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GRAFTON

# Cabin Fever Returns to GLSP

by Amy Modesti

Extreme cold? Check. Swimmers in crazy costumes jumping into Long Pond? Check. Petting huskies, Newfoundlands, bloodhounds, exotic animals and horses? Check. What do all these things symbolize? Cabin Fever!

Single digit temperatures didn't stop visitors from attending and taking part in this year's Cabin Fever at Grafton Lakes State Park (GLSP). Gutsy swimmers dressed in costumes, active wear and bathing suits braved the elements to dive into Long Pond. The NYS Police Dive Squad was on hand to assist swimmers with the Grafton Rescue Squad standing by to handle any medical emergencies during the annual Polar Plunge. Proceeds from the Continued on page 5



the Continued on page 5 A number of brave souls take part in Saturday's Polar Plunge at GLSP. Photo by Amy Modesti.

**BRUNSWICK** 

# Man Charged With Drug and Weapons Possession

Submitted by the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office

On Tuesday, January 25, the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant at 659 Church Street in the Town of Brunswick.

The search warrant yielded an amount of methamphetamine, U.S. currency and several firearms.

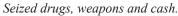
The Deputies report Kenneth R. Lozo, 36, was arrested and charged with:

- Criminal Possession of a Firearm (B Felony)

- Criminal Possession of a Weapon 3rd (D Felony)
- Criminal Possession of a Stimulant (A Felony)
- Criminal Possession of a Stimulant with Intent to Sell (B Felony)
- Criminal Possession of a Weapon Loaded Firearm (C Felony)

Lozo was arraigned at the Town of Brunswick Court by the Honorable Judge Robert Schmidt and remanded to the Rensselaer County Jail with no bail. He is due to appear in Brunswick Town Court at a later date.







Kenneth Lozo

Berlin School Board

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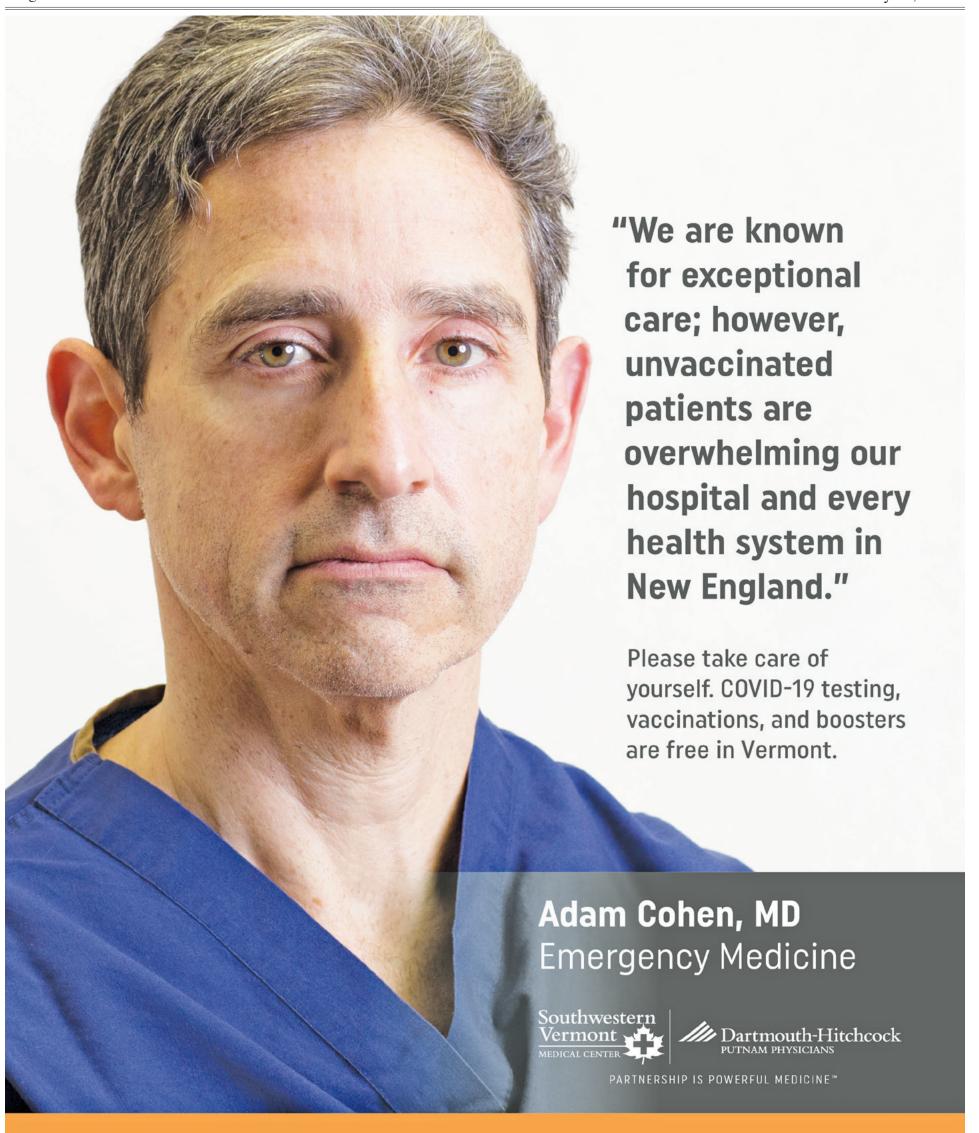
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#### Taconic Valley

#### **BERLIN**

# **Contradictory Information**

by Chris Tergliafera

At the January 18 regular meeting of the Berlin Fuel Tanks Central School District Board, Superintendent Joseph Dhara discussed some contradictory information the District has received from the State of New York regarding contact tracing for COVID-19. The State is telling schools they no longer need to contact trace, however they also told districts they need to do their due diligence and notify parents when their child has come in close contact with someone who is infected, which would require contact tracing. The District will look to get some clarification on the matter.

In other COVID-19 news, the number of days required to quarantine after being in close contact with someone who's tested positive has been reduced from ten to five.

#### Strategic Plan

Superintendent Dhara stated in his monthly report that he hopes to have a draft of Berlin Central School District's strategic plan to the Board of Education by April or May, with the finalized plan being presented by June.

PETERSBURGH LIBRARY

During the Facilities Committee portion of the meeting, the age and condition of the Middle/High School's fuel tanks was brought up. The current tanks have a life expectancy of 30 years and are currently on year 33. Board of Education President Frank Zwack believes the tanks should be replaced to minimize the risk of leakage in the future. Mr. Zwack doesn't want to wait until a catastrophic failure before the issue is addressed. Its important to note that the current tanks have been tested and no issues were found. Since this wasn't the intended topic of the agenda item, all sides weren't prepared to make an argument for or against, so further discussion on the matter will be needed.

#### Other News

The goal for the athletic fields is to have them ready for approval by mid to late May.

The livestream cameras in the Middle/High School gym have been installed and are operational. They can be accessed by clicking the link on <u>berlin</u> central.org.

# STEPHENTOWN LIBRARY

# **Open House**

The Library will have an open house on *Saturday*, February 12, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. The winner of the air fryer raffle will be selected during this time. Tickets are available until the day of the drawing.

The latest art exhibition is a multimedia collection of the varied work of Kay Hicks. Come see these fascinating and interesting pieces.

We have a few boxes left of the Petersburgh Bicentennial cards of local scenes painted by Ann Kristin Lindsay. The sets sell for \$10 each. Many thanks to all of our wonderful supporters.

The Library Board meeting will be *February 1, at 7* pm. The knitters will meet on Wednesday afternoon.

#### **Virtual Story Time: Chinese New Year**

Tuesday, February 1, at 6:30 pm

Let's celebrate the year of the tiger with a virtual story time. Supplies are limited so stop into the Library today.

#### The Battle of Midway: A Virtual Presentation

Thursday, February 10, at 7 pm

Join us for a virtual presentation by Greig Siedor on the Battle of Midway.

#### Virtual Book Group at SML

Tuesday, February 15, at 4:30 pm

This month's book is The Botany of Desire by Michael Pollan. Copies of the book are available at

Go to www.stephentownlibrary.org for more details and event registration.

#### PETERSBURGH

# Cabin Fever **Breakout**

The Petersburgh Veterans Memorial Community Center will be having a cabin fever breakout gathering on Sunday, February 13, from 12:30 to 4 pm. Gospel and bluegrass will be featured. The music is being coordinated by Dave Greene of Mountain Chapel. Soup will be available for purchase by the VMCC Board or you can bring your own food.

Music and soup donations are appreciated. Contact Dave at 518-605-5382 for musical contributions and Mary Lou Walters at 518-658-0136 for anything else.

At this point masks are required in the building and there is plenty of room to social distance. There is no charge for admission, but donations will be accepted to benefit the Petersburgh Veterans Banner Program. All are welcome.

#### **PETERSBURGH**

# **Assistance With PFOA Claim Forms**

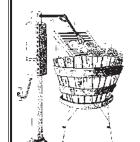
On Friday, March 4 and Saturday, March 5, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Steve Schwarz and his legal team will be at the Petersburgh Veterans Memorial Community Center, 71 Main St., to help residents fill out their PFOA claim forms and answer questions.

#### **PETERSBURGH**

# **Fox Hollow Cafe**

On Friday, February 18, the Fox Hollow Cafe will welcome Vermont's Premier North Country Band, HorseyCow, for the first time. Admission is free for those under 18, and \$5 for all others.

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#### **Central County**

#### **GRAFTON**

# Town Council and RPA Go Face to Face

After several members of the Town Council expressed surprise about the Rensselaer Plateau Alliance's (RPA) plans to open a Community Forest on land situated between Stuffle Street and Foster Road, the Council invited RPA Executive Director Jim Bonesteel to their Workshop meeting on Monday, January 24 to explain what the Community Forest is and answer their questions. And many questions there were.



The entrance to Foster Road off Old Road in Grafton, where one of the entrances to the new Community Forest would be built. Photo by Doug La Rocque.

#### **School Loses Out**

this land purchase (the RPA is a not-for-profit entity) the answer is yes and no. While the 394-acre parcel would apparently go off the tax roles, the RPA's governing body has voted to make annual payments to the Town in lieu of taxes. According to Mr. Bonesteel, these would be paid to the Town's general and highway funds as well as the fire department. Not included in this socalled PILOT program are the Berlin and Brunswick School Districts or Rensselaer County. They would apparently lose their tax revenue on this parcel.

#### **Traffic and Parking**

One of the concerns brought forth at the regular Town Council meeting two weeks ago was additional traffic and parking. Mr. Bonesteel countered the amount of new traffic would be about equal to one new homestead on the road, except when they are holding special events. He then estimated there might be upwards of 20 additional vehicles. He indicated they would like to build some small parking lots along Stuffle Street and a larger one on the Foster Road entrance. Town Attorney Phil Danaher informed the RPA, contrary to their belief, the matter would have to go before the Town Planning Board.

Councilman Frank Lewandusky read from the first paragraph of the RPA's grant application nation Laura Wiedemann. Mr. to the U.S. Forestry Service, which says "the Town of Grafton supports the proposed Community Forest with the Town Supervisor (Ingrid Gundrum) engaged in the project since its start." He asked, since the Town Council had not approved a motion offering this support, how could they make that statement? RPA Attorney Lawrence Howard said — and was backed up by Attorney Danaher — that this particular grant application really does not require the Town's approval and it is the RPA's past practice to simply

As to whether the Town would lose tax revenue on deal with the Town Supervisor, as was apparently the case in Poestenkill and East Nassau. Mr. Lewandusky pointed out that at the Hoosick Council meeting on Monday, January 14, Mr. Bonesteel made a presentation for yet another Community Forest in that Town, seeking their blessing, but that Supervisor Mark Surdam brought the issue before the full Council for their input and eventual vote. They did approve.

#### Talking to Neighbors

Within days of the last Grafton Council meeting, the RPA did hold a Zoom conference with neighboring land owners on both roads, indicating they were informed by letter, something he stated had not happened in the past. He told those gathered at the Workshop "being a good neighbor is what we do." He also indicated they had formed a committee to guide them in this Community Forest development made up of community members, but did not necessarily have any of the neighbors in its membership.

#### **Other Points of Interest**

Mr. Bonesteel pointed out the newly conserved property is made up of two sales from two separate property owners: Rynard Gundrum, Gundrum

Logging and Lumber as well as Carl and Gundrum owned the vast majority of the land. The closing on the property took place on January 21. All back taxes were paid at that

No ATVs will be allowed, however snow-

There might be a couple of lean-tos build but no overnight camping will be permitted without express permission from the RPA. Mr. Bonesteel said they count on the users to police the property (carry in carry out) and that no signage would be constructed if the neighbors are opposed.

As to the obvious uses for the Community Forest, Mr. Bonesteel summed up their mission as "a desire to outpace development with conservation. We want to protect the forest."

#### The Public Will Get a Chance to Speak

No public comment was allowed at the Workshop Meeting as is standard practice, however Councilman Pierce Hoyt urged an informational session with public comment be set up, possibly for February 28, the date of the Council's next Workshop Meeting. It was indicated that meeting would probably be held at the Roxborough Holdings building (former Grafton Elementary School) to accommodate an anticipated large crowd. The meeting room at the Town Hall at this last meeting was full.

#### GRAFTON LIBRARY

#### **Blueberry Bush Care**

Saturday, March 26, from 1 to 2 pm, the Grafton Community Library will host a class on how to prune and care for your blueberry bushes. The class will be followed by a hands-on demonstration at Hav Berry Farm, 1176 Babcock Lake Rd. Preregistration is required. For more information call 518-279-0580.

#### Zumba Gold

During a span of ten Mondays, from February 7 through April 11, from 6 to 7 pm, Grafton Community Library will offer Zumba Gold with instructor Michelle Mickiewicz. The classes will take place at Roxborough Holdings (the former Grafton Elementary School). The cost is \$50, and is intended for teens and adults age 14 an up. Zumba Gold is a modified Zumba class that recreates the original moves at a lower intensity.

Pre-registration is required by contacting Grafton Community Library at 518-279-0580 or emailing director@graftoncommunitylibrary. COVID-19 protocols will be followed.

#### **Quilt Workshop**

On Saturday, February 5, from 9 am to 1 pm,

the Grafton Community Library, 2455 NY Rt. 2, will be having a barn quilt workshop. For a material fee of \$15, you can paint a 2' by 2' barn quilt. You can preregister by calling 518-279-0580, class size is limited. COVID-19 protocols will be observed. Make up date is February 12, from 9 am to 1 pm.



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## **Central County**

#### **BRUNSWICK**

# **Blood Drive**

Tamarac Key Club is hosting a blood drive with the American Red Cross on Thursday, February 3, in the High School multipurpose gym. Appointments are available as early as 7:30 am, and the last appointment is at 12:30 am. Appointment slots are available every 15 minutes. If you are interested in donating, you can sign up online by using this link: https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/driveresults?zipSponsor=tamarac.

#### SAND LAKE

# Historical **Society Presents Abel Brown**

On Tuesday, February 8, at 7 pm, in the Sand Lake Town Hall Courtroom, 8428 NY 66, the Sand Lake Historical Society will present "Abel Brown: Pastor, Abolitionist, Radical — A Conversation," by SLHS Trustee Peter Finn. Visit Sandlakehistory.org, or call 518-527-9926 for more information.

#### **POESTENKILL**

# VFW Breakfast **Buffet**

Sullivan Jones VFW Post 7466, 25 Veterans Street, is hosting their all you can eat breakfast buffet on Sunday, February 13, from 8 to 11 am. The menu features eggs, breakfast meats, home fries, pancakes, french toast, fruit, juice, tea and coffee. The cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for kids 6 through 12 and children under 5 eat free. An omelet can be added for \$3 or a waffle for \$1.

#### **GRAFTON**

# **Wescott Family** Benefit Breakfast

The Grafton Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary will hold a benefit breakfast on Saturday, January 29 for the family of Pete Wescott, husband and father, who passed away last month. The event runs from 8 to 11

am at the Grafton VFW/ Firehall on South Road (County Rt. 85). On the menu this day will be Belgian waffles, pancakes, French toast, eggs made to order, sausage gravy and biscuits, bacon, sausage, home fries, toast, orange juice, coffee and milk. A 50/50 raffle will also be conducted. The cost is \$12 for adults, \$6 for children 12 and under, while those 5 and under eat free.

#### **BRUNSWICK LIBRARY**

**Tots Dance** 

Thursday, February 10, 10:30 am

**Celtic Music and Stories with Jeff Snow** Friday, March 18, 6:30 pm

> For more information on these programs visit brunswicklibrary.org.

#### Cabin Fever at Grafton Lakes State Park Continued from page 1

Plunge went to Our Lady of the Snow Food Pantry.

Plenty of outdoor and indoor fun was had Saturday, January 15, as visitors spent their day on the icy pond skating, ice fishing, keeping warm by the large bonfire and watching NYS Troopers take part in an ice rescue and dive demonstration. On land, visitors went on free snowmobile rides provided by the Grafton Trail Riders, rode on a horse carriage, played snow bowling, met sled huskies and bloodhounds, went on a kids scavenger hunt and took part in hikes provided by L.L. Bean and Taconic Hiking Club.

Visitors kept warm from the elements inside the Welcome Center. They ate sweets, drank warm cocoa and cider served by The Friends of Grafton Lakes State Park, held snakes and reptiles provided by Uncharted Wild LLC and received creative balloon art from Balloon Gal Jenny. Outside the Welcome Center, visitors gathered to roast marshmallows and made s'mores by the campfire.

Cabin Fever wouldn't have been as successful as it was if it wasn't for the volunteers, according to Rebecca Milanese, front desk receptionist and assistant event organizer at GLSP. "The volunteers and the exhibitors make this. They're the ones going out there. Tons of different places, tons of different people and they're bringing their passion for winter. They are the ones making this Winter Fest.'

Milanese also stated "We've been doing this for a long time. Tom Conklin, one of the original managers here, he started all of this. He wanted to do something in the winter. When people think of Grafton Lakes State Park, they think of the beach. We are open year round and there is so much more to do."

As for what GLSP is planning post-Polar Plunge:

a lot more hikes with and without snowshoes. But GLSP is going to be more relaxed for a bit. Visitors who wish to check out GLSP and its upcoming events can go on Facebook (Grafton Lakes State Park) or visit their website at https://parks. ny.gov/parks/grafton-





#### NORTH GREENBUSH

# **Illegal Touching** Puts Troy Man in Jail

Rensselaer County District Attorney Mary Pat Donnelly has announced that Kyle Pascher, 20, of

Troy was sentenced to serve 364 days in Rensselaer County Jail after his plea of guilty to one count of Forcible Touching in violation of Penal Law Section 130.52 and two counts of Harassment in the 2nd degree in violation of Penal Law Section 240.26.

At a later date, Pascher will also be sentenced to a con-



Kyle Pascher

secutive term of 3 years probation stemming from an additional plea to Endangering the Welfare of a Child in violation of Penal Law Section 260.10.

Pascher was found to have had inappropriate sexual contact with four separate victims ranging in age from 14-18 years old. The incidents occurred between April and November of 2020 in the Town of North Greenbush

Chief Assistant District Attorney Matt Hauf prosecuted the case in the North Greenbush Town Court.





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#### BENNINGTON

# **Medical Matters Weekly Welcomes:** Therapist Michaelia St. Jacques

Submitted by SVHC

Southwestern Vermont Health Care's (SVHC) Med-pleted her masters in ical Matters Weekly with Dr. Trey Dobson is pleased to welcome Michaelia St. Jacques, OTR/L, CWCE, CHT, on *Wednesday, February 2 at noon*. St. Jacques is an occupational therapist at Southwestern Vermont Medical Center (SVMC) Outpatient Rehabilitation.

The show is produced with cooperation from Therapist (CHT) cre-Catamount Access Television (CAT-TV). Viewers can see Medical Matters Weekly on facebook.com/ symedicalcenter and facebook.com/CATTVBenning ton. The show is also available to view or download a podcast on www.svhealthcare.org/medicalmatters.

St. Jacques received her undergraduate degree in biology at Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts. She com-

occupational therapy from The Sage Colleges in New York. In 2021, she earned the Certified Hand dential from the Hand Therapy Certification Commission. She is a member of the



National Board of Certified Occupational Therapists, the American Occupational Therapy Association and the American Society of Hand Therapists.

#### **HOOSICK FALLS**

# Junior Historians Presentation

On Saturday, January 29, from 3 to 4 pm, Friends of Bennington Battlefield Junior Historians present "Thirteen Moons on the Turtle's Back." The presentation will take place at the Louis Miller Museum, 1460 Main St.

Join us as we celebrate the new year by exploring Native American heritage through story, artwork and games. This free program is recommended for children ages 5 through 12. Please pre-register by January 28. Call 518-686-4682 for more information.

#### NORTH HOOSICK FIRE DEPARTMENT

# Spaghetti and **Meatball Dinner**

The North Hoosick Fire Department, Rt. 22, will be sponsoring a benefit spaghetti and meatball dinner on Saturday, February 12, at 4:30 pm, at the Fire Station. The benefit is being held for North Hoosick Fire Police member Bob Speanburgh who is battling stage 4 bone cancer. Tickets to this takeout-only dinner are \$12 and may be purchased from any North Hoosick firefighter, or by contacting Chief Alan Bornt at 518-378-4538. Donations may also be made through the fire department.

#### **HOOSICK FALLS**

# St. Patrick's Day **Parade**

On Saturday, March 12, at 1 pm, Hoosick Falls will hold its St. Patricks Day Parade. If you'd like to nominate someone to be the Grand Marshall of the 2022 parade, email Kevin O'Malley at hoosickkid@ gmail.com.

#### **NORTH HOOSICK FIRE DEPT**

# **Kids Dances**

All dances are on Fridays from 7 to 9 pm. Admission is \$3 and parents are reminded to sign students out after the dance. Upcoming dances are on February 4 and 18.

#### **HOOSICK FALLS**

# **Blood Drive**

The First Baptist Church, 80 Main St., will host a blood drive on Friday, February 4, from noon to 6 pm. Donors should enter through the rear door. Masks required.

Current and new donors should pre-register by going to redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-733-2767. Use the Red Cross Rapid Pass system to shorten donation time. All blood types are needed.

#### BENNINGTON

# **SVHC** Kids COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic

Submitted by SVHC

Southwestern Vermont Health Care (SVHC) will host a special children's COVID-19 vaccination clinic for 5 to 11 year olds on Friday, January 28, from 1 to 5 pm, at its COVID-19 Resource Center. No appointment is needed and walk-ins are welcome.

The clinic will administer first doses of Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine. A pediatrician will be on site to address questions from parents and children. In addition, pediatric nurses, who are especially skilled at vaccinating children, will also be working at the clinic. The clinic is open to everyone, regardless of where they live. Masks are required.

Visit <u>svhealthcare.org/COVID-Resource-Center</u> for more information and up-to-date hours.

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# Hoosick Falls & Surrounding Areas

#### **HOOSICK FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL**

# **Agriculture Education Is Popular**

by Alex Brooks

High School Teacher Brandon Trinkle gave a presentation on new agriculture education programs to the Hoosick Falls School Board at its January 20 meeting. Trinkle was hired as a business teacher, but has also offered agricultural classes this year, and the student response has been enthusiastic. 80 to 100 students are in agriculture classes this year. Trinkle has also revived the Future Farmers of America (FFA) at Hoosick Falls and there are about 30 students involved in that. The District has secured a grant from Cornell University for materials needed for the agriculture programs.

#### **Building Condition Survey**

The NYS Education Department requires that a Building Condition Survey be done every five years at public school buildings. These surveys are often used as the basis for planning future capital projects to renovate buildings. Superintendent Pat Dailey said HFCS has just completed its survey, done by the architects who are handling the Capital Project. Dailey said to no one's surprise, the Bus Garage received an unsatisfactory rating. He said the District will need to start planning improvements to that building soon. The main school campus is in pretty good shape, with most of the work that needs to be done already incorporated into the current Capital Project, except for two items that have recently come to light. One of those is the pressure tanks for the water system, which were fixed over the Christmas break, and have been inspected and put back in service. But they are old, and the District may want to replace them at some point soon. The other is the septic system, which failed last fall when a lateral line broke. The lateral was repaired, but more extensive work on the septic system is contemplated.

Dailey said he is talking with the architects about reworking the Capital Project to include work on the septic system, without raising the total amount of the capital project. But Dailey said even though the total amount of the project will stay the same, the revised work plan would probably have to be submitted to the voters for approval because the original project approved by the voters didn't say anything about extensive work on the septic system. He said the changes in the plan will probably extend the capital project into a fourth summer, as the schedule for next summer is already strained to the breaking point. More information will be forthcoming after the administration and the architects discuss these matters in more detail and come up with a new plan.

#### **Board President's Comment**

Board President Joe Patire said he was dismayed to read an article in the Panther Post about racial inci-

High School Teacher Brandon Trinkle gave a predents at HFCS. He said, "It bothered me to read that.

I guess some work still needs to be done."

#### **Budget Revisions for Grants**

The Board approved three supplemental appropriations for the current school year because of additional revenue coming in from outside funding. The first is an increase of \$21,700 for 100 ChromeBook computers paid by the Federal government through the E-Rate program. The second is an increase of \$10,000 to reflect that sum received from the District's insurance company for repair of the sewer lateral that broke last fall. The third is \$10,000 received from Cornell University as an Agriculture Education Incentive Grant for materials to be used in agriculture programs at Hoosick Falls.

#### **Middle School**

The Board formally approved reconfiguration of the school to include a middle school. Starting next school year, the Elementary School will comprise UPK through 4th grade, the Middle School will comprise grades 5 through 8 and the High School will comprise grades 9 through 12. The District has already appointed a Middle School Principal and already has an operational Middle School. By next year the transition will be complete and the new administrative structure will be formally in place.

#### **Gina Harrison Retirement**

The Board accepted a letter of resignation for retirement purposes from 8th Grade Math Teacher Gina Harrison, effective at the end of this school year.

#### HOOSICK FALLS CSD

# **Keeping Your Children Safe**

On *Thursday, February 10, at 6:30 pm* in the high school auditorium, there will be an hour-long presentation about keeping your children safe in the age of technology. The purpose of this presentation is to educate and empower parents on topics such as:

- A review of current issues, sites and apps
- Teens and social media/technology
- Connectivity and devices
- Digital footprint and detox
- The new definition of bullying/cyberbullying
- Accidental exposure and pornography
- Tips/solutions for parents/software

For more information visit <u>hoosickfallscsd.org</u>.

#### **SCHUYLERVILLE**

# Fish Creek Rod and Gun Club

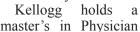
Join us at our monthly breakfast on *Sunday, February 13, from 8 to 11 am*. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids.

Fish Fry Friday will run *every Friday, through April 15, from 4 to 7 pm*. For information on either event, call 518-695-3917.

#### **POWNAL**

# Jeffrey Kellogg Joins SVMC Pownal Campus

Southwestern Vermont Medical Center (SVMC) is pleased to welcome Jeffrey J. Kellogg, PA-C, to the SVMC Pownal Campus and Dartmouth-Hitchcock Putnam Physicians.





Assistant Studies from the University of Nebraska, an associate in Physician Assistant Studies from Albany Medical College and Hudson Valley Community College, a master's in business administration from the University of Massachusetts and a bachelor's in business administration from Saint Michael's College in Vermont. He proudly served in the United States Air Force 1994 – 1998 as an F-15 Fighter Crew Chief. He is a Distinguished Fellow of the American Academy of Physician Assistants and certified by the National Committee on Certification of Physician Assistants.

Since 2002, Kellogg has worked as a PA in a variety of internal medicine settings. He has worked in the primary and urgent care settings at Pittsfield Medical Associates since 2019. For 5 years previously, he was the lead provider at the Berkshire County Jail and House of Corrections.

SVMC's Pownal Campus offers comprehensive medical care for the whole family. Its services include care for children and adults, obstetrics, health promotion and wellness programs and on-site blood draw services. The office is located at 7237 Route 7 in Pownal. Appointments are available 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday – Friday. Call 802-681-2780 for an appointment.





# Hoosick Falls & Surrounding Areas

#### **WASAREN BASKETBALL**

# No. 1 Bengals Top Another Suburban League School

Courtesy of Wasaren Sports Net

#### Tamarac 72 Bethlehem 62

Tamarac won every quarter, and scored 27 fourth-period points, to post the win on Big Red Day in Tamarac. One of the reasons Tamarac has the State's #1 Class B ranking is their willingness to play (and beat) much larger schools such as Bethlehem, a Class AA opponent.

Zachary Rice led the Bengals in scoring with 30 points. Tamarac converted on 21 of 34 free throws, while the Eagles connected on just 1 of 7 from the line. **Mechanicville 50 Hoosick Falls 33** 

The Red Raiders held the Panthers to just 17 points though three periods of play. Jake Sparks led Hoosick Falls with 12 points.

#### Waterford 71 Berlin/New Lebanon 61

Tied 31 at the half, Waterford slowly pulled away over the final sixteen minutes hitting on 14 of 16 from the stripe after the break. Chris Shorter led BNL with 28 points.

#### **Girls Hoops**

#### Emma Willard 55 Berlin/New Lebanon 12

Emma Willard took control with a 20-2 first frame. Lilly Gardell had 4 points for BNL.

#### Mechanicville 65 Hoosick Falls 43

Mechanicville built a 37-17 advantage by halftime. Amber MacNeil led the Panthers in scoring with 15 points.

#### Emma Willard 49 Tamarac 30

The Jespers shut out Tamarac in the fourth period.

#### RENSSELAER COUNTY

# Area Legislators Rail Against Proposed Wood Stove Ban

by Doug La Rocque

District 5 County Legislators Bruce Patire of Eagle Bridge and Jeff Wysocki of Hoosick are proposing a resolution to be considered at the next County Legislative meeting, going on record as opposed to the NYS Climate Action Council's potential ban on wood burning stoves. Legislators Patire and Wysocki point out in their resolution that electrical and natural gas prices are climbing around the region while wood burning provides residents with a more cost efficient way to heat their homes. They also point out that wood burning is a sustainable and carbon neutral way to heat and that modern technology has drastically limited emissions and as a result made this cheap energy source cleaner.

The Climate Action Council is a 22-member committee created to prepare a Scoping Plan to achieve a





Jeff Wysocki

new clean energy and climate agenda for the State. Banning wood burning stoves is before the Committee for consideration.

#### WHITE CREEK

# Sheriff's Deputies Look to Identify Person of Interest

Submitted by the Washington County Sheriff's Office

The Sheriff's Office is currently investigating a larceny case in the Town of White Creek and is attempting to identify this person. Deputy Wright has the case. If you know who this person is, please let us know by private message or at this link: <a href="https://bit.ly/3443wnU">https://bit.ly/3443wnU</a>.

If this is you in the photo, please call 518-747-4623 to clear the matter up.



#### BENNINGTON

# Mom's Day Off Cancer Fundraiser

Submitted by SVHC

On *Friday, February 4*, Bromley Mountain Ski Resort, 3984 Vermont Rt. 11, Peru, will hold their annual Mom's Day Off fundraiser. Moms ski or ride for just \$25 when they show the ticket seller a snapshot of their children.

This year's event will benefit women's breast cancer care at the Southwestern Vermont Regional Cancer Center in Bennington, part of Vermont Southwestern Medical Center (SVMC). The Cancer Center will receive the entire \$25 lift ticket cost as a donation. There will also be a \$12 burger-and-beer special at the Wild Boar Tavern.

For more information, visit <u>bromley.com</u>.



Staff from Southwestern Vermont Regional Cancer Center (SVRCC) in Bennington, from left to right: Rebecca Hewson-Steller, RN; Jenny Coutu, MSN, RN; Mary Weinfurt, RN; Naomi Bolognani; and Matthew Vernon, MD. Photo courtesy of SVHC.



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#### New Lebanon & Nassau

#### **NEW LEBANON**

# **Community Food** Giveaway

The Town of New Lebanon and the New Lebanon CSD will host a food giveaway on Friday, January 28, starting at 9 am. The giveaway is completely free and will take place at New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 Route 22. Pull in at Shatford Park by entering the baseball fields and follow signs to the Town Hall. Any questions contact Town Supervisor Tistrya Houghtling at supervisor@townof newlebanon.com.

#### NEW LEBANON LIBRARY

Masks are required in the library and social distancing between groups is encouraged.

#### **Tech Talks**

Fridays by appointment

Please call the library at 518-794-8844 to schedule an appointment time.

#### **Storytime**

Wednesdays at 10:30 am

#### Online Concert: Linda Worster

Friday, February 4, at 6:30 pm

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

#### **Book Group**

Sunday, February 6, at 11 am

The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray. Copies of the book are available by request at local libraries.

#### Crafternoon Kids Kit Pickup

Tuesday, February 8th

This month's project is handmade Valentines.

#### Valentine Cupcake Decorating

Saturday, February 12, from 11 am to 12:30 pm

Drop in to decorate your own Valentine's Day treat while they last. All materials and a take-home box included

#### Virtual Presentation: "Black Citizenship in the Age of Jim Crow"

Wednesday, February 16, at 6 pm

Please contact the library to register and receive login instructions.

#### Make It & Take It: Crafts Meetup for Adults

Thursday, February 17, at 6:30 pm

Origami workshop. All materials provided.

#### Kids Create: Poké Ball with 3D Pens

Tuesday, February 22, at 2 pm

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#### NASSAU

# **Brook Naming Contest**

Submitted by Nassau Town Supervisor David Fleming

At the Nassau Town Council's first regular meeting of 2022, Nassau Supervisor David Fleming outlined plans for the Town's newest park. Under the preliminary proposal, the Town's multiple purpose 22-acre parcel, located on US Route 20 between the Village of Nassau and Lyons Lake Road, would be opened to walking trails and recreation. A significant feature of the parcel is a small brook and wetlands. The Town Board authorized a naming contest for the brook which may lead to the naming designation for the new town park.

With this new park under development, Nassau will now have over 650 public acres of varying terrain to explore. All the parcels have been developed with volunteer assistance, grants and donations.

Submissions should be sent to <a href="mailto:supervisor@townof">supervisor@townof</a> <u>nassau.org</u>. The Town is expecting to make a selection for the name of the brook at their *March 10* meeting.

#### **NEW LEBANON**

# **Town Council Meeting Date Changed**

At the January 11 Town Council meeting, due to the second Tuesday of November falling on election day, the Town Council moved to change the November Regular Town Council meeting to the third Tuesday of the month. The meeting will now take place on November 15, at 7 pm.

#### COLUMBIA COUNTY

# Good Sign: No New Variant in Sight

On Friday, the Columbia County Department of Health recorded 80 new cases of COVID-19 infection among County residents, with 55 cases Saturday, 70 for Sunday-Monday, and 86 as of midday Tuesday.

"Four days in a row with new infections coming in under 100. That's been good to see," said county DOH Director Jack Mabb.

There are currently 27 County residents hospitalized with the virus. Four are in the ICU. Twelve of the 27 are patients at Columbia Memorial Health, with seven of those vaccinated.

The thinking among the health care community

indicates that the Omicron variant is burning out, with no new variant in sight. Further, the leveling off of new infections is expected to come when warmer weather returns.

Free test kits and masks have been received by the County and have been distributed to all municipalities. Residents are advised to contact their municipality for its distribution policy.

#### **NEW LEBANON**

# **NLB Swimmers** Wrap Up Season

Submitted by Coach Tim Christiansen

The Mt. Anthony (Bennington) Girls topped the NLB Girls in a joint meet on Wednesday, January 26 while the NLB boys defeated the Mt. Anthony Boys 56 to 33. The NLB Boys ended their season with a win.

The NLB Boys team had best times by Carl Truax in the 100 Breaststroke, Riley Schwartz in the 50 Free, Holly White, Jaezsa Bartolotta and George Lamphere-Webster in the 100 Free, Liam Buckenroth & Cadence Ward in the 200 Free.

Shout out to our senior swimmers Carlton Truax and Carol Kirsimagi, they both had a great last dual meet. Congratulations on outstanding high school careers!

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#### **General News**

# Food Giveaway, **Volunteers Needed**

Submitted by Catholic Charities CC Move

Catholic Charities CC Move will be having a food giveaway on Thursday, February 3, at 9:30 am. The giveaway will take place at the Lansingburgh Boys and Girls Club, 501 4th Avenue, Troy.

Catholic Charities CC Move are also looking for volunteer assistance. Visit <u>ccrcda.org</u> for more

# **McDonald Requests** Compliance with **NYSDEC** Rules

Submitted by the Office of Assemblymember John T. McDonald

Assemblymember John T. McDonald III sent a letter to Tradebe USA, the parent company of Norlite, LLC in Cohoes, NY regarding the application of the Bevill Amendment to their operations. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) undertook a rule-making process that resulted in a change to exclude air pollution control dust/sludge from lightweight aggregate production from being a waste type specifically identified as a solid waste from the processing of ores and minerals and instead it is now considered hazardous waste.

Since Norlite's Hazardous Waste Permit predates the rule change of April 2020, the Bevill Exclusion applies until the permit is modified. However, Norlite, LLC can be proactive and voluntarily choose to adhere to the conditions that would apply if a permit renewal were to occur. Assemblymember McDonald has requested that Norlite, LLC take immediate action to adhere to NYSDEC rules, even if not required to, in the interest of protecting the health and safety of the residents of the community.

#### **MENANDS**

# Serving the Veterans of Rensselaer County

Submitted by the Office of the County Executive

Veterans and their families have a new resource locally with the opening of the Disabled American Veterans Department of New York at the Riverview Center in Menands on Wednesday, January 26. The new DAV office on the third floor of Riverview, the former Montgomery Wards building, will allow Veterans and their families to access a variety of support and empowerment services. Rensselaer County Executive Steve McLauhglin joined with Sheriff Pat Russo and County Veteran Service Agency Director Peter Goebel along with Congressman Paul Tonko, for the opening ceremony of the DAV office.

Rensselaer County recognizes the enormous service and the contribution of our Veterans and thanks all for their service to our great nation. We look forward to county Veteran services teaming up with the new DAV office and other services to ensure our Veterans and their families enjoy the freedom they have earned.

# Fourth Annual Valentines for **Veterans Program**

Submitted by the Office of Congressman Antonio Delgado

U.S. Representative Antonio Delgado announced his annual Valentines for Veterans program. This is the fourth year that he has hosted the program to collect Valentines for upstate veterans.

Representative Delgado invites NY-19 residents to mail Valentines in an unsealed envelope to the Congressman's Kingston office, care of Valentines for Veterans, 256 Clinton Ave, Kingston, NY 12401. Cards will be accepted until February 11th, then distributed to local Veterans.

# **LVORC Announces New Executive Director**

Submitted by the Literary Volunteers of Rensselaer County

Literacy Volunteers of Rensselaer County today announced that its Board of Directors has appointed Nancy Benz as the organization's new Executive Director, effective January 13. Ms. Benz succeeds longtime Executive Director Judy Smith, who will

Ms. Benz is a seasoned non-profit professional with more than a decade of experience in New York's Capital District non-profit sector, including as Vice President of Fund Development at Planned Parenthood Mohawk Hudson and Girls Incorporated of the Greater Capital Region. She most recently served as Senior Director of Fund Development at the Animal Protective Foundation.

# Gillibrand Urges **Medicare to Pay** for Rapid Tests

Submitted by the Office of Senator Kirsten Gillibrand

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand joined 18 of her Senate colleagues in urging the Biden administration to require Medicare to pay for rapid COVID-19 tests. The letter follows the administration's recent guidance requiring private insurance companies to cover the cost of up to 8 rapid over-the-counter tests per month. Extending this requirement to Medicare would ensure that an additional 61 million Americans have equal access to testing amidst a surge in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations across the country.

# Summer Camp

Submitted by the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Department

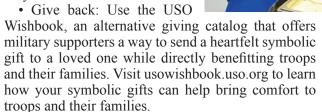
The Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office is accepting applications for the New York State Sheriffs' Institute Summer Camp 2022.

The Summer Camp is for boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 12 who, because of economic reasons, would not have an opportunity to attend a summer camp or enjoy a summer vacation. Campers must be up-to-date on immunizations and have received a medical physical after May 1, 2022. This year's camp session runs from Sunday, July 24 through Saturday, July 30.

Detailed information about the camp may be found on the New York State Sheriffs' Institute website at www. sheriffsinstitute.org or by contacting the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office at 518-266-1903. Qualified campers will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. Deadline for submission is March 30, 2022.

# Easy Ways to Support the Troops

(StatePoint) How do you thank someone who's willing to risk their life for yours? When it comes to military service members and their families, advocates say there are many avenues for tangibly showing your support. Check out these easy ideas from the USO.



- Spread the word: Social media platforms and word-of-mouth are integral to the success of nonprofits, and the USO is no different. Giving them a shoutout, sharing their content or even starting a fundraiser for the USO via Facebook, helps spread the word about the organization's mission and encourages others to support the cause. Visit uso.org/stories to read more about what the USO is doing to keep troops connected to family, home and country this holiday season. You can also find the USO on Instagram, Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn.
- fundraising events, the USO's Gaming program has ference in the lives of service members.



helped keep service members connected to family and friends. You can raise money for the USO via the Operation Play it Forward campaign on Tiltify. And join the USO Discord at discord.gg/TheUSO.

• Ride: Whenever you use the ride share app Lyft, you can opt in for their Round Up & Donate program. This setting automati-

cally rounds your payment up to the nearest dollar, and the difference is donated to the nonprofit of your choice. Consider selecting the USO to automatically support the organization as you get around town.

- Connect: Boost the morale of military members and make them smile through Campaign to Connect, which makes it easy to send messages of thanks to service members. Kind words can go a long way.
- Shop: Online shopping? You can give back every time you shop on Amazon by shopping via Amazon-Smile. Visit smile.amazon.com, login, select the USO as your charity, and 0.5% of your eligible purchases will be donated to the organization.

To learn more about other ways you can help deliver care, comfort and connection to troops, visit uso.org/holidays and uso.org/donate.

While giving thanks is always appreciated, there • Play: Are you a gamer? Through streams and other are also many tangible ways you can help make a dif-

#### Eastwick Sports & Outdoors

#### HIGH SCHOOL BOWLING

# Panthers Clinch Bye to Championship Match

Submitted by James Lynch

On Wednesday, January 19, the Hoosick Falls bowling team traveled to Hilltop Lanes for a 5-0 win over Waterford. The Panthers finished with a total of 3467 pins to Waterford's 2765. Hoosick Falls Senior Colin King 247-625 led all bowlers while AJ Wilcox 234-572 led Waterford.

Thursday, January 20 was Senior Night for the Hoosick Falls bowling team as they hosted Berlin at Barbecue Recreation. This year the team will graduate a total of 5 seniors: Colin King, Brody Mullen, Riley Hayes, Ethan Yonconish and Jamie Haviland. The Panthers won by a score of 5-0 as they finished with a total of 3603 pins to Berlin's 2255. Colin King led all bowlers with a 266 game and a 741 series. The win brings Hoosick Falls' record to 55-0 for the season, with a single regular season match remaining. The Panthers have now clinched the first seed in the Wasaren League's postseason and a bye to the championship match.

# 4-H Lohnes Recipient Announced

Submitted by Rensselaer County CCE

James Czub of Schaghticoke was selected as the 2021 4-H Lohnes Award recipient. As a well-rounded 4-H member, James has been involved in the county-wide 4-H teen exchange as well as the Stablemates and Barn Bums 4-H Clubs. James has been a mainstay helping and participating in many 4-H horse events, winning Champion Western Rider in 2020 at the Centennial 4-H Horse Show (the Schaghticoke Fair). For more information about this or other youth programming opportunities, please contact Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) of Rensselaer County or your respective Cooperative Extension Office.

2021 4-H Lohnes Award recipient James Czub and Ringo. Photo courtesy of Rensselaer County CCE.



# **Barbecue Recreation Bowling Results**

#### Wednesday Night League

Team Standings	Won	Lost	High Scores	
Gallup Inn	28	12	Matt Brownell	290 275 800
Lebowski Rug Co.	$25\frac{1}{2}$	$14\frac{1}{2}$	Bill Shumway	254 247 746
Farmers Tires	25	15	Brad Colvin	266 253 732
Lou's Plumbing	24	16	Todd Stradinger	256 254 726
Wack'em & Stack'em	22	18	John Brown	290 227 722
McNally Insurance	19	21	Mitch Andrew	268 234 710
Mag-Way	18	22	Corey Wysocki	252 249 685
Chico's Bail Bonds	17	23	Cory Weeden	246 236 685
The Jabronis	16	24	Sam Colliano	235 233 683
Boner's	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$34\frac{1}{2}$	Trevor Patch	245 217 674

#### **Thursday American League**

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Team Standings	Won	Lost	High Game	
RGI Insurance	$149\frac{1}{2}$	$90\frac{1}{2}$	279	Shawn Field
Huntin' Time	$149\frac{1}{2}$	$90\frac{1}{2}$	268	Tom Mongeon
Dave Clark Excavating	145.5	941/2	267	Chris Karch
Modern Game Pro Shop	129	111	267	Mike Smith
Stevens and Sons Tents	122	118	258	Ron Caron Jr
Lauzon Machine Shop	$114\frac{1}{2}$	$125\frac{1}{2}$	257	Tim McCart
Team Taconic	113	127	256	Rich Snyder
Lo-Ridge Farm	110	130	256	Preston Oakes
Wack 'em & Stack 'em	84	156	253	Cory Weeden
Sharpe For Governor	83	157	250	Colin Cipperly

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

Hike to Grandfather Rock: the Glacial Erratic

Saturday, January 29, 10 am to 2 pm

All ages welcome. Must be able to walk two and a half miles. Preregistration required. \$2 per person.

#### **Tuesday Treks**

Every Tuesday from 12:30 to 2:30 pm

Hikes will be canceled in bad weather. This program is for adults and older teens. Preregistration is required for all programs at 518-658-2055 or <u>dykenpond@gmail.com</u>. Your registration is not complete until you receive confirmation from the Center.

# Moose Research Project

Submitted by the NYSDEC

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) announced the start of a new moose research project in the Adirondack region. This winter, 14 moose were fitted with GPS collars as part of a multi-year project assessing moose health and population.

The research is funded by a Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration grant through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The project also includes sampling white-tailed deer pellets and water sources to detect and better understand the prevalence and distribution of brain worm and giant liver fluke across the landscape. Biologists also deployed trail cameras this past fall to determine range overlap between deer and moose and monitor hair loss on moose infested with winter ticks.

For additional information about moose biology, current research or to report moose sightings, visit DEC's website at <a href="https://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/6964.html">https://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/6964.html</a>.

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#### PUBLIC NOTICES

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**S&R 2632, LLC**. Filed 12/13/21. Office: RENSSE-LAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 163 Camden Ave, Staten Island, NY 10309. Purpose: General.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

#### **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID**

Please take notice that pursuant to a Resolution of the Town Board of Hoosick, Rensselaer County, New York, sealed bids for the purchase of the following items.

#### **HEATING OIL & DIESEL FUEL**

Bids can be submitted at the Clerk's Office at 80 Church St., Hoosick Falls, New York until 3 pm February 14, 2022. All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Board meeting at 80 Church Street Hoosick Falls on February 14, 2022 at 7 pm. Bids must be in a sealed envelope at the above address and shall have thereof the name and address of the holder on the outside.

The item to be bid on will comply to all general specifications. Detailed specifications are available to any interested bidder at the Town Clerk's Office at 80 Church Street, Hoosick Falls, New York.

Bidders must list any deviations from minimum specifications and must list a delivery date, as it may be a factor in awarding the bid. All bids must have the NONCOLLUSIVE BIDDING CERTIFICATE enclosed in the same envelope.

The contract for the purchase of the above item will be awarded by the Supt. of Highways, with Town Board approval, to the lowest responsible bidder. In cases where two or more responsible bidders submit identical as to price, the Supt. of Highways may award the contract to either of such bidders. The Supt. of Highways may reject all bids and may readvertise for new bids at his discretion.

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

#### Notice to Bidders

County of Rensselaer State of New York

Please take notice that sealed bids will be received at the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Petersburgh located at the Town Hall, PO Box 130, 65 Main Street, Petersburgh, New York 12138 up to March 14, 2022 at 11 am for (1) Lawn Care Contract for 3 designated, municipal owned areas located in the Town of Petersburgh. All bids should be plainly marked "Lawn Care Contract RFP" on the outside of the envelope. Copies of the Bid Form and Specifications can be found online at the Town of Petersburgh webpage: townpetersburgh.org.

All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at noon on March 14, 2022 in the Town Clerk's office, and a summary of each bid shall be prepared by the Office of the Town Clerk for review at the following Town Board meeting currently scheduled for March 21, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

The Town of Petersburgh reserves the right to reject any and all bids for no stated reason and to waive any formalities or technicalities. Bidders are fully responsible for delivery of bids. Reliance upon mail or public carriers is at the bidders' risk. Late bids will not be considered.

Persons with general questions on the bid package may contact the Office of the Town Clerk at (518) 658-3777, ext 10.

Notice of formation of **Copeke Snow House LLC** Arts. of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/29/2021. Office location, County of Rensselaer. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC 2 Northern Dr, Troy, NY 12182. Purpose: any lawful act.

Notice of formation of **Copeke-SM Land LLC** Arts. of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/29/2021. Office location, County of Rensselaer. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC 2 Northern Dr, Troy, NY 12182. Purpose: any lawful act.

Naz General Contracting LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 09/24/21. 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, 381 Ford RD Melrose NY 12121. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

NOTICE OF THE FORMATION OF A LIMITED LI-ABILITY COMPANY. NAME: **Gray & Bloom, LLC**. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on November 14, 2021. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of the process to Gray & Bloom, LLC, 78 China Hill Road, Nassau, NY 12123. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company: Name: 2112-2124 NY 7, LLC

Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on December 22, 2021. 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 2112-2124 NY 7, LLC, 172 Edelmann Lane, Troy, NY 12180. No reported agent.

Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

Notice of formation of **Daley-Snow LLC** Arts. of Org. filed with the Sect'y of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/29/2021. Office location, County of Rensselaer. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC 2 Northern Dr, Troy, NY 12182. Purpose: any lawful act.

**EKJL DISTRIBUTORS, LLC**. Filed 9/28/21. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: Joseph Mccoy, Esq, 220 Columbia Tpke, Rensselaer, NY 12144. Purpose: General.

#### PUBLIC NOTICES

# NOTICE OF FORMATION PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (PLLC). Name: HOME SWEET SPEECH PLLC. Articles

of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, January 6, 2022. Purpose: to practice the profession of Speech-Language Pathology. Office: in Rensselaer County. Secretary of State is agent for process against PLLC and shall mail copy to 90 State Street Sta 700 Office 40 Alberta NV 12007 State Street, Ste 700 Office 40, Albany NY 12207.

#### NOTICE OF FORMATION PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (PLLC).

Name: HOGEUN CHI, DDS, PLLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, June 8, 2021. Purpose: to practice the profession of dentistry. Office: in Papagallar County, Secretary of tistry. Office: in Rensselaer County. Secretary of State is agent for process against PLLC and shall mail copy to 741 Hoosick Rd., Troy, NY 12180.

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company: Name: 101 MAIN LLC

Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on October 15, 2021. 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 101 MAIN LLC, 101 Main Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090. No reported agent.

Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company: Name: 143-145 CHURCH STREET LLC

Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on December 13, 2021. 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 143-145 CHURCH STREET LLC, 115 Railroad Avenue, Hoosick Falls, New York 12090. No reported agent. Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

NOTICE OF THE FORMATION OF A LIMITED LI-ABILITY COMPANY. NAME: MBR HOLDINGS HOOSICK LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on June 2021. 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, 515 Highland Avenue, Cheshire, CT 06410. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

Notice of the Formation of a Limited Liability Company OV Holdings LLC Arts. Of Org. filed with the SSNY on 07/20/2020. 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, 320 Gold Ave. SW, Ste. 620 PMB 1608, Albuquerque, NM 87102. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

Notice of formation of Limited Liability Company. Hartman Builders LLC filed with SSNY on 12/07/2021. Office: Rensselaer County. Gable Hartman is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Gable Hartman shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 30 Crandall Rd, Petersburgh, NY 12138. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

STARR ESTATE INVESTORS LLC. Filed 11/15/21. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: c/o Nidhi Agrawal, 3101 Stonegate Dr, Rensselaer, NY 12144. Purpose: General.

Hume Construction Group, LLC. Filed 11/17/21. Office: Rensselaer Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 106 Menemsha Ln, Wynantskill, NY 12198. Purpose: General.

**S&R 3159**, **LLC**. Filed 12/13/21. Office: RENSSE-LAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 163 Camden Ave, Staten Island, NY 10309. Purpose: General.

#### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

January 28, Friday

Fish Creek Rod & Gun Club Fish Fry Friday, 4–7 pm, eat in/take out, call 518-695-3917

January 29, Saturday

Grafton FD & Auxiliary Breakfast to Benefit Pete Westcott Family, 8–11 am, \$12 adults, \$6 children 12 & under, under 5 free, Grafton VFW/Fire Hall, South Road (County Route 85)

February 3, Thursday

Red Cross Blood Drive, 11:30 am-5 pm, First Baptist Church, 601 Main St., Bennington, VT

February 4, Friday

North Hoosick Fire Department Kids Dance, 7–9 pm, ages 9–13, \$3, parent/guardian must sign student out after dance

Fish Creek Rod & Gun Club Fish Fry Friday, 4-7 pm, eat in/take out, call 518-695-3917

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#### PUBLIC NOTICES

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

Name: **Savage Lands, LLC**. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 12/27/21. Office location: Rensselaer County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 18 West Rd, Brunswick Hills, Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: Any lawful act or

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: Ottojohn Farms LLC. Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/04/2021. 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, 9387 NY Highway 66 Wynantskill, NY. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

On 1/24/2022, Art. of Org. of **JL Caccamo Design LLC** were filed with the SSSNY. The office of the NY PLLC is located in Rensselaer County. The SSSNY is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and the address within NY State to which the SSSNY shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon it is, JL Caccamo Design LLC, 153 Locust St., Holliston, MA 01746. The purpose of the LLC is for any lawful purpose.

Notice of Formation of Domestic Limited Liability

Name: **BERLE FARM HOLDINGS**, L.L.C. Date of Formation: 12/15/2021

County: RENSSELAER Secretary of State of New York designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against LLC may be served with copies then mailed to: Berle Farm Holdings, L.L.C. PO Box 1, Hoosick, NY 12089

Purpose: any lawful activity.

Legacy Ag Supply LLC. Filed 12/21/21. Office: RENSSELAER Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 1282 Route 40, Schaghticoke, NY 12154. Purpose: General.

NOTICE OF Formation of Willbrant Holdings LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 3/9/15. Office location: Rensselaer County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 107 Mountain View Ave, Troy NY 12180. Purpose: Any lawful activities.

Inside & Out Property Maintenance LLC. Filed 1/7/22. Office: Rensselaer Co. SSNY desig. as agent for process & shall mail to: 19 Ravenwood Way, Johnsonville, NY 12094. Registered Agent: United States Corporation Agents, Inc., 7014 13th Ave Ste 202, Bklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: General.

#### **MEETINGS**

January 27, Thursday

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

January 31, Monday

Petersburgh Planning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

February 1, Tuesday

New Lebanon Zoning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall Poestenkill Planning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall or Fire Dept. Hall

February 3, Thursday

Brunswick Planning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall Nassau Zoning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall Pittstown Zoning Board, 7 pm (as needed)

February 7, Monday

Schodack Planning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall

February 8, Tuesday

Rensselaer County Legislature, presentation 5:30 pm, mtg. 6-8 pm, 1600 Seventh Ave., Troy

Hoosick Falls Village Board, 6 pm, Municipal Building

New Lebanon Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall Nassau Planning Board, 6:30 pm, Town Hall Poestenkill Zoning Board, 7 pm (as needed) Town Hall or Fire Dept. Hall

February 9, Wednesday

East Nassau Village Board, 7 pm, Hoag's Corners **Ambulance Building** 

February 10, Thursday

Brunswick Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall Nassau Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall Pittstown Planning Board, 7 pm, Town Hall (as needed) Poestenkill Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall Schodack Town Board, 7 pm, Town Hall Berlin Town Board, 7:30 pm, Municipal Complex

#### STUDENT HONORS

**Dominique Bassallo** of Petersburgh has been named to the American International College Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester.

Miranda Seacord of Cambridge has been named to the Dean College Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester.

Sofia Baldwin of Cropseyville has been named to the Alfred State College Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester.

Natalie Shudt of Melrose has been named to the SUNY Morrisville President's List for the fall 2021

Max Kipp of Hoosick Falls has been named to the St. Lawrence University fall 2021 Dean's List.

Keith Davendonis of Hoosick Falls has earned a Bachelor of Science in Human Resource Management degree from the University of Maryland Global Campus.

#### **Castleton University**

Fall 2021 Dean's List **Abigail Baskin** of Hoosick Falls Nancy McGill of Cambridge **April Myers** of Eagle Bridge Sherman Trinkle of Cambridge

#### **SUNY Morrisville**

<u>Fall 2021 Dean's List</u>

Cuyler Reynolds of Averill Park Samantha Farrara of Eagle Bridge

#### **Springfield College**

<u>Fall 2021 Dean's List</u>

Jonathan Weber of Averill Park Megan Glanton of Averill Park

#### Eastwick Entertainment

#### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

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February 8, Tuesday

"Abel Brown: Pastor, Abolitionist, Radical — A Conversation" by Sand Lake Historical Society Trustee Peter Finn, 7 pm, Sand Lake Town Hall Courtroom, 8428 NY 66, items from Sand Lake history

February 11, Friday

Fish Creek Rod & Gun Club Fish Fry Friday, 4–7 pm, eat in/take out, call 518-695-3917

February 12, Saturday

North Hoosick FD Benefit Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner for Bob Speanburgh, \$12, take out only, 4:30 pm, Fire Station

February 13, Sunday

Cabin Fever Breakout, 12:30–4 pm, free, Gospel & Bluegrass Music, Petersburgh Veterans Memorial Community Center, 71 Main St., donations appreciated to benefit the Petersburgh Veterans Banner Program, soup available for purchase

February 18, Friday

Fish Creek Rod & Gun Club Fish Fry Friday, 4–7 pm, eat in/take out, call 518-695-3917

February 20, Sunday

**Black History Step Show & HYP3st Dance Competition**, 5 pm, The Palace Theater, 19 Clinton Ave, Albany, \$25 adults, 20 students, <u>ticketmaster.com</u> or theater box office Mon.—Fri., noon—4 pm

February 25, Friday

**Jim Gaffigan, The Fun Tour**, 7 & 9:30 pm, \$49.75-\$89.75, The Palace Theater, 19 Clinton Ave, Albany, \$25 adults, 20 students, <u>ticketmas ter.com</u> or theater box office Mon.–Fri., noon–4 pm

#### **Community Calendar Submissions**

Please let us know if we should add any community events to this calendar. Email to <a href="mailto:news@eastwickpress.com">news@eastwickpress.com</a>. We look forward to posting your events here free of charge. Thanks for helping us build this paper from community involvement.

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#### Theme: Super Bowl

#### ACROSS

- 1. Shout from a ship?
- 5. Shout from the bleachers
- 8. and don'ts
- 11. Infamous Henry's number
- 12. One with COVID, e.g.
- 13. Fighter jet button
- 15. Resting stops
- 16. Not guilty, e.g.
- 17. One of Singapore's official languages
- 18. \*Home of last year's Super Bowl winners
- 20. Armor chest plate
- 21. \*Given name of 2011 Super Bowl MVP
- 22. African grazer
- 23. Greek woodland deities
- 26. Ramones' hit "I Wanna Be \_\_\_\_
- 30. Big fuss
- 31. Like certain Chili Peppers (2 words)
- 34. Cattle call goal
- 35. Scatterbrained
- 37. Bonehead
- 38. In a different direction
- 39. JetÈ in ballet
- 40. More so than eggy
- 42. Conducted
- 43. Christmas firewood (2 words)
- 45. Annotator and commentator
- 47. Soda-pop container
- 48. Unpleasant and offensive
- 50. SWAT attack, e.g.
- 52. \*Super Bowl I and II winning coach
- 55. Pertaining to a pope
- 56. Cain's unfortunate brother
- 57. Gives a hand
- 59. Anoint
- 60. BÈbÈ's mother
- 61. Season to be jolly
- 62. \*Most Super Bowl wins by one team
- 63. Snoop
- 64. Carhop's load

#### Last week's crossword solution:

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#### **DOWN**

- 1. \*Roman number of this year's Super Bowl
- 2. "\_\_\_ Misbehavin"
- 3. Santa Maria's traveling partner
- 4. Despair in the face of obstacles
- 5. "The Hobbit" hobbit
- 6. "Caribbean Queen" singer
- 7. Colloquial approval
- 8. Cold cuts counter
- 9. South American tubers
- 10. Pig's digs
- 12. Not dense
- 12. Not delise
- 13. Make corrections
- 14. \*Florida team with no Super Bowl appearances
- 19. Return punch
- 22. Come and
- 23. Lamentably
- 24. Bye, to Edith Piaf
- 25. Bottom line
- 26. \*2022 Super Bowl stadium
- 27. Upholstery choice

- 28. \*Archie to Super Bowl MVPs Peyton and Eli
- 29. Exploits
- 32. \*Super Bowl Halftime show Snoops's "last name"
- 33. Hardly a beauty
- 36. \*Like some teams
- 38. Oenophile's concern
- 40. Many, many moons
- 41. Empower
- 44. Big Dipper's visible shape
- 46. Oppressive ruler
- 48. On the wagon
- 49. Nail salon board
- 50. Feminine of raja
- 51. Mt. Everest to Earth
- 52. Aladdin's light
- 53. Christian of fashion
- 54. Result of a brainstorm
- 55. Rudolf Nureyev's step
- 58. Stallone's nickname

Last week's sudoku solution:

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3	2	5	8	9	4	1	7	6
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5	6	9	1	7	3	2	4	8
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9	5	2	3	1	8	4	6	7
4	8	1	9	6	7	5	2	3

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#### Senior News

# Hoosick Falls Senior Center

The Hoosick Falls Senior Center, 69 Church Street, Hoosick Falls, is open 9 am to 3 pm Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays with activities and lunch each day. State and County Guidelines will be posted and must be followed at all times. There will be limited van transportation to and from the center on Wednesdays and Fridays only. You must call to be placed on the list.

A congregate lunch will be served at noon on days the center is open. There is a suggested donation of \$3 per meal. In addition to congregate meals, the center offers Grab-N-Go lunches Monday through Friday.

Join us for daily activities when the center is open. Come and visit, play cards,

bingo and other games, put together a puzzle, bowl a fun game of Wii bowling, exercise, do crafts and much more. *January 31* is card day at the center. *February 2* there is scheduled exercise class at 1:30 pm. *February 4* there will be Wii bowling and bingo.

Looking ahead, the Hoosick Area Seniors will hold their meeting at the center on February 9. Plan to stay for lunch at noon followed by a guest speaker, Peter St. Germain, with Brunswick Physical Therapy. He will give some tips on how you can do PT in your home to help with the aches and pains of aging. This will be a very informative presentation that all resident 60 and over should plan to attend. On February 11 Bob Treffiletti will be back to share some special Valentine's music. Plan to come dance, sing along and listen to the music. The gym is available 9 am to noon, by appointment only for those unvaccinated or those that wish to exercise alone, and will be open to all vaccinated seniors from noon to 2:30 pm Mondays, Wednesdays and *Fridays* with no appointment needed.

Please call the center at least 24 hours in advance at 518-686-7561 to be placed on the list for congregate meals or Grab-N-Go meals so staff can make sure they have enough food prepared.

#### **Grafton Senior Center**

Rensselaer County's Everett Wagar Senior Center, 2 Roxborough Rd., Cropseyville, will be open with limited hours. State and County Guidelines will be posted and must be followed at all times. The center is now open *Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to 3 pm*, with congregate lunch and activities.

*Tuesday, February 1*, there is yoga at 10 am, followed by lunch at noon. Rachel will be at the center giving haircuts, manicures and pedicures. Please call for available appointment times.

## **Seniors Enjoy Special Music**



Rensselaer County's Everett Wagar Senior Center hosted The 1927 Music Machine band for the Center's January entertainment. Woody Strobeck, Glenn Hankle and Dave Lambert provided New Orleans style music, playing the banjo, tuba, clarinet and leading seniors in a sing-a-long. A big thank you goes out to the Albany Local 14 of the American Federation of Musicians for sponsoring this entertainment, funded with a grant from the Jim Clark Fund. Several seniors braved the cold to attend this event and had a great time.

The center is also open on *Mondays* and *Fridays from 9:30 to 11 am* for our 10 am yoga class.

February 3, lunch will be served at noon. February 8, there will be a quest speaker from Brunswick PT with some therapy tricks for our aches and pains. All residents 60 and over should try to attend this event. February 10 will be craft time. The project is a pretty wooden Valentine's heart craft. Please call to sign up so we have enough material. February 15 will be our Valentine Special Luncheon with country singer Ray Gifford.

There is a \$3 suggested donation for all lunches at the center. Please call 518-279-3413 if you have any questions, or wish to be added to the lunch list.

#### **Lebanon Valley Seniors**

Our next meeting will be at the LVPA firehouse on *February 18, at 1 pm*. We will be enjoying soup and sandwiches for lunch. In the winter months we only meet the 3rd Friday of the month. If NL school is closed we cancel any activities for that day. If for some reason we cancel a meeting you will receive an email or phone call letting you know. The January 21 meeting was canceled due to the cold.

For more information please contact Mary Defreest at 518-733-0009.

# Petersburgh Sunshine Seniors

On *September 26 through 28*, the Petersburgh Sunshine Seniors will be having an overnight trip to Lancaster, Pennsylvania. The trip will will include bus transportation, lodging, two dinners and breakfasts, excellent seats at Sight & Sound Theatre for the presentation of *David* and much more. The cost is \$418 per person, for double occupancy.

Sign up by calling Mary Lou Walters at 518-658-0136. There will be pick ups in Petersburgh, Grafton and Bruns-

# **Obituary**

#### **Edward E. Fredricks**

Grafton - Edward E. Fredricks, III, age 68, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 surrounded by his loving family. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Debra L. (Minkler) Fredricks.

Born in Troy, NY he was the son of the late Edward Fredricks Jr. and Eva A. (Smith) Fredricks. He attended Troy City Schools. He was employed with Tek Hughes in South Troy, George Washington School and retired from Averill Park School District. He was currently employed with Rensselaer County. He served for many years as a Grafton Fire Commissioner and also a Grafton Town Councilman. He enjoyed playing softball, bowling and playing cards. He was an avid fan of the NY Giants and NY Mets. His passion was spending time with his family and grandchildren. He enjoyed traveling down south every year.

Survived by his sons Edward Fredricks IV, Rollin Fredricks (Ashley Fegley) and daugh-



ter Sherrie Akin (Fredricks). Three Grandsons Landon Akin, Derrick and Eli Fredricks. Also survived by brothers William (Barb) Fredricks, Cameron (Karen) Fredricks, Arthur Fredricks (Sandy), Robert Fredricks (Diane) and Thomas "Tucker" Fredricks. Sisters Debra (Lou) Desso, Betty (Norm) Lester, Denise (Ron) Dawson, Bonnie (Ted) Ritrovato, predeceased by Carol (Scott) Selby and Mary Theresa Fredricks. He leaves behind his special friends Bill (Donna) Denue, John Farrell and predeceased by his best friend Dan Tobin.

Special thanks to the Samaritan Hospital ICU staff and comfort care.

At Edwards wishes there will be no services. Memorial contributions can be made to the Hudson Mohawk Humane Society, 3 Oakland Ave., Menands, NY 12204 or The Grafton Volunteer Fire Dept., PO Box 134, Grafton, NY 12082.

For complete obituary, or to express your online condolences, please visit <u>MorrisStebbinsMinerSanvidgefuneralhome.com</u>.

To memorialize a friend or family member, please email <a href="mailto:news@eastwickpress.com">news@eastwickpress.com</a>

#### **Church News**

#### Souper Bowl in Stephentown

In celebration of the NFL's big game, the Stephentown Federated Church, 1513 Garfield Rd., will have its own "Super Bowl" on *Sunday, February 13, at our 9:30 am service* with Pastor Chris Garrison. Bring the groceries or money you would like to donate to the Stephentown Emergency Food Pantry. The church is handicapped accessible, mask required. For more information call 518-733-5813.

# Senior News

wick. Travel insurance is available and highly recommended.

#### **Pittstown Seniors**

The Pittstown seniors will be taking a trip June 8 through 10 to the Pennsylvania Amishlands. The three day, two night trip will include lodging, a performance at Sight & Sound Theatre, a performance at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre, luggage handling, motor coach transportation and more. The cost is \$436 per person for double occupancy and \$555 per person for single occupancy. For more information call 518-478-3338.

#### 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

**Jan 28:** Ham steak w/pineapple glaze, yams, Malibu blend veggies, rye bread, fruit cup

**Jan 31:** Sloppy Joe, corn, peas & onions, round roll, fruit cup

**Feb 1:** Chicken patty w/ white country gravy, buttery mashed potatoes, sliced carrots, biscuit, yogurt

**Feb 2:** Lemon garlic crusted cod w/ tartar sauce, palsied rice, steamed broccoli, fresh fruit

**Feb 3:** Beef patty w/ old fashioned gravy, cut green beans, dinner roll, peanut butter crackers

**Feb 4:** Goulash mac & cheese, Italian blend veggies, Italian bread, fruit cup, +sandwich bag

**Feb 7:** Hot dogs, seasoned sauerkraut, baked beans, long roll, fresh fruit

**Feb 8:** Veal patty w/ marsala gravy, baked potato, Brussels sprouts, round roll, granola bar

Feb 9: Chef's choice

**Feb 10:** Chicken tenders w/ ranch, tater tots, cut green beans, rye bread, pudding

# **Coyotes Are Pairing**



Coyotes (Canis latrans) are canines native to North America. During winter months, families are formed. Pair bonding can occur two to three months before mating. Coyotes are monogamous and the pair will create or find a den. During the pregnancy, the male may hunt alone and return food for the female. The gestation period is 63 days with an average litter size of six pups. The father joins in the feeding, grooming and guarding of the pups. This photo was taken by Trix Niernberger's trail camera in the backwoods of Petersburgh.

# Another Trail Cam Find



Fishers (Pekania pennanti) are not often seen by humans in our local forests, but these hidden mammals are there. Their feet are large with five toes on each foot. On their hind paws, they have coarse hairs between the pads and toes for traction on slick surfaces like ice and snow. Their hind paws also can rotate backwards for walking down trees head first. Photo taken by Trix Niernberger's trail camera in the Petersburgh backwoods.

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## The Life of George Holcomb

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

#### **Frosty Apples for the Hogs**

the cider cheese down and left the cider to drain through the night, quite a snow storm this afternoon. This evening my two sons and James Cramp finished husking the widow Wylie's corn.

Tuesday: Today I laid up fence round my barn yard on my Rodgers farm. Today Geo P. and his hired man James Cramp worked on the Wm. B. Maxon farm, they banked up the house where he put the carrots and turnips in and dug a few carrots and worked making sheep yards. Today Mr. Basset moved out of Geo P. tenant house that is on the Wm B Maxon farm

Wednesday: I went to Hancock with one horse wagon and carried to Barker's Factory six bushels turnips and three bushels carrots at 25 cents per and got in exchange three yards satinette at 75 cts per. On the way home I called to my Rodgers farm to Aaron Merrils and got the last of my carrots he raised to the halves, which he says 31 of his baskets, which makes 155 baskets that said Merrils calls bushels I have.

Monday, November 10, 1851: We cut Thursday: I tended to chores and put my onions in the celler and I picked up frosty apples for the hogs that were under the trees. Today my two sons and James Cramp worked on my Rodgers farm making a hovel and moving barn yard fence larger. This evening we sorted over apples for market.

Friday: I went to Pittsfield with twelve bushels apples, two bushel grafted, and sold them one bushel for 75 cts and the other bushel 62 ½ cents, and the common fruit for 50 cents, and sold two bushels turnips for 50 cts. Tonight I stayed to brother F. Jay Wylie's, quite a rainy night.

Saturday: Today I remained in Pittsfield till nearly four o'clock in the afternoon for it was quite rainy. I then called to A. B. Chapin's and paid four dollars and 25 cts for a barrel flour and I paid one dollar for 14½ yds cotton cloth and six skeins thread, and 31 cts for seven pounds and 3/4 cod fish. I then came home by seven o'clock this evening. Today my boys tended to chores, it being quite rainy.

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