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County Mourns Loss of Resident

Submitted by Rensselaer County

Rensselaer County is mourning the loss of a county resident killed in a helicopter crash in Texas on Friday, March 8th, while serving with the National Guard.

Family members have confirmed the death of Casey Frankoski, a graduate of Columbia High School, who was serving with the National Guard.

The crash in Texas killed two crew members, including Casey and John Grassia, a member of the New York State Police, and a resident of Albany County. Another crew member on the flight was severely injured and is also known to be from Rensselaer County.

"We join with many across our county in mourning the passing of Casey Frankoski. Casey represents the best of our nation, a young woman who volunteered to serve and defend her country and who sadly died while in service to the United States," said County Executive Steve McLaughlin.

'We also extend sincere condolences to the Grassia family and recognize their service. We pray for the recovery of the injured crew member from our county," McLaughlin

Casey's family are well known in the county. Her father James served as Rensselaer Police Chief for years before his retirement in recent years.



The American flag at the county office building being flown at half-mast in memory of Casey Frankoski and John Grassia. Photo courtesy of Renssealer County.

BRUNSWICK BRITONKILL CSD

Tamarac Basketball Donates to American Cancer Society

Submitted by BBCS Communications

The Tamarac basketball program recently presented a check for \$21,117 to the HopeClub at the American Cancer Society for their 2023-2024 #foreverfranzy Coaches vs Cancer donation.

The ForeverFranzy featured 25 varsity boys basketball games and 9 JV games over the course of four days; 52 school districts participated in the event.

John Franz, Evan's dad, was joined by Tamarac Senior Captain Adam Rice and Head Coach Eric Medved to make the presentation to Marisa Georgelas and Lizzie Hunter of the American Cancer Society.

The HopeClub at the American Cancer Society is a special place with an incredible mission. The HopeClub housed over 550 support group meetings this past year alone, has various community rooms, a children's club, teen center, wig and hat center, kitchen, family playground, and so much more. They arrange treatment transportation and host all kinds of activities on-site such as reiki, canasta, and so much more. You cannot help but feel Evan's Franz spirit at work there.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the 2023 contribution possible through their volunteerism; next year the goal will be \$25,000. Please contact Coach Medved if you'd like to join us in the fight against Cancer. Please email emedved@brunswickcsd.org for more information.



The check from donations raised at the ForeverFranzy event being presented to representatives of the American Cancer Society. Photo courtesy of BBCS Communications.



Spring Begins

March equinox is on Tuesday, March 19, 2024

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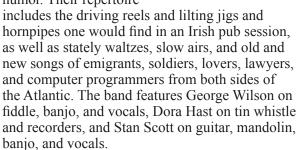
Taconic Valley

PETERSBURGH

Kitchen Céilí and Community Potluck

On Saturday, March 16th, at the Petersburgh Veterans Memorial Community Center (PVMCC), 71 Main St, Kitchen Céilí will perform. Doors open at 5:30 and the show starts at 6 pm. Adult admission is \$5, and minors are free.

We are thrilled to welcome back one of our favorite bands, Kitchen Céilí, just in time to ring in St. Patrick's Day. As their name implies, the Irish/New England band aims to serve up healthy portions of spirited tunes and songs in an atmosphere of unpretentious good humor. Their repertoire



This is also our community potluck night, though you aren't required to bring a dish. Don't forget to bring cash for refreshments and the 50/50 raffle. Those 21 and over can BYOB. Activities will be available for youth in our kids corner. The venue is wheelchair accessible. Thank you to Stewart's Shops Holiday Match Grant for sponsoring youth to attend. If you are interested in being one of our 3rd Saturday performers, please email foxhollowcafe@gmail.com



Kitchen Céilí, who will be performing at the PVMCC on Saturday, March 16th. Photo courtesy of The Fox Hollow Cafe.

WILLIAMSTOWN

April Break Activities

As part of the April school vacation break, the Clark Art Institute is offering children and families fun activities and opportunities. All vacation school week activities are free.

Sprouting with Seeds Art-Making Workshop Wednesday, April 17th, from 1 to 3 pm Recommended for ages 5 and older.

Earth Walk with Dogs

Friday, April 19th, at 10 am Advance registration encouraged; capacity is limited.

Print Room Pop-Up: Dogs and Nature

Friday, April 19th, from 11 am to 1 pm

For more information or registration, please visit <u>clarkart.edu/events</u>.

PETERSBURGH

Celebrating 100 Years

Submitted by Kim Collen



Rensselaer County Conservation Alliance (RCCA) Director Bob Davis (left) presenting Bill Shorter (right) with his Life Member Plaque. Bill was a past RCCA Vice President, Treasurer, and Fish Stocking Chairman. Bill will also be celebrating his 100th birthday this month. Congratulations and happy birthday, Bill! Photo courtesy of the RCCA.

BERLIN

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BERLIN

Annual Food Closet Corned Beef Dinner

The Berlin Food Closet's annual corned beef and cabbage dinner will be held on Saturday, March 16th, from 4 to 6 pm. The cost for the take-out meal is \$17 for adults and \$8 for children. The dinner will include corned beef and cabbage, potatoes, carrots, applesauce, roll, and dessert. The dinner will be available at the United Methodist Church at Berlin, 17 South Main Street. Reserve your tickets today by calling 518-658-2942 or 518-795-0509.

The Food Closet will offer Easter dinner boxes to needy families. If your family would like to reserve a dinner box, please call the Food Closet at 518-658-2942 or 518-795-0509 (you can text this number also). Dinner will include turkey or ham, potatoes, yams, vegetables, rolls, and dessert. This meal is free to needy families in the Berlin and Petersburgh area. Pick-up for the meal will be from 9 to 10 am, on Saturday, March 23rd. please visit www.stephentownlibrary.org.

STEPHENTOWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY BERLIN FREE TOWN LIBRARY

Story Time

Wednesdays at 10 am

Dungeons and Dragons

Wednesdays at 5 pm

Mahjong

Thursdays at 4 pm

Create a Pollinator Paradise Garden

Saturday, March 16th, at 11 am

This program is presented by Chris Ferrero, retired corporate marketing director, trained as a Cornell Master Gardener in New York. She regularly consults on challenges like shade gardening, deer deterrence, and pollinator gardening with native perennials and flowering shrubs, and she has designed gardens that are recognized by Pollinator Pathways and the National Wildlife Federation.

All programs at the Stephentown Library are free for all to attend. For more information or to register,

PETERSBURGH PUBLIC LIBRARY

For more information, or to register for a program,

please call the library at 518-658-2231, or email

Wednesdays at 11 am • For toddlers and preschoolers

Local Author Reading: Alan Webster

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Storytime

director@bftl.org.

Story Time

Stitch Group

New members are welcome.

Saturday, March 16th, at 4 pm

Easter Arts and Crafts

Thursday, March 28th, at 4 pm

available to purchase.

All ages are welcome.

Fridays at 3 pm

Tuesday, March 19th, at 10:30 am

Baby Cafe

Tuesday, March 19th, at 12:30 pm

Creative Writing

The meeting on Tuesday, March 19th has been canceled, having been moved to another date earlier this month.

Book Group

Thursday afternoons

Although the displays might be moved for an upcoming art exhibition, Petersburgh t-shirts and hoodies are still available for purchase. Remember we have youth sizes of the t-shirts for only \$14.

Wednesday, March 20th, at 6 pm The group will discuss Angle of Repose by Wallace Stegner. Their selection for April is *The* Night Circus by Erin Morgenstern. Copies are available at the library.

Knitters and Stitchers

BERLIN

Ukrainian Pysanky Egg Workshop

On Saturday, March 23rd, from 10:30 am to noon, The Stephentown Art Guild and photographer/art educator Shannon DeCelle will host a Pysanky Workshop at 17 Cherry Plain Square. Pysanky is the Slavic folk art tradition of decorating eggs using a wax-resistant dye technique similar to batik. All skill levels are welcome and participants should be at least 12 years old. Each participant will leave with a completed decorated egg. All materials are supplied. To register, please visit tinyurl.com/ SAGpysanky. The workshop is \$35 per person.

STEPHENTOWN

Community Solar Update

Submitted by Bill Jennings

Progress continues with the Stephentown Community Solar Campaign. As of Monday, March 4th, we have at least 56 Stephentown residents who are now fully enrolled in the program. This means we are only 4 subscribers short of reaching our tier 2 goal of 60. We hope you will help us reach this goal very soon.

The first 10 subscribers qualified the Town of Stephentown for a NYSERDA tier 1 energy efficiency grant of \$5,000. This will be used for a professional Energy Audit of the Town Hall to identify the next steps needed. The next 50 subscribers, for a total of 60, will qualify the town for an additional \$10,000 in grant funds to begin to address these steps.

In addition to the 56 residents, the Town of

Stephentown has signed up all 3 of its NYSEG accounts for Community Solar: the Town Hall, the Highway Garage, and the Transfer Station. Unfortunately, these municipal accounts do not count towards the tier 2 goal.

The Stephentown Clean Energy Committee has reached out to all those who initially indicated interest in subscribing but have not successfully finished the enrollment process. If just a few of these become subscribers, we will be over the top. The committee stands ready to help anyone needing assistance, or if there are questions that need to be answered.

The Campaign will continue until at least April 15th. To sign up, please go to powermarket.io/ stephentown.html. There is no cost to sign up and

> subscribers should see about a 10% reduction in their annual NYSEG electricity bill. Questions can be directed to the Committee at stephentowncec@ gmail.com. Information continues to be available at the Town Clerk's office, the Stephentown Memorial Library, the Stephentown Clean **Energy Community** Facebook page, and on the Town's website, townofstephentown.org.



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There will be a short meeting on Wednesday, March 20th at 7pm At the American Legion Hall, 15 Railroad St.

We will be talking about the redistricting and candidates running in 2024 and sign petitions for each Berlin district for these candidates.

Central County

TROY

Local Man Facing Drug Charges

A Troy man is facing drug charges following a year-long investigation by the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office.

Michael Peabody, 55, is being charged with one count of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 1st degree, three counts of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 2nd degree, one count of Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance 3rd degree, and one count of Criminal Possession of a Weapon 4th degree.

A search warrant was executed by the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Unit as well as the Sheriff's Emergency Services Unit on Friday, March 8th, where Peabody was found to be in possession of over a pound of cocaine and fentanyl, 356 grams of methamphetamine, a loaded rifle, \$1,380 in US currency, scales, and packaging. The seized narcotics have an estimated street value of approximately \$100,000.

Further investigation led to the seizure of fourteen illegal handguns and four additional rifles located in the City of Troy. The investigation is

Peabody was arraigned in Troy City Court by the Honorable Judge Kathleen Robichaud and remanded to Rensselaer County Jail without bail. There are no further details at this time.

POESTENKILL

Who's Who in Town Hall

Join your neighbors in the first of a series of Who's Who in Poestenkill Town Hall on Saturday, March 16th, at 10 am, at the First Baptist Church, and on Tuesday, March 19th, at 6 *pm*, at the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Supervisor Tom Russell will be hosting a meet and greet with Town Clerk Sue Horton and Highway Superintendent DJ Goyer.

This is an opportunity to learn more about what services our town officials provide, and how they may assist town residents. Coffee and cookies will fuel our informal conversations.

Income Tax Assistance

Hudson Valley Community College is working with the United Way of the Greater Capital Region for the second straight year to host Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), a national program where community members can work, for free, with IRS-certified volunteers to prepare their federal and state tax returns.

VITA will be in the Bulmer Telecommunications Center, Room 216, from 1 to 3:30 pm on March 8th, and 22nd, as well as April 5th and 12th.

VITA is open to all students, staff, and surrounding community members who meet eligibility requirements. You can find out more information and make an appointment (required) by visiting unitedwayger.org/cash/locations.

VALLEY FALLS FREE LIBRARY

Dungeons and Dragons Club

First and third Tuesdays of the month, from 6 to 8 pm

Lego Time

Fridays, from 3 to 6 pm

Book Club

Third Monday of the month, at 10:30 am For info, contact 518-753-0442 or <u>jljmarino@icloud.com</u>.

Children's Storytime

Wednesdays at 10 am

Monthly Bird Walk

Second Thursday of the month, at 9:30 am

Family Bingo and March Trivia Night

Friday, March 15th, at 6:30 pm Come on out and enjoy an evening of family bingo. We will also have some fun trivia for March holidays. There will be some non-monetary prizes for the winners and some yummy snacks.

Events are for kids of all ages, with adult supervision, unless otherwise specified. To register for a class, or for more info, call 518-753-4230 or email circulation @valleyfallslibrary.org.

GRAFTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Free Books, DVDs, and Blu-rays

We have a great selection of used books, DVDs, and Blu-rays. Stop in whenever the library is open.

Food Pantry Drop-Off

Non-perishable, not expired food donations can be dropped off. Please don't leave items outside.

Lego Club at the Library

Mondays, except for holidays, from 3:45 to 5 pm Bus or in-person drop-off. STEAM projects and games.

Storytime and Music

Wednesdays at 10:30 am

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BERLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

March Madness Tournament of Books

Submitted by BCS Communications

During the month of March at Berlin Elementary School (BES), students in grades K through 2 will participate in the second annual March Madness Tournament of Books to celebrate National Reading Month. The book tournament is modeled after March Madness in college basketball. Each week students will listen to two read alouds in their classroom and vote on which they liked more. The winning books advance until there is a champion.

Find a list of the books on the district's website at <u>berlincentral.org</u>. If you would like to read these books at home with your Mountaineers, check your local libraries, one of our district's best resources.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Berlin Central School District (BCSD) Literacy Coach and organizer Mrs. Glickman by emailing her at aglickman@berlincentral.org.

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For more information about BCSD community libraries, please visit their websites: Berlin: bftl.org

Grafton: graftoncommunitylibrary.org Petersburgh: petersburghpubliclibrary.org Stephentown: stephentownlibrary.org

Sheriffs' Institute Summer Camp

Courtesy of the RCSO

The Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office is currently accepting applications for this year's New York State Sheriffs' Institute Summer Camp.

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 immuniza-

tions and have received a medical physical after May 1st, 2023. This year's camp session runs from Sunday, July 28th through Saturday, August 3rd.

Student Honor

Rachel Bortnick of Cropseyville has been inducted into the Eta Sigma Chapter of the Beta Beta Beta National Biological Honor Society.

Detailed information about the camp may be found at www. sheriffsinstitute.org

Applications may be obtained

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 29th.

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Central County

BERLIN CSD

Artwork Selected for Online Gallery

Submitted by BCS Communications



Photo courtesy of BCS Communications.

BERLIN CSD

Dramateers Present: School of Rock

Submitted by BCS Communications

The Berlin Dramateers present: School of Rock the Musical. Performances will take place March 22nd at 7 pm, March 23rd at 7 pm, and March 24th at 2pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students, and free for children under 2 years old.

Please note that this musical is rated PG-13 due to mature language and content. This show is not suitable for all audiences.



Congratulations to the Berlin Mountaineers whose artwork was selected to be part of the WMHT Youth Art Month online gallery. BES Art Teacher Mrs. MacDonald and BMS Art Teacher Mrs. DeCelle are very excited to see their students' work being celebrated in the gallery this month.

Elementary School

5th Grade Mason Fowler Erin Stott Elizah Harrison Jocelyn Webster (not in photo) Otis Corbet (not in photo) Timothy Etman Christopher La Mountain Addyson Niegoda Shayana Peterson **Quinnrose Hastings**

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POESTENKILL LIBRARY

Storytime with Ms. Sherry

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Mini Musicians with Ms. Kate

Monday, March 18th, at 11 am

Teen and Adult Craft

Thursday, March 21st, at 6 pm Diamond art greeting cards; registration required.

Seed Swap and Soil Testing

Wednesday, March 27th, at 6 pm

Beginner Embroidery Eggs

Thursday, March 28th, at 6 pm Registration required.

Silent Book Club

Tuesday, March 26th, at 6 pm

For more information or to register for events, please contact the library at 518-283-3721 or visit PoestenkillLibrary.org.

SAND LAKE TOWN LIBRARY

Spelling Bee

If you love word games, join the fun at the Sand Lake Town Library Friends' second Spelling Bee. We heard from many people that we should do it again, so we are: Friday, March 22nd, at 7 pm at the Sand Lake Center for the Arts. Teams of two will compete in a written round, and finalists in an oral round. We are challenging local boards, businesses, clubs, community workers, politicians, restaurants, and other groups to compete.

Spelling words will be selected with adults in mind so team up with someone from your hive to participate or just come to watch. High schoolers may form teams, but one member must be 18 or older. Children ages 10 to 13 can be on a team with an adult age 18 or over. Children under age 10 may attend, but cannot participate. Email sltlfriends@gmail.com for registration and event information. We are buzzing with excitement and look forward to seeing you at our bee.

BERLIN/BRUNSWICK

Elmer A. Grogan Scholarship

Applications are being accepted for the Elmer A. Grogan Scholarship award of \$500 for the best essay on "What Freedom Means To Me" by a graduating senior from either Berlin or Brunswick Central School Districts, including those who are homeschooled or going to private school but live within the two districts. The essay should be between 250 and 500 words. The scholarship is being given by the Carner, Etman, Smith V.F.W. Post 6340 in memory of former member Elmer A. Grogan.



Hoosick Falls & Surrounding Areas

HOOSICK FALLS

St. Patrick's Parade and Irish Festival

Saturday, March 16th

Submitted by Kevin O'Malley

The Hoosick Falls St. Patrick's Parade and Irish Festival is here! Jack Fitzsimmons will be the Grand Marshal of the 2024 Hoosick Falls St. Patrick's Parade. Jack is the proprietor of Barbecue Recreation on Route 22. The Barbecue and the Fitzsimmons family are community supporters giving back to the school and many other youth organizations, and grand supporters of the Hoosick Falls St. Patrick's Parade.

The parade will begin at 1 pm from Wood Park, processing down Main St, John St, Church St, Willard St, and back down Main St. This year's parade will feature The Taconic Pipe Band, The Yankee Doodle Band, The Capital Brass Band, The Cambridge Band, and many floats and marchers.

After the parade, the Irish Festival will be at the Hoosick Armory and other area locations. The Armory will host the band Craic Agus Ceol with music, dance with Hubbard Hall Irish Dance, Taconic Bagpipes, and your favorite foods.

HOOSICK

New Assessment Values

Submitted by Sheri Cassabella

Town of Hoosick Assessor Tiffany McMahon has announced that change of assessment notices are now being mailed to all property owners within the town. Instructions will be included with each notice indicating the procedure for submitting an informal review and where to get additional information. Assessor McMahon reminds property owners to focus on the full market value estimate. If you do not agree with this estimate and can offer proof for a change, you can follow the process of submitting an informal review.

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HOOSICK

Lions' Annual Penny Hunt

Submitted by Joyce Brewer



The Easter Bunny with penny hunt participants from 2023. Photo courtesy of Joyce Brewer.

The annual Penny Hunt, which the Lions have been hosting since 1960, is scheduled for Saturday, March 23rd, at 1 pm, in Wood Memorial Park. The rain date is the following Saturday, March 30th. This fun family event is great for all kids. Kids up to age 9 can participate in the penny hunt portion of the day and the older ones can take their chances with the egg toss.

Rumor has it the Easter Bunny may come hopping through, and he does love to have his photo taken with kids of all ages.

The Town of Hoosick Lions Club is a service organization that focuses on eyesight and hearing for youth and adults. The Town of Hoosick club has been in existence since 1960 and we are always welcoming new members. We are proud to be part of the Lions Club International, the world's largest service club organization with more than 1.4 million members in approximately 46,000 clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas around the world.

HOOSICK FALLS

Pie Sale

On *Friday, March 29th*, the Hoosick Grange will be having a pie sale from 9 am to noon. Pies must be pre-ordered, and can be regular or gluten-free.

Available flavors are apple, blueberry, raspberry, cherry, lemon meringue, pumpkin, peach, and strawberry rhubarb for \$15 each. Pecan and mincemeat are available for \$20 each.

Please call 203-648-8750 to order.

Cemetery Meeting

The annual meeting of the Hoosick Falls Cemetery Association will take place on *Monday*, *March* 18th at 4:30 pm, at the Louis Miller Museum, 166 Main Street. The meeting is open to all, but only lot owners are allowed to vote along with the sitting board. With any questions, please contact Trustee/ Treasurer Joyce Brewer at 518-686-4682.

March Dinner

The Cambridge Food Pantry March fundraising dinner will be held Saturday, March 23rd, from 4:30 to 6:30 pm, at 59 South Park St. The menu for the eat-in or take-out dinner will be old-fashioned shepherd's pie with lots of meat, vegetables, and gravy, just like Mom used to make it. To top it off, there will be a choice of delicious homemade desserts and beverages, all for \$17. The monthly dinners are sponsored by Cornerstone East Church.

CHENEY LIBRARY

Book Sale

Come on in and find your next great read at our mid-winter sale. Everything is 5 for \$1.

Knitting and Crochet Club

March 19th, at 10 am

Bring your project to the library and hang out with other crafters. Share, create, and learn new skills.

Preschool Story Time

March 19th and 21st, at 10 am

Join us for stories, rhymes, and fun! This program is geared toward pre-school children. This week we'll be reading Red House, Tree House, Little Bitty Brown Mouse by Jane Godwin.

CPR and AED Training

March 15th, at 11 am

The training will be provided by Susan Landry and is free and open to the public. The session will be approximately 3 hours long.

Golden Girls Book Club

March 19th, at 1 pm

Meet at the Wood Park Apartments to discuss this month's title, *Booth* by Karen Joy Fowler.

HOOSICK FALLS

Chili and Chowder Fundraiser

Get some chili or chowder before and during the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Hoosick Falls on *March 16th*. The sale will be at the First Baptist Church, 80 Main Street, from 11 am until 2 pm, or sold out. Options are beef or vegetarian chili, clam chowder, potato bacon corn chowder, and Falls Diner's famous corn chowder. Prices are \$3 (8 oz) and \$5 (12 oz). You can preorder by calling or texting Joyce at 518-258-5772. The Chili and Chowder Fundraiser is to benefit community events hosted by the Hoosick History and Heritage committee, such as the Hoosick History and Heritage Fair on May 18th at the Hoosick Falls Armory and programs at the Bennington Battlefield.

AARP Defensive Driving Course

Rensselaer County's Hoosick Falls Senior Center, 69 Church St, will host an AARP Defensive Driving Course on Thursday, April 4th, from 9 am to 3:30 pm. Residents 60 and over can refresh their driving skills and may be eligible for a reduction in auto insurance. Pre-registration is required, as space is limited and materials need to be ordered. The cost is \$25 for AARP members and \$30 for non-members. Checks are preferred and should be made out to AARP. Participants should sign in at 8:45 am. Bring a bag lunch or sign up for lunch at the center for \$3. To reserve your place, please call 518-686-7561.

Lenten Lunch Series

Held at the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church, 80 Main Street, Wednesday March 20th, from noon to 1 pm.



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New Lebanon

NEW LEBANON JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL

Financial Education Series

The New Lebanon Jr/Sr High School, 14665 Route 22, will be holding a free financial education series. The following programs will held in the high school library:

Keys to Financial Freedom

Wednesday, March 20th, at 6 pm

Investment Basics

Wednesday, April 10th, at 6 pm

What's Special About an IRA

Wednesday, April 24th, at 6 pm

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*, March 11th through Friday, March 22nd. Documents that should be shredded include those containing your account numbers, passwords, PINs, date of birth, social security number, etc. Documents can be brought to New Lebanon Town Hall, 14755 Route 22, on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 9 am to 5 pm.

EAST NASSAU

Medical Equipment for Residents

The East Nassau Senior Advocacy Committee, Inc. provides free durable medical equipment for residents to borrow or keep. Please call 518-712-9836 and leave a voicemail and someone will get back to you. You can also email <u>nancy@</u> ensac12062.org.

Donations are also accepted if you have durable medical equipment you don't need anymore.

NEW LEBANON LIBRARY

Family Movie Night

Friday, March 15th, at 6:30 pm We'll be watching Migration.

Make It and Take It Craft for Adults

Thursday, March 21st, at 6:30 am Needle felt beehive; please call to register.

For more information or to register for programs, please visit newlebanonlibrary.org or call 518-794-8844.

Sports & Outdoor Activities

GRAFTON LAKES STATE PARK

Pre-registration is required for all programs and events, unless otherwise specified. For more information or to register, please call 518-279-1155.

St. Patrick's Day Clover Planting

Saturday, March 16th, from 11 am to noon This program will provide information about clovers and how they are associated with St. Patrick's Day, as well as how to take care of a clover plant. All potting materials will be provided, and you'll be given instructions on how to successfully plant the seeds. This event is free, and for all ages.

Full Moon Hike

Friday, March 22nd, from 7 to 8 pm Join us as we hike through the park and talk about all things nighttime, like nocturnal animals and what goes on outside while we sleep. This event is free, and for those 6 years of age and older.

Backyard Birding

Saturday, March 30th, from 9 to 11 am Binoculars and field guides will be provided while we practice IDing from the bird feeders at the Welcome Center. Afterwards, we'll go on a short hike and practice using the Merlin app to identify birds by sound. This program is for adults, but children who have the patience and passion for birdwatching are also welcome. This event is free, and for those 12 years of age and older.

Guided Hikes

Thursdays in March, at 11 am

The guided hikes will be a mix of easy, moderate, or challenging depending on each week's planned route. We strongly encourage participants bring water, snacks, sturdy footwear, appropriate clothing for the weather, and ice traction devices. This event is free, and for all ages.

Trout Day

Thursday, April 4th, from 10 am to 12:30 pm The DEC will be providing trout at noon, and Grafton will be providing activities. Please park in the Rabbit Run parking lot.

Come on your own or bring out the whole family— Trout Day is the perfect event for all ages. Enjoy trout-shaped treats, crafts, and educational booths highlighting the wonders of trout.

The cost is \$3 cash per person, ages 5 and under enter free. Following the event will be an opportunity for children under the age of 16 to learn to fish.

Those 16 and over must have a valid NYS fishing license to participate. No pre-registration is required. This event is wheelchair accessible.

HOOSICK FALLS

Barbecue Recreation League Bowling

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Lou's Plumbing	22-8
The Jabronis	19-11
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Gallup Inn	17-13
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VIN:SN1DDL8P9LC712662, last known owner Harold Parker, to be sold on March 25 at 9:00am at Edelmann Sales Inc (Troy, NY) 518-663-5573

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PUBLIC NOTICES

EXAMINATION OF ASSESSMENT INVENTORY AND VALUATION DATA

In accordance with Section 501 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, notice is hereby given that the assessor for the Town of Stephentown has available for review assessment inventory and valuation data. An appointment to review this information can be made by calling Jennifer VanDeusen, Assessor for the Town of Stephentown at 518-733-9195 Ext 1 between the hours of 6pm-9pm on Wednesdays or 8am-11am on Saturdays.

NOTICE CONCERNING THE EXAMINATION OF ASSESSMENT INVENTORY AND VALUATION DATA

(Pursuant to Real Property Tax Law section 501)

Notice is hereby given that assessment inventory and valuation data is available for examination and review. This data is the information that will be used to establish the assessment of each parcel, which will appear on the Tentative Assessment Roll for the Town of Grafton, which will be filed on or before May 1, 2024.

The information may be reviewed by appointment in the Assessor's office at the Grafton Town Hall on Route 2. An appointment may be made to review the assessment information by calling the Assessor's office at (518)279-3565, ext 12 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to 1 pm.

Dated 11th day of March, 2024 Craig Surprise Assessor

Submissions Deadline: 2 pm Mondays

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The information may be reviewed by appointment in the Assessor's office at the Petersburgh Town Hall on Route 2. An appointment may be made to review the assessment information by calling the Assessor's office at (518) 658-3777, ext 16 on Tuesdays from 1:30 pm ot 4:30 pm.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2024 Craig Surprise Assessor

HOOSICK FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL Notice of Public Hearing

The Hoosick Falls Central School District wil hold a public meeting to discuss the appropriation of monies from the repair reserve fund ot pay for necessary repairs on March 21, 2024 at 5:30 pm ni the high school cafeteria. Community members are encouraged to attend.

Kathleen Patire District Clerk

HOOSICK FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL LEGAL NOTICE

Board of Education Petitions

Petitions ot elect two (2) members of the Board of Education are available in the District Office between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM, ot maintain a ful complement of seven (7) board members. Terms available are as follows:

- Full Three-Year Term 7-01-2024 / 6-30-2027 - Full Three-Year Term 7-01-2024 / 6-30-2027

Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the Hoosick Falls Central School Building in the District Office, no later than Monday, April 22, 2024 between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District and shall be signed by at least twenty-five (25) voters of the District, must state the name and residence of the candidate and must state the name and residence of the signer.

PUBLIC NOTICE Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law Village of East Nassau

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Village Board of the Village of East Nassau has introduced and proposed for adoption Local Law No. 2 of 2024, which will establish the speed limit of 25 miles per hour on all Village Roads pursuant to the authority granted to the Village Board under Vehicle and Traffic Law section 1643.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Village Board of the Village of East Nassau will hold a public hearing on the proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2024 on **Wednesday**, **March 13**, **2024**, **at 6:45 pm** at the Village Meeting Hall located in the Hoags Corners Ambulance building at 19 Town Garage Road, East Nassau, NY, at which time and place all those wishing to comment on the proposed Local Law will have an opportunity to be heard. Written comments will also be accepted at that time and place. A copy of the proposed Local Law is available for review at the Village Offices by appointment (contact Village Clerk at 518-794-0289) or on the Village website: villageofeastnassau.org.

By Resolution of the Village Board Village of East Nassau Diane Maguire, Village Clerk.

Wonder Oral Wellness LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 2/13/24. 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, P.O. BOX 336 Rensselaer, NY 12144. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE VILLAGE OF EAST NASSAU ELECTIONS MARCH 19, 2024

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Village Elections, for the Village of East Nassau, will be held on TUES-DAY, MARCH 19, 2024 at the Hoags Corners Ambulance Building, Town Garage Road, East Nassau, NY from 12 noon to 9 P.M. The candidates running for office are:

Mayor:

ELISA MARTIN residing at 6789 NY Route 66, East Nassau, NY running for Mayor for a 2-year term of office.

Trustees:

LYDIA DAVIS residing at 35 Garfield Road, East Nassau, NY running for the Board of Trustees for a 2-year term of office.

NICHOLAS ATCHINSON residing at 6986 NY Route 66, East Nassau, NY running for the Board of Trustees for a 2-year term of office.

MATTHEW BENESCH JR. residing at 2094 US Route 20, Nassau, NY running for the Board of Trustees for a 2-year term of office.

GERALD TREMBLAY residing at 6364 NY Route 66, East Nassau, NY running for the Board of Trustees for a 1-year term of office.

By Order of the Village Board Diane Maguire, Village Clerk www.villageofeastnassau.org

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 6, SECTION 108 OF THE NEW YORK STATE ELECTION LAW, THAT A REPUBLICAN PARTY CAUCUS WILL BE HELD AT STEPHENTOWN TOWN HALL, 26 GRANGE HALL ROAD IN THE TOWN OF STEPHENTOWN AT 7:00P.M. IN THE COUNTY OF RENSSELAER, STATE OF NEW YORK ON THE 25th DAY OF MARCH, 2024. THIS CAUCUS IS CALLED FOR THE PURPOSE OF NOMINATING CANDIDATES TO FILL EXISTING VACANCIES FOR THE TOWN ELECTIONS TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5TH, 2024.

OFFICES TO BE VOTED ON: TOWN COUNCIL (3 YEAR TERM)

VILLAGE OF EAST NASSAU PUBLIC NOTICE - BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing regarding the Tentative Budget for the Village of East Nassau for the fiscal year June 1, 2024 to May 31, 2025 will be held on Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at 6:30 PM at the Hoags Corners Ambulance Building located at 19 Town Garage Road, East Nassau. The Tentative Budget has set the salaries for elected officials as: Mayor at \$2,000 and Trustees at \$750. You are encouraged to attend the hearing or comment on the budget via email to <u>clerk@villageofeastnassau.org</u> or by mail to Village Clerk, PO Box 268, East Nassau, NY 12062 and all comments will be read and considered at the hearing. For more information, please check the Village website at villageofeastnassau.org or contact the Clerk at 518-794-0289. The Tentative Budget is available on the website under Budget Information. The regular monthly Board of Trustees meeting will take place at 7:00 PM after the close of the budget hearing.

By Order of the Village Board of East Nassau Diane Maguire, Village Clerk

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

The name of the limited liability company is **SURREAL SOUND, LLC** (hereinafter referred to as the "Company"). Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on February 28, 2024. The office of the Company is to be located in Rensselaer County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is 28 Cole Lane, Troy, NY 12180. The purpose of the business of the Company is any lawful purpose.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION OF 360 Upstate LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law. The name of the limited liability company is: 360 Upstate LLC, and the Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State November 9, 2023. The county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Washington. The secretary of state is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State will mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served on him or her is 31 Notre Dame Street, Hudson Falls, New York 12839.

Restaurante La Coco LLC

Notice of formation of the above Limited Liability Company ("LLC"). Articles of Organization were filed with the NY Department of State on November 30, 2023. Office location: Rensselaer County. Principal business location: 3301 6th Ave., Troy, NY 12180. The Secretary of State is designated the LLC's agent upon whom process against it may be served and shall mail a copy of such process to: 3301 6th Ave., Troy, NY 12180. Purpose: any lawful act.

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LAKESHORE DREAMS LLC

On 2/16/24, Art. of Org. of Lakeshore Dreams LLC were filed with the SSSNY. The office of the NY LLC 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 post office address within NY State to which the SSSNY shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon the LLC is the LLC, 34 Lake Shore Dr, Wynantskill, NY 12198. The purpose of the LLC is for any lawful business purpose or purposes.

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Senior News

Grafton Merrymakers

Wednesday, April 10th is the first meeting of the new year. We're welcoming new members 55 and over from Grafton and surrounding towns to join us. We want your input planning the 2024 bus trips. The first bus trip has already been planned. Come find out the destination, details, and be one of the first to sign up. Join us for dinner at 5:30 pm, with the meeting to discuss trips and fund raiser ideas starting at 6:15 pm. Our meeting location is the Everett Wagar Center.

We want to thank the Town of Grafton for their continued support of the Grafton Merrymakers.

Grafton Senior Center

The Everett Wagar Senior Center, 2 Roxborough Rd, is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9 am to noon, and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to 3 pm.

3/19: Eat Smart at 11; Monthly birthday celebration with trivia at 12:30 pm

3/21: The Price is Right (Grafton Senior Style) at 12:30 pm

3/26: Crafts with Justine at 10 am, \$5 per person, signup sheet on the table

3/27: Senior Feud competition, Grafton vs Hoosick Seniors, at 12:30 pm 3/28: Bingo fun at 12:30 pm

Daily seated exercise will be held at 9:30 am. Chair yoga is held Mondays and Fridays from 10 to ll am. Strings and things is held Thursdays at 10 am. Cardio drumming will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 10 am, beginning March 14th. Lunches and grab-and-go meals are served Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon. Congregate meals are eat-in or take-out. Suggested price for meals is \$3 for ages 60 and up, and \$5 for all others. Call 518-279-3413 to be added to the events or lunch list.

Hoosick Falls Senior Center

3/20: Bus trip to Syracuse with a guided tour of the Erie Canal Museum and city, then a buffet meal and gambling at Vernon Downs. The bus leaves at 7 am and returns at 6:30 pm. The cost is \$35, and must be paid in full by March 15th. 3/20: Eat Smart demo with tasting at 11 am; Monthly birthday celebration with trivia at 12:30 pm 3/21: Chicken patty parmesan, ziti w/sauce, but-3/22: Spring planting of flower seed starters at 12:30 pm tered wax beans, Italian bread, fresh fruit

3/27: Senior Feud competition, Grafton vs Hoosick Seniors, at 12:30 pm 3/29: Easter egg bingo at 12:30 pm The center is open from 9 am to 3 pm Monday through Friday. Card group meets at 10 am Monday through Friday. The gym is open from 9 am to 2 pm Monday through Friday, with exercise group on Wednesdays at 1:30 pm.

Lebanon Valley Seniors

The Lebanon Valley Seniors meet at 1 pm on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month, in the former New Lebanon fire station, 523 US Route 20. Annual dues are \$15, and no dues are required if you are over 80 years of age. If school is closed due to weather there will be no meeting. New members are always welcome.

If you would like to join, please email Donna Moshimer at LebanonSeniorCitizens@gmail. com with your address. If you have any questions please call Mary Defreest 518-733-0009 or William Shannon at 518-938-1039.

Petersburgh Sunshine Seniors

Please join us for our first meeting of the year on Tuesday, March 12th. Doors open at 4 pm for bingo, with a St. Patrick's corned beef and cabbage dinner at 5 pm, followed by a meeting to discuss trips, fund raising, and normal business at 6 pm. Please bring a side dish or dessert for the common table. For further information, please call Barbara Holms at 518-658-0306.

Stephentown Seniors

Regular meetings are on 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.

Senior Menu

3/15: Butter crumb cod w/tartar sauce, parslied rice, candied carrots, tropical fruit cup 3/18: Swiss steak w/tomato gravy, baked potato, Harvard beets, whole wheat bread, fresh fruit 3/19: Crustless turkey pot pie, diced potatoes, peas and carrots, biscuit, mandarin orange cup 3/20: Chef's choice

Church Directory

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

CENTER BRUNSWICK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 990 Hoosick Road, Troy, NY invites you to join us for worship on Sunday Mornings at 9 am or virtually on YouTube at Center Brunswick UMC. Jubilation Station for youth and adults is Sunday at 10:15, youth group at 4:30. Choir is on Tuesday and Bible study on Thursday. Contact <u>b.bowen.carr@</u> gmail.com to be added to the distribution list. Follow us at centerbrunswickumc.company. All are welcome, Pastor Joel Holcomb.

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR – 14660 Rt 22, New Lebanon, NY 12125, 518-938-1193. We are an Episcopal Church celebrating service at 8:30 am. Celebrant Rev. Frank Lockwood. Service is also available on Facebook at Church of Our Saviour and Zoom 81631484770, password 272813.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF HOOSICK FALLS

- 80 Main Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090, Pastor Hector Meza. Worship Service at 10:00 am each Sunday, in person or an audio of service is available on our website at firstbaptistchurchhf.com.

Sunday School for ages 4-12 is held during the Worship Service. For more information you may call the church office at 518-686-5779.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF HOOSICK FALLS

- 80 Main Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090. Sunday morning worship in person at 10 am. Audio of services available on our website firstbaptistchurchhf.com. All are welcome.

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

GRAFTON BAPTIST CHURCH - 11 Owen Road, Grafton, NY 12082. Sunday School at 9:30 am, Sunday fellowship coffee at 10:20 am, Sunday worship at 10:45 am. Tuesday am women's bible study (call Chris at 518-279-1467 for information). Wednesday bible study at 6:30 pm. Thursday breakfast from 9 to 11 pm.

HOOSICK FALLS COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

CHURCH – 484 Hill Road, Hoosick Falls NY. Rev. Jonathan Youngmann. Contemporary Worship Service at 10 am each Sunday, in person and livestream on YouTube or FB. Check out our website at HoosickFallsCAC.org. Sunday School, youth, and young adult services take a hiatus during the summer. Adult Prayer Tuesday at 7 pm. For more info, call the church office at 518-686-3269.

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Church News

Lent and Easter Services

Stations of the Cross

St. Patrick's Church, 17 South Park St, Cambridge, Fridays during Lent at 5 pm Immaculate Conception Church, 73 Main St, Hoosick Falls, Fridays during Lent at 3 pm

Holy Thursday

Holy Cross Church, 249 N. Main St, Salem, March 28th, at 6 pm, with a Potluck Dinner to follow

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross, Holy Cross Church, 249 N. Main St, Salem, March 29th, at noon Way of the Cross, Immaculate Conception Church, 73 Main St, Hoosick Falls, March 29th, at noon Good Friday Service, St. Patrick's Church, 17 South Park St, Cambridge, at 6 pm

Easter Vigil

Immaculate Conception Church, 73 Main St, Hoosick Falls, Saturday, March 30th, at 8 pm

Easter Sunday Mass

Holy Cross Church, 249 N. Main St Salem, at 8:15 pm Immaculate Conception Church, 73 Main St, Hoosick Falls, at 10 am St. Patrick's Church, 17 South Park St, Cambridge, 11:30 am

Gilead Lutheran Church

This month's Gilead's Body & Soul Pantry meal will be held on Thursday, March 28th. The meal will be chicken and biscuit, with peas and carrots, and dessert. We will be evaluating our take-out policy after this month's meal. As the cost of food creeps up, and the cost of take-out containers has increased, we may have to limit take-outs.

Gilead Lutheran Church will hold their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30th. Doors will open at 10:30 am, and you can enjoy activities, cookies, and drinks before you start your search. The egg hunt will begin at 11 am. We welcome all our hunters ages 12 and under.

We encourage you to bring a basket to put your eggs in. Gilead is located at the intersection of Routes 7 & 278 in Brunswick.

Grafton Baptist Church

We offer a free breakfast every Thursday from 9 to 11 am. All are welcome.

Hoosick Falls Immaculate Conception Church

Join us for fish fry or homemade macaroni & cheese dinners on Fridays through March 22nd, from 5 to 7 pm, at Immaculate Conception Church. Fish fry dinner includes haddock, French fries, coleslaw, and dessert for \$15. Macaroni & cheese dinner includes dessert for \$5. Beverages are available for purchase. Meals are eat-in or take-out.

Hope United Methodist Church

Holy Week schedule at Hope United Methodist Church, 566 Brunswick Rd, Brunswick: **Palm Sunday** – *March 24th, at 10:30 am* **Holy Thursday** – *March 28th, at 6 pm*Reservations required by calling 518-663-0149. **Easter Sunday Sunrise Communion** – *Sunday, March 31st, at 6:30 am*

Easter Sunday Worship – Sunday, March 31st, at 10:30 am

Johnsonville Methodist Church

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 April 3rd and 6th). We have a great selection of adult and children's seasonal clothing, vintage, jewelry, shoes, linens, toys, puzzles, books, and much more.

Petersburg Baptist Church

The Taconic Community Choir has begun rehearsals for our annual Easter Concert; all singers are invited to join. Our choir practices will be on Sundays at 1 pm at the Petersburg Baptist Church. The Easter Concert will be held on Sunday, March 24th, at 2 pm at the church.

Sand Lake Baptist Church

Holy week service schedule at Sand Lake Baptist Church, 2960 NY 43, Averill Park, is as follows: Palm Sunday Service – March 24th, at 11 am Upper Room Service – March 28th, at 7 pm Good Friday Service – March 29th, at 7 pm Sunrise Service – March 31st, at 7 am Easter Service – March 31st, at 11 am A free breakfast will be served following the Sunrise Service. All are welcome to attend.

Stephentown Seniors

At their regular meeting on Thursday, March 21st, at 1 pm, the Stephentown Seniors will continue the celebration of St. Paddy's Day with a corned beef and cabbage dinner. If members have not already registered for this, please call ahead by March 17th to do so. New members are always welcome.

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. Membership is \$10 per year. Guests are welcome. For further information call Yvonne Meekins at 518-733-5341. For trip reservations call Judy Hunt at 518-733-5755.

Zion's United Church of Christ

On Saturday, May 4th, Zion's United Church of Christ, 741 Taborton Road, Sand Lake, will be having a free to the community concert featuring the Algonquin middle school band and a spaghetti dinner. The concert starts at 4 pm, followed by dinner at 5 pm. For reservations, which are recommended, please call Diane Hoffman at 674-2746 or Tracy Mohan at 669-4494.

Obituary

Raymond D. Snyder Jr.

Petersburgh - Raymond D. Snyder Jr., 95, passed away on Thursday, March 7th, 2024, at the Center for Nursing & Rehabilitation in Hoosick Falls, NY. He resided in Petersburgh and was the husband of the late Joyce (Mason) Snyder.



Ray was born on January 19th, 1929,

in Troy, NY, son of Raymond D. and Mary (Pickett) Snyder. He graduated from Berlin Central School in 1947 and was employed as a Custodian and then maintenance of Buildings and Grounds at the Berlin Central School. He was an active member of the Petersburg Baptist Church where he was a deacon, lay preacher, Sunday school teacher, clerk, and took care of the church grounds. Ray was also a Fireman with the Petersburg Fire Department for forty-two years, and served on the Petersburg Town Board for eight years. He also enjoyed woodworking.

Survivors include his daughters Carol Alderman of Berlin, NY and Nancy Snyder of Butner, NC; his grandchildren April (Joe) Bink of Halcottsville, NY, Thomas (Brenda) Alderman of Postenkill, NY, William (Lisa) Alderman of Ashburn, VA; also five great grandchildren. He was predeceased by his brother Marvin Snyder.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, March 12th, from the Petersburg Baptist Church on Route 22. Burial followed at Meadowlawn Cemetery in Petersburg. Arrangements are under the care of the Mahar Funeral Home, 43 Main Street in Hoosick Falls, NY.

Church Directory

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

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH – 73 Main Street, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090. Masses: Saturdays at 4 pm and Sundays at 10 am. Parochial Vicar Fr. Peter Tkocz. Faith formation for kindergarten through eighth grade is March 3rd, March 26th, and May 7th, from 11 am to 12:15 pm. Visit our website at www.icchoosickfalls.com for high school and adult faith formation programs, and much more.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH – 732 U.S. Route 20, New Lebanon, NY 12125. Now open for indoor masses Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:30 am and Sundays at 8:30 am.

THE NORTH CHATHAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – 4274 Route 203, North Chatham, NY 12132. Adult Bible Study at 9:45 am and worship at 11 am. All are welcome. Our Clothing Barn is open from 9:30-12:30 every Saturday morning, through the end of October. If you can't make it in person our worship services are available on Zoom; please visit northchathammethodistchurch.org for details. For more information please call 518-766-3535 or visit our website.

OUR LADY OF THE SNOW – 31 Owen Road, Grafton, NY 12082. A Mission Church of Our Lady of Victory. Mass is offered Sundays at 11 am. The Food Pantry is open on Saturdays from 10 am to 1 pm. Pastor Fr. Tom Morette. PETERSBURG BAPTIST CHURCH – 19240 State Route 22, Petersburgh, NY 12138. 518-658-3834. Sunday School 9:45 am, Church Service 11 am, Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 pm.

SEVENTH DAY BAPTIST CHURCH OF BERLIN – 41 North Main Street, Berlin, NY, 12022. Weekly worship on Saturdays at 10:30 am (either in person or live streamed at <u>youtube.com/berlinseventh-daybaptistchurch</u>). Youth group for grades 3–12 Wednesdays at 7 pm. Pastor Matthew Olson.

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

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AT BERLIN – 17 South Main Street, Berlin, NY 12022. Welcomes all to their Sunday morning service at 11 am. The church is handicapped accessible and those choosing to view from home may tune to our YouTube channel, https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVcG-w9XngFRFe7iMLm9Tk5A, or search United Methodist Church at Berlin NY. Past services are also available for view. Minister Katelyn Bradwell.

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

ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST – 741 Taborton Road, Sand Lake, NY 12153, 518-674-1039. Weekly Sunday services live at 10 am. Sunday school starts in the church 10 am the second and third Sundays of each month. Sunday Service speaker Val Gray.

Community Calendar

March 15 - 17, Friday - Sunday

The Addams Family, 7 pm Fri & Sat, 2 pm Sun, adults \$10, students \$5, CCS at Hubbard Hall, Cambridge

March 16, Saturday

Who's Who in Poestenkill Town Hall, 10 am, First Baptist Church, meet and greet with refreshments

Chili & Chowder Fundraiser, 11 am - 2 pm (or sold out), 8 oz \$3, 12 oz \$5, First Baptist Church, 80 Main St, Hoosick Falls, supports community events hosted by Hoosick History & Heritage Committee, preorder: Joyce at 518-258-5772

St. Patrick's Parade & Irish

Festival, 1 pm parade starts from Wood Park, Hoosick Falls, festival at Hoosick Armory & other area locations, contact Kevin O'Malley at 518-894-5034 or hoosickkid@ gmail.com for info/to enter parade

Berlin Food Closet Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner, 4 – 6 pm, adults \$17, minors \$8, United Methodist Church, 17 South Main St, reservations: 518-658-2942 or 518-795-0509

Kitchen Céilí Performance, doors 5:30, show 6 pm, \$5 (minors free), PVMCC, 71 Main St, Petersburgh, community potluck, refreshments for sale, 50/50 raffle, kids' corner, 21+BYOB

March 17, Sunday

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

March 19, Tuesday

Organ Concert, noon, free, Proctors GE Theatre, Schenectady, Lonnie Kulick & Ben Reavis play spring themed concert, info: atproctors.org/event/organ-concertseries-2023-2024

Who's Who in Poestenkill Town Hall, 6 pm, Evangelical Lutheran Church, meet and greet with refreshments

March 20, Wednesday "Keys to Financial Freedom"

Presentation, 6 pm, free, New Lebanon Jr/Sr High School library, 14665 Route 22

March 22, Friday

Spelling Bee, 7 pm, Sand Lake Center for the Arts, teams of two (at least one adult) compete in written round, finalists in oral round, info/ register: sltlfriends@gmail.com

March 22 - 24, Friday – Sunday

School of Rock the Musical, 7 pm Fri & Sat, 2 pm Sun, adults \$10, students \$5, Berlin Middle/High School, rated PG-13

The Addams Family, 7 pm Fri & Sat, 2 pm Sun, adults \$10, students \$5, CCS at Hubbard Hall, Cambridge

March 23, Saturday

Pysanky Egg Workshop, 10:30 am – noon, \$35, Stephentown Art Guild at 17 Cherry Plain Square, ages 12+, materials provided, register: tinyurl. com/SAGpysanky

HF Lions Club Penny Hunt, 1 pm, Wood Park, Hoosick Falls, egg toss for older kids, Easter Bunny, rain date 3/30

Cambridge Food Pantry Shepherd's Pie Dinner, 4:30 - 6:30pm, \$17, 59 South Park St, eat-in or take-out fundraiser

March 24, Sunday

"Hosanna to the King!" Choir Concert, 2 pm, Petersburg Baptist Church, Taconic Valley Community Choir presents Easter Cantata, refreshments following

March 29, Friday

Hoosick Grange Pie Sale, 9 am noon, \$15/\$20 depending on flavor, gluten-free available, pre-order required: 203-648-8750

Contact <u>news@eastwickpress.com</u> to alert us about any events that we should add to our calendar. Thank you for your involvement!

Crossword

Crossword Theme:

Spring's In The Air

ACROSS

- 1. College cadet program
- 5. Comedian Schumer
- 8. Not square
- 11. October birthstone
- 12. Dueling weapon
- 13. FlambÈ
- 15. Capital of Azerbaijan
- 16. Rugged rock
- 17. Actress Vergara
- 18. *What many chicks are doing in spring
- 20. "Me and Bobby McGee" singersongwriter
- 21. *What the weather does in spring across the U.S.
- 22. Make a seam
- 23. Old name for 5-iron in golf
- 26. Facing
- 30. 20s dispenser
- 31. Bodily fluids
- 34. Steak choice
- 35. Dungeness and snow, e.g.
- 37. "Chapter" in history
- 38. African antelope

- 39. Republic of Ireland
- 40. Made a feline sound
- 42. 34th U.S. President
- 43. Knock-at-the-door onomatopoeia
- 45. the Great, king of Persia
- 47. Give it a go
- 48. Fraternity K
- 50. Dr Pepper, e.g.
- 52. *The Beach Boys:
- "Spring _____, good

- vibration"
- 55. Member of Nahuatl people
- 56. #23 Across, e.g.
- 57. Articulated
- 59. Salary increase
- 60. Umbilical connection
- 61. Volcano in Sicily
- 62. Robinson or Doubtfire
- 63. Bajillion years
- 64. One-horse carriage

DOWN

- 1. What highwaymen do
- 2. Moonfish
- 3. Bangladeshi currency
- 4. Type of purse
- 5. *Simon & Garfunkel: , come she will"
- 6. Wealth
- 7. Safecracker
- 8. High quality sound reproduction, for short
- 9. *Purple flower that starts blooming in spring
- 10. Fairytale insomnia cause
- 12. Like repeating tunnel sound
- 13. Off kilter
- 14. *"Spring fall back
- 19. Spring mattress filler
- 22. Acronym in a bottle
- 23. Ceremonial staff bearer
- 24. Skylit lobbies
- 25. "Designing Women" star Jean
- 26. *Become soft, as in ground
- 27. Radices, sing.

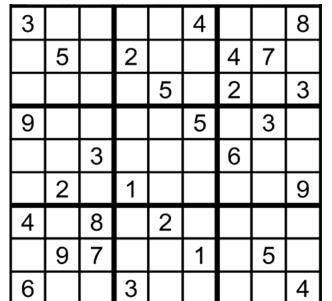
- 28. "Way 2 Sexy" rapper 29. "Battle of the
- " movie 32. Swimming
- competition, e.g. 33. Not amateur
- 36. *The : "Little darlin', it's been a long, cold, lonely winter'
- 38. Highly skilled
- 40. *Official start of spring
- 41. Make bigger
- 44. Vanish without this?
- 46. Elevates
- 48. Dry plateau in South Africa
- 49. Oak nut
- 50. Same as tsar

- 51. "The Dock of the Bay" singer
- 52. Joe Biden, once
- 53. Solemn promise 54. Pinta and Santa Maria companion
- 55. Vegas bandit's body part
- 58. *It gets longer





Sudoku



squares in the grid, making sure that every row, column and 3-by-3 box includes all digits 1 through 9.

Fill in the blank

Last week's

sudoku solution: 3 8 4 7 1 6 9 2 5

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

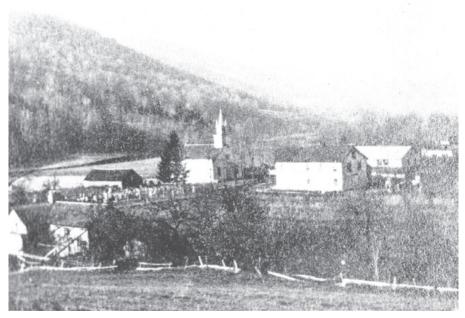


"Feather Moss" Nature Photography by Trix Niernberger, Master Naturalist

This Hair-pointed Feather Moss (Cirriphyllum piliferum) was found in the Petersburgh forest. Mosses are key in the world's carbon cycle. As mosses grow, they absorb carbon dioxide and release oxygen. They are lovely, especially in winter when not many green plants greet us in the woods.

Berlin of Yesteryear

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Our tour of Berlin of Yesteryear starts where the Little Hoosick River rises. The headwaters of the river are east of Cherry Plain — or South Berlin, as it was called prior to 1918. — SOUTH BERLIN — Community activity in South Berlin has always centered around the Christian Church and the store and post office located directly across the road. The two-story building housing the store and post office burned in 1922 and was replaced by a one-story building where the post office is still located. South of the store is Ebenezar Mattison's home. This home was used as a boarding house for "summer boarders," vacationers who spent part, or all, of the summer in one place enjoying the countryside.

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