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Third Annual Petersburgh Harvest Festival

Story by Amy Modesti

Autumn is here, and the Third Annual Petersburgh Harvest Festival was the perfect way to welcome the season.

The hometown fest brought Petersburgh residents and visitors from neighboring areas together Saturday, September 24. Fifteen vendors took part in selling everything from pottery, flower illustrations, wool-made items, farm-made products, gourmet and medicinal mushrooms, to crafted beer, hard cider, coffee, food, and commemorative t-shirts.

Also included were mule rides given by 14-year-old mule, Mack, and Cody Brundige, the friendly scarecrow (and newest member of the Petersburgh ambulance squad), food vending benefitting the Petersburgh Parks and Recreation, Petersburgh Ambulance, SUNY Albany's School of Public Health and their P Fast Health Study, raffles, selfie station with the pumpkin scarecrow, and entertainment provided by Donald Lindsay and Judy Campbell, Jayella, Donna Lange, The Aligning, Margo Far, and The Ginger Roots Band.

The Bennington Museum held their kids program outside the main festival arena providing young children opportunities to play with wooden and metal toys, check out motion pic-

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From left to right: Ryan, Sara, and co-owner of Starry Ridge Farm, Kat, at the Starry Ridge Farm booth at the Third Annual Petersburgh Harvest Festival. Photo by Amy Modesti.

**Walter A. Wood
Tractor Show
This Saturday**

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A Fond Farewell

Written and Submitted by Dan - The Mail Man

It has been my pleasure to serve the residents of Grafton, Petersburgh, and the surrounding areas, as your Rural Postal Carrier, these past 15 years. It was my good fortune to be trained by two excellent carriers, Ann Dennio of Melrose and Don Jones of Petersburgh. Being a Rural Carrier is more than just delivering mail and packages. It is becoming a member of the community, actively helping one another. More than once people of the the community have come to my aid when I broke down or was stuck; I endeavored to return the kindness whenever possible. I always felt my purpose was to be a good shepherd and provide the best service possible for those in my care.

The community is filled with resourceful, warm, caring people and you would be amazed at the number of talented individuals that are tucked away in the hills and hollows. One of my favorite quests was to ask people who were not native to the area, "How did you come to live here, out in the middle of nowhere?" The stories I received were fascinating. Another thing I enjoyed was talking to the children and watching them grow into wonderful young adults. Children are such a joy; they are inquisitive, unbiased, honest, and delighted to share their perspective, as they see it.

The area is blessed with an abundance of natural beauty and wildlife, truly God's Country, an



Dan the Mail Man. Photo provided.

ideal place to raise a family. I have acquired many friends over the years, who became my extended family. I never liked it when I lost people off my route because they moved away or moved on. Goodbyes are never easy, even though new beginnings may be around the corner. I thank you all for the many kindnesses you have shown me over the years, and pray the light of goodness continues to shine on and through your lives and that our paths will cross again.

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PETERSBURGH

Town Board Highlights

by Denise Wright

The September 19 meeting of the Petersburg Town Board focused on improving some of the Town's municipal issues but also stressing some upcoming projects.

The meeting began with two presentations. Starry Ridge Farm gave an overview of the third annual Harvest Festival they sponsored on September 24 at the Petersburg Library. Assessor Craig Surprise gave the second presentation about the potential for a Town reassessment. He thought getting an audit by a third party about the two-year re-evaluation process was where the Town needed to begin.

The Town Clerk reported that some hunting licenses were being purchased, and Town Supervisor Murray said that the Water District Committee chair had resigned. The Town will advertise the position, and two Board members will review the applications. She also stated that she has met with the department heads and plans to send the Town Clerk the tentative budget by September 30. The building department had a busy month with seven permits and nine inspections topping the list, examining bids for blacktopping, and hoping to get the black topping completed by mid-October. The Board approved the paving of the Stillman Village Road contract. Town Board member Heinz Noeding was happy to report that the fire department was awarded an AFG (Assistance to Firefighters) Grant of \$86,000, which is, to the best of his knowledge, one of the most significant grants awarded in Rensselaer County. The fire department will use the money for an extraction dryer, a special air compressor to fill air packs, and up-to-date turn-out gear for firefighters. He also encouraged the ambulance to apply for these grants and offered to assist in that process. Parks and Recreation will write a scope of the intended work for installing a retro slide in the park. Once that is reviewed and approved, they will hire someone to complete the installation, which will also include pouring some concrete to ensure the stability of the slide.

The capital project timeline on the bridge is on track, and the RFP should be completed in the next month; there is hope that the project will be com-

pleted by the fourth quarter of next year. The Town Pavilion project came under serious discussion during the last meeting until further investigation could be completed regarding the land under the impending structure. According to Noeding, the original 1985 plans were found, and the building inspector is satisfied with the structure. A resident voiced concern about grading the lumber used for the project but also would like to see a ceiling installed in the structure to avoid any liability. Supervisor Murray said she would bring that concern to the building inspector to consider. However, the project will not begin until the Board and inspector approve all aspects.

The good news for residents is that the Board authorized a CSG Forte program for use. This program will enable residents to pay taxes electronically via credit card or check. The Board also approved the extension of the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. The Town Hall might be getting some potential renovations to make room for some office space for the water district personnel. The Supervisor will investigate ways to make this space conversion as cost-effective as possible for the Town.

A resident discussed the multi-health study. The Town encourages residents to call 833-732-7697 for eligibility and questions.

Finally, the Board set up an October 5 meeting at 6 pm at the Town Hall to distribute the tentative 2023 budget and discuss a matter of public safety. The Board set up a budget workshop meeting for October 12 at 7 pm.

PETERSBURGH

Fire Auxiliary Fundraiser

On **Saturday, October 15, from 10 am to 2 pm**, the Petersburg Fire Auxiliary will hold their Brown Bag Bonanza fundraiser. Those who would like to donate can do so by sending them to Petersburg Fire Auxiliary, PO Box 280, Petersburg, NY 12138.

Third Annual Petersburg Harvest Festival... Continued from page 1

ture booklets, take part in corn toss, make corn shuck dolls and paper plate animals, and practice the art of calligraphy.

The third annual Petersburg Harvest Festival was hosted by Starry Ridge Farm and co-sponsored by Petersburg Library and Petersburg Veterans Memorial Community Center. For more info, follow @petersburgh_harvest_festival on Instagram or visit the Starry Ridge Farm Facebook page.

PETERSBURGH

Preserving Festival Recordings

Perhaps the most iconic historical event in recent Petersburg history was the Fox Hollow Festival. Through a \$10,000 grant, The Friends of Petersburg History have developed an archival connection with the M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives at the University of SUNY Albany. This has involved, among other developments, the complete digitization of over 160 reels of tape recordings spanning the length of the Fox Hollow Festival. These recordings are now online and can be accessed by anyone. As the Friends of Petersburg History develop their own website, access information will be provided for listeners. For those eager to explore this fascinating collection now, go to <https://archives.albany.edu/web/use/> and click on the search or browse online link.

BERLIN

Sportsman Challenge and Picnic

Sunday, October 2 starting at noon will be the Sportsman Challenge and Picnic at the Berlin Rod and Gun Club, 2564 Plank Rd. There will be a rifle and pistol competition and classes for rimfire, centerfire, scoped, and iron sights. Bring the ammo your gun likes best. The all-you-can-eat picnic is free for competitors and kids under 12, and \$8 for spectators.

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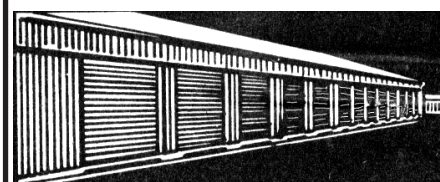
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STEPHENTOWN

Town Board Highlights

by Denise Wright

The paint can recycle program is off to a good start and has run quite smoothly. The Board would like to encourage residents to clean out their paint cans for free.

The Board approved the following Monday dates for public meetings to prepare the 2023 budget: October 10 and 24, and November 7 and 14, all at 7 pm.

Resident Joel Hunt of Stephentown was appointed to the Board of Assessment Review for a five-year term. The Board reminded residents that the meetings are open to the public and that the Town must submit the budget to the County by November 20. All sessions will be held at the Town Hall on Grange Hill Road.

Supervisor Roder also reported that the second quarter sales have been sent to the Town and one more installment will be coming in December. This will provide \$31,000 over budget which will assist the Town with potential fuel cost increases in the future. Also, a resident did ask about potential uses of ARPA funds. Roder said that no uses have been decided on but that the Board hopes to get going on that by November/December.

A Board member proposed to have a monthly Fire/EMS report given to the Board. This report would enable residents to have an understanding of the emergency services in the Town.

Teen night at the library has been a rousing success, with this past teen night having 22 young people attend. The plan is to have a teen night every third Friday. Pumpkin carving, Trunk or Treat, and a Halloween event are planned for October. The Logan Kline Book signing for his book *Finding Fire* was also successful, with approximately 30 people attending.

The Veterans are planning a Memorial Park ceremony on **November 12 at 11 am**. Residents are invited to attend.

STEPHENTOWN

Historical Society Presentation

On **Sunday, October 2 at 2 pm**, at the Stephentown Historical Society, 4 Staples Rd, author Jill Witbeck Knapp will give a talk on the Kittle Murders in Stephentown. Knapp's presentation will tell of the crimes, sensational press coverage, slow wheels of the justice system, and type of detective work of that era. The program is free and the building is handicapped accessible. For directions, call 518-733-0010.

STEPHENTOWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Vendors Wanted at Stephentown Library's Holiday Market

The Stephentown Memorial Library will be having its annual Holiday Market on Friday, November 25, and is looking for vendors. Please contact Kim Roppolo at director@stephentownlibrary.org or by calling at 518-733-5750 to register and for more information.

Storytime

Wednesdays at 10 am

All babies, toddlers, preschoolers, and their caregivers are welcome to join us.

LEGOs and Crosby

Thursday, October 6 at 4:30 pm

Crosby the reading dog will be at the library at the same time as LEGO club. Kids can take a break from LEGOs, or just come to hang out with or read to Crosby.

SML Caldecott History Presentation

Thursday, October 13, at 6:30 pm

This presentation will be both in person and virtual.

Save the Date

SML and the Town of Stephentown will be holding it's annual Halloween Party on **Saturday, October 29**. We will also be holding a Teen Halloween Party on **Friday, October 21**. More details to come.

PETERSBURGH LIBRARY

Fire Safety Program

The Petersburg Fire Department will be presenting a Fire Safety Program at the library on **Saturday, October 8**. Please be sure to bring the children for this very important presentation. The Library Board meeting will be held Tuesday, October 4 at 7 pm. Knitters will meet in the afternoon, Wednesday, October 5.

Stay tuned for the paving of the parking lot which is tentatively scheduled for the week of October 10, depending on the weather and the availability of the equipment.

BERLIN FREE TOWN LIBRARY

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STEPHENTOWN

Art Guild Show

Painter Cathy Ramey and sculptor Mark LaRiviere, a married couple who have owned a home in Stephentown since 1990, will be presenting an art exhibit of work they created during the pandemic. Titled *Reflections on Recent Times*, the show will be held at Stephentown Town Hall, 26 Grange Hill Road, on **Saturday, October 8 from 2 to 6 pm**. Light refreshments will be provided by Dave's Market, and music by local performer Scott Connors will be included in an artist reception from 5 to 6 pm.

The show is produced and sponsored by the Stephentown Art Guild; please email stephentownartguild@gmail.com for more information.


BERLIN

Rabies Clinic

On **Saturday, October 22**, the Town of Berlin will hold a rabies clinic at the Municipal Complex, 17563 NY 22. Cats will be from 9 to 10 am and dogs from 10 to 11 am. Rabies and distemper shots will be available for \$10 each, cash only. Masks required. For more information contact Dog Control Officer Douglas Goodermote at 518-658-3308.



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BERLIN CSD

BOE Highlights

by Chris Tergliafera

The September 20 regular meeting of the Berlin Central School District Board of Education began with an international travel program proposal. The tentative dates for the trip to Italy would be April 6 through 14. As of now the estimated price for the trip would be \$3,800 and would include flights, transportation, hotel, and two meals a day. The tentative cap on the number of students who could possibly attend is 30, and it was stated that fundraising opportunities could be available to help raise funds toward the trip. Transportation from the school to the airport was also requested. Superintendent Joseph Dhara stated that while the district would do what they could to help with transportation, they couldn't currently make any promises due to driver shortages.

Senior Trip Presentation

Members of the senior class were on hand to give their initial senior trip presentation to the Board. The proposed trip would be to Virginia Beach from May 5 through 9. The students would depart at 9 pm in order to not miss a day of school. Educational elements would include visits to an aquarium, marine science center, and Colonial Williamsburg.

Trailer Removal

The district is working on getting the trailers in front of the Middle/High School removed. Some belong to contractors and will be moved once respective projects are completed, and others were used for furniture storage during COVID-19, and can be moved once they are emptied.

BERLIN MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

Annual Fall Fest

Submitted by BCS Communications



**Berlin Middle High School's
Annual Fall Fest**

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, October 15 | 10 AM - 3 PM

VENDORS WANTED

Fall Fest hosts, the Class of 2023, are hoping to have many vendors and activities for all. Vendor applications can be accessed electronically on the Berlin Central School District Web Page, Facebook Page or mailed to you by request. Please reach out to Ms. Day kday@berlincentral.org with questions.

Berlin
CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Berlin Middle/High School's Annual Fall Fest will be **Saturday, October 15 from 10 am to 3 pm**. Hosted each year by the senior class, the Class of 2023 is hoping to have many vendors and activities for all. Vendor applications can be accessed electronically on the Berlin Central School District Website, BCSD Facebook page, or mailed to you by request. Please reach out to Ms. Day at kday@berlincentral.org with questions.

POESTENKILL LIBRARY

Halloween Costume Swap

The Library is currently accepting donations of clean, gently used Halloween costumes, masks, and accessories of all sizes, for donation between now and October 8. Donations should be brought to the circulation desk during regular hours. Please, do not leave them on the porch. To ensure the best, hassle-free experience for swap participants, we also ask that you label all costumes with a description, such as what the costume is and its size.

On **Wednesday, October 12, from 4:30 to 6:30 pm**, come to the library to pick out a new to you costume. All costumes, masks, and accessories will be free and available on a first come, first served basis. This event is open to everyone. You do not need to donate a costume in order to choose a new one, or vice versa. Please contact the library at 518-283-3721 if you have any questions.

Storytime

Every Friday at 10:15 am

VALLEY FALLS

VFW Breakfast

The monthly breakfast at VFW Post 1938, Poplar Avenue, will be held on **Sunday, October 2, from 8 to 11 am**. The menu includes eggs cooked to order, french toast, pancakes, sausage, bacon, potatoes, biscuits with sausage gravy, fruit, juice, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate. The cost is \$12 for ages 13 and over, \$6 for kids (5 through 12), and free for kids under 5.



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BRUNSWICK

Holiday Performance Audition

Highlight Acting Troupe will be holding auditions for *A Christmas Ornament* written by Ronald LeVan on **Friday, September 30 at 6:30 pm, and Sunday, October 2 at 2 pm** at Center Brunswick United Methodist Church, Hoosick Rd, Troy.

All adults and children 7 and up are welcome to audition. Written materials will be provided for auditions. Singers are welcome to perform a brief a capella song if they would like to be considered for a singing role. Performance dates are December 2, 3, and 4. For more information please contact the director Robin Dickinson at robindickinsonsawyer@gmail.com.



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GRAFTON

Fire Department Presentation

Written and Submitted by Ann Kiely

On Wednesday, September 21, Grafton Fire Chief Jim Goyer presented a program on the Grafton Fire Department to the Grafton Historical Society. Chief Goyer is the longest serving Fire Chief in Rensselaer County, and has been a member of the fire company since he was sixteen years old, seeing many changes in the department over the years. One thing that has not changed is the commitment of his family to the fire company, as three generations have served.

According to Chief Goyer, the process for becoming a fire district commenced in 1941 and was finalized in 1950. Mentioning the names of the early members brought a knowing sigh from members of the audience. Chief Goyer recounted the history of the equipment used by the department and many of the changes used in fighting fires, one of which was the use of compressed foam to extinguish fires.



Grafton Fire Chief Jim Goyer presenting to the Grafton Historical Society on Wednesday, September 21. Photo provided.

The company currently has thirty members, and new members are always welcomed. Like most of the volunteer companies in Rensselaer County, only a handful of members are available during daytime hours putting a strain on the few who are available.

BRUNSWICK COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Knitting Circle

Thursdays at 1 pm

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Bridge Club

Mondays at 1 pm

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Storytime

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 am

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Hoosac Tunnel - A History

Saturday, October 1 at 10:30 am

Haunted Trail

October 24 through 31, Monday through Friday, 10 am to 6 pm, Saturday, 10 am to 2 pm

Costumes encouraged. Contact the library if you'd like to donate candy or help decorate.

For more information, visit www.brunswicklibrary.org.

BRUNSWICK

Tailgate Sale

On **Sunday, October 9, from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm**, Brunswick Grange will hold their annual fall agricultural tailgate sale at the Schaghticoke Fairgrounds, Rt. 67 and 40. More than 50 vendors will have varieties of chickens, ducks, geese, pigeons, veggies, plants, and other agricultural items. Absolutely no dogs, cats, puppies, or kittens will be allowed for sale. A donation of \$15 per vendor will be charged at the gate. Spectators are free. The event will be held rain or shine. For more information call 518-279-9113.

BRUNSWICK

Fall Craft Fair

Saturday, November 5, from 9 am to 3 pm, at Center Brunswick UMC, 990 Hoosick Road, Troy. Tables are \$25 for an 8x10 section; one vendor per section please. Contact Jean at 518-694-1887 for info.

VALLEY FALLS LIBRARY

Children's Storytime

Wednesdays at 10 am

Join us for a fun hour of stories, music, and more. For preschoolers.

Lego Time

Fridays at 3 to 6 pm

Creations will be displayed in the library until the following Thursday evening. All ages welcome.

Experiential Youth Programs

Wednesdays at 3 pm

Each week youth will participate in either a science, technology, engineering, art, and math (STEAM) activity or Lockdown at the Library.

SAND LAKE

Kiwanis Club

Pasta Dinner

The Sand Lake Kiwanis Club invites you to participate in the next pasta dinner fundraiser on **Saturday, October 8, from 4 to 7 pm**, at the West Sand Lake Fire Hall, Rt. 43. The cost is \$10 for adults, and \$5 for kids 10 and under. Meals will consist of pasta, meatballs, salad, bread, and dessert, and may be dine-in or take-out. Pre-order starting at 2 pm the day of the event by calling 518-202-6876. Pasta dinners will continue to be held every second Saturday of each month. All proceeds support Kiwanis community projects.

GRAFTON

Peace Pagoda Ceremony

Saturday, October 8, at 11 am, at the Grafton Peace Pagoda, 87 Crandall Rd. Petersburg, will be the 29th anniversary ceremony. The ceremony will feature the 153rd anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi's birth, a Buddhist ceremony, a guest speaker, music, and more. There will be a potluck meal following the ceremony. For more information please call 518-658-9301 from 8 am to 4:30 pm, or visit graftonpeacepagoda.org.

POESTENKILL

Bread of Life Food Pantry

When struggling to purchase enough food to last the month, consider coming to the Bread of Life Food Pantry located in the Poestenkill Evangelical Lutheran Church, 772 Route 351. We are open the **first and third Thursdays of every month, (October 6 and October 20) from 4:30 to 6:30 pm**. Please bring proof of residency in the form of a utility bill or other official documents.

Along with food products we now offer baby diapers, wipes, and food items for infants and toddlers, to those who are low income. We wish to help those in need in and around Poestenkill. For more information, leave a message at 518-283-6045. Food and financial donations are always needed and welcomed.

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HOOSICK FALLS

Preparing for the Holiday Season

The Hoosick Area Church Association (HACA) food pantry is stocking up needed supplies to assist over 200 families with food boxes for each of the holidays. With Thanksgiving and Christmas nearing, this is the time of year when the generosity of the community is vital.

This year, with inflation driving up food prices and supply issues leaving some shelves empty, the price of food is increasing and the availability is decreasing. The USDA supplies are smaller than they have been in past years as well.

HACA depends on the generosity of the churches, businesses, and community members. Monetary contributions will provide a holiday meal for those in need of emergency food during the year and holiday season. A donation of \$1 purchases \$6 of food from

the Regional Food Bank. A donation of \$50 provides a fully stocked holiday box. The holiday boxes include all the fixings for not only the holiday meal but up to 3 meals a day for 5 days, and will be provided for both Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Please help the food pantry continue this worthy cause by making a donation of any amount to feed a family in need.

Applications for the boxes will be available at the Food Pantry, all area churches, Hoosick Falls Central School, and several other places throughout the Town. For information call 518-646-1962 or email hacainc12090@gmail.com. Donations can be mailed to HACA, PO Box #1, 26 John Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090.

BENNINGTON

Basket Raffle

On *Friday, September 30, and Saturday, October 1, from 9 am to 3 pm*, the Bennington Rural Fire Department (BRFD), 276 Orchard Rd., will hold a basket raffle fundraiser. The event is sponsored by the BRFD to purchase a new security camera system. There will be an auction, 50/50 raffle, food, and more. To donate a raffle basket or contribute a baked item, contact Donna at donnalyost@comcast.net.

BENNINGTON

Blood Drive

The American Red Cross will host a blood drive on *Thursday, October 6, from 11:30 am to 5 pm*, at the First Baptist Church, 601 Main Street. Donors may choose a \$5 e-mail gift card.

To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-RED CROSS or text "bloodapp" to 90999 to download the app to a smartphone.

For more information, please call 802-447-5345.

HOOSICK FALLS

Defensive Driving Course

There will be a 6-hour point and insurance reduction course from the National Safety Council on *Saturday, October 15* at the North Hoosick Fire House, 22106 Rt. 22. The cost is \$40 and you must preregister by calling 518-686-4854.

SCHUYLERVILLE

Fish Creek Rod & Gun Club Monthly Breakfast

Fish Creek Rod & Gun Club will host its monthly breakfast on *Sunday, October 9 from 8 to 11 am* at 123 State Route 32 in Schuylerville. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, and on the menu is regular, buckwheat, apple cinnamon, or blueberry pancakes, french toast, eggs to order, home fries, bacon or sausage, toast, coffee, and orange juice.

HOOSICK FALLS

Walter A. Wood Tractor Show

Submitted by Kevin O'Malley

The Walter A. Wood Tractor and Agriculture Show is coming *Saturday, October 1, from 9 am to 4 pm* at Walter A. Wood Memorial Park. Antique and vintage tractors, horse-drawn farm equipment, implements, and contemporary machinery will be on display.

Folks from Hoosick and the surrounding communities are welcome to enter tractors, farm implements, hit-and-miss engines, livestock, and agricultural products.

For more information or to register, call Kevin at 518-894-5035 or email him at hoosickkid@gmail.com.

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Hermitage Hoedown

Submitted by SVMC

On the evening of **Saturday, October 1**, The Hermitage Club in Wilmington, VT, is opening its doors to members and non-members for the Hermitage Hoedown. The event will raise funds for Southwestern Vermont Health Care's Vision 2020, A Decade of Transformation Capital Campaign, which includes the renovation and expansion of the institution's Emergency Department and the construction of an all-new regional Cancer Center. The new Kendall Emergency Department and Hoyt-Hunter Regional Cancer Center will impact care for residents of southern Vermont, northern Berkshire County, and eastern New York.

Tickets are \$125 and include an open bar from 6 to 7 pm, a barbecue dinner, live music, and dancing with Miss Paula & The Twangbusters. Recommended attire is casual, and cowboy boots are encouraged.

The SVHC Foundation Board and Vision 2020 Steering Committee has been quietly raising funds for the projects for the last four years. To date, nearly \$24 million has been raised toward the goal of \$25 million. The Public Phase Committee is asking the community to help them raise the final one million dollars.

Visit hermitagehoedown.com to purchase tickets and sponsorships.

CAMBRIDGE

DAR Meeting

The Ondawa-Cambridge Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will hold a Bi-Chapter meeting with Willard's Mountain Chapter on **Saturday, October 8, at 10:30 am**, at the Greenwich Public Library.

CAMBRIDGE

Attention Ladies:

The Victorian Tea Is Coming!

Now that the Cambridge Museum is open again to visitors and programs, please mark your calendars for the return of the Victorian Tea on **Sunday, October 16 at 2 pm** at the Museum on 12 Broad Street, Cambridge. Once again, Phyllis Chapman, well-known museum educator and living history presenter, will be entertaining us with her new program called "Head To Toe In The 19th Century: What the Victorians Wore, How They Wore It and Why It Mattered." While the ladies indulged in a dazzling array of shape-shifting silhouettes during the period, the gentlemen embraced an increasingly somber and restrained style. That's the surface tale, but the most fascinating fashion facts may lie beneath the surface – men's corsets? Bustles for shoplifters? Beetle embroidery? How did they keep it all clean? Prepare to be entertained! Of course, along with this program relax and indulge in delicious sweets and savories, and endless amounts of tea. If you are so inclined, wear your best hat! As there is a limited amount of space for tables in the Museum, attendance is based on reservations only on a first come, first served basis. Checks of \$25, made payable to Cambridge Historical Society & Museum, should be mailed to Shirley Huntington, 378 Colfax Road, Cambridge, NY 12816. Please include your address, phone number, and email. The Museum is handicapped accessible. We hope to see you there.

Upcoming Chicken Barbecues

WHITE CREEK

The forty-fourth annual fall chicken barbecue will be held **October 1** at the Jermain Community Hall on Niles Road in White Creek. The event will be drive-through, take-out only, and tickets can be reserved by calling 518-686-9307 or emailing mrobi47966@aol.com. Tickets can be picked up at the Methodist Church on Niles Road between 3 and 5 pm, and dinners will be ready for you at the Community Hall. The menu will be a half barbecued chicken, baked potato with sour cream, coleslaw, green beans, roll, and apple pie. If you have any questions, you can call or text the above number.

NORTH HOOSICK FIRE DEPT.

The North Hoosick Fire department will sponsor its famous chicken barbecue on **Saturday, October 8, from 4:30 to 6 pm**, at the fire station on Rt. 22. Tickets are \$15 and are available from any North Hoosick firefighter. Tickets can be reserved by contacting Chief Alan Bornt at 518-378-4538 or by Messenger. The event is take-out only.

PITTSTOWN FIRE DEPT.

On **Saturday, October 15, from 3 to 5 pm**, the Pittstown Fire Department will hold a take-out only chicken barbecue dinner. The cost is \$15 and the meal will include a half chicken, potato salad, baked beans, roll, cookies, and cranberry jam. Meals can be picked up at 134 Parker School Road, Johnsonville. To pre-order call 518-424-1995, and include name, phone number, and number meals desired. For more information, call David Smith at 518-663-5727.

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New Lebanon & Nassau

NEW LEBANON

Community Walk The Ruins at Sassafra

Friday, October 14, from 8:30 to 9:30 am

An hour in length, rain or shine, suitable for most fitness levels. Directions will be given after RSVP. Wear good walking shoes and bring water. Sunscreen, insect repellent, and a hat are recommended.

So we can anticipate attendance, please RSVP to Abbie at nlrecreation03@gmail.com. If there is enough interest, we will continue to plan walks.

NEW LEBANON LIBRARY

Winter Coat Drive

Now through October 15

Drop off clean, new, or gently used coats and winter wear at your Columbia County library for distribution to local charities.

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Monday, October 3, from 6 to 7 pm

A history webinar. Email director@roejanlibrary.org to register.

NASSAU

A Lifetime of Service

Courtesy of Rensselaer County

It was the early 1960s when 16-year-old Lawrence Cooper of Nassau decided to join his hometown fire department, and was welcomed, somewhat uneasily at first, by the older members of the Village fire unit.

That started a lifetime of service for Larry, who today is still an active member, responding to calls, protecting people and property, and guiding younger firefighters on training and technique. Saturday, September 24, colleagues, friends, and family joined with residents to thank Larry for his service.

County Executive Steve McLaughlin presented a County commendation thanking Larry on behalf of County residents for his service. Also participating were Nassau Village Mayor Robert Valenty, Nassau Supervisor David Fleming, Schodack Supervisor Charles Peter, Legislators Scott Bendett and Tom Choquette, County Court Judge Debra Young, District Attorney Mary Pat Donnelly, and Schodack Councilman Jim Bult. Nassau Fire Department Chief Kevin Wood and others organized the event.

Larry's service continues as does the service of his family, with his son Matt serving as president of the Nassau Fire Board of Directors.



Nassau Fire Department member Larry Cooper, speaking at the September 24 event celebrating his lifetime of service. Photo courtesy of Rensselaer County.

Town Clean-up Day Was a Success

The Town's ninth annual Town Clean-up Day event was held on Saturday. This event has become one of the community's most favored and requested events. The cooperation and courtesy of every community member who has participated over the years make it a fun day that we look forward to each year! We realize that the dumpsters were placed a bit too close to the road this year, making accessing them a bit trickier. Still, you all did an excellent job navigating and maneuvering, and we appreciated your patience. Next year we will request to have them placed further back from the road.

Town Clean-up day would not be successful without the dedication and hard work of all the wonderful volunteers for whom we are incredibly grateful. The Building Department would like to thank the following folks who did a fantastic job at this year's event!

Pre-event Day Resident Assistance: Ed Godfroy and Steve Houghtling

Event Day: Ted Salem, Bill Ingwersen, Jack Lancto, Jesse Newton, Mark Baumli, Pat Slattery, Michael Treanor, Joey Hurst, Michael Bienes, Michelle Bienes, Rob Long, Samantha Long, John Trainor, Britt Buckenrorth, Tistrya Houghtling

Electronics: Steve Powers and Jon Pratt

MVP: A very special shout-out to Jeff Hattat. Jeff is the owner and operator of the loader used all day throughout the event. It is difficult to imagine even

holding such an event without this piece of machinery and his operating skills! Thank you, Jeff!!

Sincerely,

Cissy Hernandez

PS: Please Do Not Be This Person

As much as I would like to end this communication on a high note, we had a significant glitch this year that is worth mentioning. Someone dropped off a sofa sometime after the event ended, creating a problem for us to have to deal with. Please do not be this kind of person. If you know in advance that you can't make it on the day and time of the event, we can, and do, make special accommodations. All you have to do is contact me at the Building Dept. This action was completely unnecessary, unappreciated, and could ruin things for the rest of the community.



NEW LEBANON

Trunk or Treat

On Friday, October 28, from 6 to 7 pm, the Town of New Lebanon will hold a trunk or treat event at Shatford Park.

For those who would like to decorate the back of their cars and hand out candy, setup will begin at 5:30 pm. Please pull in to the park entrance by the basketball court off of Old Post Road. There will be people there to direct parking.

NEW LEBANON

Helping Pandemic Affected Businesses

Attention businesses of New Lebanon who were negatively affected by COVID-19, the Town would like to grant you American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to help defray some of your losses. You will not have to pay this money back.

At a recent Town Board meeting, an application was designed to help you apply for a grant of between \$2,000 and \$20,000. The application was designed to be as flexible as possible while still giving the Board the opportunity to assess grant requests fairly. The Board recognizes that applicants may have a strong application without all the required documentation,

so it will make exceptions on a case-by-case basis, as long as they still fit within the allowable ARPA guidelines. Our review committee will work with you so your application gets the attention it deserves.

The application asks for the amount you are requesting, a description of how you'll spend the funds, and what problem the funds will help you solve or what you hope to achieve.

Final applications are due on October 7. If you have any questions or would like help completing the application, please contact Monte Wasch at 518-781-0195 or email monte@fairpoint.net.

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General News

Letter to the Editor

Written and Submitted by Janet Spitz

In contrast to Mr. McLean's uniquely qualified but anonymous sources, I spoke with several former as well as current members of our emergency responders in Petersburg who were glad to be identified, with information that is therefore likely more accurate. Here is a quote from one:

"No one would take someone with one hour of training and put them in a situation where it could be a matter of life or death. It's absurd. Neither the Fire Department or Ambulance would do that," said Dennis Smith who has served on the Petersburg Ambulance Rescue Squad as an EMT since 1994, the majority of which time he was the Captain. He noted that 40 years ago, first responders were basically offering first aid. Today, EMTs are performing serious procedures which takes training, skill, and smarts, and that is why training and requirements have increased so much over the years. Today's EMT training is 180 hours, while Certified First Responders are required to undergo about two-thirds of that.

We do all agree on good pay as a needed outcome, however unlikely that might be. To ask someone to volunteer that amount of their life, training, interruptions, and commitment, is unreasonable. This is why there is such a shortage of qualified personnel.

Volunteers only go so far. Getting either NYS or each of the Towns to pay EMTs is the long term solution, because "we cannot indefinitely rely on volunteers providing immediate life support, to perform professionally, and to show up immediately, every time, interrupting everything," noted Dennis.

The amount of payment also matters. Paid rescue services such as Empire and Mohawk are having real difficulty staffing because EMTs aren't even getting \$18/hr. Whether or not you have a family to support, \$18 is not a skilled wage. Towns, however, such as Petersburg, seem to have an un-ending bottom of money to allocate to new positions which are suddenly needed, yet an almost pathological reluctance to fund ongoing essential services. Expecting such municipalities to provide a reasonable Emergency Services wage to all rescue workers, or even half, is Pollyanna at best.

Bottom line, if we want reliable emergency services, with skilled personnel and functioning ambulances, we're going to have to pay for them. And given the politics of local Towns, it's going to have to come from NY State. Good luck with that.

Meanwhile, might we turn our recognition of problems within the current system to a recognition and sincere appreciation of the incredible service provided by the literally hundreds, even thousands, of volunteer Fire Department and Ambulance responders across our state? These folks deserve more than our support at their barbecues, but a real contribution from each of us when solicitation letters come in the mail, asking for financial support.

Finally, I ask, personally, for every reader of this article to consider whether you yourself might have time, even 4 or 5 hours a month, to personally volunteer for the many vacant positions your local Town or Village needs to fill. Trustee, Town Board, Planning Board, Parks Committee, Water Committee, there are far too many boards and committees needing helpful members to list. Step up, folks. Be Counted. Then, you can complain.

The views and opinions expressed in this article do not necessarily reflect those of The Eastwick Press.

Swearing in Ceremony

Courtesy of RCSD



Rensselaer County Sheriff Patrick Russo (right), along with Undersheriff P.J. Higgitt (left), swore in a Deputy Sheriff recently at a ceremony held at the Public Safety Building. Joshua Mears (center), of Hoosick Falls, is a lateral transfer, bringing 15 years of experience to the Sheriff's Office and community in which he will serve.

Meeting Schedule

Thursday, October 6

Brunswick Planning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

Monday, October 10

Hoosick Town Board, 7 pm, Town Offices

Tuesday, October 11

Rensselaer County Legislature, 6 pm, County Office Building

New Lebanon Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

Hoosick Falls Village Board, 6 pm, Highway Garage

Wednesday, October 12

Grafton Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

East Nassau Village Board, 7 pm, Hoags Corners Ambulance Building

Thursday, October 13

Brunswick Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

Berlin Town Board, 7:30 pm, Municipal Complex

Schodack Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

Poestenkill Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

Nassau Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

Monday, October 17

Stephentown Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

Petersburgh Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

Tuesday, October 18

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

CORRECTION:

In last week's edition of *The Eastwick Press*, we incorrectly labeled the Rensselaer County Legislature Meeting Highlights as being from August, when in fact they were from **September**. We apologize for any confusion this may have caused.

Student Honors

Kyle Reasor of Averill Park has been named to the Spring 2022 Dean's List at Seton Hall University.

Brianna Femia of Poestenkill has received a Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Information Sciences degree from the University of Alabama.

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Jennifer Becker of Averill Park, NY

Kailee Stemp of Johnsonville, NY

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Holli Cross of Hoosick Falls

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Eastwick Sports & Outdoor Activities

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

BCS Throwback

Submitted by Alvin Berry



A photo of BCS Soccer team captain Alvin Berry receiving the trophy for the team's 1950 Tri-County championship. Photo courtesy of Alvin Berry.

HIGH SCHOOL FIELD HOCKEY

Coach Campbell Gets Win 400

Submitted by Hoosick Falls CSD

With the field hockey's recent 4-0 win over Granville, coach Denise Campbell has reached 400 career victories with the Panthers. Campbell, a Hoosick Falls graduate, started coaching the varsity Panthers in 1998.

According to the New York State Public High School Athletic Association, Campbell is the winningest field hockey coach in section 2 and eighth in NYS history.



Coach Denise Campbell, celebrating win 400 with the Panthers field hockey team. Photo courtesy of Hoosick Falls CSD.

GRAFTON LAKES STATE PARK

Perennial Party

Saturday, October 1, at 9 am

Spooky Craft - \$2

Sunday, October 2, at 2 pm

Yoga on Long Pond Beach - \$5

Sunday, October 2, at 11 am

Monster Egg Drop - \$5

Thursday, October 6, from 4 to 5:30 pm

Full Moon Cemetery Walk - \$5

Sunday, October 9, at 7 pm

How Animals Eat

Thursday, October 13, from 4 to 5:30 pm

Trick or Treat Nature Trail - \$4

Saturday, October 15, from 3:30 to 7:30 pm

Oral History Movie

Wednesday, October 19, at 7 pm

Fall Foliage Fire Tower Hike

Thursday, October 20, at 10 am

Spooky Spiders

Thursday, October 20, from 4 to 5:30 pm

Star Party

Friday, October 21, at 6:15 pm

Bat Box Building - \$5

Saturday, October 22, at 10 am

Owl Talk

Thursday, October 27, from 4 to 5:30 pm

Bat Campfire Program - \$5

Friday, October 28, at 6 pm

Bird-Ability

Saturday, October 29, at 10 am

Spooky Spider Craft - \$2

Sunday, October 30, at 2 pm

Pre-registration is required for all programs unless otherwise specified. Events are free unless otherwise specified. For more information, or to register, call 518-279-1155.

Barbecue Recreation Bowling

Wednesday Night League

Team Standings

Wack'em & Stack'em	10-5
Mag-Way	9-6
Boner's	9-6
Bistro 42	9-6
Farmers Tires	8-7
Gallup Inn	7-8
Lebowski Rug Co.	6-9
Lou's Plumbing	6-9
Chico's Bail Bonds	6-9
The Jabronis	5-10

High Scores

Mitch Andrew	263 257 727
Tyler Colvin	266 218 701
Ryan Shumway	252 233 686
Matt Brownell	277 225 685
Colin Cipperly	267 204 662
Trevor Patch	237 214 658
William Nash	227 224 657
Mike Smith	245 214 652
Todd Stradinger	235 211 649
Ron Caron	224 205 634

Thursday American League

Team Standings

Team	Won	Lost
Modern Game Pro Shop	62	28
Wallomsac Metal Rec	53	37
Stevens and Son Tent	51	39
Wack'em & Stack'em	50	40
Team Taconic	48½	41½
Dave Clark Excavating	43	47
Huntin' Time	40	50
RGI Insurance	37½	52½
Sharp for Governor	37	53
Lo-Ridge Farm	28	62

High Game

Scott Reinhart	279
Joshua McCart	269
Timothy McCart	260
Max Taylor	258
Ryan Bedford	248
Preston Oakes	244
Colin Cipperly	243
Mark Leary	237
Joshua Sweet	236
Thomas Mongeon	236

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PETERSBURGH FIRE DISTRICT

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTION FOR MANDATORY REFERENDUM TO ISSUE BONDS AND EXPEND FROM CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

A Bond Resolution adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Petersburg Fire District, in the Town of Petersburg, County of Rensselaer, State of New York on September 21, 2022 authorizing:

- (A) the acquisition of a certain Custom Pumper Tanker including incidental equipment, expenses, and services in connection therewith at a maximum estimated cost of \$534,000.00;
- (B) the expenditure of a sum not to exceed \$200,000.00 from the Capital Reserve Fund to pay a portion of the costs thereof;
- (C) authorizing the issuance of serial bonds of said Fire District in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to pay a portion of the costs thereof;
- (D) determining the probable usefulness thereof is twenty (20) years and that the maximum maturity of serial bonds will be ten (10) years;
- (E) delegating to the Fire District Treasurer the power to authorize and sell bond anticipation notes and to fix the details of and to sell serial bonds or statutory installment bonds at the prevailing rate of interest at the time of issuance the amount of such bonds to be offset by any federal, state, county, and/or local funds received; and
- (F) a pledge of the faith and credit of said Fire District for the payment of the principal and interest on said bonds and a levy upon the taxable property within the Fire District to pay such bonds.

That it is hereby determined that the plan for financing the cost of the said fire apparatus is as follows:

- a. By the issuance of serial bonds in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 hereby authorized to issued pursuant to the provision of the Local Finance Law at the prevailing rate of interest at the time of issuance, with the amount of such bonds to be offset by any federal, state, county, and/or local funds received; and
- b. By the expenditure of up to \$200,000.00 from the Capital Reserve Fund monies which monies are hereby appropriated therefore as the Board of Fire Commissioners shall determine is appropriate and reasonable. The statutory authorization for such expenditure shall be included as part of and abide the outcome of the mandatory referendum.

Subject to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the power to authorize the issuance of and to sell bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance and sale of the serial bonds herein authorized, including renewals of such notes, is hereby delegated to the Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer. Such notes shall be of such term, form and contents, and shall be sold in such manner, as →

Notice of formation of **72 13TH ST LLC**. Articles of Org. filed with the NY Secretary of State (SS) on 4/01/21. Office: Rensselaer County. SS designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SS shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 7 St Josephs St, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Fleming & Sons LLC. Filed 8/22/22. Office: Rensselaer Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Damian Fleming, 784 Ny Hwy 351, Poestenkill, NY 12140. Purpose: General.

Notice of Formation of an LLC
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may be prescribed by said Treasurer, consistent with the provisions of the Local Finance Law.

Each of the serial bonds authorized by this Resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said serial bonds and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds shall be general obligations of the District, payable as to both principal and interest by a general tax upon all the real property within the District without legal or constitutional limitation as to rate or amount. The faith and credit of said Petersburg Fire District in the Town of Petersburg, Rensselaer County, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds becoming due and payable in such year. There shall annually be levied on all the taxable real property of said Fire District a tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same become due and payable. The annual installments shall be payable over a period of ten (10) years from the year of issuance of the bonds.

The validity of such bonds and bond anticipation notes may be contested only if:

- a. Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Fire District is not authorized to expend money, or
- b. The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within 20 days after the date of such publication, or
- c. Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

The Treasurer is hereby authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to ensure the continued status of the interest on the bonds authorized by this Resolution and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, as excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 ("Code") and to designate the Bonds authorized by the Resolution and any notes issued in anticipation thereof, if applicable, as "qualified tax exempt bonds" in accordance with Section 265(b)(3)(B)(i) of the Code.

This resolution is adopted subject to approval at the Annual Election of said Fire District to be held on December 13, 2022, or at a Special Election on an alternate date, the details of which shall be provided in a separate resolution of this Board of Fire Commissioners.

The Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to file notice of said mandatory referendum at the Annual Election in accordance with Town Law Sections 175 and 175-c.

This Resolution was adopted by a majority of the Board of Fire Commissioners at the Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners conducted on September 21, 2022.

The full text of the Bond Resolution may be viewed in its entirety by appointment upon request directed to the address below.

Christina Lamphere, Secretary/Treasurer
Petersburgh Fire District
PO Box 190
19213 State Route 22
Petersburgh, NY 12138

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Petersburg Fire District #1 Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday October 19, 2021 at 7PM at the Petersburg Fire Station regarding the 2023 Budget for the Petersburg Fire District #1. A copy of the proposed 2023 budget is available for inspection at the Petersburg Town Clerk's Office during normal business hours. At this Public Hearing all persons will be given an opportunity to be heard.
By Order of the Board of Fire Commissioners
Petersburgh Fire District #1
Petersburgh, NY

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LEGAL NOTICE OF ESTOPPEL

The amendatory bond resolution published herewith, has been adopted on August 9, 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: 9/26/2022
Hoosick Falls, New York,
/s/ Marie O'Neil
Village Clerk

BOND RESOLUTION DATED AUGUST 9, 2022.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING, SUBJECT TO PERMISSIVE REFERENDUM, THE ISSUANCE OF AN ADDITIONAL \$60,000 BONDS OF THE VILLAGE OF HOOSICK FALLS, RENSSELAER COUNTY, NEW YORK, TO PAY THE INCREASED COST OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE LEACHATE COLLECTION AND PUMPING SYSTEM AT THE LANDFILL SITE IN AND FOR SAID VILLAGE.

Specific object or purpose:

Improvements to the leachate collection and pumping system at the landfill site, including incidental improvements and expenses

Period of probable usefulness:

Twenty years

Maximum estimated cost:

\$221,650

Amount of obligations to be issued:

\$60,000 bonds; \$161,650 bonds previously authorized

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Pursuant to Section 206 of the New York Limited Liability Law. The name of the Limited Liability Company is **Hoof & Rail Farm, LLC**. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on September 23, 2022. The office of the Limited Liability Company will be located in Rensselaer County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Limited Liability Company served upon him or her is: c/o Jeff Cross, 115 China Hill Road, Nassau, NY 12123. The Limited Liability Company is formed for any lawful business purpose or purposes.

10 PONDEROSA BLVD, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 9/16/22. Office in Rensselaer Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to The LLC 24 Pleasant Ridge Rd Valhalla NY 10595. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

OOOOOOOH GOD ENT LLC. Art of Org. filed with the SSNY on 05/31/2022. 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, LEGALCORP SOLUTIONS 1060 Broadway Suite 100 ALBANY, NY 12204 Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

47 S. MAIN STREET, LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 9/16/22. Office in Rensselaer Co. SSNY design. Agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to The LLC 24 Pleasant Ridge Rd Valhalla NY 10595. Purpose: Any lawful activity.

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LEGAL NOTICE:

Town of Stephentown, County of Rensselaer, State of New York

Town of Stephentown, Stephentown, NY, 12168. Notice that the Town Board will be holding the following Public Meetings regarding the 2023 Town Budget:

October 10th, 2022 @ 7:00 PM – Budget workshop
October 24th, 2022 @ 7:00 PM – Budget Workshop
November 7th, 2022 @ 7:00 PM – Public Hearing
November 14th, 2022 @ 7:00 PM – Special Meeting to Adopt the 2023 Town Budget

All meetings will be held at the Town Hall, 26 Grange Hall Road, Stephentown, NY the Tentative Budget will be posted on the Town's official website and copies can be obtained at the Stephentown Town Clerk's Office when it becomes available.

By order of the Town Board
Stephanie M. Hoffman
Town Clerk

Notice of Formation of **A&J Upstate Ventures LLC** (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State (NYSS) on 8/24/2022. Office in Rensselaer County. NYSS designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. NYSS shall mail a copy of any process to: the LLC, 69 Columbia Street, Rensselaer, NY 12144. Any lawful business purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: **Taryn Heath, LCSW, PLLC**. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 7/12/22. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 186 Central Ave. Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

LILLIS CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST, PLLC filed Arts. of Org. with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 9/14/2022. 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: The PLLC, P.O. Box 1477, Troy, NY, 12181. Purpose: Registered Professional Nursing.

Notice of formation of **Laugh and Play LLC**. Articles of Organization filed with New York State Dept. of State on 08/17/2022. The County within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is located in is Rensselaer. The Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is to the limited liability company at 84 Lape Rd Nassau NY 12123. Company is organized for For any lawful purpose.

TROYS LANDSCAPING LLC. Filed 8/22/22. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to: 6 Munro Ct, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: General.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: **Heyoka Enterprises, LLC**. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 9/5/22. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, PO Box 119, Grafton NY 12082. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. 9/6/22

Notice of formation of limited liability company: name: **County Line Property Services, LLC**. Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/24/2022. Office location: Rensselaer County SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC 111 Bunker Hill Rd., Nassau, NY 12123. Purpose: for any lawful purpose.

FORDLEY FLOORING LLC. Filed 8/15/22. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY design. as agent for process & shall mail to: Chris Fordley, 17 Nelson Ave, Rensselaer, NY 12144. Purpose: General.

Community Calendar

September 30, Friday

Bat Beach Talk, 7 pm, \$5, Grafton Lakes State Park, call 518-279-1155 to register

September 30 & October 1, Friday & Saturday

Basket Raffle, 9 am – 3 pm, Bennington Rural Fire Dept, 276 Orchard Rd, proceeds fund new security camera system, auction, 50/50 raffle, food, etc; to donate, contact Donna at donnalyst@comcast.net

October 1, Saturday

Walter A. Wood Tractor Show, 9 am – 4 pm, Wood Park, Hoosick Falls, view antique tractors and horse-drawn implements, hit-and-miss steam engines, parade, food, farm products, contests (apple pie and scarecrow), hayrides, contact Kevin at 518-894-5035 or hoosickkid@gmail.com for info/registration

Perennial Party, 9 am, free, Grafton Lakes State Park, pre-register by calling 518-279-1155

Fall Bird Feeding, 1 – 2:30 pm, Dyken Pond Environmental Education Center, pre-registration required: contact Josh Pulito at 518-658-2055 or jp844@cornell.edu

October 2, Sunday

VFW Post 1938 Breakfast, 8 – 11 am, \$12 for 13+, \$6 5–12, under 5 free, Poplar Ave, Valley Falls

Yoga on Long Pond Beach, 11 am, \$5, Grafton Lakes State Park, pre-register by calling 518-279-1155

Berlin Rod & Gun Club Sportsman Challenge & Picnic, starts at noon, rifle & pistol competition, classes, 12 shot min. per round, bring own ammo, picnic free for competitors & under 12, \$8 spectators

Petersburg Rod & Gun Club Ham & Cash Shoot, noon, clubhouse on Scriven Rd, bring shotguns and/or rifles (no 10 gauge shotguns) to win a prize, hot dogs and hamburgers available

The Kittle-Culver-Dodge Murders presentation, 2 pm, free, by author Jill Whitbeck Knapp, Stephentown Heritage Center, 4 Staples Rd, 518-733-0010 for directions

Spooky Craft, 2 pm, \$2, Grafton Lakes State Park, pre-register by calling 518-279-1155

White Creek Fall Chicken Barbecue, 3 – 5 pm ticket pickup, Jermain Community Hall, Niles Rd, take-out/drive-thru only, contact Marilyn at 518-686-8307 or mrobi47966@aol.com for reservations/questions

Hermitage Hoedown, 6 pm, \$125, The Hermitage Club, Wilmington, VT, fundraiser for SVHC's Vision 2020 Campaign, hermitagehoedown.com for tickets/sponsorships

October 4, Tuesday

American Red Cross (ARC) Blood Drive, 1 – 6 pm, First Baptist Church, Main St., Hoosick Falls, contact ARC for appts, enter rear door by parking lot

October 6, Thursday

American Red Cross Blood Drive, 11:30 am – 5 pm, First Baptist Church, 601 Main Street in Bennington

Monster Egg Drop, 4 – 5:30 pm, \$5, Grafton Lakes State Park, pre-register by calling 518-279-1155

The Michael (Mickey) Kane Murder talk, 6 pm, Louis Miller Museum, 166 Main St, Hoosick Falls, local historian Joe Hall will speak on the 1930 murder of the taxi driver from Bennington, staff@hoosickhistory.com or 518-686-4682 for info

October 7, Friday

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

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Senior News

Grafton Merrymakers VT Bus Trip

The Grafton Merrymakers will be hosting a bus trip to Quechee Gorge in VT on Thursday, October 6. Enjoy beautiful fall vistas 168 feet from the bridge above the Ottauquechee River, then visit the Gorge visitor center with rest rooms and a gift shop. From there we'll enjoy a picturesque fall foliage ride to Killington, VT where we'll enjoy a great lunch at Casey's Caboose. For reservations, call Cathy Goyer at 518-279-3231. Mail a check for \$44 made out to Grafton Merrymakers to Cathy Goyer, 38 Goyer Way, Petersburg, NY 12138. Deadline for payment is September 28. The bus will leave Grafton Senior Center promptly at 8 am, and Petersburg Memorial Hall promptly at 8:30 am.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, October 12 at 5:30 pm for dinner; meeting at 6:15 pm. Visit "Merry Makers of Grafton" on Facebook for updates.

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 the center will be open 9:30 to 11 am for our 10 am Chair Yoga class. On Tuesdays, there will be Senior Yoga Plus class at 10 am.

The next Grafton Senior Membership meeting will be held on October 4 at 11:15 am. Sign up now for haircut/mani/pedi appointments for October 11. This is also the day for our monthly Eat Smart Demonstration, by Jillian at 11:15 am, with games and activities following lunch. October 13 is our monthly birthday celebration with a fun game of trivia. Our special luncheon with music by Gone Gray will be Tuesday, October 18. Thursday, October 27 will be our Halloween costume party.

Congregate lunch is served Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon for a suggested donation of \$3. Grab-n-Go meals are also available. Please call 518-279-3413 to be added to the lunch list.

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 congregare lunch served at noon each day for a suggested donation of \$3. There will be limited van transportation to and from the center on Wednesdays and Fridays only. You must call 518-686-7561 each day to be placed on the list. Mondays at the center there is a card group that meets from 10 am to noon, then open card playing following lunch. Most Wednesdays we have Senior Games at 12:30 pm and Senior Exercise group at 1:30 pm. Fridays there is bingo following lunch unless there is a special event, in which case bingo will be from 10 am to noon on Thursday.

October 4 a representative from Legal Aid will be at the center for individual appointments from 10 am to noon. October 7 is the next Hoosick Area Senior Membership meeting at 11 am. October 12 is our monthly Eat Smart Demonstration by Jillian from CCE at 11:15 am, and our October Birthday Celebration with Trivia following lunch.

The center will host, and be closed for an **AARP Defensive Driving Course** on Thursday, October 13 from 8:30 am to 3 pm. Pre-registration is required as space is limited and material needs to be ordered. The cost is \$25 for AARP members and \$30 for non-members. October 26 is our Annual Halloween Costume Party.

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

Petersburgh Sunshine Seniors

Our last meeting of the year will be October 11, starting at 5 pm with a pizza party, with the regular meeting starting at 6 pm. Desserts and side dishes are welcomed.

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 and trip reservations call Judy Hunt at 518-733-5755. The next trip will be Monday and Tuesday, October 24 and 25, to **Niagara Falls**. We will be staying at the Seneca Casino & Resort. This includes a Maid of the Mist Boat Ride, \$35 free slot play, and \$15 meal voucher. Price per person is \$155 for double occupancy and \$255 for single occupancy. Reserve by September 23. Payment is due by September 30.

Lebanon Valley Seniors

Meetings are at 1 pm on the first and third Fridays of the month at the LVPA firehouse. New members are always welcomed. The cost to join is \$10.

We are going to have a free bus **trip to Kittery Maine** on October 17. The only thing you are responsible for is your lunch and shopping. This trip is open to anyone who wants to go. We have a **trip to Silver Birches** on November 30 for lunch and a show. The price is \$44 per person. The bus at Stephentown picks up at 7 am and at 7:30 am in Lebanon. The last day to sign in is October 4; payment is also due at that time.

Other events are a **bake sale** on October 8 at 8 am by the Family Dollar; this is the day after our October

7 meeting. So we are asking for everyone to bake up a storm for this fundraiser. Since we have a meeting the day before the bake sale, you may bring your items to the meeting and we will take them from there. We are asking that if you can help out at the bake sale itself please bring our lawn chair and help out.

For those who would like to mail in their 2023 membership, you can do so by sending it to Donna Moshimer, 29 Lovers Lane, New Lebanon, NY 12125

For more information call Mary Defreest at 518-733-0009.

Sycaway Seniors

The Sycaway Seniors group meet the first and third Monday of each month, at the Brunswick Community Center, 18 Keyes Lane, from noon to 3 pm. We have members who live all over Rensselaer County, not just Sycaway. Bring your own lunch; we supply dessert and drinks. Dues are \$10 yearly. President Nancy McCloskey can be reached at 518-279-0847.

Monday, October 3, there will be a Brunswick Rehab workshop. Monday, October 17, at noon, Brunswick Historian Sharon will enlighten us all with video and fun regarding beautiful Brunswick. Stop in for a visit, all are welcome. Bingo and 50/50 raffle are held at each meeting. Cards are only 3 for \$2.

Stephentown Seniors

On Saturday, October 8, from 9 am to noon, the Stephentown Seniors will sponsor a **walk-in flu shot clinic** at the Town Hall, Grange Hall Rd. The clinic is open to the public, and no appointment is necessary. For more information, call Judy Hunt at 518-733-5755 or Heather Govel at 518-281-4030.

Church News

Blessing the Animals

The Church of our Savior, 14660 Rt. 22, New Lebanon, will be having a service for blessing the animals on **Sunday, October 2 at 3 pm**.

Fall Festival

On **Saturday, October 15, from 1 to 4 pm**, Grafton Baptist Church is sponsoring a Fall Festival at Grafton's Village Green. The plan is to have free food, games, hayride, bounce house, face painting, and more. Parking will be available in the Church parking lot. Everyone is welcome.

For more information, visit Graftonbc.org.

Blood Drive

On **Tuesday, October 4, from 1 to 6 pm**, the First Baptist Church, on Main Street in Hoosick Falls, will host an American Red Cross blood drive. The need for blood is extreme. Appointments are suggested by contacting the American Red Cross. Donors are asked to enter the door at the rear of the Church by the parking lot.

Chili Cookoff

On **Saturday, October 1, from 11 am to 2 pm** at the Valley Falls United Methodist Church, State Street, there will be a chili cookoff. Sample and vote for your favorite chili. Desserts and drinks will also be for sale. For tickets in advance, contact Brian Backstrom at bbackstrom@gmail.com or call 518-527-6631. Tickets are \$10.

Bread of Life Food Pantry

The Bread of Life Food Pantry, located in the Poestenkill Evangelical Lutheran Church, 772 Route 351 is open the **first and third Thursdays of every month, from 4:30 to 6:30 pm**. Please bring proof of residency. Along with food products we now offer baby diapers, wipes, and food items for infants and toddlers, to those who are low income. We wish to help those in need in and around Poestenkill. For

more information, leave a message at 518-283-6045. Food and financial donations are always needed and welcomed.

Children's Bible School

Hoosick Falls Community Alliance Church, 484 Hill Road, will once again offer a mid-week children's Bible club on Wednesdays, beginning October 12, from 6 to 7:30 pm, for children in Grades 1 through 6. Engaging Bible lessons, fun games and activities, upbeat music, and snacks will be offered each week. Transportation is also available, if needed.

To ensure each child's safety, all HFCAC volunteers who work with children are vetted through our Volunteer Personnel process which includes a background check. For more information, or to arrange transportation, call at 518-686-3269. You can also find us on Facebook, at hoosickfallscac.org, and on our YouTube channel.

Roast Beef Supper

On **Saturday, October 8, from 4 to 6 pm**, there will be a roast beef supper at the Pittstown United Methodist Church hall. Eat in or take out. The menu will be roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetables, coleslaw, rolls, homemade pies, beverages. The cost is \$17 for adults, \$7 for children ages 5 through 12, and free for children under 5. For reservations, call Bev at 518-663-5607.

Hope United Methodist Church

Hope United Methodist Church will host a chicken barbecue, bake sale, and crafts fair on **Saturday, October 8, 2022 from 4 to 6:30 pm**. The menu will consist of barbecued chicken, baked potato, baked beans, coleslaw, beverage, and home baked pie. The cost is \$15 per person and will be take-out only. There will also be a bake sale and crafts fair with unique crafted items locally made.

The barbecue is by *Continued on page 15*

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reservation only. Call 518-779-2553 to reserve your ticket. Hope UMC is located at 566 Brunswick Road (Route 2 at the corner of Brunswick Road and Garfield Road).

Zion's UCC of Taborton – Chicken & Biscuit Dinner

The take-out only chicken and biscuit dinner will take place **October 15 from 4:30 to 5:30 pm.**

On the menu is chicken and biscuits, mixed vegetables, and a delicious dessert, for \$12. To order a dinner, call Diane Hoffman at 518-674-2746 or text at 518-649-5141, or call or text Jane Weber at 518-258-4307; you will be called or texted your confirmation. Pick up your dinner between 4:30 and 5:30 at 744 Taborton Rd, Sand Lake.

Hoosick Falls Immaculate Conception Church

Immaculate Conception will be hosting Basket Bingo on **Thursday, October 6 at 6:30 pm**, to benefit the parish. Doors open at 5:15. Admission is \$10, and there will be 18 regular games and door prizes. \$13 at the door, \$5 for 3 special games; daubers will be sold. There will also be a 50/50 raffle and cash bar for food

and drinks. Double your chances of winning by purchasing additional bingo card packets. Only 225 tickets will be sold, and advance purchase is recommended. Purchase tickets at Thorpe's Pharmacy or the church directory. Remaining tickets will be sold at the door. For information, call Ellen at 518-686-5075 or Karen at 518-686-4737.

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.**

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. We have a great selection of clothing, jewelry, shoes, books, and much more.

Trunk or Treat Events

Petersburg Baptist Church

Monday, October 31, from 4 to 6 pm

Located at 19240 NY 22. If you wish to host a trunk or table please contact Brook at 518-687-4357.

Gilead Lutheran Church

Sunday, October 30, from 3 to 5 pm

Located at the intersection of routes 7 and 278 in Center Brunswick. Please feel free to come hand out candy and goodies even if you don't have children of your own.

Church Directory

ALL SAINTS CHURCH – 4957 NY-7, Hoosick, NY 12090. Weekly Eucharist on Sundays at 10 am (COVID-19 protocols observed). Weekly Morning Prayer on Sundays at 8 am via Zoom; see website for login information. All are Welcome! Fr. Gary Strubel, vicar. www.allsaintshoosick.org

CENTER BRUNSWICK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – 990 Hoosick Road, Troy, NY 12180 invites you to join us for worship in the sanctuary on Sunday Mornings at 9 am. Although masks are no longer required by the CDC, we leave it up to your discretion. You may also join us virtually for worship and mid-week reflections by contacting barbara@carclan.us to be added to the distribution list. Follow us at centerbrunswickumc.com. Pastor Joel Holcomb.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR – 14660 Rt 22, New Lebanon, NY 12125, 518-938-1193. We are an Episcopal Church celebrating service at 8:30 am. Celebrant Rev. Frank Lockwood. Service is also available on Facebook at Church of Our Saviour and Zoom 82194417424/414672.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF BERLIN – 15 N. Main Street, Berlin, NY. Pastor Michael Switzer. Sunday Worship 9:30 am (in person and online). Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm (online). Online services are available on Facebook, YouTube and the Church Website (Berlinfbc.com).

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF HOOSICK FALLS – 80 Main Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090. Pastor David Hall, 518-380-3947, Sunday morning worship in person at 10 am. Audio of services available on our website firstbaptistchurchhf.com. All are welcome.

GILEAD LUTHERAN CHURCH – Routes 7 and 278, Center Brunswick, NY 12180. Indoor services at 10:30 am. Also available on Facebook and YouTube. Masks are optional. gileadlutheran.org, 518-279-9270.

HOOSICK FALLS COMMUNITY ALLIANCE CHURCH – 484 Hill Road, Hoosick Falls, NY. Rev. Jonathan Youngmann. Contemporary Worship Service at 10:30 am each Sunday, both in person and livestream (YouTube, FB or on our website: HoosickFallsCAC.org. Sunday School for all ages at 9:30 am (Adult Sunday School via ZOOM available). Adult Prayer and Youth Group/Teen Prayer both on Tuesdays at 7 pm. For more info, call the church office at 518-686-3269.

HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – 566 Brunswick Road, Troy, NY, 12180. In person service every Sunday at 10:30 am. The service is also on Facebook, search Hope United Methodist Church, Troy, NY. Every Sunday at 4 pm, at the church, there is a prayer gathering led by Pastor David Martin. For information call 518-279-1403 or email hopeumctroy@gmail.com.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH – 73 Main Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090. Masses: Saturdays at 4 pm and Sundays at 10 am. Parochial Vicar Fr. Peter Tkocz. Masses are being held in the church hall. Please call 518-686-5064 between Wed-Fri to register for Mass.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH – 732 U.S. Route 20, New Lebanon, NY 12125. Now open for indoor masses Saturdays at 4 pm and Sundays at 8:30 am.

OUR LADY OF THE SNOW – 31 Owen Road, Grafton, NY 12082. A Mission Church of Our Lady of Victory. Mass is offered Sundays at 9:45 am. Food Pantry is open all year on Saturdays 10 am to 2 pm. Pastor as of July 1 is Fr. Tom Morette.

THE NORTH CHATHAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – 4274 Route 203, North Chatham, NY 12132. Worshiping in our sanctuary on the first and third Sundays of the month, with masks and social distancing required. Worshipers should enter through the back door of the church. On all other Sundays, worship is virtual. All worship services are at 11 am and all are available on Zoom. The Zoom login information is on our website (northchathammethodistchurch.org). For more information on North Chatham United Methodist Church, please call 518-766-3535 or visit our website. Thanks and we hope to see you soon, in person or on Zoom!

PETERSBURG BAPTIST CHURCH – 19240 State Route 22, Petersburg, NY 12138. 518-658-3834. Sunday School 9:45 am, Church Service 11 am, Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 pm.

SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST CHURCH OF BERLIN – 41 North Main Street, Berlin, NY, 12022. Weekly worship on Saturdays at 10:30 am (either in person or live streamed at youtube.com/berlinseventhdaybaptistchurch). Pastor Matthew Olson.

STEPHENTOWN FEDERATED CHURCH – 1513 Garfield Road, Stephentown, NY 12168. 518-733-5813. Presbyterian/Methodist, Pastor Chris Garrison. Services Sundays 9:30 am. Masks recommended. Handicapped accessible.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AT BERLIN – 17 South Main Street, Berlin, NY 12022. Welcomes all to their Sunday morning service at 11 am. The church is handicapped accessible and those choosing to view from home may tune to our YouTube channel, <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVcGw9XngFRFe7iMLm9Tk5A>, or search United Methodist Church at Berlin NY. Past services are also available for view.

WEST HOOSICK BAPTIST CHURCH – 1349 Buskirk W. Hoosick Rd., Buskirk, NY 12028, 518-686-7201. Pastor J. D. Milton. Sundays at 10:30 am (COVID-19 protocols observed) Streaming Sunday Messages. www.facebook.com/westhoosickbaptistchurch/

ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – 741 Taborton Road, Sand Lake, NY 12153, 518-674-1039. Weekly Sunday services live at 10 am and on our Facebook page (Zion United Church of Christ of Sand Lake, NY), Sunday school starts at 10 am in the church. Pastor: Hafidah Saadiqah.

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The Life of George Holcomb

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

Looking for the Use of a Male Hog

Monday, December 27, 1852: I went to Sylvenas Carpenter's to see if he would have the use of his swine but he would not have the hog took from home. On the way I called to Simeon Wylie's and got a few red peppers and I drove home a pair two year old steers and a cow and yearling heifer from my Rodgers farm that Mr. Aaron Merrils had foddered for me. This evening Westalo Rodgers called and I gave 12½ cts to help buy a bell rope for the lecture room and school house.

Tuesday: Today I went with my one horse wagon and carried sausage meat to Russel Palmer and he helped me grind it, 79 pounds. He charged one cent per pound. Today Patrick tended to chores and chopped and sawed in the wood house for today rainy. This evening my family tended to making sausages and Patrick helped.

Saturday, January 1: Quite rainy. I walked up to Mr. Horton's and Mr. Ayers to see if they had a male hog. Patrick did not work today, he only helped me do the chores this morning and then left and did not return tonight.

Sunday: I an unwell and lame.

Monday: I this forenoon walked up to Tylor Ayres and then to Philander Hatch's to see if I could get a male hog but could not. I am taken lame and kept in the house

Wednesday: I keep in the house for I am lame and a hard cold and sore throat and Patrick did the chores and sawed and split a little wood. Quite cold weather. Today Daniel Harrison died with the dropsy.

Thursday: I rode with my one horse wagon to Elisha Broad's and he engaged me his male hog the use of him when Mr. Salmon Owens had done using him. I called up to Mr. Owens and he told me I could come after the hog Saturday noon, and on the way down today I carried Andrew Clark one bushel turnips and his wife paid me 25 cts for them, and today my two daughters walked over to Aseneth and Miriam Newton's on a visit. I sent Aseneth the cash for knitting me a pair of mittens. I am some better of my lameness.



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