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BERLIN CSD

Honoring Our Local Veterans

Submitted by BCS Communications



A collage of photos from the November 10 events honoring local veterans at Berlin Middle/High and Elementary schools. Photo courtesy of BCS Communications.

On Thursday, November 10, the Berlin Middle/High and Elementary Schools held Veterans Day assemblies to honor local veterans through musical performances and presentations.

Local veterans Roger Lemere, Robert Hill, Siegfried Krahforst, Sandra Duval, wife of veteran Claude Duval, Patricia Mohos, wife of veteran Frank Mohos, Richard Terpening, Rolland Hewitt, Daryl Maxon, Edward Brand, School Resource Officer Deputy Austin McGuire, Skip Densining, and Assemblyman (and Senator-Elect) Jake Ashby were honored at BMHS.

High School Mountaineers Samantha Rojker, Raymond Ericson, Gage Willis, Mackenzie Krause, and Brooke Lockett started the morning by serving the veterans in attendance a breakfast prepared and organized by Tammy Whitman and Heidi Colin, along with the Berlin Central School District Food Service staff.

Berlin Middle School student Savannah Hammon opened the BMHS assembly by leading the pledge of allegiance. High School Global Studies teacher

and assembly organizer Mr. Gould, Principal Brownell, Superintendent Mr. Dhara, Assembly-

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GRAFTON

Veterans Recognition Ceremony

On Thursday, November 10, the Everett Wager Senior Center in Grafton held a ceremony, including a free lunch, to honor veterans. The veterans, including Town of Berlin Supervisor Rob Jaeger, were each recognized for their service. County Executive Steve McLaughlin, Legislator Dan Casale, and Assemblymen (and Senator-Elect) Jake Ashby were also on hand to help honor the veterans in attendance. The special guest speaker was President of the Albany Chapter of American Gold Star Mother, Carrie Farley, who is the proud mother of SSG Derek J. Farley, who was killed while serving our country.

Special thanks to the team at the Grafton senior



Attendees at the November 10 veterans recognition ceremony at the Everett Wager Senior Center in Grafton. Photo provided.

center, including Director Cindy Mattison, for ensuring our veterans received the recognition they deserve for their service and sacrifice.

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BERLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Dramateers Present Shrek Jr.

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The Berlin Middle School Dramateers will present *Shrek Jr.* on **Friday, November 18 and Saturday, November 19, at 7 pm, as well as Sunday, November 20, at 2 pm**, in the Berlin Middle/High School auditorium. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$4 for students, and children under 2 are free. For ticket questions, please call Ms. Eliashuk at leliashuk@berlincentral.org.

BERLIN

Town Board Highlights

By Chris Teragliafera

At the Thursday, November 10 regular meeting of the Berlin Town Board, Supervisor Rob Jaeger announced that the Town of Rhinebeck has received its new ambulance and is just awaiting training on the new vehicle before delivering its current unit to Berlin. As soon as the unit is delivered and inspection has been completed, a form 1881 will need to be completed and the ambulance will be in service.

Dog Control Officer Doug Goodermote stated the recent rabies clinic was very successful. The Board approved the 2023 Town Budget.

BERLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Walk to Honor Veterans

Submitted by BCS Communications



On Tuesday, November 9, Berlin Elementary School (BES) second grade Mountaineers took a walk to honor their community's veterans. Second grade students walked from BES to the Berlin Fire House to observe the local veteran banners hanging along the roadside. It was a special way to pay tribute to our local veterans and bring attention to the banners which are hanging along roads throughout the district. Photo courtesy of BCS Communications.

STEPHENTOWN

Lighted Parade

Kick off the holiday season with the Stephentown lighted parade and tree lighting on **Saturday, November 26**. The parade steps off at 5:30 pm from the Fire Hall on NY-43, with the tree lighting at the Veterans Park estimated at 6 pm.

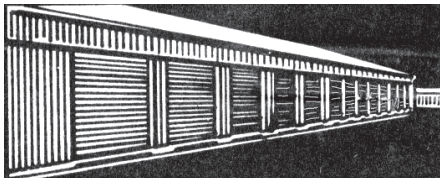
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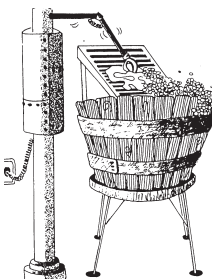
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STEPHENTOWN

Historical Society T-Shirts



The Stephentown Historical Society's new "Only Stephentown on Earth" t-shirts make the perfect gift, not only for locals, but for friends and relatives as well. They are available in antique cherry red, antique Irish green, and blue dusk. You can pick them up at the Heritage Center for \$20 for small, medium, large, and extra-large, and \$25 for double and triple xl, or can have them delivered for a shipping fee. Order online pickup or delivery by visiting www.stephentown-historical.org. In addition to t-shirts you'll find historical albums and other items for gift-giving.

We will hold our annual holiday potluck luncheon on **Sunday, December 4, at 2 pm**. Special guest will be Liz Goodermote with old time Christmas songs. Photo courtesy of the Stephentown Historical Society.

PETERSBURGH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Storytime at the Library

Our weekly Storytime is scheduled for Tuesday mornings at 10:30 am. We welcome parents with preschool children to join us in a delightful hour of activities. We have books, singing, snacks, and a craft to round out our playtime together. Please call us at 518-658-2927 for additional information.

We also have a delightful exhibition of artwork created by ladies who have studied with artist Ann Kremers. Come by to enjoy this wonderful collection of watercolors.

BERLIN

Brick House Quilt Works

Brick House Quilt Works, 27 North Main St, is happy to announce that our website, www.brickhousequiltworks.com, is now published. Browse our workshop tab to view upcoming events and sign up.

Open Sew

Sunday, November 20,
from 11 am to 5 pm

Please sign up so we can anticipate attendance.

America the Beautiful Quilt Along

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Patchwork Christmas Stocking

Saturday, December 3, from 9 am to 3 pm
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PETERSBURGH

Deb Cavanaugh and Dandelion Wine

On **Saturday, November 19**, Deb Cavanaugh and Dandelion Wine will perform at the Fox Hollow Cafe, located at the Petersburg Veterans Memorial Community Center, 71 Main St. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Admission is \$5 for adults, and free for minors. Third Saturdays are our community potluck nights, however, you are not required to bring a dish. Children can enjoy activities in our kids corner.

There is a suggested donation of \$1 for refreshments. You can BYOB if you are 21 or over. Don't forget to bring cash for the raffle and vendors. If you're interested in being a vendor during one of our events, email foxhollowcafe@gmail.com or call your host Siobhan at 430-305-2017.

BERLIN FREE TOWN LIBRARY

Sweet Fundraiser

We are having a sweet fundraiser to benefit the programs at Berlin Free Town Library (BFTL). If you love See's Candies, this is a great opportunity to stock up, as shipping rates are lower for this fundraiser. Visit our website, www.bftl.org, or Facebook page, for the link to order. Your order will be shipped directly to you. If you want to pay by cash or check, you can place an order at BFTL for pickup at the library.

Story Time

Every Wednesday at noon

Open Stitch Group

Friday November 18 and 25, from 3 to 4 pm

Silent Tween/Teen Book Club

Saturday, November 26, from noon to 1 pm

For more information please email Director@bftl.org, or visit our website, BFTL.org.

STEPHENTOWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Storytime

Wednesdays at 10 am

10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's Disease

Wednesday, November 20, at 4:30 pm

Holiday Market

Friday, November 25, from 10 am to 2 pm

Shop for baked goods as well as items from local artisans and crafters, including ornaments, candles, pottery, bags, and more. Local illustrator Logan S. Kline will be there to sign his new children's book *Finding Fire*. Meet the author and pick up your copy.

LEGO Club

Thursday, December 1 and 15, at 4:30 pm

Registration suggested.

Holiday Teen Night

Friday, December 2, at 6 pm

We will make gingerbread houses, watch classic holiday shows, have pizza, and dessert. Registration required.

Family Picture Day with Santa

Saturday, December 3, from noon to 3 pm

We will have a place set up to have professional quality photos taken of you and your family. Registration required.

The library will be closed Wednesday and Thursday, November 23 and 24. Stephentown Memorial Library, 472 NY 43. Our building is handicapped accessible. For more information or to register for events, please visit stephentownlibrary.org.

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BRUNSWICK

Ambulance and Traffic Concerns Addressed

By Doug La Rocque

Hoosick Road (NYS Route 7) traffic and ambulance coverage questions dominated the discussion at the Brunswick Town Council meeting on Thursday, November 10. First, the traffic. Supervisor Phil Herrington mentioned the Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC) has picked the engineering firm of Creighton Manning to complete the traffic study along Hoosick Road. According to the Supervisor, the Albany based firm was chosen at the urging of the NYS Department of Transportation, because they have traffic light specialists on staff. The traffic lights along Hoosick Road are often mentioned as a contributing factor to the long back-ups. The CDTC's study will probably not take place until the Aldi store is open, in order to get a complete picture of the traffic scenario. Aldi, meanwhile, has had some issues establishing three-phase power to the store with National Grid, thus backing up an as yet unannounced opening date. The CDTC would also like the Town to form an advisory committee of area residents, a Town official, and a business representative to be part of the traffic study. The Board appointed Christine Fronhofer as the first member of that committee. Hannaford also established an

escrow account for a second traffic study once their store on Lord Avenue opened. That opening took place in September and some of that money is now to be used for traffic counts in the affected areas.

On a positive note, the Sycaway community expressed their thanks to the Town for closing several roads in the area so their neighborhood Halloween Parade could be safely held.

The Ambulance Is Coming, But When?

While ongoing issues and resolutions to the ambulance response time issue remain under review, Supervisor Herrington stated he has had several meetings with Mohawk Ambulance, who claim they are having some success with their staffing issues, and are now keeping an ambulance in Brunswick whenever possible, and if that ambulance is called out, back filling by placing another ambulance on standby in the Troy Plaza. Mohawk claims they now have a 98% response rate in the Town. Herrington says the Town is working with Mohawk on some mutual aid agreements as well.

News and Notes

The Board approved the 2023 Town budget, which has a zero percent tax increase.

BRUNSWICK CSD

All-County Music Festival

Submitted by Brunswick CSD



Elementary Chorus

Sopranos

Owen C.
Emma E.
Nora H.
Emmeline H.
Charlotte H.

Altos

Brooke G.
Adeline H.
Travis K.
Finnigan M.
Mallory M.

Junior Band

Kiersten S. - Flute
Marcus H. - Clarinet
Keegan B. - Trumpet
Halley W. - Trumpet
Owen H. - Trombone
Fletcher L. - Tuba

Senior Chorus

Sopranos

Hannah B.
Kaitlyn B.

Altos

Scarlett G.
Kyla R.

Tenors

Scott B.
Andrew K.

Basses

Ro Yeon L.
Jacob P.

Jazz Band

Tyler M.
Lead Alto Saxophone
Sean W.
Lead Trombone

The Tamarac Elementary chorus, which was chosen to perform at the recent All-County Music Festival. Photo courtesy of Brunswick CSD.

Congratulations to the following students who performed in the Rensselaer County School Music Association's All-County music festival. These students were chosen to represent our school and performed with students from all schools in our County.

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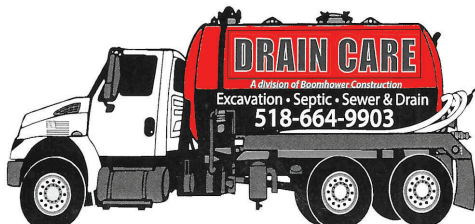
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GRAFTON

Flag Retiring Ceremony

On **Sunday, November 19, at 9 am**, at the VFW and Fire Hall, 581 County Rt. 85, the Grafton VFW Post 6340 is having an official American Flag retiring ceremony. The public is invited to join and bring any old flags to the ceremony.

GRAFTON

Town Board Highlights

By Chris Tergliafera

The Board discussed the possibility of utilizing Town Hall Streams to stream, record, and archive future Town meetings. More information, including a quote, will be needed before a final decision is made. A motion was made and passed to record all future regular and workshop Board meetings.

There will be a public hearing on Monday, November 28 regard-

ing resolution #50, which would reduce the number of members on the Board of Assessment Review from five, down to three.

The Board approved advertising for the open position on the Ethics Board.

The Board adopted the 2023 final budget.

The meeting was adjourned in loving memory of Raymond C. Etman, David C. Coonradt, and Patricia A. Sagendorf.

GRAFTON

Tree Festival and Craft Fair

Saturday, November 19, from 10 am to 3 pm, at Greywacke Meadows, 40 Dunham Rd., Cropseyville, will be the Grafton Tree Festival and Craft Fair. There will be people's choice voting for tree, with cash prizes awarded for first, second, and third place. There will also be a food truck and craft tables. If you can, please bring a new, unwrapped toy to benefit local children.

POESTENKILL

Household Hazardous Waste Event

The final household hazardous waste disposal event of the year will be **Saturday, November 19**, at the Waste Management Transfer Station, 9002 NY Route 66, in Poestenkill. Participating Municipalities for the event are: Poestenkill, Sand Lake, North Greenbush, Grafton, Nassau, Schodack, Troy, and Bethlehem.

The event is a free service available to residents of the participating municipalities only. Space is extremely limited and advanced registration is required. Those residents who have not pre-registered will be unable to utilize the program. **Residents must visit their participating municipality's website to register.** Residents without access to the internet can contact their community's municipal liaison:

Towns of Poestenkill, Sand Lake, North Greenbush, Grafton, Nassau, and Schodack
Ann Shaughnessy, Director of Rensselaer County Environmental Management Council
Email: ashaughnessy@renesco.com
Phone: 518-270-2888

City of Troy

Renee Panetta, Recycling Coordinator
Email: recycling@troyny.gov
Phone: 518-279-7313

Town of Bethlehem

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

This event will not be collecting electronics, tires, or shredding. These items will be collected at separate events, where offered by specific municipalities.

TAMARC MIDDLE SCHOOL

National Junior Honor Society

Submitted by Brunswick CSD

The National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) induction ceremony took place on November 9 in the school auditorium. The ceremony was for new eighth grade members, and conducted by current ninth grade members. Scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship are the five key components for membership into the NJHS. Only students at the eighth grade level are considered for candidacy. Congratulations to all new members.



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Coffee House

Saturday, November 19, at 6 pm

Jim Owen and Susan Paulo will perform. Afterwards there will be an open mic segment for anyone else who would like to share a talent with us. Songs, poetry, and family-friendly comedy are all welcome. Snacks and beverages provided.

Make and Take Ornaments

Friday, November 25, 10 to 11:30 am and 1 to 5:30 pm

Saturday, November 26th, 10 am to 12:30 pm

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Hoosick Falls & Surrounding Areas



To the Editor:

Southwestern Vermont Health Care (SVHC) has launched the public phase of its **VISION 2020, A Decade of Transformation** Capital Campaign. The final push of an ambitious \$25 million campaign, this public fundraising effort seeks to raise \$1 million in six months. The funds raised will transform the Emergency Department and Cancer Center. The new Kendall Emergency Department and the regional Hoyt-Hunter Cancer Center will have a profound impact on our community.

As long-time residents, we are appealing to everyone else who is fortunate enough to call this area home to consider contributing to the campaign. No gift is too small. Every donation matters.

We relocated to Bennington in the 1970s. We raised our family here, worked, owned and operated businesses here, and invested time and effort in numerous community projects. During all of those years and in all of the roles we have fulfilled, we always took comfort in knowing that the skilled clinicians of SVHC were available to our family, friends, and employees.

While the doctors and nurses at SVHC are exceptional, their workspace is not. One of the oldest in the state, the Emergency Department saw nearly 25,000 patients last year. It was designed in the mid-1990s to see 12,000. Similarly, the Cancer Center delivers radiation therapy and medical oncology treatments in spaces that were not designed to accommodate the needs of this regional expanding community.

The skilled clinicians at SVHC have been there for us over the years. The patients of southern Vermont deserve to have facilities that match the quality and scope of care the SVHC team provides.

Please join us in making a contribution to these important projects. The most important thing is to do what you can to help us build a hospital that keeps pace with the needs of growing families, aging adults, our sickest, and our most vulnerable. If we all contribute whatever we can, we can help modernize these facilities and invest in the next generation of care. Visit svhealthcare.org/vision2020 to learn more about the projects and make a donation.

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NORTH HOOSICK FIRE DEPARTMENT

Kids Dances

Upcoming North Hoosick Fire Department Kids dances are **November 18 and December 2**. Dances cost \$3, take place from 7 to 9 pm, and are open to students ages 9 to 14 who the Berlin, Cambridge, MAUHS, and Hoosick Falls School districts. A parent or guardian must sign students out after the dance.

HOOSICK FALLS Christmas Tree Sale

On **Saturday and Sunday, December 3 and 4**, the Town of Hoosick Lions Club will be holding its annual Christmas Tree sale in the Village of Hoosick Falls Park. Please come pick out a beautiful tree and help support a wonderful cause.

HOOSICK FALLS Nightmare on Elm Street

Submitted by Shelly Stiles

The members of the Board of the Hoosick Armory want to thank everyone who contributed to our October 29 Nightmare on Elm Street event.

It indeed takes a village to keep this historic structure, the most imposing in the Village and located in the heart of downtown, open, heated, lit, and welcoming to all who might want to use it. And people do use it.

The Town of Hoosick rents office space there. Central School cheerleaders and rifle club practice there. Weddings, baby showers, Scout meetings, and the St. Patrick's Day after-parade party are all held there.

Its almost forty rooms host bi-monthly court, a music studio, two social service organizations, three much used pickleball courts, and most recently, on October 29, almost 150 people, most in costume, gathered to enjoy the scary ambience and dance to the band West Side Drive.

All of these services are provided entirely by volunteers. We thank them all, and all who attended our celebration of the Armory. Our next event, Small Business Saturday, will be held on **Saturday, November 26**. For more information, visit www.hoosickarmory.org.

HOOSICK FALLS A Musical Celebration

On **Friday, December 2**, at the Immaculate Conception Church Hall, Main St, there will be a Hoosick Falls Christmas Musical Celebration to benefit the Immaculate Conception Parish. Tickets are \$15 per person, or \$25 per couple, and can be purchased in advance at Thorpe's Pharmacy or the Immaculate Conception Church rectory. Remaining tickets will be sold at the door. Doors will open at 6:30 pm. For more information, call Terri at 518-491-5795, Jerry at 518-285-1033, or Bob at 518-686-5477.

HOOSICK FALLS Pie Sale

On **Wednesday, November 23, from 11:30 am to 2 pm**, there will be a pie sale at the Hoosick Grange. Available flavors include apple, blueberry, cherry, lemon meringue, pumpkin, peach, and strawberry rhubarb for \$15, with pecan or mince-meat available for \$20. There are regular and gluten-free options. Pies must be pre-ordered. To pre-order please call 203-648-8750.

HOOSICK FALLS Toys for Joy

The Village of Hoosick Falls will once again sponsor the Toys for Joy campaign. We will be working with community members, churches, and local organizations to help those in the Village this holiday season. The Toys for Joy box will be in the Municipal Building lobby **through December 10**, for people to drop off new and unwrapped gifts. If you have any questions, please contact Village Clerk Marie O'Neil at 518-686-7072 or clerk@hfvillage.org.

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Hoosick Falls & Surrounding Areas

HOOSICK FALLS

Rogers Avenue Water Tank Concerns Linger

By Doug La Rocque

To buy or not to buy? That is the question that faced the Hoosick Falls Board of Trustees at their Wednesday, November 9 meeting. The question involved a small strip of land adjacent to the Rogers Avenue site, which the Village might use in any replacement of the leaky tank. Hoosick Falls has twice been turned down in their efforts to obtain a New York State grant to pay for the work. The Board has received an appraisal on the parcel but by law would have to offer a fair market value for the land.

It was also said that if the Rogers Avenue site had to go offline for repairs or possible replacement, the other pump stations that are part of the water district could handle the load for a while.

The Water and Sewer Department also has another problem that deals with grease being poured down drains. Do not do it was their strong advice, as a recent sewer clog was found to have been caused by a long gooey string of grease in the pipeline.

Local Laws

Two public hearings were held on a pair of local law proposals. One restricts (basically prohibits) the discharge of firearms and crossbows within the Village limits, with exceptions for law enforcement. That was approved. A second law authorizing the issuance of temporary permits for outside dining and sidewalk sales displays was tabled. Some Trustees wanted to see the inclusion of sanitary conditions, dealing with waste receptacles, and prohibiting the use of municipal garbage containers. If so amended, the law would have to be re-introduced and another public hearing held.

Computers and Tasers

The Village Police Department has a computer that is old, failing and obsolete. The Trustees agreed to the purchase of a replacement. They also said yes to a five-year agreement for the purchase of new tasers.

Officers would be required to complete training on the new equipment before it could be put into use. Approved as well was the purchase of two department cell phones so officers would not have to use their private phones on duty. The phones would have to be signed in and out for each shift, and no private use would be allowed.

They Will Be Sorely Missed

Mayor Rob Allen announced that Highway Department Superintendent Niel Stowell will be retiring in January after 30 years of service. Also leaving is Village Attorney Andy Gilchrist, though he will stay on until his replacement can be found. Mayor Allen lamented the departures and thanked both for their dedication and service to the Village.

Election Time

The dust has not yet settled from the 2022 mid-term elections and the Village is talking about their next round of balloting. It is slated for March 21, with petitions available in January for filing between February 7 and 14. Two seats on the Board with two-year terms are open. A one-year seat held by Megan Walraed, and Mayor Allen's two-year term will also be on the ballot.

News and Notes

The purchase of a bike repair station, bike rack, and kiosk for the Hoosic River Greenway Trail at the Northern Trailhead was approved using money from the Greenway grant. The Trustees adopted a 504 Grievance Procedure to close out the Woods Brook update grant undertaken in conjunction with the Town of Hoosick. Roof repair at 114 Church Street was discussed. Building and Codes will contact Rensselaer County about the repairs as it is a County owned building. Trustees will contact the Federal Rail Authority (FRA)

about trains blowing their whistle at every crossing in the middle of the night. Finally, the Village still needs one person to fill out the Planning and Zoning Boards of Appeal.

CHENEY LIBRARY

Centennial Reminiscences

Do you have a special memory of the Cheney Library? Was a former librarian influential in your life? Did you meet your spouse at the library? Did you volunteer at the library? Did you just enjoy hanging out after school? Please share your memories with us. We'd love to include them in our newsletter in honor of our 100th year.

Fall Story Hour

Tuesday, November 22, at 10 am

Geared toward children ages 2 through 5, but all are welcome. Caretakers are expected to stay with their child. The theme will be sharing.

Library Crafternoons

Friday, November 25, from 3 to 4 pm

A Thank You

Written and Submitted by Bill Gaillard

Thank you doesn't seem like enough. This was a unique year as I turned 80 and sort of retired from the Rescue Squad. At age 80 I don't trust my back to move the ill down a flight of stairs in a stair chair. I will teach classes, mow, and do light work at the Squad.

Being that two momentous things happened at once, I received a 10" pile of cards and kind words from the past. When I began my teaching career in 1965 I had a plan to walk the walk as they say. My band director from home told me to have my students see America.

Kids who are now 60-ish reminded me of our trips to Radio City Music Hall for the Christmas Show, the Lions Club pancake breakfasts at the bank, the trip to Washington, D.C., traveling through the night on the Yankee Trails bus with the pancake breakfast waitresses, and FTA members and Bert Barber as the other driver.

Also I remember many trips to the Albany Symphony when we got free tickets, the trip to NYC with the senior band playing on the aircraft carrier, the band playing on the steps of the Capitol in Washington, and the final trip to NYC before the towers came down.

Many wonderful memories were made with my students, the Rescue Squad, the Lions Club, and school.

The most recent happening came on my birthday when two band members arrived at our house and played happy birthday.

This has all been a very humbling experience for which I am most appreciative. Thanks for all the wonderful Facebook comments, cards, and gifts. Thanks for many thoughts from the great community of Hoosick Falls. I thank you all.

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New Lebanon

NEW LEBANON

Community Thanksgiving Dinner

On **Saturday, November 19, from 4 to 6 pm**, in the New Lebanon Jr./Sr. High School, the New Lebanon Just Food Club invites you to a community Thanksgiving dinner. The dinner is free to all. Crafts and the gym will be available for the kids.

NEW LEBANON

KISS Program

The Keeping Identities of Seniors Safe (KISS) program, sponsored by Columbia County Clerk Holly Tanner, will be taking place from **Monday, November 28 through Friday, December 9**. Documents that should be shredded include those containing your account numbers, passwords, PINs, date of birth, social security number, and signatures, such as bank statements, legal documents, pay stubs, tax forms, and more. Documents can be brought to New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 Route 22, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 9 am to 5 pm.

NEW LEBANON

Supplies for Those in Need

Due to the generosity of Unity Lodge No. 9 and a community member, the New Lebanon free store, located at the Town Hall, 14755 State Route 22, has a variety of new, unopened products for families in need. The store is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 9 am to 5 pm. All free items are on a first come, first served basis. Please come and take what you need.

NEW LEBANON LIBRARY

There will be no storytime, and the library will close at 3 pm on Wednesday, November 23, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Small Wonders Storytime

Wednesdays at 10:30 am

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays at 11 am

Tech Talks

Fridays by Appointment

Please call 518-794-8844 or email libraryassistant@newlebanonlibrary.org to schedule an appointment time.

For more information, please visit newlebanonlibrary.org.

East Nassau Board of Trustees Highlights

By Denise Wright

After the East Nassau Board of Trustees held their workshop meeting on November 9 to amend the Code Administration and Enforcement Law (Local Law #1 of 2022), the Board held their regular meeting where they discussed everything from public hearings and cookies to speed humps.

First, the Board approved a public hearing for the revised Local Law #1 for December 14 at 6:45 pm at the Hoags Volunteer Ambulance building. The Board had last revised the law in 2006. The State is now requiring that a new law be passed before the end of the year and will provide for the administration and enforcement of New York State's Property Maintenance code and the Village's Energy Construction Code.

The Highway Department was approved to purchase speed humps, signs, and accessories for approximately \$5,000 from the Village's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for Hayes Road, which has been having safety issues with speeders. The goal is to have the humps installed for spring.

"Speed humps are modular and span 12 to 14 feet wide, or the entire width of a road if desired. Vehicles can pass over them with less of a jolt and can safely maintain speeds of 15–20 miles per hour" (reliance-foundary.com). Highway Superintendent Mike Dorr reported to the Board that a new dead end sign had been ordered for Bath Township Road and Mayor Acquario thanked Dorr for installing the new Village sign. The Code Enforcement Officer also wanted to remind resi-

dents to take advantage of the forms for complaints on the website, and that residents can submit them anonymously.

The Climate Smart Committee was happy to report that the Village has received a designation from The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) as a Clean Energy Community, because of the four high-impact actions that the Village was able to complete. Because of this designation, a \$5,000 grant will be available to the Village through an application process. The Committee's potential ideas for the grant might be an EV charging station, LED light-bulbs, and tree planting.

The Committee also plans on subsidizing another plant sale through the Soil and Water Conservation of Rensselaer County in early 2023.

Board members discussed potential ideas for further use of ARPA funds.

Cookie Contest Results

Submitted by Denise Wright



From left to right: Bees Knees Bakery and Cafe owner and cookie judge Julie Richie; second place winner Maureen Dorr; Tighe's Bistro Americain owner Kevin Tighe; first place winner Stephanie Bartolotta; Deputy Rensselaer County Clerk Greg DeJulio; and third place winner Jake Partin. Stephanie Bartolotta's "heirloom" cookie will be the official cookie of the Village of East Nassau for the 2022/2023 Village cookie year. A cookbook of all 19 cookie recipes submitted will be produced and available for all. Photo courtesy of Denise Wright.

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Rensselaer County News

Ensuring Health Equity for Veterans

Submitted by the NYSDOH

In honor of Veterans Day, the New York State Department of Health is reinforcing its commitment to ensuring its programs are aimed at eliminating health disparities that result in adverse health outcomes for all New Yorkers, with a focus on the health of the State's military personnel before, during, and after their service.

An annual survey, the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), conducted by the Department, found an estimated 969,000 adults, or 6 percent of the adult population, are veterans, and that 13.5 percent of adults in New York aged 65 and older report past military service.

The report found disabilities are common among veterans, with 37 percent of reporting at least one disability, compared to 26 percent of non-veterans. Of all adults who report serious difficulty hearing, 18 percent, or more than 1 in 6, are veterans.

Veterans aged 18 to 64 are more likely to report they engage in behaviors that put their health at risk, including smoking, and are more likely to report diagnoses of other health conditions than non-veterans in the same age group.

Veterans aged 65 and older are more likely to report a diagnosis of cancer or CVD compared to non-veterans in the same age group.

To learn more about the Department's programs for veterans, visit the Veterans Health page on the Department's website.

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

November Meeting Highlights

Submitted by Rensselaer County Legislature Office of the Minority

Shop Local

December is shop local month in Rensselaer County. We encourage everyone to shop local and keep the sales tax revenue in Rensselaer County. Local vendors are the backbone of our community and depend on our support to remain in business. Plus, it may prevent any unnecessary tax increases for the residents of Rensselaer County—a win-win for all. So, please continue to support our local vendors.

Van Rensselaer Manor

Several annual contracts were extended for 2023. Additionally, a resolution was unanimously approved and is authorizing the Manor to hire seven per diem registered nurses in order to alleviate staff shortages. These positions seem easier to fill and offer potential nurses more flexibility with their schedules.

Employment and Training

A renewal agreement to provide employment and training services to eligible low income youth, through the ARC of Rensselaer County and the Commission on Economic Opportunity (CEO), was approved by the Legislature. This 100% federally funded program offers academic and occupational skill training, leadership development, and community service learning, as well as summer employment for disadvantaged, disconnected youth, and those with intellectual disabilities.

HEAP Enrollment Has Begun

Submitted by NYSEG

With colder weather approaching, New York State Electric & Gas (NYSEG) is reminding customers that enrollment for New York's Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) has begun.

NYSEG is urging customers to take steps to manage their energy bills this winter due to market conditions that have elevated energy supply prices. NYSEG does not own generation, but procures energy on the open market, which has experienced a rise in fuel prices due to supply constraints and global events. The company does not realize any financial benefit from supply charges, as supply charges are passthrough costs that represent the actual cost of purchasing the energy to deliver to customers.

Customers who anticipate the need for heating assistance should take action now to determine their eligibility for HEAP and get enrolled before the cold weather sets in. Those eligible may receive one regular HEAP benefit per program year, and could also be eligible for emergency benefits if they are in danger of running out of fuel.

Tutors Needed

Submitted by the LVORC

Literacy Volunteers of Rensselaer County (LVORC) welcomes all kinds of volunteers, from tutors to administrative helpers, and event planners. As a volunteer you can develop new skills, make friends, and see how your efforts make a difference in Rensselaer and Albany Counties. Would you like to help someone to read, write, or speak and understand English? We can train you. To find out more about tutoring and other ways to help, join us for a Volunteer Opportunities Information Session on **Wednesday, December 7, from noon to 1 pm**, via Zoom. A Tutor Training Workshop will begin in January. Contact mhellerlvorc@aol.com, or call 518 244-4650 to receive a link. For more information, visit <https://www.lvorc.org>.

Highlighting the Importance of Screening On World Diabetes Day

Submitted by the NYSDOH

The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), along with health organizations around the world, recognized World Diabetes Day with a focus on access to education, prevention, and affordable diagnostics and care. To expand access to early detection, NYSDOH joins the American Diabetes Association (ADA) in recommending providers use blood glucose testing for all adults over 35 years and younger New Yorkers with risk factors.

Diabetes is the seventh leading cause of death in both the United States and New York, impacting 1.6 million New Yorkers, or 10.3 percent of the State's population. The disease has contributed to reductions in quality of life and resulted in significant costs to government, employers, and residents. Without sweeping changes, the number of diagnosed diabetes cases nationwide is expected to increase significantly.

Prediabetes, a condition in which a person's blood sugar level is higher than normal, but not high enough to be diagnosed as diabetes, affects 4.5 million New Yorkers and more than 96 million adults nationwide. Health officials estimate that 90 percent of those with prediabetes are unaware they have it. Without a diagnosis, preventative lifestyle changes, and treatment, roughly 15 to 30 percent of people with prediabetes develop type 2 diabetes within 5 years.

The onset of type 2 diabetes can be delayed or even prevented through early detection and modest lifestyle changes, including regular exercise. To accomplish this, NYSDOH joins the ADA in encouraging health care providers to screen all adults 35 years and older for pre- and type 2 diabetes. Screening should begin earlier for adults with additional risk factors including being overweight, obesity, hypertension, elevated blood cholesterol, or a family history.

NYSDOH has free, multi-language resources available for New Yorkers to assess their risk for prediabetes and prevent or delay disease.

For more information, visit health.ny.gov/diabetes.



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Eastwick Sports & Outdoor Activities

HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

BNL Varsity Wasaren All Stars

Submitted by BCS Communications



The 2022 Berlin-New Lebanon Wasaren League Varsity Soccer All Stars. Photo courtesy of BCS Communications.

Boys
First team - Christopher Shorter and Gage Willis
Second team - Mikel Chinchetru
Honorable Mention - Gabriel Hart, Liam Buckenroth, and Logan Healy
Girls
Second team - Haylee Jones
Honorable Mention - Rebecca Madsen and Elizabeth Hunt
Wasaren Senior Showcase
Congratulations to Rilynn Jones, Brady Beckwith, Gabe Hart, Gage Willis, Kristjon Culbertson and Liam Buckenroth, who played in the Wasaren Senior showcase at Dicaprio Fields in Guilderland on November 11.

RENSSELAER PLATEAU ALLIANCE

Nature Book Club
Tuesday, November 29, at 7 pm, on Zoom
This month's book is *The Lives of Bees* by Thomas D. Seeley.
For more information, or to register for events, visit rensselaerplateau.org, or email Kim@rensselaerplateau.org.

DYKEN POND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

Balsam Fir Wreath Pick-Up
Pick-up will be **Saturday, November 19, or Monday, November 21**. Contact the Center at the number below, or email wreaths@dykenpond.org for other pick-up options.

Tuesday Treks
Every Tuesday from 12:30 to 2:30 pm
A moderately paced 3 mile hike. Pre-registration is required. For adults and teens.

Muddy Boots Trail Crew
November 28, from 9:30 am to noon
Join our newly formed trail crew to clear trails and enjoy the outdoors. We meet twice per month to do light trail work to keep Dyken Pond's 11 miles of trails in good shape through the year. Come every time or when you can. Option to bring your lunch and have a cup of coffee, tea, or hot cocoa when we're finished. \$3 per person, includes hot cocoa.

Forest Bathing
Saturday, November 19, from 10 am to noon
Come join us, and leave relaxed and inspired with skills to access the healing benefits of nature right in your own backyard or local park. Led by Sandy Wilson, certified Kripalu Mindfulness Outdoor Guide and Capital Region mindfulness outdoor guide, this experience is suitable for anyone able to walk at a slow pace on easy to moderate, uneven, or possibly muddy, trails.

Barbecue Recreation League Bowling

Team Standings		High Scores	
Lebowski Rug Co.	35-15	Matt Brownell	257 257 724
Farmers Tires	29-21	Dan Drake	257 237 716
Mag-Way	28-22	Devin Prendergast	245 232 707
Wack'em & Stack'em	27-23	Daryl Cipperly	268 212 673
Gallup Inn	27-23	Josh Magisano	262 224 671
Bistro 42	26-24	Brandon McCart	256 222 660
Chico's Bail Bonds	24-26	Ryan Shumway	227 216 658
Boner's	20-30	Brad Colvin	278 200 654
Lou's Plumbing	18-32	Mitch Andrew	278 206 651
The Jabronis	16-34	Mike Weeden	235 227 651

Team Standings	Won	Lost	High Game
Modern Game Pro Shop	178.5	121.5	279
Lo-Ridge Farm	175.5	124.5	269
Dave Clark Excavating	172.5	127.5	264
RGI Insurance	160	140	255
Team Taconic	157.5	142.5	248
Stevens and Son Tent	152.5	147.5	241
Walloomsac Metal Rec	147	153	237
Wack 'em & Stack 'em	130.5	169.5	229
Piece on Earth	124	176	227
Huntin' Time	102	198	226

Joshua Sweet	279
Ryan Bedford	269
Thomas Mongeon	264
Edward Legg Jr.	255
Joshua McCart	248
Kevin Weir	241
Preston Oakes	237
Scott Reinhart	229
Meghan Backus	227
Edward Yankus	226
Timothy McCart	226

GRAFTON LAKES STATE PARK

Opt Outside
Friday, November 25, at 10 am
Snowshoe Hike
Saturday, December 3, 1 - 3 pm
Learn how to identify common winter animals by footprint. \$3 per person, including snow shoe rental, if needed. \$2 per person if rental isn't needed.
Luminary Walk
Friday, December 9, 5 - 8:30 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 or visit www.register-ed.com/events/view/188092.

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Public Notice Town Of Grafton

The Town Board of the Town of Grafton is now accepting Letters of Interest to fill a vacant seat on the Board of Ethics. It is a non-compensated position, and the duties include but are not limited to, Receiving and investigate as warranted complaints alleging a violation by an officer/official or employee, of the Town Code of Ethics and render advisory opinions to the officer/official, employee or residents of the Town. Please submit your Letters of Interest to the Town Clerk no later than December 9, 2022. Mail: Grafton Town Clerk, PO Box G – Grafton NY 12082, email @ graftontownclerk@albany.twcbc.com.

Victoria Burdick
Town Clerk

Legal Notice Town of Grafton

The Town Board of the Town of Grafton will be holding a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law # 1 of 2022 – Amending and Superseding Article II, Section 5-3 of the Code of the Town of Grafton (Membership of the Board of Assessment Review). The meeting will be held at the Grafton Town Hall, located at 2379 NY RT 2, Grafton NY 12082, on November 28, 2022, at 6:00PM. The purpose of the meeting is for the Town Board to hear Public Comment on the Proposed Local Law #1 of 2022.

Victoria Burdick
Town Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICES

Legal Notice Town of Grafton

The Town Board of the Town of Grafton will be holding a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law # 2 of 2022 – Amending and Superseding Section 125 of the Code of the Town of Grafton (Fire Prevention and Building Construction). The meeting will be held at the Grafton Town Hall, located at 2379 NY RT 2, Grafton NY 12082, on November 28, 2022, at 6:00PM. The purpose of the meeting is for the Town Board to hear Public Comment on the Proposed Local Law #2 of 2022.

Victoria Burdick
Town Clerk

TOWN OF POESTENKILL PLANNING BOARD

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Board of the Town of Poestenkill will hold a public hearing pursuant to Section 150-4 of the Land Use Code of the Town of Poestenkill.

The hearing is on the application of Rensselaer Plateau Alliance of 200 Legenbauer Road Averill Park, NY for a Special Use Permit Extension under the provisions of Section 150-4 of the Land Use Code of the Town of Poestenkill. Said parcel is comprised of one parcel totaling approximately 350.10 acres owned by Rensselaer Plateau Alliance and is located on 200 Legenbauer Road in the Town of Poestenkill.

SAID HEARING will take place on December 6, 2022 at the Poestenkill Town Hall starting at approximately 7:00 PM at which time all interested parties will be given an opportunity to be heard.

By Order of the Planning Board,
Stephanie H. Volkmann
Planning and Zoning Clerk

Legal Notice Berlin Board of Fire Commissioners Fire District #1

The Berlin Board of Fire Commissioners, Fire District #1, will hold their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, the 15th day of December: at 7:00pm; at the Fire Hall 11 Community Avenue, Berlin NY 12022.

By order of the Berlin Board of Fire Commissioners
Commissioner Joseph Sweeney
Vice Chairman

Legal Notice from the Village of Hoosick Falls

The Ann Bornt Municipal Building will be the polling place for the March 21, 2023 Village Election from 12:00 noon until 9:00pm.

The seats that are up for election are as follows: 2 seats Trustee for 2-year terms, 1 seat Trustee for 1 year term and 1 seat Mayor 2-year term.

Marie O'Neil-Ferrannini
Village Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE STEPHENTOWN FIRE DISTRICT #1 STEPHENTOWN, NY 12168

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all qualified voters in the Stephentown Fire District #1 of the Town of Stephentown, County of Rensselaer, State of New York, that an election will be held at the Stephentown Fire Station, 396 NY 43, in said town on the 13th day of December 2022 to elect one Fire Commissioner for a term of five (5) years and one Treasurer for a term of three (3) years.

The polls will be open from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm for voting. Notice is also hereby given that all candidates to these offices must file their names with the Secretary of the Fire Commissioners (Patricia Goodermote) on or before the 23rd day of November 2022.

By Order of the Board of Fire Commissioners
Stephentown Fire District #1
Stephentown, NY 12168-0208

PUBLIC NOTICES

Legal Notice to Residents of the Berlin Fire District #1 Town of Berlin, County of Rensselaer NY

Please take notice that the annual election of the Berlin Fire District #1 will take place on Tuesday, December 13th, 2022, between the hours of 6:00pm and 9:00pm at the Berlin Fire Hall, located at 11 Community Avenue, Berlin, NY, for the purpose of electing one (1) commissioner. One (1) commissioner will serve a five (5) year term; commencing January 1st, 2023 and ending December 31st, 2027.

All duly registered residents of the Berlin Fire District #1 shall be eligible to vote. Such residents shall be registered at the Rensselaer County Board of Elections on or before twenty-three (23) days prior to the election as provided by Town Law 175-a (2a) and shall have resided within the Berlin Fire District #1 for a minimum of thirty days prior to the election date.

All individuals, with the exception of the incumbents, shall make their candidacy known to the Secretary of the Commissioners, in writing, at least twenty (20) days prior to the election. Letters can be mailed to the Berlin Fire District #1, Box 409 Berlin NY or hand delivered to the Secretary at 292 Potter Hill RD Petersburg, NY 12138.

By order of the Berlin Board of Fire Commissioners
Bruce Hake, Jr. Chair

Cleaning of New Lebanon Fire Station, 523 Route 20

The Lebanon Valley Protective Association, Inc. is accepting bids to clean the New Lebanon Fire House located at 523 Route 20, New Lebanon, NY. The bidder agrees to the following:

BACKROOM: Sweep or vacuum and mop floors biweekly or more often if needed. Wipe down heaters as needed. Dust windowsills as needed. Remove cobwebs as needed.

BACK ENTRY WAY Vacuum rugs, remove cobwebs as needed, sweep or vacuum floor, mop biweekly, unless needed more often, remove mats to mop.

KITCHEN: Sweep or vacuum and mop biweekly, unless needed more often. Wipe down counters, remove cobwebs as needed.

HALLWAYS: Sweep or vacuum, mop (remove mats to do so), biweekly or unless needed more often, remove cobwebs as needed.

BATHROOMS: (3) Clean sinks, mirrors, and toilets, every week. Sweep or vacuum and mop floors biweekly, remove cobwebs as needed. Fill toilet paper and paper towels.

FRONT ROOM: Sweep and vacuum and mop biweekly, unless needed more often. Remove cobwebs as needed, wipe down heaters as needed. All garbage bins need to be dumped each week. Bags for bins are provided by fire company. All cleaning supplies will be provided by fire company.

Check event calendar in front room and clean before each event that is scheduled.

Please submit an hourly rate for cleaning above.

If interested in submitting a bid for cleaning, please call the New Lebanon Firehouse at 518-794-9331 and leave your name and phone number and you will be contacted to make an appointment to meet with you and go over the building and cleaning requested above. Or the bids can be mailed to Lebanon Valley Protective Association, Inc. P.O. Box 162, New Lebanon, NY, 12125 with Cleaning Bid on envelope. All bids must be received by a Monday, November 21, 2022. The LVPA has the right to accept or refuse any or all bids.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF: 129 Lincoln Ave, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State (SSNY) on 11/10/2022. Official Location: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Burgos Realty Group, LLC, 11 Davis Place, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

PUBLIC NOTICES

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS—SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF RENSSELAER – REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC, Plaintiff, -against- CATHERINE LUKE A/K/A CATHERINE LAPORTE LUKE, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF MARIA J. LAPORTE, DECEASED; PAUL PABLO A. LAPORTE, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE MARIA J. LAPORTE, DECEASED; MARIA PAZ ESTES, AS HEIR DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF MARIA J. LAPORTE, DECEASED; PACO H. LAPORTE A/K/A FRANK PACO H. LAPORTE, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF MARIA J. LAPORTE, DECEASED; MICHAEL T. LAPORTE, AS HEIR, DEVISEE, DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE OF MARIA J. LAPORTE, DECEASED; ANY AND ALL KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST MARIA J. LAPORTE, DECEASED; LEONARD “DOE” (REFUSED LAST NAME) AS JOHN DOE #1, Defendants - Index No. EF2022-270884 Plaintiff Designates Rensselaer County as the Place of Trial. The Basis of Venue is that the subject action is situated in Rensselaer County. To the above named Defendants—YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the Complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this Summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff’s Attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint. That this Supplemental Summons is being filed pursuant to an order of the court dated October 27, 2022. NOTICE-YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME – If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to the mortgage company will not stop the foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of the Honorable Laura M. Jordan, J.S.C. Dated October 27, 2022 Filed October 28, 2022. The object of this action is to foreclose a mortgage and covering the premises known as 21 Rogers Avenue, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090. Dated: November 1, 2022 Filed: November 2, 2022 Greenspoon Marder, LLP., Attorney for Plaintiff, By: Raspreet Bhatia, Esq., 590 Madison Avenue, Suite 1800, New York, NY 10022 P: (212) 524-5000 F: (212) 524-5050 (No Service by fax) Please respond to Cypress Creek office: Trade Centre South, 100 W. Cypress Creek Road, Suite 700, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309 P: (888) 491-1120 F: (954) 343-6982.

Workhorse Property Maintenance and Management, LLC, Articles of Organization filed 10/30/22. Office: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 1116 Blue Factory Hill Rd Cropseyville, NY 12052. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

LEGAL NOTICE: Notice of formation **BARLEY LAND SERVICES, LLC**, Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/19/22. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The PLLC, 499 Farm to Market Road, Troy, New York 12180. Purpose: All legal purposes.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)
The name of the Limited Liability Company that was formed is: **FOUR STATES ENTERPRISE LLC**. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Department of State of the State of New York on November 12, 2021. The office of said Limited Liability Company is located in Rensselaer County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against said Company may be served and the post office address within the state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process is: **FOUR STATES ENTERPRISE LLC**, 190 Spicer Road, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090.

Maomao LLC, Arts of Org filed with SSNY on 07/26/22. Office Location: Rensselaer County, SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to: The LLC 1521 6th Ave Ste 112, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act.

ZKG PROPERTIES, LLC

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on August 10, 2022. Office location, Rensselaer County. Secretary of State of New York State is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Secretary of State may mail a copy of any process to ZKG PROPERTIES, LLC, 14 Plank Road, Poestenkill, New York 12140. No reported agent. Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company (“LLC”). Name: **Taylor I Master Tenant LLC**. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of the State of New York (“SSNY”) on September 26, 2022. N.Y. office location: Rensselaer County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to Taylor I Master Tenant LLC, c/o CT Corporation System, 28 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10005. Purpose/character of LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity.

SOLISCENCE LLC. Filed 8/1/22. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 705 Hoags Corners Rd, Nassau, NY 12123. Registered Agent: Registered Agents Inc., 418 Broadway Ste R, Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: General.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF: **Jean’s Greens’ Center for Holistic Health and Wellness, LLC**. Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State (SSNY) on 10/26/2022. Official Location: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 11 Davis Place, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: **Troy 184, LLC**. Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/09/2022. 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 the process to the LLC, 191 2nd St, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

Thanksgiving Week Deadline

Please have your legal and classified submissions to us by 8 pm on Monday. This change is strictly due to the holiday. Please send any content you would like us to consider as early as possible, so we can plan accordingly for that week.

Blood Drive

The American Red Cross will host a blood drive from **11:30 am to 5 pm, Thursday, December 1**, at the First Baptist Church, 601 Main Street in Bennington. Donors will receive a \$10 Amazon gift card by e-mail.

To schedule an appointment, visit <https://www.red-crossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=BENNINGTONSWVMC>. Alternatively, those interested in donating blood can 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.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Mr. T’s & Sons Towing LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 10/04/22. Off. loc: Rensselaer Co. SSNY des. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Meier Law Firm PLLC, 10 Utica Ave., Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

C and J Junk Removal LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/01/22. Office: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 10 Factory Hollow Rd Valley Falls, NY 12185. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

LEGAL NOTICE
BUSY BEES 518 LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: **Busy Bees 518 LLC**. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/18/2022. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC to 19 S. River Street, Troy, New York 12180. Purpose: for all legal purposes.

LEGAL NOTICE
DAWSON 800 FIRST STREET LLC

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: **Dawson 800 First Street LLC**. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/20/2022. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC to 33 Miller Avenue, Troy, New York 12180. Purpose: for all legal purposes.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: **Troy 146, LLC**. Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/10/2022. 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 the process to the LLC, 191 2nd St, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

Benjamin Cleaning Service LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/08/2022. 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, 415 3rd Street, Apt#2, Troy, NY, 12180. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Westmooreland Design LLC. Filed 8/13/22. Office: Rensselaer Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 115 Boyce Rd, Nassau, NY 12123. Purpose: General.

417 SECOND TROY, LLC. Filed 10/3/22. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 144 Fairview Ave, Pearl River, NY 10965. Purpose: General.

MILL CREEK DEVELOPMENT LLC. Filed 2/8/22. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Thaddeus Jones, 147 4th St, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: General.



Oak Hill Children's Center families, staff, and community partners enjoy pumpkin carving/decorating, games, and local foods at the center's Second Annual Pumpkin Palooza. Photo courtesy of Oak Hill Children's Center.

HOOSICK

Motel Concerns Highlight Session

By Doug La Rocque

Recent incidents involving residents of the Falls Motel across from the Hoosick Falls Central School have sparked concerns of area residents. Town Supervisor Mark Surdam indicated one instance involved the school going into lockdown, while the second did not. The new owner of the business spoke at the Monday, November 14 meeting, stating he is in the process of evicting some residents, planning to remodel the building, and is using a property management company to screen further residents to preclude any undesirable occupants. The Board thanked him for the update and asked to be kept in the loop.

Cannabis Update — Earlier this year the Board approved cannabis dispensaries within the Town limits, but placed a moratorium on such business until the State could provide more information on licensing and regulations. That moratorium is due to expire soon and Board members are looking to extend it for another year with a proviso for a second year. It would require the introduction of a local law at the December meeting, a public hearing, and possible adoption in January. Board members indicated that if New York State meets its responsibilities during that time period, the moratorium could be lifted. The Town has opted out of any onsite cannabis consumption at such dispensaries.

Christmas Time in Hoosick — Several Holiday themed events are planned for late November into December. Hoosick Rising will host a Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony in Wood Park on Friday, November 25, at 6 pm. Small Business Saturday follows on November 26 with the Hoosick Armory hosting Maker's Market with over 30 artisans, from 10 am to 4 pm. Downtown retail stores will be open with specials and giveaways. Local retail shops will also be open from 1 to 6 pm on Saturday, December 10, with refreshments and special activities throughout the downtown business district.

Town Budget — The Board gave its approval to the Town's 2023 budget. After some last minute adjustments, the tax hike will be down to 1.73 percent, under the State tax cap.

News and Notes — Assessor Tony Rice reports the revaluation update is on schedule. Supervisor Surdam says they have applications for the Codes Enforcement/Building Inspectors position and he has begun the interviews. He is hopeful of making an appointment at their December meeting. Ayla Senecal was reappointed as the Ice Rink Manager along with several members of the support staff. Deputy Supervisor Eric Sheffer reported he is close to picking some designs for the illegal dumping signage, and hopes that selection will also be on the December agenda. Board members talked about a possible meeting with the Village and the School District in the New Year to compare notes and make sure everyone is on the same page.

Senior News

Grafton Merrymakers

The Grafton Merrymakers will hold their annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 3, at 1 pm, at Giuseppe's Restaurant in Hoosick Falls. You can select from pasta with homemade marinara sauce for \$17.50, chicken parmigiana for \$22.70, baked haddock with mashed potatoes and vegetables for \$24, or roast beef with mashed potatoes and vegetables for \$20.10. Meals include salad, beverage, eclair pie, tax, and tip. Upon arrival we'll enjoy appetizers. The guitar and vocals entertainment will be by Collin Smith. Please bring a \$10 value gift to participate in the holiday gift grab bag. For reservations, please call Cathy at 518-279-3231 by November 29.

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.

We have a trip to Silver Birches on Wednesday, November 30 for lunch and a show. Pickup will be at 7 am in Stephentown, and between 7:15 and 7:30 am in Lebanon. We will be having a potluck lunch at our November 18 meeting. Members who are interested in attending should contact Irene Marcello at 518-766-5514.

Our annual holiday party will be at the Whitestone restaurant on December 16, to reserve a seat, please call Linda Moshimer at 518-794-8169. Anyone who would like to mail in their 2023 dues may do so. For more information call Mary Defreest at 518-733-0009 or email lebanonseniorcitizens@gmail.com.

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.

November 22 Rachel will do haircuts, pedicures, and manicures by appointment only. Call now for an appointment.

The seniors will have a table of items for sale at Grafton's Festival of Trees on November 19, at 40 Dunham Reservoir Rd, Cropseyville. Money raised will fund special events, activities, prizes, and awards at the center. The center will be closed November 23 through 25 for Thanksgiving. Thank you to all that supported the Basket Raffle fundraiser. It was a success.

Congregate lunch is served Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon for a suggested donation of \$3. Grab-n-Go meals are also available Monday through Friday. Please call 518-279-3413 to be added to the events or 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 on Tuesdays and Thursdays, with congregate 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. The gym and library are open daily.

November 18 is birthday celebrations with trivia. Legal Aid Society will be at the center on November 29 to meet with seniors by appointment only. The senior center is closed November 24 and 25 for Thanksgiving. The Center offers grab-n-go lunches Monday through Friday.

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.

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.

Sycaway Seniors

The Sycaway Seniors group meets the first and third Mondays 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.

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

Nov. 18: Sliced ham cold plate, potato salad, pickled beet salad, rye bread, fruit cup, + sandwich bag
Nov. 21: Ravioli w/Alfredo sauce, cut corn, Italian blend veggies, Italian bread, fresh fruit
Nov. 22: Chef's choice
Nov. 23: L/s hot dogs, seasoned sauerkraut, baked beans, long roll, yogurt
Nov. 24: Thanksgiving
Nov. 25: Black Friday
Nov. 28: Chicken breast, mushroom marsala gravy, butternut mashed potatoes, sliced carrots, dinner roll, fruit cup
Nov. 29: Barbecue glaze meatballs, mashed sweet potatoes, cut green beans, whole wheat bread, cookie

Honoring Our Local Veterans ... Continued from page 1

man Ashby and Mike Zembricki, a representative for New York's 21st District Congresswoman Elise Stefanik, addressed the Veterans and students during the assembly.

Berlin's High School Band, conducted by Mrs. Gould, and the High School Chorus led by Mrs. Eliashuk performed a rousing selection of patriotic songs, one of which was the Armed Forces Medley, a collection of the official songs from the branches of service in the United States Armed Forces. Mrs. Gould asked the veterans in attendance to please stand during their branch of service's song.

A video put together by the High School Superintendents and their advisors Mr. Viner and Mr. Gould

was played to highlight the importance of honoring our veterans and to thank them for their service.

BES Principal Kent, Assistant Principal Cataldo, and the BES Character Education team held an assembly with the theme of gratitude focused on Veterans Day.

Doug Griswold, Daryl Maxon, Ryan Sam's, School Resource Officer Deputy Austin McGuire, and Rensselaer County Undersheriff P.J. Higgitt, Jr. were the special guest veterans in attendance. The veterans were presented with cards created by the Mountaineers to show their appreciation for their sacrifice and services.

The assembly also included a slideshow of photos submitted by the BCSD community of Veterans which the BES Mountaineers cheered along to as it played.

Community Calendar

SVMC News

November 18, Friday

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

November 18 – 20, Friday – Sunday

Shrek Jr., 7 pm Fri & Sat, 2 pm Sun, Berlin Middle/High School auditorium, berlincentral.org

November 19, Saturday

Flag Retiring Ceremony, 9 am, Grafton VFW Post 6340 and Fire Hall, 581 County Rt. 85, public invited to bring old flags

Forest Bathing, 10 am – noon, Dyken Pond Environmental Education Center, led by Sandy Wilson, register/info: 518-658-2055, dykenpond.org

Grafton Tree Festival & Craft Sale, 10 am – 3 pm, Greywacke Meadows, 40 Dunham Rd, Cropseyville, bring unwrapped toy donation

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Community Thanksgiving Dinner, 4 – 6 pm, free, New Lebanon Jr/Sr High School, sponsored by NL Just Food Club, crafts & gym available for kids

Deb Cavanaugh & Dandelion Wine performing, doors 6:30, \$5 adults, minors free, Fox Hollow Cafe, PVMCC, 71 Main St, Petersburg, community potluck, suggested donation of \$1 for refreshments, 21+ BYOB

November 25, Friday

Opt Outside Hike, 10 am, \$2, Grafton Lakes State Park, pre-registration required: 518-279-1155 or www.register-ed.com/events/view/188092

Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, 6 pm, Wood Park, Hoosick Falls, hosted by Hoosick Rising

November 26, Saturday

Small Business Saturday Maker's Market, 10 am – 4 pm, Hoosick Armory, 30+ artisans, downtown retail stores open with special giveaways, hoosickarmory.org

Stephentown Lighted Parade, 5:30 pm, steps off from Fire Hall on NY-43, tree lighting at Veterans Park ~6 pm, refreshments available, bring unwrapped toy donation

Last week's crossword solution:

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Crossword Theme: Holiday Movies

ACROSS

- Concert units
- *Kevin to Buzz in "Home Alone"
- Emphatic no
- Phyllo, alt. sp.
- Chicken of the sea?
- a.k.a. papaya
- Biblical firstborn
- Aquarium show star
- Type of squash
- *Like George Bailey's life
- Struggle for air
- Aggregate
- Gangster's gun
- *Mount Crumpit's misanthrope
- They refuse to believe
- *Howard, directed a movie about #23 Across
- High regard
- Like dental exam
- Bullying, e.g.
- Popular deciduous tree
- Kaa of "The Jungle Book"
- Cleopatra's necklace
- *Like characters in Will Ferrell's famous Christmas movie
- Use a Singer
- Continuing forever
- Wonder Woman's ability to fly, e.g.
- Galley propeller
- Type of consonant
- Corner chess piece
- *Nicolas Cage's character gets a glimpse of a different life (2 words)
- Like famous Moulin
- Computer image
- French money
- Alleviated
- Target of a joke
- Iditarod ride
- *Nick Claus' brother, a repossession agent
- Famous frat house brews

DOWN

- Not many (2 words)
- Japanese soup
- Architectural drawing
- Sudan, in French
- Rides the wave
- Ear bone, a.k.a. anvil
- Jezebel's idol
- *Griswold family's pastime
- Epic poem
- Waterproof canvas
- Part of B.Y.O.
- Synagogue scrolls
- Like a Druid
- Master of ceremonies
- Engagement symbol
- Prepare carrots, sometimes
- R2-D2, e.g.
- Accustom
- Bruce Willis' ex
- Use the blunt pencil tip
- Autumn laborer
- Lots and lots
- Regale with a tale, e.g.
- *Human from North Pole comes to NYC
- *Bill Murray movie, inspired by Charles Dickens
- Water-covered sandbank
- Corncob
- Orthopedic device
- In the buff
- Dryest, as in humor
- Vacuum, pl.
- Be theatrical
- Katy Perry's 2013 hit
- Yorkshire river
- Trivial lies
- Drug smuggler
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- Show of agreement, pl.
- Game official, for short

Last week's sudoku solution:

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1	8	2	5	3	7	9	4	6
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Submitted by SVMC

The connector between the hospital and medical office building at Southern Vermont Medical Center (SVMC) is now closed due to construction, as of November 14. The connector is expected to remain closed until May 2023.

Patients are encouraged to use the canopy entrance for all entrances and exits of the hospital.

The canopy entrance is accessed using the second right turn for patients entering the hospital campus from Dewey Street. It is the preferred entrance for patients, including those using the emergency department, laboratory, imaging, surgery, endoscopy, sleep studies, and visitors to inpatient units.

Trained staff will be available at the canopy entrance to direct patients to the department they need, and a shuttle to nearby parking.

Visit svhealthcare.org for a map or photo guide to access the Canopy entrance.

An alternate construction ramp will be available to staff, who will also be able to aid patients experiencing an emergency that requires more direct access to the Emergency Department.

Healthy Holiday Challenge

The holidays can be a tricky time to maintain our healthy routines. *Continued on page 15*

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Church News

Flea Market and Bake Sale

On **Saturday, December 10, from 9 am to 3 pm**, there will be a flea market and bake sale at the Petersburg United Methodist Church, 12 Head of Lane Rd. A lunch of homemade soup, hot dogs, hamburgers, chili, coffee, and soda will be served all day. Table rentals will be available for \$15 each. There will be a 50/50 raffle, with tickets on sale all day. The drawing will be at 3 pm. For more information, please call Annie at 518-852-6576 or Darlene at 518-495-6814.

Christmas Carol

On **December 10**, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Poestenkill, 772 NY RT 351, will host the Poestenkill Light Reading Company's presentation of *Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol*. The night will begin with a homemade soup and bread dinner at 5:00 pm with the production at 6:30. All are welcome to attend. Those who wish to attend the soup and bread dinner are asked to call 518-283-6045 and leave a message. Reservations are not mandatory but encouraged so we have enough food. There is no charge, but donations of a non-perishable food item and/or monetary gift to the Bread Of Life Food Pantry or the Union Gospel Food Pantry in East Poestenkill will be accepted and appreciated.

Stephentown Federated Church

Sunday, December 18, at 4 pm, Stephentown Federated Church, 1513 Garfield Rd, will hold our Blue Christmas service, honoring life and loss in the holidays. The Blue Christmas tradition honors the fact that many of us experience all kinds of loss, such as the loss of relationships, trust, jobs, health, faith, and joy. No matter your circumstance, this is an open, welcoming service of candlelight, songs, prayers, and hope. The community is welcome, and the building is handicapped accessible. For more information, please visit our website stephentownfederatedchurch.org.

New Minister at UMC Berlin

The United Methodist Church at Berlin, 17 South Main St, joyfully announces the appointment of Kate-lyn Bradwell as their new Minister. All are invited to her first service on **Sunday, November 27, at 11 am**, and to join in the hanging of the season's greens after service. For those who would like to stay, a soup and sandwich social is planned following the service.

To receive an online link to services, or for information, please contact goodermotess@yahoo.com, or call 518-658-2942. All are welcome. Bible study is on Zoom Thursdays at 10 am. The Food Closet dis-

tributes the first and third Saturday of every month, from 9 to 11 am, and by emergency appointment.

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.

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. For more information, leave a message at 518-283-6045.

Obituary

Thomas A. Button

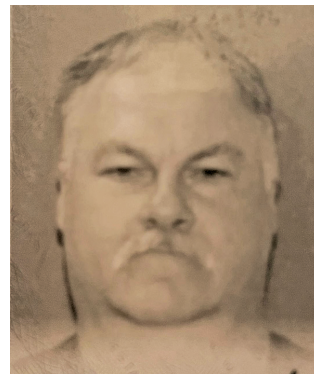
GHEENT – Thomas Alden Button, 67, died suddenly Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at the Ghent Assisted Living in Ghent, NY.

He was born in Troy on August 4, 1955, the son of the late Robert and Florence Goodermote Button. He was raised in Berlin, and was a graduate of Berlin Central School.

Tom lived in Berlin, West Lebanon and Stephentown before moving to Ghent over a year ago. He was employed as a truck driver for various trucking firms hauling freight throughout the Midwest including Arco Trucking Company in West Lebanon. His passion was driving.

He was the brother of the late Allen (late Donna) Button; uncle of Timothy (Shevagene) Button of Bennington, VT and the late Hazel Alderman. He was the best friend of Jonathan Koepp of Stephentown.

Funeral services will be private at the convenience of the family. Arrangements are by the Hall & Higgins Funeral Home in Stephentown. Condolence book at ParkerBrosMemorial.com.



The recipes are quick, easy, plant-based, and most importantly, mouthwatering. Cancer survivors and their families will also find the recipes useful for eating well during treatment and beyond.

Registrants will receive the ingredient list and amounts, so they can prepare in advance and cook throughout the presentation if they like. Register at svhealthcare.org/Classes-Events, by contacting Ashley Jowett at 802-447-5019, or by emailing ashley.jowett@svhealthcare.org.

Diabetes Management Class Forming

Type 2 diabetes is a serious disease that causes painful and debilitating complications like nerve damage, kidney disease, heart failure, and eye problems, to name a few. The Diabetes education department at SVMC and the Vermont Blueprint for Health have teamed up to provide a Diabetes self-management workshop on Thursday, December 1, at 4 pm, via Zoom. Those interested should call Joanne Lemay at 802- 747-3768 or visit <https://www.myhealthyvt.org/> to learn more.

Board Meetings

Monday, November 21

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

Thursday, December 8

Brunswick Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall
Berlin Town Board, 7:30 pm, Municipal Complex
Nassau Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall
Schodack Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall
Poestenkill Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

Monday, December 12

Grafton Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall
Hoosick Town Board, 7 pm, Town Offices

Tuesday, December 13

New Lebanon Town Board, 6 pm, Town Hall
Hoosick Falls Village Board, 6 pm, Highway Garage
Rensselaer County Legislature, 6 pm, County Office Building

Wednesday, December 14

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

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That's why SVHC is launching the 8-week Healthy Holiday Challenge.

Every Friday from November 25 through January 13, SVHC will release a video featuring a different health role model sharing a fun and motivating challenge to complete that week. The challenges address different aspects of health, including nutrition, movement, and more. They are adaptable to all fitness levels and dietary needs.

Participants will be able to find the videos at svhealthcare.org, on the organization's social media pages, and in its weekly e-newsletter.

Online Cooking Class

Healthy Holiday Recipes for Cancer Prevention and Support is scheduled for **6 to 7 pm on Thursday, December 8**, via Zoom. It is free and open to all. SVMC Executive Chef Laura LaCroix will present while panelists and other special guests offer helpful information about cancer screening and prevention and recipe reviews.

