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BERLIN

It Was a Great Day for a Parade

The weather could not have been better on Monday for the annual 4th of July festivities, and in particular the parade through the Village. The theme of this year's parade was Iconic American Brands, featuring slogans and mascots that have created both our and the world's image of us.

The honor of Parade Grand Marshal was bestowed this year on Berlin Town Clerk Anne Maxon who has served the Town and its residents in that post since 1982. She was Deputy Town Clerk for six years prior to that.

As usual, many prizes were handed out, with the judging taking place just prior to the parade's step off. Here is the list of winners:

Grand Prize: Freedom - The U.S. Constitution by The Grafton Baptist Church
Theme First Place: An American Picnic by The Taconic Lake Association - JP Thomas
Theme Second Place: Iconic Themes by Oswald/Hammond
Funniest First Place: Dodge Brothers by Charles and Karen Davis
Funniest Second Place: Looney Tunes by Jason and Lynn Dunterman
Prettiest First Place: Hersey Chocolate by Hammersmith
Prettiest Second Place: Great Outdoors by Team Sprinkles
Business First Place: Lanesboro Country Store by Tyler Purdy
Business Second Place: Quality Construction by Bill and Lisa Hammersmith
Business Third Place: Paulson Wood Products by Don Paulson
Farm Equipment First Place: 1956 Farmall
Farm Equipment Second Place: Allis Chalmers by the Giumarra Family
Farm Equipment Third Place: John Deere by Kinderhook Farms
Trucks First Place: 1965 International Fire Truck
Trucks Second Place: Mack Model B by Don Paulson

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Parade Grand Marshal Anne Maxon (in the tall Uncle Sam Hat) rides in style during the Berlin 4th of July Parade. Photo by Amy Modesti.

If there were a Hardest Working Award it would have to go to the Parade Organizing Committee and all the volunteers who once again made the Berlin 4th of July Parade one to remember. Thanks to all.

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GRAFTON

Summer Festival This Saturday

On **Saturday, July 16 in the Town Park, Rt. 2, from 9 am to 4 pm**, Grafton will hold its Summer Festival. There will be a flea market with craft vendors selling a selection of antiques, collectibles, handcrafted jewelry and more.

Boy Scout Troop 222 will be serving a variety of items throughout the day, including hot dogs, hamburgers, soda and coffee.

Community organizations including The Grafton Community Library, Grafton Historical Society and Grafton Lakes State Park will be represented.

The Everett Wagar Senior Center will be open with items for sale, and Our Lady of the Snow will have home made baked goods including mini pies and cupcakes.

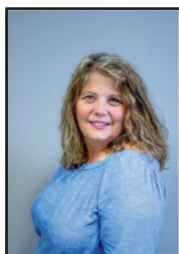
Sister Kenan's Giant Raffle tickets will be available with more than 75 prize winners drawn throughout the day. Grand prize includes a load of crushed run from R.J. Valente Gravel, Inc., a cord of firewood from Lenny Deschane at LD Forest Products, a six month membership to Vent Fitness and \$1,000 cash.

A now sold out chicken barbecue will be served from noon to 3 pm.

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A picture from a previous Grafton Summer Festival. Photo provided.



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BERLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

New Assistant Principal

Submitted by BCS Communications

The Berlin Central School District is pleased to welcome Mrs. Jodi Cataldo as Berlin Elementary School's Assistant Principal.

Mrs. Cataldo has spent the past eight years teaching first grade at Turnpike Elementary School in Troy, as well as teaching kindergarten, fourth grade and Middle School Response to Intervention (RTI).

She completed her undergraduate degree in Elementary Education at the College of Saint Rose and earned a master's degree in Reading from the University of Albany.

Mrs. Cataldo enjoys spending time

with her husband, Sean, and four children, exploring different hiking trails, paddle boarding and visiting national parks. Additionally she enjoys reading, playing golf, volunteering in the community and cheering on her kids on the soccer field.



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Trucks Third Place - GMC by Chad Gerstel
Antique Autos First Place - 1950 Jeepster by John Kellar
Classic/Modified First Place - 1948 Oldsmobile
Classic/Modified Second Place - 1956 Chevrolet by George Dahl
Classic/Modified Third Place - 1972 Oldsmobile by Julie Riccardi & Sandra Billert, owned by Henry Tanner
Horseback Riders First Place - Mule by Quarter Moon Farms
Horseback Riders Second Place - Allie, Canterling Cowpokes
Horseback Riders Third Place - Edna Olson
Horses/Wagons First Place - Sara Leonard, Canterling Cowpokes
Fire Departments: Best Appearing - Petersburg Volunteer F.D.
Most in Line - Petersburg Volunteer F.D.
Antique Equipment - Berlin Fire Department

BERLIN LIBRARY

My Plate

July 20, at 2 pm
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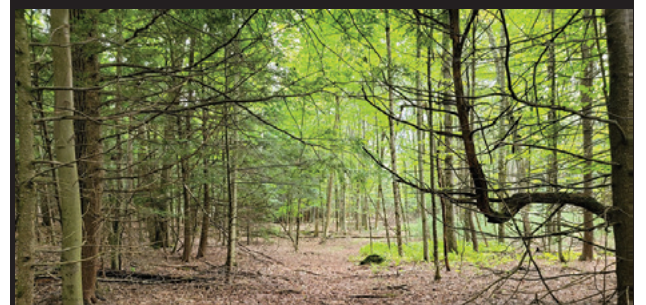
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Taconic Valley

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PETERSBURGH

ARPA Funding Requests

by Chris Tergliafera

At the Monday, June 20 regular meeting of the Petersburg Town Council three different groups gave presentations to the Council requesting American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. The first proposal, which was prepared by the Friends of Petersburg History and submitted by Town Historian Peter Schaaphok, requested funds for the purpose of preserving the original Town record books, if possible, and making a replica and digital copy of the books for public viewing. Items needed include a laptop, scanner and external hard drive. The requested items total \$7,660.37 but an anonymous resident has offered to donate \$3,000 towards the cause.

The Parks and Recreation Committee requested funds for items such as two sets of horseshoe pits and two sets of pro-style cornhole games for possible fun-

draising and tournaments, as well as health and fitness type equipment.

The Fire District and Department requested funds for the purchase of an Argo utility vehicle. Around \$10,000 of the total cost will be picked up by Rensselaer County, which leaves the remaining amount needed at roughly \$25,000. Argos are designed for the purpose of aiding first responders in getting to locations that would otherwise be difficult or impossible to reach. They are amphibious and can be used for water rescue as long as the current is 2 mph or under. The vehicle is also equipped to handle extremely icy conditions, as well as unplowed roads and trails. The Council said they will take these presentations into considerations and hope to have answers to the requests soon.

Geothermal Bid

The bid for the Library geothermal project will go to Choice Heating and Cooling of Troy. The total cost of the project will be around \$152,000. This number is roughly \$25,000 more than the estimate last year, due to inflation. Approximately \$94,000 of the cost will be paid for by the State. Due to difficulty getting materials due to supply chain issues, the hope is for an October start to the project, with completion expected sometime around the end of January.

New Software

The Council approved the purchase of new tax collection software that will work with current Rensselaer County software. Petersburg was the last town in the County to make the switch. The software will require an \$8,300 initial setup fee with a cost of \$3,300 annually thereafter.

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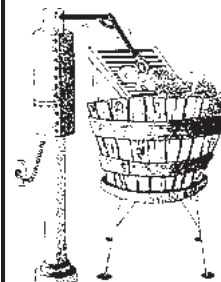
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AVERILL PARK

Large Fire Destroys Home and Barns

Exploding propane tanks greeted Averill Park firefighters as they arrived at the scene of a large blaze at 23 Old Route 66 on Friday morning, July 8. All three barns and the main home were involved, with a third alarm sounded and 17 Rensselaer County fire companies either at the scene or on standby. Fortunately no people or animals were harmed. It took until late afternoon to extinguish the inferno.

Firefighters did a great job protecting the neighboring homes from becoming part of the blaze. The structures needed to be torn down. The cause remains under investigation.

POESTENKILL

ARPA Funds Public Meetings

Poestenkill has received \$230,000 in federal American Rescue Plan Act fiscal recovery funds with an additional \$230,000 anticipated later this year. The Town Board is working to make sure that this money is used in a way that has a lasting impact.

In March Poestenkill held two public meetings to ask for ideas. These listening sessions were so well received that Poestenkill will be holding a second round of public sessions in mid-July.

Many of the comments were about town services and operational issues; Supervisor Keith Hammond has asked Highway Superintendent DJ Goyer to join him in addressing those concerns at the beginning of each July meeting.

The possibility of a town park was the most frequent suggestion in March. It would be helpful to hear more about how residents and their families would use it, where it could be and what facilities and amenities it could have.

Poestenkill's second round of listening sessions are scheduled at:

- Evangelical Lutheran Church - 772 Round Top Road, Tuesday, July 19, at 7 pm
- First Baptist Church - 12 Legenbauer Road, Saturday, July 23, 10 am

GRAFTON

Crandall Road Home Damaged by Fire

by Doug La Rocque

Grafton Fire Department was dispatched to 262 Crandall Road on Tuesday afternoon, July 12 for a blaze that started on the porch and quickly spread up a wall and into the kitchen area. Grafton Fire Chief Jim Goyer said neither the residents (Sean and Wendy Kelly and family) nor any firefighters were injured. The home suffered heat, smoke and water damage. The cause remains under investigation.

Mutual aid from Petersburg, Eagle Mills, Pittstown and Hoosick was also dispatched with the Center Brunswick and Mountain View Fire Departments covering the Grafton and Eagle Mills districts. The Grafton Rescue Squad was also on scene.



A hose is stretched from a Petersburg fire truck to the Crandall Road home to finish extinguishing any hot spots from the Tuesday afternoon fire. Photo by Doug La Rocque.

GRAFTON

Town Board

by Chris Tergliafera

At the Monday, July 11 regular meeting of the Grafton Town Board, several motions and resolutions were passed. The first was a motion to approve Vicky Burdick as Deputy Dog Control Officer. The next was a resolution to approve the use of the Everett Wagar Senior Center for the upcoming Grafton Summer Festival on July 16. The Board then approved a resolution to advertise for a part-time laborer that can perform varied maintenance and repair work for the Town. Last but not least, a resolution to accept the 2022 audit of the Town Supervisor's books was passed.

The Monday, July 18 Planning Board meeting will be held at Roxborough Holdings, instead of Grafton Town Hall, at 7 pm.

The meeting was adjourned in loving memory of Irene Morris, Janice M. Bulson and Edward Schultz.

BRUNSWICK

Little Comment About Code Changes

by Doug La Rocque

It took longer to explain the changes to the Brunswick Town Codes than needed for those who wished to comment on them at the Monday, July 11 Public Hearing. In a nutshell the proposed amendments eliminate any district overlays and reinstate a density calculator. They also make some changes in the amount of buffer space needed between lots, up to 200 feet. Bill Brady, who owns property on Farrell Road, feels this is excessive and unfairly limits the amount of usable land. He suggested that a 50-foot buffer would be sufficient. His comments were echoed by a representative of Rifenburg Construction. The only other comments concerned changes that affect small agricultural operations.

The Board held the hearing open for written comments for 20 calendar days. Their next step is to consider all comments and decide if they wish to make changes to the new codes before approval.

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If you wish to attend both days, campers and tents for an overnight stay are permitted. Please call Jay Estabrooks at 518-658-2206 for details. For more information on the picnic please contact Barb Hansen at 518-956-3755 or email dhansen@nycap.rr.com.

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Monday, July 18, at 10:30 am

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Wednesday, July 20, at 6:30 pm

Yoga on the Library Lawn

Saturday, July 23, at 10:30 am

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Monday, July 25, at noon

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Saturday, July 30, from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

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BRUNSWICK

Residents Leave Solar Hearing Unimpressed

by Doug La Rocque

There were lots of questions for the developers of a community solar project located on property off Oakwood Avenue and Farrell Road at a Thursday, July, 7 public hearing and meeting, conducted jointly by the Brunswick Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals. One of these inquiries concerned a tree line shown as a buffer from the project, that residents claimed was no longer there. The applicant, Atlas Renewables, admitted they were using an older image of the site, and that the trees indeed had been removed. Other questions were raised concerning noise generated by the project (minimal according to Atlas), site fencing, the closeness of power poles to Biscayne Boulevard (known as the Miami Beach estates) impact on wild life and property values. Another major complaint was the professionalism of the Atlas presentation — many speakers labeled it confusing and lacking in clear information.

The Planners and ZBA members agreed to close the public session of the hearing but to technically hold it open until July 21 for written comments.

I See the Light

Developer David Leon and the NYS Department of Transportation (DOT) have been battling for years over the placement of a traffic signal on Hoosick Road (NYS Route 7) at the intersection with Lord Avenue. That is where Mr. Leon is building an Aldi Supermarket, Wendy's Restaurant, Kentucky Fried Chicken and he hopes an Aroma Joe's Coffee Shop. Aldi had refused to commit to the development without that traffic signal.

The whole matter was worked out last year, and everyone (including the new Hannaford Super Market across the road) has been waiting on DOT to install the device. Wait no more. It now hangs above that intersection, just is not activated yet.

Meanwhile, the Planning Board declared there was a negative environmental impact with the addition of the Aroma Joe's, and may give final approval at their next meeting.

It's a Conundrum

The Brunswick Acres' proposed 24-lot single housing project has run afoul of the Rensselaer County Health Department (RCDOH), in that 10 of the proposed lots cannot yet be approved for septic, because of the massive amount of grading that must be completed. The developers wanted to split the project so they could go forward with 14 of lots, but it is a unique circumstance and cannot be treated that way under subdivision laws. It was decided at this meeting to move ahead seeking conditional approval, so the grading can be completed, and if the remaining lots eventually meet with RCDOH approval, an amended site plan can be presented.

TROY

Vacant Council Seat Filled

On Thursday, July 7, the members of the Troy City Council unanimously approved Steve Figueroa as the replacement for the resigned Kim Ashe-McPherson. Ms. Ashe-McPherson left her seat on the Council after pleading guilty to a voter fraud related charge.

The three Democrats on the Board supported Mr. Figueroa from the start, while the three remaining Republican members wanted to hold open interviews first. Seven candidates expressed their interest in the job, and after talking to all, Council President Carmella Mantello announced her caucus would support Mr. Figueroa for the post.

He will face a special election in November if he desires to fill the remaining portion of the term.

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HOOSICK FALLS

Making the Classic Street Sidewalk Problem Go Away

by Doug La Rocque

Take a walk on Classic Street by Bistro 42 (not their problem) and on the sidewalk there is a mess and considered by many to be dangerous. All year long the Hoosick Falls Board of Trustees has been discussing what to do about it and at their June meeting asked Village Attorney Andy Gilchrist to look into taking the land by eminent domain. The Catch-22 here is that Village Codes talk about unsafe structures being covered by such action, but not necessarily sidewalks. To make sidewalks part of a legal eminent domain proceeding would mean the Trustees would have to change a 2008 local law. Attorney Gilchrist presented the Board with a new law to consider, and introduction of which will most likely occur at a special meeting on July 19. Mr. Gilchrist also explained they need to decide if they just want to take the land around the sidewalk or the entire site, and what would they do with the site after the sidewalk is repaired. All points to ponder.

Sewer Vac Truck Bonding

At the June meeting, the Board voted 6 to 1 to reject a proposal to increase the length of the bond for the recently purchased Sewer Vac Truck from five to 15 years, worried the life of the vehicle may not necessarily be another 15 years, and that they would still be paying for a vehicle long after they could no longer use it. Village Treasurer Denise McMahon was in attendance at the Tuesday, July 12 meeting to explain the fiscal impact on the Village if the change was not made, particularly a large payment that would be due soon, and something that would negatively impact the next year's budget. Her plea did not fall on deaf ears as the Board decided to reverse their previous vote and approve the bonding extension.

It was mentioned by Trustee Kevin O'Malley that perhaps the Village should look to sell their large excavator and use the funds to pay off the vac truck, wondering just how much it is really used. That idea was opposed by Highway Superintendent Niel Stowell. Both Ms. McMahon and Deputy Mayor Bob Ryan expressed concern about the amount of debt the Village is carrying and how to handle it when it comes due.

Leachate Pump Replacement

The Village is under an order by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) to deal with the leachate from the former landfill, now considered a hazardous waste site. Earlier this year, the pump used to collect that leachate failed. It was repaired and managed to pump out 5 million gallons once placed back in service. It has, however, failed once again and the leachate is backing up, with DEC demanding action. The Trustees are looking at leasing a new pump in the short term, and purchasing two identical new pumps, for both redundancy and to split the work load on each pump. There will be a presentation made at the July 19 special meeting.

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A look at the problem on the Classic Street sidewalk. Photo by Doug La Rocque.

NORTH HOOSICK/ HOOSICK FALLS

Fire Departments Celebrate Their Anniversaries

The 4th of July weekend was twice as special for the Hoosick Falls and North Hoosick Fire Departments, as they celebrated their 175th and 75th anniversaries respectively. What better way to celebrate on Sunday, July 3 in the Village than with a parade and fireworks? How about adding in musical performances by The Berk Band and the ever popular Refrigerators. The day also featured a cornhole tournament and concession stands.



Members of the Hoosick Falls Fire Department and apparatus lead off in Sunday's Anniversary Parade along Main Street in Hoosick Falls. Photo by Doug La Rocque.

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CAMBRIDGE

Historical Society

On **Wednesday, July 20 at 7 pm**, the Cambridge Historical Society & Museum, 12 Broad St., will host the second in a series of Wednesday evening summer programs. Mr. Joe Craig will present "The Cost of Healing...Medical Treatment in the 18th Century." He will look at several medical cases from the 1700's to discover just how costly medicine could be. This interest enabled him to have a better understanding of how people perceived their world in the past. The Museum will be open for tours starting at 6 pm, and light refreshments will be served following the program.

HOOSICK FALLS

Bluz House Rockers

The Bluz House Rockers will be performing at Wood Park on **Saturday, July 23, from 6 to 9 pm**. The band is celebrating their 27th year in 2022, covering everyone from Frank Sinatra to the Allman Brothers.

Although they are primarily a cover band, their self-titled Bluz House Rockers album contained mostly original songs written by lead singer Trish Anderson. Her song "Three Dollar Bill" went to number 2 on the pop 100 charts in Denmark.

Band member Rick Rourke's mother and other relatives are from Hoosick Falls, so it is always special to return and perform at Wood Park.

HOOSICK FALLS

Public Input Sought

The Town of Hoosick has awarded American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to an exciting joint effort between the Hoosick Township Historical Society and Hoosick Rising. The project will promote the historic and cultural significance of our region through the installation of interpretive panels in each of the Hoosick hamlets. These historic storyboards will be similar to those installed at the Bennington Battlefield site just a few years ago.

Current and former residents of the Hoosick area are invited to share historically relevant information they feel should be included on the interpretive panel for their hamlet's panel.

Those interested in sharing historically relevant information to be included on the panels, please visit <https://forms.gle/jjStPpBaFxR4KKVt5> and participate in the public survey.

If you would like to participate in the project please contact Marianne Zwicklbauer with Hoosick Rising at hoosickrising@gmail.com.

HOOSICK

One Man's Trash Is Not Your Town's Treasure

by Doug La Rocque

The issue of some person(s) dumping trash along Town roads, particularly Wilson Hill Road, was front and center at the Monday, July 11 meeting of the Town Council. According to Town Supervisor Mark Surdam, it is becoming an all too consistent occurrence, with the Council discussing several options to try and deal with it. Signage was one suggestion but would the perpetrator(s) pay any attention to them? Probably not.

The Town does have a dumping ordinance; conviction of such a violation carries a \$1,500 fine. The Councilors decided to try and get the word out about the dumping any way they can — social media, news media and word of mouth. They are also asking area residents to be vigilant and report anything they see to the Town.

Camp and Pool

According to Summer Camp Program Manager Ashley St. Onge, things are proceeding very well, with each weekly session already full and a waiting list in place. Pool Manager Sydney Stowell said there were 163 participants in the first round of swim lessons. She is still dealing with some staffing shortages, but expects that problem to be remedied a bit as people return from the 4th of July holiday.

The Council also discussed the purchase of a new winter pool cover — the current one is deteriorating. That would cost about \$14,000. Repair to the current cover may be possible, but would it be feasible? It is

something that will be looked into, but as summer is well underway, Supervisor Surdam said it's an issue they have to "pull the trigger on soon" if they are to have a repaired or replacement cover ready in time for fall.

News and Notes

An Electronic Recycling Day will be held on **Saturday, July 23 from 9 am to 3 pm** at the Barton Avenue parking lot. There is no cost for residents or small business. The Multi-Community PFAS Health Study is still looking for participants from the area. If interested, call 833-732-7697. The Highway Department is considering the purchase of a pavement roller. Supervisor Surdam supports the request. No action was taken, however, at this meeting. There is a complaint involving the operation of the Walloomsac Metal Recycling firm, being dealt with by the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Town's attorney. No word yet from the Dormitory Association of the State of New York in reference to a \$925,000 SAM (System for Award Management) grant. Supervisor Surdam says all the required information has been submitted. The Town hopes to receive their second round of American Rescue Plan monies soon. The majority of the \$173,384 is already earmarked for road repair. The Town is still looking for members for the Hoosick Housing Authority and Zoning Boards.

HOOSICK

Town Offices Closed Three Days Next Week

The Town of Hoosick Offices will be closed on July 20, 21 and 22 so electrical upgrades can take place. The Offices will re-open on Monday, July 25.

HOOSICK FALLS

Community Band

The Hoosick Falls Community Band season has begun and will continue **each Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm**, in Wood Park. In the event of inclement weather, the concerts will be held in the Reynolds-Gilchrist rink on Barton Ave.

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New Lebanon & Nassau

Climate Carnival

On **Saturday, July 16, from 10 am to 4 pm**, the Columbia County Climate Carnival is coming to the Columbia County Fairgrounds, 182 Hudson Avenue in Chatham. The event will include a repair cafe, free store, compost compound and much more. For more information, visit ClimateCarnival.org.

NEW LEBANON

Community Food Giveaway

The Town of New Lebanon and the New Lebanon CSD will host a food giveaway on **Friday, July 22, 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.

Dementia Conversations

On **Monday, July 18, from 10 to 11 am**, The Columbia County Office for the Aging, 325 Columbia St., Hudson, is offering an educational program on Dementia, presented by the Alzheimer's Association. To register call the Columbia County OFA at 518-828-4258 or the Alzheimer's Association's Program and Grant Coordinator, Tony Rivera, at 518-675-7214.

Classic Street Sidewalk Problem Continued from page 6

Meeting News and Notes

There is a request by the Water Department to purchase land on Ashley Drive, adjacent to the Rogers Avenue Pump station. To do so, the Village must first obtain an appraisal in order to make a qualifying offer. The Rogers Avenue tank has been plagued by leaks, and attempts to obtain a grant for replacement have not yet been met with any success. The Village is currently looking into other options.

Unity House is hosting two summer programs: Artists for Allies and a Youth Advisory Board for ages 12 to 18. Please contact Unity House for more information.

The Woods Brook Buyout Program is near completion, with the 107 Main Street structure taken down during the last week. For safety reasons, fencing in the Main, Church and Hall Street areas is needed. The Trustees are looking into the cost. It should be covered by the remaining grant money. The Village is hoping to close out the project by the end of August. The Woods Brook Drainage Improvements Project, conducted in conjunction with the Town of Hoosick, is also complete.

Hoosick Falls is anticipating their July payment of \$171,640 in American Rescue Plan monies. Combined with what is left over from the 2021 payment, the Village will have about \$210,000 to spend in the coming year. Those spending plans will also be discussed at the special meeting.

J.A. Bradley and Sons was awarded a \$3,000 contract to add electricity to Village owned utility poles and the Police Department is interviewing four candidates to potentially send to the Police Academy.

NEW LEBANON LIBRARY

Storytime

Every Wednesday in July

The ages listed for each group can be flexible, especially for those in the middle of the two age ranges. There's Small Wonders, at 10:30 am, for toddlers up to 35 months, or Preschool Storytime, at 11 am, for kids ages 3 to 6 years.

Storytime and Craft at Stoddard Park in Canaan

Fridays, July 15, 22 and 29, at 2 pm

This program will be held outdoors, weather permitting, and registration is not required. For ages pre-k to fourth grade.

Tie Dye DIY for Kids and Teens

Saturday, July 16, at 11 am

Create a tie dye backpack to take along on your summer adventures! For kids and teens; all materials provided.

miSci Presents: Rosie Revers, Engineer

Tuesday, July 19, at 1:30 pm

Learn about the science of engineering through an engaging story and hands-on engineering project. This program is best suited for children in grades K-2.

Make It & Take It: Crafts Meetup for Adults

Thursday, July 21, at 6:30 pm

This month, our crafty group is making a beach-inspired driftwood wall hanging. New participants are always welcome. All materials provided.

Climate Smart Committee Webinar: Heat Pumps

Thursday, July 21, at 6:30 pm

To receive login details, please fill out the registration form at <https://forms.gle/TqU1Sk4Fz8deEnZ88>.

Tech Talks

Friday, July 22, by appointment only

Mini Jar Aquariums

Tuesday, July 26, at 1:30 pm

Design your own underwater landscape in a jar. All materials provided.

For more information call 518-794-8844 or visit www.newlebanonlibrary.org

2022 Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Events

Submitted by the Rensselaer County Legislature

Rensselaer County, the City of Troy and the Town of Bethlehem are partnering on an inter-county Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) disposal program for 2022. The program consists of six events.

These events, currently scheduled throughout the second half of the year, provide residents of the participating municipalities the opportunity to safely dispose of hazardous materials not accepted through normal garbage collection service.

The next event will be **Saturday, July 30**, at the Town of Schodack Highway Garage in Nassau at 3776 U.S. Route 20.

Participating Municipalities for the July 30 event are the Town of Schodack, the Town of Nassau, the City of Troy and the Town of Bethlehem.

The disposal event is a free service available to residents of the participating municipalities only. Advanced registration is required. Residents who have not pre-registered will be unable to utilize the program. **Visit your participating municipality's website to register.** Residents without access to the internet can contact their community's municipal liaison, which are:

Towns of Schodack and Nassau

Ann Shaughnessy, Director of Rensselaer County Environmental Management Council
Email: ashaughnessy@rensco.com
Phone: 518-270-2888

City of Troy

Renee Panetta, Recycling Coordinator
Email: recycling@troyny.gov
Phone: 518-279-7171

Town of Bethlehem

Dan Lilkas-Rain, Recycling Coordinator
Email: drain@townofbethlehem.org
Phone: 518-439-4955, ext. 1510

COLUMBIA COUNTY

Sales Tax Receipts Drop Sharply

Submitted by the Columbia County Board of Supervisors

Columbia County is set to incur a 31 percent decline in sales tax receipts for the May to mid-June time frame compared to this period in 2021, County Treasurer PJ Keeler said today. The percentage decline translates to an actual dollar drop of \$1.8 million.

"This has to do with a huge sales tax distribution reconciliation with New York City – a year ago New York City was not taking in much in the way of sales tax because of its slow recovery from the effects of COVID-19, but now it is recovering rapidly. Because of that, the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance is reconciling distributions to bring things more back in line," said Treasurer Keeler.

"Obviously, we are quite concerned about this development," said Columbia County Board of Supervisors Chairman Matt Murell. "We will continue to monitor the sales tax situation, with an eye on its potential budgetary impacts as well as what effect it will have on day-to-day operations of the County."

Columbia County had been as much as 26 percent ahead of last year, but owing to this reconciliation, it is now down to around 12 percent in the positive this

year. Should this trend continue, the treasurer predicts the County going forward may settle in the three-five percent positive range.

"I don't think the impact has ever been quite this dramatic," said county Controller Jim Breig.

"It's clear that the days of huge sales tax receipts that everyone thought were here, are gone. The outlook is not good," said Treasurer Keeler. "Once again, this is another example of why we budget conservatively."

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General News

RENSSELAER COUNTY

New Businesses Open Their Doors

CoreReal Estate

A large crowd gathered outside the new offices of the Core Real Estate Team at 432 North Greenbush Road (NYS Route 4) in North Greenbush Thursday afternoon, June 23, as owner Brandon Oot and his 24 associate brokers celebrated a place to call home, three months after the company's inception. In that time, Mr. Oot says his company has already done over \$25 million in business and believes that number will continue to grow, as he leads what he described as one of the largest real estate firms in the Capital Region. When asked about his impetus for starting such a large firm in the current economic climate, he says he is optimistic about the future and believes creating an environment of exceptional teamwork and sincerity that will continue to provide optimal service and knowledge to their clients.



Brandon Oot cuts the ribbon at the grand opening of his new North Greenbush office, as Assemblyman John McDonald and County Legislator Dan Casale (to his left) and his mother (to his right) along with many associates look on. Photo by Doug La Rocque.

Capital Region Retirees Association

Candy Marrero has operated Worksite Benefits in the Tamarac Plaza in Cropseyville for many years, a company that offers many forms of health insurance and is geared toward assisting employers provide the best benefits they can for their workers. Now Candy has decided to take that experience and focus in on another particular portion of the population: our seniors. CRRA, as they call themselves, offers a variety of services including Medicare assistance, various medical and accidental insurance, educational and socially based endeavors. Their office is located on New York State Route 2, opposite the Tamarac School campus.



Candy Marrero cuts the ribbon outside her Cropseyville office on Tuesday, June 28 while family, friends, associates and of course grandchildren take part. Photo by Doug La Rocque.

Student Honors

SUNY Cortland

Spring 2022 President's List

Kyle Fiske of Stephentown
Holly Hermann of Berlin

University of Hartford

Honors List for Spring 2022

James McDade of Averill Park
Melissa Schupp of Averill Park

SUNY Delhi

Spring 2022 Dean's List

Zachary Nichols of Averill Park
Malachi Ritter of Stephentown
Adam Kiely of Grafton

Rochester Institute of Technology

Spring 2022 Dean's List

Scott Ferlito of Averill Park
Zach Hale of Averill Park

Saint Michael's College

Spring 2022 Dean's List

Morgan Nichols of Averill Park
Aidan Westfall of Averill Park
Elaina Lamphere of Petersburg

University of New Hampshire

Spring 2022 Dean's List

Ethan Mattison of Hoosick Falls
Grace Spiak of Hoosick Falls

Springfield College

Spring 2022 Dean's List

Jonathan Weber from Averill Park
Isabella Bruns from East Nassau

The College of Saint Rose

Class of 2022

Noah Bates of Cambridge
Rachel Cody of Averill Park
Madeline Benevento of Averill Park
Alyssa Bierwirth of Petersburg
Lydia Flynn of Averill Park
Sarah Manfred of Poestenkill
Jenna Muckle of Cropseyville
Meggie Parascandola of Averill Park
Sophia Testo of Poestenkill
Nicholas Thomas of Averill Park

Julia Benson of New Lebanon has graduated from Emmanuel College.

Emily Lubas of Poestenkill has been named to the University of Tampa Dean's List for the Spring 2022 semester.

Anna Brewer of Hoosick Falls graduated from Elmira College. She also took part in the Nurse Pinning ceremony, and was recognized with multiple honors, including being inducted into Phi Beta Kappa.

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

June Meeting Highlights

*Submitted by the Rensselaer County Legislature
Office of the Minority*

Women's Right to Safe Reproductive Health Care

The legislative minority brought forth a resolution supporting safe reproductive health care for women in response to the leaked Supreme Court decision that would reverse the long-standing precedent established by the Roe v. Wade decision. However, the resolution failed in the Rules Committee after being blocked by the committee's Republican and Conservative legislators and it never made it to the floor of the legislature for a vote.

Common Sense Gun Reform

The legislative minority also brought forth a resolution urging both state and federal representatives to adopt various methods of common-sense gun reform, including increased background checks, lengthened waiting periods and a permanent ban on assault weapons. This resolution was submitted in response to the many mass shootings seen across the United States during the 21st century, including the more recent ones in Buffalo and Uvalde. However, this resolution also failed to make it to the floor, as it was tabled by the Republican and Conservative legislators on the Rules Committee who proposed a bipartisan edit to the resolution.

Pride Month

The legislature unanimously passed a resolution declaring the month of June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in Rensselaer County. The resolution was introduced by the entire legislative minority and co-sponsored by three of the thirteen Republican legislators.

Jam Making Workshop

Submitted by CCE of Rensselaer County

The Rensselaer County 4-H program is holding a jam making workshop for youth on **Wednesday, July 20, at 6:30 pm**, at the Cornell Cooperative Extension office, 61 State St., Troy. The office is located on the second floor. The deadline for registration is Friday, July 15, and you can register by emailing emd32@cornell.edu. The cost is \$5 to cover materials.

For more information about this and other programs offered by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rensselaer County, please call 518-272-4210. No one shall be denied the opportunity to participate or receive information based on their ability to pay. If you have special needs that we can accommodate please let us know at the time of your call.

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Taconic Valley

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PETERSBURGH LIBRARY

Art Raffle Tickets

We are selling \$5 raffle tickets for the painting titled Japanese Garden. These can be purchased at the library or from our Board of Trustees. Thanks to Barbara Holms for this lovely art donation and for your support of the library. The winning ticket will be drawn at the end of our Bake and Book sale held on **Saturday, August 20**.

The Summer Reading Program has started, but it's not too late to come in and register to participate in the fun of Oceans of Possibilities. In addition to the swag bags earned by reaching the reading goals, we have assorted prizes to give away to visitors. Each time you come to the library, you can put your name in one of the prize cans. Drawings for these will be done at the end of the program.

Book Club is taking a break and not meeting in July or August. Knitting group meets here on Wednesday afternoons.

PETERSBURGH

Open Mic Night

The Fox Hollow Cafe's next open mic night will be **Friday, July 15, at 6:30 pm**, at the Petersburg Veterans Memorial Community Center, 71 Main St. Admission is free and you can BYOB if you are over 21. Coffee and snacks are available with a suggested donation of \$2. The venue is wheelchair accessible.

BERLIN

Pew Raffle

The Berlin Community Food Closet has been gifted a pew from the former Sacred Heart Church to be raffled with proceeds to go to the food pantry. The donation was made by Michelle Tibbetts, who purchased the church last fall, and has been renovating the 99-year-old church and the former rectory to be used as a quilt retreat, Brick House Quilt Works.



There will be 200 pew raffle tickets for sale, at \$5 each. Tickets can be purchased at Hewitt's Market and Saturday mornings at the Food Closet. The drawing will be held Wednesday, August 17 or when all tickets are sold, whichever happens first. Photo courtesy of Dianne Mosher.

Eastwick Sports & Outdoor Activities

AUTO RACING

Berger Takes Bryan Goewey Memorial at the Valley

Compiled by Doug La Rocque

Lebanon Valley hosted the Inaugural Bryan Goewey Memorial on Saturday, with \$10,000 to the winner. In an accident marred race, **Brian Berger** took the lead on lap 7 and held off all challengers for the trip to Victory Lane. Marc Johnson finished second, followed by Keith Flach, L.J. Lombardo and Eddie Marshall. The George Marcus Memorial Sportsman feature went to **Whitey Slavin**.

Albany-Saratoga

Peter "Batman" Britten picked up his second straight victory on Friday night at the Albany-Saratoga Speedway. It was his third win this season. Britten was part of a mid-race battle for the lead, eventually claiming \$3,500 for the win and another \$500 bonus for the back-to-back victories. Local

favorite **Kenny Tremont, Jr.** was second followed by **Jeremy Pitts**, **Jack Speshock** and **Don Ronca**. **Tommy D'Angelo** won the Sportsman feature.

Fonda Speedway

It was Fan Appreciation Night at the "Track of Champions" with **Matt "Matty D" DeLorenzo** once again finishing first under the checkers in the 30-lap Modified Feature. **Rocky Warner** was second, followed by **Ronnie Johnson**, **Dave Constantino** and **Chris Curtis**. The Sportsman feature went to **Payton Talbot**. The 17th Annual Hondo Classic Pro Stock race was claimed by **Beau Ballard**.

Devil's Bowl

It was also Fan Appreciation Night at the Bowl where **Todd Stone** worked his way up from 17th spot on the starting grid to claim the victory in the Sportsman Modified feature. He was followed by **Dylan Madsen**, **Jimmy Davis**, **Tanner Siemons** and **Justine Stone**. The Limited Sportsman race was won by **Hunter Nutter**.

STEPHENTOWN LIBRARY

Storytime

Wednesdays at 10 am

Mahjong

Thursdays at 4 pm, and Saturdays at 11 am

Magic the Gathering Club

Second and Fourth Wednesday of the month, at 4 pm

Lego Club

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

Live at the Library

Fridays at 7 pm

All are welcome to attend, all shows are free.

Maurizio Russomanno - July 15

Christina Dellea - July 22

Welcome Reception a Success

The Stephentown New Resident Welcome Reception held at Stephentown Memorial Library on Friday, July 8, was a great success.

Forty-three new residents, longer-term residents and representatives from six Stephentown non-profit resources joined us for the first in a series of receptions that the Stephentown Memorial Library and the Stephentown Historical Society are co-hosting with the hope of building stronger community connections.

After the welcome event we followed up with attendees to learn their level of interest in informal sponsorship/mentorship pairings, and the possibility of participating in a fledgling program to audio record residents' stories around why they moved to Stephentown, or the experience of growing up and raising a family in Stephentown, in order to create and share an audiotaped oral history archive. Initial feedback suggests that these ideas have strong appeal. If you are interested in participating please email us at trustees@stephentownlibrary.org. We will continue to work to create future opportunities to connect, mingle and share our personal stories.

DUTCHAVEN GOLF

Two-Person Scramble Winners

1st – Jeff Stevens and Keith Shannon – 28.4 net score
2nd – Leon Rosko and Eddie Powers – 29 net score
3rd – Gary Taber and Bob Hunt – 30.2 net score

League Leaders through 11 weeks:

Pars:

- 1 Peter Martin III 44
- 2 Joe Gerwin / Bret Seiler 43
- 4 Leon Rosko / Ed Powers 38
- 6 Kevin Weeden 37
- 7 Danny O'Rourke 35
- 8 Skip Russell / Jeff Stevens 32
- 10 Keith Shannon 29

Birdies:

- 1 Jeff Stevens 13
- 2 Danny O'Rourke / Peter Martin III / Kevin Weeden 7
- 5 Ed Powers / Bret Seiler / Skip Russell 5
- 8 Chris Harrington / Joe Gerwin 4
- 10 Howie Akin 3

Eagles:

- Jeff Stevens Week 9 Hole 2
Gerry Taber Week 11 Hole 7

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The Town of Grafton is currently accepting applications for a Part-Time Laborer. The position includes but is not limited to lawn mowing, weed trimming, snow removal, power washing & general maintenance on town owned property and operating the Trash/Recycle Center as need. The position is 20 hours per week, up to \$18.00 per hour depending on experience and is under the supervision of the Highway Superintendent. Applications are available at the Grafton Town Hall, located at 2379 NY RT 2, Grafton NY 12082 or online at townofgraftonny.org. Interested candidates may apply by mail to Town of Grafton, PO Box G, Grafton NY 12082, email graftonhighwaydept@albany.twcba.com or in person at the Town Hall or Highway Garage. For more information, please contact Jarod Bouchard at 518-279-1737.

Estate Sale

July 30 and 31. Yard and garage tools, furniture, household goods. Also: 12-foot sail boat, canoe, John Deere tractor (not running), 1998 Chevy pickup for parts. Indoors if inclement weather. 47 Josh Hall Pond Road in Grafton, NY. 8 am to 3 pm.

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BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, July 18

Stephentown Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall
Petersburgh Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

Tuesday, July 19

Nassau Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall
Hoosick Falls Village Board, 6 pm, Town Highway Garage special meeting

Tuesday, July 26

Berlin CSD Board of Education, 7:15 pm, Middle/High School Library

PUBLIC NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the fiscal affairs of the County of Rensselaer and the federal funds received by the County of Rensselaer for the period beginning January 1, 2021 and ending on December 31, 2021 have been examined by the independent public accounting firm of Drescher & Malecki and that the reports of the independent public account have been filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Rensselaer County Legislature where they are available as a public record for inspection by all interested persons. Pursuant to section thirty-five of the general municipal law, the governing board of the County of Rensselaer may in its discretion prepare a written response to the reports of external audit by the independent public accountant and file such response in the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature as a public record for inspection by all interested persons not later than August 31, 2022.

Jessica L. Charette,
Clerk of the Legislature
County of Rensselaer
State of New York

LEGAL NOTICE

The bond resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, was adopted on the 5th day of July, 2022 and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Berlin Central School District, Rensselaer County, New York, is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of the law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

/s/ Dawn M. Demick
District Clerk

The following is a summary of said bond resolution:

1). The title of the bond resolution is: "**BOND RESOLUTION OF THE BERLIN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, RENSSELAER COUNTY, NEW YORK, ADOPTED JULY 5, 2022, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THREE (3) 66-PASSENGER SCHOOL BUSES, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF SAID PURCHASE IS NOT TO EXCEED \$405,000, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$405,000 SERIAL BONDS OF THE DISTRICT TO FINANCE SAID PURCHASE, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN INSTALLMENT PURCHASE CONTRACT AT A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$405,000 AS AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF FINANCING SAID PURCHASE.**"

2). The bond resolution, among other things, authorized the Berlin Central School District (the "School District") to purchase three (3) 66-passenger school buses (the "School Buses") at a cost not to exceed \$405,000.00.

3). The estimated maximum cost of purchasing the School Buses is \$405,000.00 and said amount was appropriated therefore. To finance said appropriation, serial bonds and bond anticipation notes of the School District were authorized to be issued in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$405,000.00 pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-A of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (the "Law").

4). The period of probable usefulness of the specific objects or purposes for which the bonds and notes authorized by the resolution are to be issued is five (5) years, within the limitation of Section 11.00(a) (29) of the Law.

The bond resolution summarized hereby is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Administrative Offices of the Berlin Central School District located at the Berlin Middle/High School, 17400 New York Route 22, Cherry Plain, New York 12040.

PUBLIC NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE OF ESTOPPEL

The amendatory bond resolution published herewith, has been adopted on June 14, 2022 and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Village of Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer County, New York, is not authorized to expend money, or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution. Such resolution was subject to a permissive referendum. The period of time has elapsed for the submission and filing of a petition for a permissive referendum, and a valid petition has not been submitted and filed.

The resolution is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Village Clerk for a period of twenty days from the date of publication of this Notice.

Dated: July 12, 2022

Hoosick Falls, New York

/s/ Marie O'Neil
Village Clerk

AMENDATORY BOND RESOLUTION DATED JUNE 14, 2022.

A RESOLUTION AMENDING A BOND RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HOOSICK FALLS, RENSSELAER COUNTY, NEW YORK, IN CONNECTION WITH IMPROVEMENTS TO THE LEACHATE COLLECTION AND PUMPING SYSTEM AT THE LANDFILL SITE IN AND FOR SAID VILLAGE, TO EXTEND THE MAXIMUM MATURITY OF BONDS AUTHORIZED TO BE ISSUED BEYOND FIVE YEARS.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer County, New York, duly adopted a bond resolution on April 20, 2021, authorizing the issuance of \$161,650 bonds of said Village to pay costs in connection with improvements to the leachate collection and pumping system at the landfill site, in and for said Village, at a maximum estimated cost of \$161,650; and

WHEREAS, such bond resolution restricts the maximum maturity of the bonds to five years; and WHEREAS, it is now desired to remove such restriction and authorize the financing over the period of probable usefulness assigned thereto; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, by the affirmative vote of **not less than two-thirds of the total voting strength** of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The bond resolution set forth in the preambles is hereby amended to provide that the maximum maturity of the bonds therein authorized will be twenty years and will thus exceed five years with respect to the issuance of the bonds authorized therein.

Section 2. Upon this resolution taking effect, the same shall be published in full in the official newspaper of said Village for such purpose, together with a notice of the Village Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 3. **THIS RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM.**

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Kiara Mendoza LLC. Arts or Org. filled with the SSNY on 3/16/2022. Office: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of the process to the LLC 33 2nd Avenue, 1st floor. Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

PUBLIC NOTICES

**LEGAL NOTICE
SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING AND VOTE
BERLIN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: that the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Berlin Central School District will hold a Special District Meeting and Vote at Berlin Elementary School on September 2, 2022, from the hours of 12 pm to 9 pm (prevailing time), for the purpose of voting on the proposition as set forth below.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: that the following propositions will be voted upon:

PROPOSITION #1

Shall the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District be authorized to: (A) undertake a school construction project consisting of the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement, rehabilitation, repair, furnishing and equipping of District facilities so as to replace a heating oil fuel tank with two (2) below grade 6,565 gallon propane storage tanks at the Berlin Middle/High School, along with the acquisition of certain original furnishings, machinery, equipment, apparatus, implements and fixtures and other site work and incidental improvements required in connection therewith for such construction and school use, including, without limitation, the payment of costs preliminary and incidental thereto, (the "2022 BMHS Capital Project") at a maximum estimated cost not to exceed \$781,250.00; (B) expend such sum for the 2022 BMHS Capital Project; and (C) transfer and expend a total amount not to exceed \$781,250.00 from the District's Capital Reserve Fund, for the purpose of paying the costs and expenses associated with the 2022 BMHS Capital Project?

PROPOSITION #2

Shall the Board of Education of the Berlin Central School District be authorized to: (A) undertake a school construction project consisting of the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement, rehabilitation, repair, furnishing and equipping of District facilities so as to replace a heating oil fuel tank with two (2) below grade 4,000 gallon propane storage tanks at the Berlin Elementary School and construct an open air pavilion "learning center" at the Berlin Elementary School, along with the acquisition of certain original furnishings, machinery, equipment, apparatus, implements and fixtures and other site work and incidental improvements required in connection therewith for such construction and school use, including, without limitation, the payment of costs preliminary and incidental thereto, (the "2022 BES Capital Project") at a maximum estimated cost not to exceed \$946,875.00; (B) expend such sum for the 2022 BES Capital Project, including up to \$218,750.00 from the District's Capital Reserve Fund;

(C) levy the necessary tax therefore, to 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, grants, and the amount expended from the District's Capital Reserve Fund; and (D) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issue bonds and notes of the District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed \$728,125.00, and levy a tax to pay the principal of and interest on said obligations when due?

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that applications for Absentee Ballots may be obtainable between the hours of 9 am and 3 pm, Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the Office of the District Clerk. If the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, the completed application must be received by the District Clerk no later than seven (7) days before the vote. If the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter, the completed application must be received by the District Clerk no later than the day before the vote. Absentee Ballots must be received in the office of the District Clerk no later than 5:00 pm prevailing time on September 2, 2022. A list of persons to whom Absentee Ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the Office of the District Clerk on and after August 29, 2022 between the hours of 9 am and 3 pm on weekdays prior to the day set for the Special Meeting and Vote and on September 2, 2022 the day set for the vote. →

PUBLIC NOTICES

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Military voters who are qualified voters of the District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at 518-658-1500, Option 8, Ext. 1010 or ddemick@berlincentral.org. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5 pm on August 7, 2022, the twenty-sixth day before the election. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail. The School District will transmit military ballots to military voters on August 8, 2022. Completed military ballots must be received by the School District by 5 pm on September 2, 2022. A list of persons to whom military ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the office of the District Clerk on and after August 29, 2022 between the hours of 9 am and 3 pm on weekdays prior to the day set for the vote and on September 2, 2022, the day set for the vote.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the qualified voters of the District shall be entitled to vote at said Special Meeting and Vote. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen years of age or older, and (3) resident within the District for a period of thirty (30) days next preceding the annual vote and election. The District may require all persons offering to vote at the Special Meeting and Vote to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law § 2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name, and address.

Dated: July 5, 2022

By order of the BOARD OF EDUCATION of
BERLIN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Cherry Plain, New York.

LEGAL NOTICE:

The Grafton Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing Monday, July 18, 2022 at 6 pm at the Roxborough Holdings building (formerly Grafton Elementary School), 13 Babcock Lake Road, Town of Grafton, County of Rensselaer and State of New York to consider the following:

6 pm: Rensselaer Plateau Alliance (RPA) - Foster Rd. / Stuffle St. Survey and site plan discussions.
6:50 pm: Freko Family Trust - Blue Factory Rd. Two lot subdivision.

Tom Withcuskey
Planning Board Chairmen

LEGAL NOTICE

Gunnar Hansen LLC (company). Filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/01/2022. 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 10 Hidley Road Ext, Wynantskill NY 12198. Company Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

LEGAL NOTICE. Notice of formation of a limited liability company ("LLC"). Name of LLC: **"2317 4TH AVENUE LLC."** Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on June 8, 2022. LLC's principal office: 6 Easy Street, Troy, New York 12180. The SSNY has been designated as the agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC to the LLC at 6 Easy Street, Troy, New York 12180. LLC's filing status is as a Limited Liability Company.

**NOTICE OF FILING OF
ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK
BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

Name: **AM Worldwide LLC.** Articles of Organization filed with Sec. of State of NY(SOS) on 6/1/2022. Office location: Rensselaer County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 18 West Rd, Brunswick Hills, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF WRITTEN COMMENT PERIOD

**Town of Brunswick
Introductory Local Law No. 4 of 2022
Proposed Amendments to Brunswick Zoning Law**

The Town of Brunswick Town Board conducted a Public Hearing on July 11, 2022 regarding Introductory Local Law No. 4 of 2022, a local law proposing amendments to the Brunswick Zoning Law.

Please be advised that the Brunswick Town Board will accept written comments on Introductory Local Law No. 4 of 2022 through and including August 1, 2022. All written comments are to be directed to Town of Brunswick Town Board, 336 Town Office Road, Troy, New York 12180.

A complete copy of Introductory Local Law No. 4 of 2022, and the amendments proposed to specific sections of the Brunswick Zoning Law, are available for inspection at the Town of Brunswick Clerk's Office, and remain available for public inspection during regular business hours.

DATED: July 12, 2022

Brunswick, New York

TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BRUNSWICK
By: Philip H. Herrington, Town Supervisor

Public Notice

Please be advised that the Hoosick Town Offices will be closed on July 20, 21 and 22 for an electrical upgrade. The Offices will reopen on Monday, July 25.

Holli Cross
Hoosick Town Clerk

Notice of formation of **THE NY TATTOO GALLERY LLC.** Art. Of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/21/22. 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, 355 5TH AVE TROY, NY, 12182. Purpose: Any lawful purpose

LEGAL NOTICE

Shotzee LLC (Company). Filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/27/2022. 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 10 Hidley Road Ext, Wynantskill NY 12198 Company Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

BrooksLeighA Management L.L.C. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 06/03/2022. 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, 7014 13th ave. Ste. 202, Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of **PHG Walnut, LLC**, Arts of Org. filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on April 5, 2022. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC 186 Pershing Ave., Wynantskill, NY 12198. Purpose: any lawful activity.

19 Solar Realty Group, LLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/7/2022. Office: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail process to: c/o Couch White LLP, 540 Broadway, POB 22222, Albany, NY 12201. Purpose: any lawful act.

Submissions Deadline

This is a friendly reminder that all news, advertising and legal notice submissions to *The Eastwick Press* must be received by **2 pm Tuesday** for consideration in that week's paper. Send news to news@eastwickpress.com and ads to ads@eastwickpress.com.

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Notice of Formation of **By Eye LLC**. Arts of Org. filed with NY Sec of State (SSNY) on 2/7/2022. Office: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 1 Tracy Rd., Averill Park NY 12018. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

Lidia's Empanadas, LLC Art. Of Org. filed with the SSNY on 11/24/2021. 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 LIDIA ZAMBRANO-MADERA at 36 118th ST. TROY, NY 12182. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

Articles of Organization for a New York LLC, to wit, **REPMeyer Holdings, LLC** whose principal business location is in Rensselaer County, were filed with the New York State Department of State on June 2, 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, 37 Brian Court, Troy, New York 12182. 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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Senior News

Berlin Seniors

The next meeting of the Berlin Seniors will be held on Wednesday, July 20, at 5 pm, at the Petersburg Veterans Memorial Community Center. There will be a covered dish lunch followed by the meeting. We will be planning our August picnic.

Petersburgh Sunshine Seniors

The Sunshine Seniors will have a Lake George day trip on July 29. The bus leaves Petersburg at 8 am, Grafton at 8:15 am and Tamarac at 8:30 am.

You will have 5 hours to spend as you wish. There will be an arts and crafts festival for a \$7 entry, shopping, a boat cruise, lunch and ice cream at Martha's all on your own. Bus tip is separate.

Masks are optional on the bus, and we must have 20 people. To reserve your spot, call Linda at 518-205-5651.

Lebanon Valley Seniors

On Sunday, August 7, the seniors are going to have a brunch on the JP Morgan. The cost is \$25. There is no bus for this trip, so you will need to get there on your own. Boat boarding begins at 11:30 am and departs at noon.

Our August 19 meeting is going to be a covered dish luncheon.

The October 17 through 19 Maine trip is requesting a large deposit be sent to them. If you are planning to go please send in your payment. The price is \$400 for double occupancy, and \$599 for single occupancy. The last day to sign up and pay is August 19.

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.

We will be having an **Open House** during the Grafton Festival on Saturday, July 16, from 8 am to 3 pm. Stop in and check out the events and activities lined up for our residents 60 and over. There will be tag sale tables, a bake sale table and an ice cream sundae table. Please stop in to support the center activities and entertainment fund. July 19 is the special mac-n-cheese luncheon with music by Brian Zapel. July 21, following a butter crumb haddock lunch, the center will host guest speaker, Mike Fonda, to discuss how we interact with each other when our opinions or beliefs differ.

There will be a COVID-19 vaccine clinic on Monday, July 25, from 10 am to noon. Both Moderna and Pfizer will be available in first dose, second dose and booster. You must bring a photo ID and vaccination card. For questions, please call the DOH at 518-270-2655. Please call the center at the number below to be placed on the list. 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. Most 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.

July 15, guest speaker Mike Fonda will address "things we should never discuss: politics, religion, money and masks."

July 20 will be the Senior Picnic in the Park, from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm. There will be live music in the gazebo by 1927 Music Machine. Bring your lawn chair and a lunch. Hot dogs, lemonade and ice cream with strawberries will be provided. Sign up required to ensure we have enough ice cream.

There will be a COVID-19 vaccine clinic on Tuesday, July 26, from 10 am to noon. Both Moderna and Pfizer will be available in first dose, second dose and booster. You must bring a photo ID and vaccination card. For questions, please call the DOH at 518-270-2655. Please call the center at the number below to be placed on the list.

July 27 is a Special Luncheon at the center with music by Gone Gray. August 18 is the Northern Tier Annual Senior Picnic at the St. Stanislaw Pavilion with a covered dish meal, games and live music.

Please call the center at 518-686-7561 to sign up for events, be placed on the meal or van transportation list.

Hoosick Area Senior Bus Trip

The Hoosick Area Seniors have planned a bus trip to Vermont on Monday, August 15. The bus will go to the Woodstock General Store, VINS Nature Center, lunch at Pizza Chef of Quechee, Simon Pearce Factory of Glass Blowing and Billings Farm and Museum. The bus will leave Hoosick Falls TOPS at 7 am and return around 6:30 pm.

Cost for the trip is \$45 which includes the bus, lunch, entrance to the museum and entrance to VINS. Hoosick deadline is July 22. All others must be signed up by July 29. Money is due at signup. Please call Julie for reservations at 518-686-7561.

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

July 15: Crabmeat salad cold plate w/ lettuce, macaroni salad, pickled beet salad, fruit cup, + sandwich bag

July 18: Chicken breast w/ rosemary gravy, butter-nut squash, cut green beans, rye bread, granola bar

July 19: Macaroni and cheese, zucchini and tomatoes, California blend veggies, fresh fruit

July 20: Sloppy Joes, cut corn, peas, dinner roll, cinnamon applesauce

July 21: Butter crumb haddock, sweet potato, spinach, cookie

July 22: Chicken salad wrap, cold plate, potato salad, sliced carrots, fresh fruit, + sandwich bag

July 25: L/s hot dogs, baked beans, seasoned sauerkraut, long roll, fresh fruit

July 26: Ravioli w/ meat sauce, Italian blend veggies, Italian bread, fresh fruit

PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice of formation of **Greenbush Skin Care Center, LLC**. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on June 29, 2022. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 2500 Pondview, Ste. 202, Castleton, NY 12033. The purpose is to perform any lawful act or activity.

Community Calendar

July 15 & 16, Friday & Saturday

Bugsy Malone - Teen Theatre, 7 pm Friday, 2 pm Saturday, Hubbard Hall, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge

July 16, Saturday

Grafton Summer Festival, 9 am – 4 pm, Grafton Town Park, Rt. 2, flea market, craft vendors, antiques, collectibles, baked goods, raffle, Boy Scouts selling refreshments

Columbia County Climate Carnival, 10 am – 4 pm, free, Columbia County Fairgrounds, 182 Hudson Ave., Chatham, visit climatecarnival.org for information

Tom Atkins & Berkstar, 6 – 8:30 pm, free, Powers Park Concert Series, Lansingburgh

Clark Museum Art for All Community Day, 11 am – 4 pm, free and open to the public all day

July 17, Sunday

River Festival, 9 am – 4 pm, free, River Street, Troy

Pizza Night, 5 – 8 pm, Hoags Corners Ambulance Garage, East Nassau

July 19, Tuesday

Sing 2, doors noon, movie 1 pm, free, Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany, free tickets at box office, 518-465-4663 or palacealbany.org for information

July 20, Wednesday

Meneeley Bells talk, 7 pm, free, Grafton Town Hall, Sponsored by Grafton Community Library and Grafton Historical Society

“The Cost of Healing...Medical Treatment in the 18th Century,” 7 pm, free, Cambridge Historical Society & Museum, 12 Broad St., museum tours starting at 6 pm, light refreshments after program

Rockin on the River at the Waterfront, 5:30 – 8:30 pm, free, Waterfront/River Street Market (433 River Street), visit downtowntroy.org for information

Breaking Bread, 6:30 – 8:30 pm, free, Great Lawn at Hubbard Hall, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge, <https://hubbardhall.org/community-collaborations/> for information

July 21, Thursday

Watch Reggae Run, 11 am, free, Barker Park, Troy, Barker Park Kid's series by Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, www.troymusichall.org

July 22, Friday

Community Food Giveaway, 9 am, New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 Route 22, hosted by the Town of New Lebanon and the New Lebanon CSD, contact Town Supervisor Tistrya Houghtling with questions, supervisor@townofnewlebanon.com

“Fully Committed” by Becky Mode, times vary, \$25–\$35, Oldcastle Theatre Company, Bennington Performing Arts Center, 331 Main Street, masks required inside, oldcastletheatre.org/tickets

July 22 & 23, Friday & Saturday

The Wizard of Oz - Youth Theatre, 7 pm Friday, 2 pm Saturday, Hubbard Hall, 25 E. Main St., Cambridge

July 22 – 31, Wednesday – Sunday

Star Party, 10 pm – 2 am, free, Grafton Lakes State Park Deerfield Pavilion, Albany Area Amateur Astronomers, no preregistration required

July 23, Saturday

Movie Night, 8:30 pm, free, Grafton Lakes State Park Long Pond beach, kid-friendly, PG-rated, bring something to sit on, no registration required

July 26, Tuesday

Ron's Gone Wrong, doors noon, movie 1 pm, free, Palace Theatre, 19 Clinton Ave., Albany, free tickets at box office, 518-465-4663 or palacealbany.org for info

Last week's crossword solution:

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Theme: Annual Traditions

ACROSS

- Verdant
- Vietnamese neighbor
- “Before” prefix
- Curved molding
- *It rings at midnight on Christmas Eve at church
- Yarn store unit
- Relating to armpit
- Criminal's surprise
- Nephew's sister
- *4th of July spectacle
- 1952 Olympics host
- 1,000 kilograms
- Meat sauce
- Vacation location
- French painter of “La Danse” fame
- Menu words (2 words)
- Lean
- Wine valley
- Impertinent
- *Annual Assumption tradition blesses it
- #2 Down, pl.
- Highest volcano in Europe
- Puppies
- Bit of binary code
- Dean's official residence
- Small stream
- Wine quality
- Bilbo Baggins' land
- Windsor family's sport
- *Popular New Year's libation
- Stored by bees
- ____-de-camp
- “On the _____” by Jack Kerouac
- Make laugh
- Tear
- Tibetan priest
- Woolen cap
- Banned insecticide
- Big Bang's original matter

DOWN

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- Tangelo
- Scorch
- Regarding this point
- “Live and _____”
- Description for twins
- Auto pioneer
- Banana remnant
- Puerto _____
- Compass bearing
- “Jane Eyre” author
- Pig part
- *Action under mistletoe
- Like a damaged apple, possibly
- Jam container
- Torn down
- Fill with optimism
- Sweating room
- *Thanksgiving's main event?
- Beauty parlor
- Chiropractor's concern
- Painting holder
- Light gray
- “Wow!”
- *Birthday cake decorations
- Seize the throne
- Kind of humor
- Ready
- Deteriorate
- Just about
- Jumped aside
- Lacked
- Type of cotton
- Female gamete
- *Valentine's Day tradition
- *New Year's resolution weight or savings target
- One in a roster
- Red-encased cheese
- *Graduation flyer

July 28, Thursday

Terri Roben, 11 am, free, Barker Park, Troy, Barker Park Kid's series by Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, www.troymusichall.org

July 29, Friday

Catholic Charities CC Move Food Giveaway, 9:30 am, Lansingburgh Boys and girls Club, 501 4th Ave., Troy

July 30, Saturday

Grafton FD and Ladies Auxilliary Breakfast, 8 – 11 am, \$12 adults, \$5 12 & under, 5 & under free, Grafton Fire Hall, South Road

July 31, Sunday

Petersburgh Rod & Gun Club Fun Shoot, noon, 22 rimfire rifles, 12 shot event, scoped & iron sight classes, cash prizes, bring your rifle's favorite ammo

Last week's sudoku solution:

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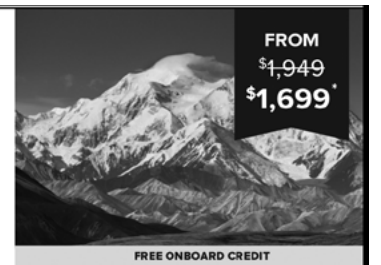
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Obituaries

Edward O. Schultz

Grafton – Edward O. “Ed” Schultz, 90, a lifelong resident of Grafton, died peacefully Monday, July 4, 2022, at the Southwestern Vermont Medical Center in Bennington, VT, following a short illness.

Born in Troy, March 13, 1932, Mr. Schultz was the son of the late Orley and Mary (Grosh) Schultz and, for over 46 years, the devoted husband of the late Mabel T. (Schermerhorn) Schultz, who predeceased him in December 1998. Edward and Mable were married on October 24, 1952.

Mr. Schultz was a graduate of Berlin Central High School and a veteran of the United States Army.

For many years he was employed as a production worker in the orders shop at the former Norton Company (Behr-Manning Co.) in Watervliet. He retired in 1999.

Mr. Schultz was a life member of the Grafton Baptist Church and, for many years, a volunteer firefighter and member of the Grafton Volunteer Fire Company.

In his quiet time he enjoyed the pastimes of working on and maintaining his cars and trucks and spending quality time in visits with friends and neighbors.

Mr. Schultz is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and Brian Wrobel of Metairie, LA, a grandson, Jason Wrobel of Austin, TX, and a brother, Lawrence and Rose Schultz of Ohio. In addition to his parents and late wife, Mable, Mr. Schultz was predeceased by a sister, the late Marilyn Schultz.

Memorial contributions, if desired, may be made to either the Grafton Baptist Church, 11 Owen Road, Grafton, NY 12082, or the Grafton Volunteer Fire Company, 2385 NY Route 2, Grafton, NY 12082, in memory of Edward O. Schultz.



Ruth B. Gutermuth

Berlin – Ruth Brigham Gutermuth, 70, died Friday, July 8, 2022 at the Samaritan Hospital in Troy after a brief illness.

She was born in Troy, the daughter of the late John and Harriet Benjamin Brigham. She attended School 16 in Troy and was a graduate of Troy High School. She attended Green Mountain College in Poultney, Vermont and later graduated from Russell Sage College in Troy with a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education.

Ruth was employed by the Rensselaer County Department of Social Services in the Child Protective Services section for 8 years. Following her marriage, she raised her three daughters. She then returned to work for the Taconic Valley Bank, later becoming Bank of America in Berlin, as a banking specialist for 25 years before retiring.

Ruth was very involved in all of her daughters' school activities and sporting events. She enjoyed cooking, reading and was a wonderful seamstress, making her own wedding dress.

She was the beloved wife of 43 years of Charles Gutermuth; devoted and loving mother of Margaret (Brandon) Gutermuth-Swim of Berlin, Amy (Matthew) Schaaphok of Petersburg and Emily (Dale) Keenan of Troy; adored grandmother of Clair, Matthew, Sarah and Ellie Schaaphok, Damon and Eli Swim and Quinn Keenan; dear sister of John (Kate) Brigham of Hull, MA, William (Tina) Brigham of Troy and Judy Brigham of Boston, MA. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends may call at the Thomas M. Barber Funeral Home, 66 Armsby Road, Petersburg on Friday, July 29 from 5 to 8 pm. The funeral service will be Saturday, July 30, at 11 am at the All Saints Episcopal Church, 4957 NY Route 7, Hoosick Falls. Her ashes will be interred at a later date at the Berlin Community Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Berlin Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization, 53 School Street, Berlin, NY 12022.

Arrangements are by the Thomas M. Barber Funeral Home in Petersburg. Condolence book is available at ParkerBrosMemorial.com.



Betsy M. Davendonis

Bennington – Betsy Mae (King) Davendonis, 55, born May 26, 1967 in Bennington, Vermont, passed peacefully on Sunday, July 10, 2022.

Betsy followed in her Grandmother's footsteps becoming a CNA so that she could care directly for the elderly and veteran populations. She enjoyed a lifetime career as a Certified Nursing Assistant/Medical Technician and Caregiver for the elderly and our nation's Veterans, working largely with Alzheimer clients in Vermont and Florida.

A transplant to Florida more than a decade ago, Betsy had a great love for and found sanctuary on the ocean beaches.

Betsy was a loving mother to Sara (& Travis) Davendonis Bentley, Clint Davendonis (Vermont), and Mckayla Davendonis (Florida), Grandmother to Karsyn, Ashton, and Mattie Bentley (Vermont) and Godmother to Londynn Lynn (Florida).

Betsy is pre-deceased by her father, Howard J. King (New York) and is survived by her mother, June C. King (New York/Arizona); brother, Vincent Harwood (Vermont); sister and brother-in-law, Kelly-G and Kevin Kishbaugh (Arizona); niece and nephew, Emily (& Ray) Duke and Joey Keller (Arizona); and great-nephews: Silas, Austin & Beau Duke (Arizona).

“If you remember anything of me after I leave this world,
remember that I loved even when it was foolish.
That I cared even when it was unwanted.
When my body is gone, remember my heart.”

Betsy left this world too soon, but not before making a positive impact on so many lives. Her body is gone, but her heart will be remembered.

Church News

Grafton Food Pantry

The Grafton Food Pantry will be open from July 16 through September 3, from 10 am to 1 pm, at Our Lady of the Snow, 31 Owens Rd.

Zion's Summer Festival and Chicken Barbecue

On **Saturday, August 6**, join us for our 113th annual Summer Festival and Chicken BBQ at Zion's United Church of Christ in Taborton, 741 Taborton Road, Sand Lake.

Booths are open from 11 am to 8 pm with music by Cannonball Express with Gloria & Punky from 5 to 8 pm.

There will be games for both kids and adults, as well as fair food, a fancy booth, local crafters and a raffle table with prizes from many local businesses.

Taborton Treasures offers our version of a large yard sale and there will be an auction in the early afternoon. The chicken barbecue will be served between 4:30 and 5:30 pm, at a cost of \$15. For reservations call Diane Hoffman at 674-2746 or Jane Weber at 258-4307.

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. Look for our sign at the corner of Rt. 111 and Rt. 67.

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**. We are keeping an eye on COVID-19 numbers — if infection numbers remain low, we hope to have a September meal which we can serve indoors.

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**.

Petersburg Community Church

A new Church is starting in Petersburg. The Petersburg Community Church will have its first official service **Sunday, September 18 at 6 pm**. We will use the former Shiloh church building at 7 Smith Rd. Services will be on Sunday nights at 6 pm.

In the meantime, Bible study will be held on **Sunday on July 17 at 6 pm** at the building.

Several community events will also be held throughout the summer, the first of which is a pulled pork barbecue picnic on **July 24 at 5 pm** at no cost. **July 25 through 27, from 6 to 8 pm**, there will be a backyard Bible club event where children can come and learn about the Bible, play games and spend time with other children. An adult study will also be provided for anyone interested.

For any questions or inquiries you can contact Michael Carrel, team lead for the Church, at 616-307-2057 or email northpownalcc@gmail.com. The website is petersburgcc.org.

Chicken Barbecue

On **Saturday, July 30, from 4 to 6 pm**, there will be a chicken barbecue at the Pittstown United Methodist Church Hall.

The meal will cost \$14 for adults, \$7 for children and is take-out only. The menu is a half chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, macaroni salad and brownie. For reservations call 518-753-4427.

Please send in your church's news to news@eastwickpress.com or call 518-203-7574.

Beetle Feast



Swamp and Common Milkweed plants are in full bloom and the beetles that love the plants are feasting. This Swamp Milkweed Leaf Beetle (*Labidomera clivicollis*) found a Common Milkweed in a Petersburg yard with 300 plants. Milkweed is the singular plant that caterpillars of Monarch butterflies eat. If you are interested in helping Monarchs survive, grow milkweed and visit www.monarchwatch.org. Photo by Trix Niernberger.

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The Life of George Holcomb

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

George Is Taken Unwell

Saturday, August 7, 1852: Some showery. I and Irish John hoed and weeded in the garden, and I paid Irish John one dollar and at night he went to Lebanon to get his shoes mended and stayed all night. Today I took up a note of 46 dollars and gave a new note of 30 dollars and I paid the balance, 18 dollars and 37 cts to Henry Campbell.

Monday: I went and got Alexander Ostrander two seated one horse wagon for to go to Troy, and today John F. went to Pittsfield and carried twelve bushel potatoes to Stern's Factory on a contract at 75 cts per.

Tuesday: Today John F. took my horse and A. Ostrander's wagon and carried his aunt Miriam Campbell and his cousin Henry Campbell to Troy to take the cars to go west. They all stayed in Troy tonight to Congress Hall. I gave my two daughters 25 dollars to pay their expenses. Today Geo P. and hired help worked on the Maxon farm. Today the widow Freelove Wylie came to stay with my wife while my two daughters were gone their journey. Tonight I am taken quite unwell.

Wednesday: I am quite unwell, so much that I was confined to my bed, I was taken a puking and pain across my bowels. This morning Geo P. walked over to Alonzo Rodgers and paid 25 cts for a box of Herrick's pills and I took four of said pills and they puked me. This afternoon James Runnals helped Irish John draw in hay that got caught out yesterday and got wet.

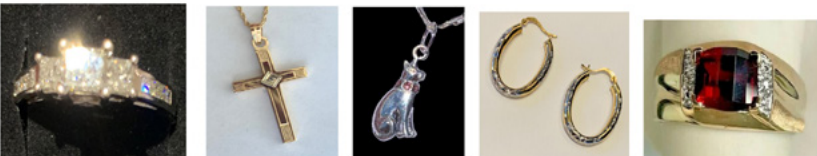
Thursday: I remain unwell but better than I was yesterday. This afternoon my two sons and Irish John got in hay. Thursday: I remain unwell and lame and take more of Herrick's pills. This forenoon John F. cradled oats on the Rodgers farm and John Merrills cradled all day towards house rent. This forenoon Geo P. and Irish John got in the last of my hay.

Saturday: I remain unwell. Today Geo P. went to Lanesborough pond fishing in company with others, he got but a few fish.

Tuesday: I am better of my lameness, I helped unload two loads of oats. Irish John cut briars where we are to build a wall. Today we drew cord wood from off the hill with John F. ox team and sled. I helped some but I am lame. Today Geo P. went to commencement to Williamstown Colleges. Today quite warm.

Friday: Today Geo P. not well. He said that he would ride to Pittsfield to his Uncle Jay Wylie's and stay tonight.

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