1. J. Lo's ex
- 2. Wet nurse
- 3. \*Don't cross it when driving
- 4 Hot dish stand 5. Garlicky mayon-
- naise 6. Shopping
- 7. Pub offering
- 8. \*Car name that sounds like "unending" synonym
- 9. Opposite of all
- 10. Hammer or sickle
- 11. Choose or select
- 13. Like a rosebush
- 14. Maple goo, alt. sp.
- 19. French city, popular coronation location
- 22. Like a certain Tuesday
- 23. First 'M' in MGM
- 24. Aweigh
- 25. Turn toddler into an adult

- 26. Chicken house
- 27. Home of famous shroud
- 28. Obelus, pl.
- 29. Soup server
- 32. \*Car company founded by a Henry
- 33. Unit of electrical
- 36. \*German luxury car
- 38. \*Driving maneuver
- 40. Take your pick
- 41. In the same place, in a footnote
- 44. Cupid's ammo
- 46. Smells
- 48. Expensive fur
- 49. Type of whip
- 50. Do like a model
- 51. Squid's defense, pl.
- 52. Death, to some 53. Kamala Harris, e.g.
- 54. Not counterfeit
- 55. Dose of sunshine,
- 56. \*Car name that also means Aries

## **Board Meetings**

Monday, June 13

Pittstown Town Board, 6:30 pm, Town Hall Grafton Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall Hoosick Town Board, 7 pm, Town Offices

Tuesday, June 14

Rensselaer County Legislature, 6 pm, County Office Building

New Lebanon Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall Hoosick Falls Village Board, 6 pm, Municipal Building

Thursday, June 16

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Hoosick Falls Board of Education, 6:30 pm, High School Cafeteria

> Monday, June 20 **Stephentown Town** Board, 7 pm, Town 3 Hall 6 2 4 9

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

Last week's sudoku solution:

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#### **GRAND ALASKAN CRUISE & TOUR**

12 days, departs May - Sep 2022

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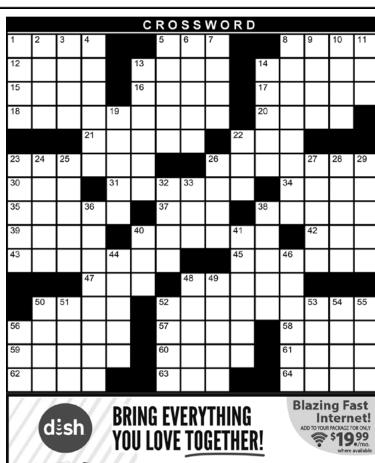
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## **Obituary**

#### Robert A. Oswald

Cherry Plain - Robert A. "Bobby" Oswald, 77, died Wednesday, June 1, 2022 at Albany Medical Center. He was born in Cherry Plain on June 18, 1944, the son of the late John and Mary Teal Oswald.

Bob was employed by W.J. Cowee, Inc. in Berlin early in his life. He was a school bus driver for the Berlin Central School District for many years and also served as the Town of Berlin Highway Superintendent for four years.

Bob was the grave digger for over 40 years for all of the cemeteries in the Taconic Valley from North Petersburgh to Stephentown. He also served with great pride as the caretaker for the Berlin Community Cemetery also for 40 years and served on the cemetery Board of Trustees.



Bob and his family also did custom evergreen grave blankets for more than 50 years for cemeteries all over the east coast including New York City and New Jersey.

Bob enjoyed playing cards and dancing with his wife Shirley at the former Bridgeway Tavern in Cherry Plain. To many, he was the "Mayor" of Cherry Plain.

He was the beloved husband of 58 years to Shirley A. Goodermote Oswald; devoted father of Mary M. (Cyril) Grant of Stephentown, Allison A. (Dan Hammon) Oswald, Kevin A. (Linda Cunagin) Oswald and Christopher R. (Amber) Oswald all of Cherry Plain; proud grandfather of Sarah (Tom) VanBuskirk, Samantha (Billy Jr.) Gundrum, Colleen Reichelt, Ryan (Sahara) Reichelt, Calob Cunagin, Lindsey Oswald and Savannah Hammon; great-grandfather of Hank Gundrum, Owen Reichelt and Macy VanBuskirk; brother of Linda (Rhett) Butler of Georgia and the late Richard and Charles Oswald and Marjorie Stowell. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Condolence book at <u>ParkerBrosMemorial.com</u>.

## **Senior News**

#### **Lebanon Valley Seniors**

The Lebanon Senior Citizens BBQ at Shatford Park is *June 17 at 1 pm*, which is a meeting day. Please call Linda Moshimer 518-794-8169 if you are planning on attending. Meetings are at 1 pm on the first and third Fridays of the month at the LVPA firehouse.

For questions, or trip sign up and information, reach out to Mary Defreest at 518-733-0009.

#### **Stephentown Seniors**

The Stephentown Seniors meet the first and third Thursdays of each month at 1 pm at the Town Hall on Grange Hall Road. Anyone 50 or over is invited to join. Guests are welcome. For information call Judy Hunt at 518-733-5755.

#### **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. Rachel will be at the center *June* 14 for haircuts, manicures and pedicures. Please call for an appointment time. Also June 14, we will celebrate the month's birthdays following lunch with senior games. June 16 there will be Father's Day Fun Day at 12:30 pm. There is a \$3 suggested donation for all meals at the center. Please call 518-279-3413 for more information.

#### **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. Daily activities are subject to change when special events are added. The center will be closed June 20 in observance of Juneteenth Day.

June 10 at 11 am, we will host guest speaker Katie Keary, who will talk about the 10 warning signs of Alzheimer's Disease. Learn about the warning signs, the importance of early detection and expectations when diagnosed with Alzheimer's. June 17 we will host guest speaker Tracy Muscatello-Crowley, who will talk about what happens at HeartsHerd Animal Sanctuary in Buskirk. Please call the center at 518-686-7561 to be placed on the meal or van transportation list.

Senior Menu  $\rightarrow$ 

## **Church News**

#### **Gotta Move VBS**

Gotta Move VBS is coming to Hoosick Falls Community Alliance Church, 484 Hill Rd., *July 11 through* 15, from 6 to 8:15 pm.

Kids will have fun singing and dancing, making new friends and enjoying great snacks and activities. Gotta Move is for preschool age through sixth grade. You can register by visiting vbsmate.com/HFCAC. For more information or to arrange transportation, call 774-230-1183.

#### **Fishing Derby**

On *Saturday, June 18, from 9 am to noon*, the Mountain Chapel Church will hold its fishing derby at Mill Pond, at Grafton Lakes State Park.

## Ham and Strawberry Shortcake Dinner

On *Saturday, June 11, from 4 to 6 pm*, the Pittstown United Methodist Church Hall, NY Route 7, will be having an eat-in or take-out ham and strawberry shortcake dinner. The menu will be ham, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetables, applesauce, rolls and strawberry shortcake. The cost is \$14 for adults, \$6 for children 5 though 12 and children under 5 eat free. For reservations, which are suggested, call 518-663-5607.

#### **Johnsonville Thrift Shop**

The Johnsonville Methodist Church Thrift Shop, 22 Bridge St., is open from 9 am to noon every Wednesday and the first Saturday of each month. Closed on major holidays. Look for our sign at the corner of Rt. 111 and Rt. 67. We have a great selection of adult and children's seasonal clothing, vintage, special occasion and career clothes, jewelry and more.

#### Gilead's Body and Soul Pantry

Gilead Lutheran Church body and soul pantry, located at the intersection of Routes 7 and 278, Center Brunswick, will be open from 3 to 5 pm, the last Thursday of the month, through August 26.

#### **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

**June 10:** Grilled chicken breast, salad, three bean salad, white bread, pudding, + sandwich bag

June 13: Prime rib burger, l/s onion gravy, mashed potatoes, cut green beans, whole wheat bread, fresh fruit June 14: Chicken patty parmesan, pasta w/ sauce, Italian blend veggies, Italian bread, ice cream

**June 15:** Ham steak with Pineapple glaze, red potato, peas and onions, rye bread, fresh fruit

**June 16:** Turkey chili w/ kidney beans and sour cream, rice, sliced carrots, peanut butter crackers

#### **Eagle Bridge Thrift Store**

The Eagle Bridge Methodist Church, Rt. 67, is now open *every Wednesday through October 12, from 9 am to 1 pm*.

## United Methodist Church At Berlin

**Sunday, June 12**, the Administrative Council of the UMC at Berlin will meet directly after church. If anyone has last minute agenda items, please contact Kent Goodermote.

Sunday, June 26, we will sponsor a potluck lunch picnic after the 11 am service bidding farewell to Pastor Joel Holcomb. The picnic will be held at Goodermote's on Hill Hollow Road in Petersburg. Pastor Holcomb will be pastor of Nassau UMC and Center Brunswick beginning July 3. Services will continue at Berlin at 11 am each Sunday. All are welcome.

Gas prices and other factors have grounded the UMC annual *July 4* Mobile Bake Sale. The now stationary sale will take place beginning at 4 pm at 4 North Main Street. Anyone interested in baking for the sale should contact Nancy Vincent, Sharon Goodermote or call the church 518-658-2942.

#### **Keyes Scholarship Winner**

Center Brunswick United Methodist Church is pleased to announce the 2022 recipient of the Harold and Mabel Keyes Scholarship Award, Ethan Skaarup, a graduating senior from Tamarac High

School. Ethan is the son of John and Pamela of Pittstown. This award is provided by a gift from the Harold and Mabel Keyes estate. Mrs. Keyes taught in the Brunswick Schools and through this award her love of helping young



2022 Keyes Scholarship winner Ethan Skaarup. Photo courtesy of Sheryl Burke.

people learn and grow continues to reach youth of our community.

Ethan is a member of Tamarac's Student Senate and is the student liaison on the Tamarac Board of Education. He has been co-captain of both the JV and Varsity Masterminds Teams, a member of both the National Junior Honor Society and currently National Honor Society, has served as treasurer of the eSports club, Tamarac Russian Club and High School Band. Ethan played modified Lacrosse sophomore year. His community activities include cleanup at the Tomhannock Reservoir and Grafton Lakes State Park. He also studies both piano and voice.

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## Spots in the Forest



The Eight-spotted Forester Moth (Alypia octomaculata) flies during the day between April and June in the northern U.S. and for a longer period in the south. Not seen here are the four large spots on its underwings. The moth is usually a little more than an inch long. Photographed by Trix Niernberger near the woods of Petersburgh.



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## The Wife of a Neighbor Dies

Sunday, June 20, 1852: I and my wife Hatch died and tonight Geo P. and for she remains quite sick and not to live but a short time. Today John F. Samuel Beers on a visit.

Wednesday: This afternoon Geo P. I handed Sarah ten dollars towards buying her a silk dress. They stayed tonight to Mr. Rufus Withees.

Friday: Towards night John F. rode over to my Rodgers farm with Mr. Steel to look at some sheep we have evening Geo P. and Sarah O. returned home from Albany and Troy after trading some. Sarah paid eleven dollars for a black silk dress and three dollars for to have her hat and Charlotte's altered. In Albany they called on the widow Freelove Wylie.

Sunday: Today the wife of Philander coming home.

walked up to P. Hatch's to see his wife Charlotte E. watched with the corpse to P. Hatch's.

Tuesday: I and my wife and two sons and his two sisters returned home from and daughter Charlotte E. walked to funeral to P. Hatch's to the funeral of his wife. Elder (blank) from Lebanon and Sarah started for Troy and Albany. preached. Today an Irishman began to work for me by the name of John, for three months at ten dollars per month. This morning Mr. Belcher from Hancock came and bought nine fowls and paid me two dollars for them.

Wednesday: I this morning drove a to sell but he did not buy them. This cow to J. B. Maxon's and this forenoon mended fence and stopped sheep holes on my Rodgers farm where my sheep got into my oats and old Mr. Aaron Merrils came and told me my sheep had been in my oats and Mr. Sparowhawk came and helped Merrils get them out. I had a hard thunder

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