

TROY

Veterans Day Luncheon



Culinary arts students and staff at Questar III BOCES' Robert H. Gibson Technical School in Troy and Donald R. Kline Technical School in Hudson held their annual Veterans Day Luncheon for local veterans on Thursday, November 7th, and served about 250 guests. The luncheon was initiated by students who wanted a way to show their appreciation to local veterans. The event helps the students prepare for a career in the culinary arts, where they might be involved in preparing and serving meals on a large scale, such as in a catering environment.

RHG Vet Lunch 2024 — Jadyn Chamberlain finishes a guest's plate with gravy at the Robert H. Gibson Technical School Veterans Luncheon. Jadyn is a Questar III BOCES culinary student and was part of the team that prepared and served the free meal to veterans.

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HOOSICK FALLS

Help HACA Food Pantry Feed Our Neighbors in Need

During a holiday season marked by sharing meals with family and friends, the HACA Food Pantry aims to ensure that no family goes to bed hungry. To help feed our families this holiday season, watch for our "Sharing – Giving – Serving" campaign.

With the holidays approaching, the food pantry is experiencing a record number of visitors as inflation is causing the prices of food to spike. Join us in our mission to fight food insecurity so everyone can have a delicious holiday meal.

Through the generosity of individual donors, faith communities and local businesses, HACA is able to provide turkeys or grocery card and accompanying food for families in need for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Supplies have been received and transported to the Reynolds/Gilchrest Skating Rink by the National Honor Society, ready to be packed into boxes for distribution. Distribution for Thanksgiving is on **November 23rd from 10 to noon**. Christmas distribution is **December 14th**.

Join us in our mission to fight food insecurity so everyone can have a delicious holiday meal. You can make a difference. Donations can be sent to HACA, PO Box #1, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090 notated "Holiday Fund Drive." For more information, call HACA at 518-686-5163 or email hacainc12090@gmail.com.



*HFCS NHS Students Volunteer at HACA Food Pantry. Twenty-nine of the HFCS National Honor Society (NHS) students went to the Hoosick Area Church Association (HACA) Food Pantry in Hoosick Falls. They worked tirelessly to load nonperishables onto a truck so that they could be transported to the town's skating rink. The students then unloaded all of the food so that around 200 distribution boxes could be created for Thanksgiving. **Donation Form on Page 6.***



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PETERSBURGH

Updates from the Petersburg C8 (PFAS) Group

Submitted by Claudia Kavenagh

We have several positive items to report! After much urging from the Petersburg C8 (PFAS) Group, and under order from the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), Taconic Plastics recently completed the removal of 2,400 yards of PFAS-contaminated soil from behind one of their buildings. For years, PFAS chemicals were taken up by rainwater running down the hill behind this building and carried into the Little Hoosic River where they continue to pose risks to the health of people, fish, and other animals. The DEC will monitor the run-off to be sure that at least this source of PFAS contamination is controlled.


The DEC has been very responsive to our requests to monitor the quality of the air in Petersburg. Many people smell foul odors emanating from the Taconic Plant. The more we report what we smell, the more they can help us. You can join the effort to ensure we breathe clean air by reporting bad odors using this form: truthintegritychronicle.org/ptrsbrg8

Are you wondering why you haven't received the results of your blood tests from last spring? There has been a backlog but here is help: Call Steve Forand (NYSDOH Center for Environmental Health) at 518-402-7783.

The Petersburg C8 (PFAS) Group continues to advocate for the health of our community. We are currently encouraging further investigation into the presence of PFAS chemicals in our fruit and vegetable gardens, deer, and livestock. Initial testing has been done but more is needed. Everyone is welcome to join us at our monthly meetings, held at the Petersburg Public Library at 5 pm on the first Thursday of each month.


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BERLIN

NarAnon Family Group

New Help Available for Families & Friends of Those Addicted to Narcotics

Pathway of Peace, A NarAnon Family Group, will start up on **Sunday, November 17th, at 6 pm** as a new local resource for those affected by someone else's addiction to narcotics. The NarAnon Family Groups are a world-wide fellowship offering help by sharing the experiences, strengths, and hope of those who come together in ongoing weekly meetings. The new group will be the first and currently only NarAnon Meeting in all four of Rensselaer, Columbia, Berkshire, and Bennington Counties.

The meetings will be held **every Sunday evening at 6pm** at 17 South Main Street, Berlin (United Methodist Church at Berlin) for those who know or have known a feeling of desperation concerning the illness of addiction of someone close to them. The gathering is not religious but rather a 12-step spiritual way of life and fellowship. There are no dues or fees, just come.

For more information write to PathwayofPeaceNFG@gmail.com or stop by any Sunday at 6 pm at the church hall. All are welcome.

Stephentown Lighted Parade

The Stephentown Volunteer Fire Department is once again partnering with the Stephentown Senior Citizens, the Town of Stephentown, and the Stephentown Veterans to sponsor a Lighted Parade and tree lighting on **Saturday, November 30th**. This year the tree lighting at the Veterans Park will kick off the parade – the tree lighting will be held prior to the lighted parade.

Lineup for the parade will take place at Cinch Em Up Stables, 365 State Route 43, Stephentown, beginning at 4 pm; please don't arrive prior to then. Participants will be lined up by fire department personnel. The parade will step off as soon as the tree lighting ceremony has ended. Parade participants will march from the Veterans Park over Route 43 to Grange Hall Road and end at the Stephentown Volunteer Fire Department Hall at 35 Grange Hall Road. Santa & Mrs. Claus will be at the fire hall for pictures and light refreshments.

All entries for the parade must have holiday lights. No walkers please. Entries should register on the fire department website. Head over to svfd1.org to fill out your registration form. SVFD is continuing to partner with Dollar General in the annual toy drive. Please consider bringing an unwrapped toy to donate.

PETERSBURGH

Fox Hollow Café Music and Community Potluck

On **Saturday, November 16th**, the Fox Hollow Café will host a community potluck with a musical performance by **Erik Barragán**. Doors will open at 5:30 pm and the show will begin at 6 pm. Admission is \$5 and free for minors.

As usual, this is our monthly community potluck night (dish not required for admittance). You can bring your own alcoholic beverages if you are 21+. Please bring cash for refreshments (\$1 each) and the 50/50 cash raffle (\$1 per ticket or \$10 for 15 tickets). Activities are always available for youth in our "Kids' Corner." A big thanks to Stewart's Shops Holiday Match Grant for sponsoring our youth to attend for free!

Eclectic musician Erik Barragán—guitarist, singer, and songwriter with roots in Guayaquil, Ecuador and a heart entrenched in Brooklyn, is known for his diverse musical talents. He has graced the orchestra pits of Musical Theatre classics like *Annie Warbucks*, *Brigadoon*, and *Carousel*, as well as Off-Broadway productions. At SLOC in Schenectady, he debuted as an actor and singer in the musical *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, celebrating a new chapter in his multifaceted career. Currently, Erik is involved in Latin music projects, continuing to expand his musical horizons.




STEPHENTOWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Holiday Market

On **November 29th**, Stephentown Memorial Library will open its doors to local vendors for its annual Holiday Market from 11 am to 3 pm. Avoid the mall crowds and shop local! SML is located at 472 SR-43.

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STEPHENTOWN

Barn Fire

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by Sidewinder Photography

On November 12th, the Rensselaer County Emergency Communication Center received multiple calls for a reported structure fire on Route 43 in Stephentown. The fire chief for the Stephentown Fire Department quickly arrived on scene and transmitted the working structure fire dispatch bringing the following fire departments to the scene: Hoags Corners, Taborton, Averill Park, and Stephentown Ambulance.

The chief found a large barn near the home along with multiple vehicles on fire. Upon further inspection, there was also a fire that had started down past the home from the embers from the barn. Firefighters arrived on scene and quickly stopped the fire from spreading to any other vehicles on scene and knocked down the fire in the home. A fire chief grabbed a water can and made his way down the roadway and knocked down the fire in the woods before it could spread to the mountainside due to



Photo by Sidewinder Photography.

the high winds. Firefighters worked extensively to bring the fire under control.

No injuries were reported and the fire is under investigation at this time.

PETERSBURGH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Book Group

Tuesday, November 19th, at 5 pm

We will be discussing William Faulkner's *The Sound and the Fury*. This is a different day and time for November, moving it from the regular third Wednesday of the month at 6 pm. The group will not meet in December, but reconvene in January.

Storytime

Tuesday, November 19th, at 10:30 am

Baby Café

Tuesday, November 19th, at 12:30 pm

Knitters and Stitchers

Thursday afternoons

(sometimes as soon as we open at 2 pm)

Toy Drive

We have a box in the library for the Town Toy Drive donations. The event with Santa will be on December 7th at PVMCC, so we encourage you to drop off any items by the end of November, to give Santa time to match the special gift with the right recipient. Monetary donations are also welcome!

STEPHENTOWN MEMORIAL LIBRARY

All programs at the Stephentown Library are free for all to attend! Go to stephentownlibrary.org to register or for more information.

Trivia Night Fundraiser

Saturday, November 16th at 5:30 pm

Want the chance to win \$500? And support your Library? Individuals and teams of up to 6 players are invited to join us on Saturday, November 16th in the gym of Four Fat Fowl. Your ticket purchase includes appetizers, sandwiches, dessert, coffee, tea, and soft drinks. In addition to the trivia, food, and beverages, we'll raffle off some one-of-a-kind items from local artisans and offer a 50/50 raffle. This is sure to be a very fun night in support of Stephentown's community library.

Yoga for Kids

Monday, November 18th, at 4:30 pm

These classes are ideal for 3-9 year olds. Jen is certified through Cosmic Kids Yoga. She truly believes that all children should have access to yoga, mindfulness, and meditation. Visit prancingponyyoga.com for more information. If you have a yoga mat, please bring it. Namaste!

Book Discussion Group

Tuesday, November 19th, at 4:30 pm

Station Eleven by Emily St. John Mandel

All programs at the Stephentown Library are free for all to attend! Go to stephentownlibrary.org to register or for more information.

BERLIN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Veterans Day Assembly and Breakfast

Submitted by BCS Communications



Berlin Middle High School held its Annual Veterans Day assembly, which focused on the impact and importance of service and ways to get involved. Mr. Robert Gould, chair of the Social Studies Department, has proudly organized the annual event for the past 13 years. New York State Senator and veteran Mr. Jake Ashby was this year's Veterans Day event guest speaker. As a member of the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security, and Military Affairs, Senator Ashby spoke to the Mountaineers about serving his country and community. Thank you to the Berlin Central School Community and local community for again making this year's Berlin Middle High School Veterans Day assembly so meaningful.

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Central County

Troy Turkey Trot

The Troy Turkey Trot is the nation's 12th and world's 64th oldest road race. Since its humble beginnings in 1916 when six runners entered, the Trot has grown to become one of America's most prestigious road races. The event gets underway with the Capital Region's only **Thanksgiving Day 10K at 8 am**. It is followed by the one-mile Turkey Walk and Grade School Mile at 9:30 am and our popular 5K run at 10 am. Join us in this proud annual tradition!

The Troy Turkey Trot will feature a costume contest in which individuals and groups will be awarded prizes for "Best Thanksgiving Day Costume" and "Most Unique Costume."

The Troy Turkey Trot will once again be supporting several local charities including the Regional Food Bank, Joseph's House and Shelter, and others. The need for these services is up in some cases over 100% compared to last year so your contributions will help us help them meet the demand by donating.

An event the size of the Troy Turkey Trot cannot be held without the help of the whole community. Please help continue the Troy Turkey Trot tradition of excellence by being part of the team of much needed volunteers who assemble each year to make the events a success. Please visit troyturkeytrot.com/volunteer/volunteer-registration-form to volunteer.

SWAT Operator School Graduates Join the Emergency Services Unit

From the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office

The Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office is pleased to announce the graduation of Deputy Adam Hulett, Deputy James Madsen, and Deputy Matthew Rimmer from SWAT operator school. After completing a demanding and thorough tactical training program, these deputies have shown outstanding skill, resilience, and dedication to serving our community.

During their training, they gained advanced tactical knowledge and specialized skills essential for managing high-stress, critical situations. This intense program has prepared them to respond to incidents with effectiveness and safety.

These graduates will now join the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office Emergency Services Unit (ESU), where they will play a critical role in enhancing community safety. Their expertise



strengthens our agency's capacity to respond to emergencies with precision and professionalism.

We congratulate our deputies on their dedication and hard work and look forward to their contributions to the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office and our community.

4-H Winter Fair

The Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rensselaer County 4-H program will hold a Winter Fair on **Friday, November 22nd** at the Tamarac Elementary School cafeteria from 6:30 to 8 pm. The 4-H Winter Fair will be hosted by the Clover Kids & Critters 4-H Club, and has transitioned to an open house format and all youth are welcome to attend. There will be a community service project, a place to drop off canned goods for the local food pantry, and projects for youth to make and then enter in the Winter Fair.

This year, we are offering something for parents: a workshop to create a sustainably harvested greenery candle ring. The beautiful coniferous tree greenery that decks the halls throughout December is undoubtedly one of the best parts of the holiday season. Harvesting your own greens and creating your own DIY projects also play a part in the holiday magic. Selecting the right greens to craft with and harvesting them sustain-

ably plays an important role in the process. After harvesting, some of our common coniferous evergreens fail to fare as well as others. This program will teach you how to properly select trees and collect them for future projects, as well as how to make your own greenery candle ring to take home for the holidays. There is a registration fee of \$30.

Registration is requested by Friday, November 15th. Adult workshop participation is not required; all youth are welcome to attend for free. To register for the Winter Fair and/or the candle ring workshop, or for more information, please contact Eileen DePaula at emd32@cornell.edu.

For more information about this event or other Rensselaer County 4-H programs, please contact Cornell Cooperative Extension Rensselaer County at 518-272-4210.

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Central County

GRAFTON

Christmas Tree Festival and Craft Fair



On **Saturday, November 23rd, from 10 am to 3 pm**, Greywacke Meadows, 40 Dunham Reservoir Rd, will be hosting its annual Christmas tree festival and craft fair. There is no charge for entry or vendors. Shop your favorite booths as well as many new ones, and enjoy refreshments by Hill Creek Tavern. New, unwrapped toys will be welcome for the local children. Additionally, pet food and supply donations will be accepted.

GRAFTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Lego Club

Mondays during the school year except holidays, from 3:45 to 5 pm • Bus or in-person drop-off
STEM projects, crafts & games.

Songs & Storytime

Wednesdays at 10:30 am

New Zumba Gold Session

Mondays, November 16th through January 27th, at 6 pm
Grafton Firehall (Former Grafton VFW)
10-week course for \$55; pre-registration required. Zumba Gold is a modified, lower-intensity class that focuses on all elements of fitness.

Book Club

Wednesday, November 20th, from 4 to 5 pm
November's book: *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver. Stop by the library to pick up your copy today.

Teen Volunteer Opportunity

Saturday, November 23rd, at 1:30 pm
Teens are invited to earn volunteer hours helping us organize our Lego collection and plan programming for Lego Club. Hot chocolate and snacks will be provided.

For more information, please call 518-279-0580. To register for programs, please email programs@graftoncommunitylibrary.org.

HART CLUETT MUSEUM AND VAN RENSSELAER GARDEN CLUB

Holiday Greens Show

The Hart Cluett Museum (HCM) and the Van Rensselaer Garden Club welcome you to the 68th Annual Holiday Greens Show **December 5th through 8th, open from noon to 5 pm daily**. This year's theme is "Deck the Halls with Music" with holiday music showcased in each room. The Annual Holiday Greens Show is a Troy holiday tradition that transforms 13 rooms of the 1827 Federal-Style Hart-Cluett House into a unique showcase. Members of the Van Rensselaer Garden Club incorporate fresh seasonal greens, trees, flowers, and other natural material to create expressive history-inspired displays related to the musical theme.

Free Family Night will be held on **Thursday, December 5th, from 5 to 8 pm**. A fun event for the whole family, Family Night is free admission and includes children's holiday books being read aloud under the tree, a scavenger hunt to entertain all ages, and Santa himself!

The Greens Show is one of the signature events of the **42nd Annual Victorian Stroll** which will take place on **Sunday, December 8th**. Private guided tours of the Greens Show are available. To inquire and schedule, contact Anna at adoren@hartcluett.org or 518-272-7232 x 111. Advance tickets and more information can be found at hartcluett.org/2024-greens-show.

BRUNSWICK

Fall Craft Fair

The Center Brunswick United Methodist Church (CBUMC) Annual Fall Craft and Vendor Fair will be held **Saturday, November 16th, from 9 am to 2 pm** at the CBUMC, 990 Hoosick Road, Troy. If you are interested in participating in this popular event, please email Lori Holmes at lholmes382@hotmail.com. Tables are provided for \$25 each and come with one chair. Space is limited and will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. Bring your homemade holly and jolly and help the CBUMC ring in the holiday season!

POESTENKILL LIBRARY

Toys for Tots

We are now collecting toys for the Capital Region Toys for Tots! Our donation box is located next to the community puzzle table, in front of the new release shelves. New, unwrapped toys can be dropped off any time during our regular business hours through December 9th.

Holiday Hours

Please note the library will be closed on Monday, November 11th, in honor of Veterans Day. We will also be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 28th and 29th, for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Storytime with Miss Sherry

Every Friday at 10:15 am

Crafts on Sat.

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

Children's STEM Program

Wednesday, November 20th, 6 pm
Make your own Newton's Cradle.

Let's Dish!

Thursday, November 21st, 6 pm
Holiday cookies with love sprinkles bake shop.

PITTSTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Northern Turnpike Talk

Historian Ken Gottry will give a talk on the story of the Turnpike Era (1797–1845) and the Northern Turnpike in particular at **7:30 pm on November 21st** at the Pittstown Town Hall in Tomhannock. The title of the talk is "Northern Turnpike — From a Political, Social, and Economic Perspective." The Northern Turnpike ran from Lansingburgh to Granville, passing through Pittstown. The construction of turnpikes had significant impacts on local communities. Gottry will tell of the issues that arose involving big business, big government, influential lobbyists, voting irregularities, outsourcing, corrupt public officials, and much more. Gottry, who lives in Cambridge (and was raised there), has published several books and articles on local history. He also has lectured extensively and maintains a website of historic photos of Cambridge and the vicinity.

The lecture, which is sponsored by the Pittstown Historical Society, is free and open to the public. For further information, email pittstownhs@gmail.com.

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Hoosick Falls & Surrounding Areas

Cambridge Farm and Garden to Meet

The Cambridge Farm and Garden Club will meet on **Thursday, November 21st, at 11:30 am** at Wood Park Apartments in Hoosick Falls. This will be the annual Herbinites Luncheon and members should bring a covered dish containing an herb in the recipe. Dessert will be provided by hostess Bea Peterson. Plans for the Christmas luncheon will be discussed.



HACA Food Pantry volunteers from Boy Scout Troop 65 assembling boxes for holiday distribution.

BOWLING

Barbecue Recreation

Wednesday League

Team Standings

Gallup Inn	32-18
Wack'em & Stack'em	30-20
Farmers Tires	30-20
Mag-Way	27-23
Boner's	26-24
The Jabronis	23-27
Lou's Plumbing	23-27
Lebowski Rug Co.	21-29
LaPeche	19-31
Chico's Bail Bonds	19-31

High Scores

Matt Brownell	258 252 725
Matt Longtin	287 231 717

Thursday League

Team Standings

Barbecue Recreation	39-11
Dave Clark Excavating	32-18
Snooter Scraps	31.5-18.5
Wallomsac Metal Recycling	28-22
Modern Game Pro Shop	26-24
Lo-Ridge Farm	24-26
Piece On Earth	23-27
Marshall & Sterling	16.5-33.5
B & B Salvage	15-35
Huntin' Time	15-35

Scratch Game High Scores

Michael Oakes	279
Matt Longtin	279



2025 Calendar Now Available from the Hoosick Township Historical Society

The Hoosick Township Historical Society is excited to announce the release of its 2025 calendar, featuring a collection of fabulous historical photos showcasing the people, places, and events of Hoosick Falls. This year's calendar provides a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the rich history of the community.

The 2025 calendar is available for purchase for just \$15. It can be found at the Louis Miller Museum, Thorpe's Pharmacy, or conveniently ordered online at hoosickhistory.com.

Don't miss out on this beautiful and nostalgic keepsake—quantities are limited, so be sure to get yours before they sell out!

For more information, contact:

Hoosick Township Historical Society

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Hoosick Falls & Surrounding Areas

HOOSICK FALLS CENTRAL SCHOOL



Fundraiser For: HFCS Student Travel Program

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Date: Monday, 11/25/24

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Doors Open: 6 pm

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CHENEY LIBRARY

Book Sale News

All hardcover books are currently on sale, 2 for \$1.

Knitting and Crochet Club

Tuesday, November 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

Tuesday & Thursday, November 19th & 21st, at 10 am

Join us at the library for stories, rhymes, and fun! This program is geared toward pre-school children, but all ages are welcome. All participants must be accompanied by an adult. This week we'll be reading *Bear Says Thanks* by Karma Wilson.

HOOSICK FALLS

GriefShare

For most people, the holidays are a time of joy and anticipation, but for those grieving the loss of a loved one, this season can be a time of deep sorrow, loneliness, confusion, and despair. On **Saturday, November 16th, from 10 am to noon**, Hoosick Falls Community Alliance Church will host GriefShare's "Surviving the Holidays." In this seminar, those who have lost loved ones will be given insight on what to expect and practical tools on how to navigate the season. This seminar will give you hope and encouragement as you work through the grieving process, especially during the holiday season.

Light refreshments will be served and our time together will end with a brief candle lighting ceremony in remembrance of our loved ones.

For more information or to register, call Gail Smith at 518-390-4986 or visit the GriefShare website at griefshare.org/events/250892. Registration is appreciated so we can be sure to have enough workbooks on hand.

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The Harlem Wizards are coming to HFCS on **Monday, November 25th; doors open at 6 pm**. They will be playing the HFCS Faculty Dream Team. This event is a fundraiser for our HFCS Student Travel Program. To purchase tickets, visit tinyurl.com/WizardsHF.

HOOSICK FALLS

Cemetery Clean-Up

St. Mary's Cemetery will hold its semi-annual clean-up on **November 16th at 9 am**. It is requested that all items be removed from the lots—e.g. flowers, flags, flag poles, solar lights, shepherd hooks, anything on or in the ground—by November 1st.

If you are unable to remove your items, we will have staff and volunteers who will remove and place them near the cemetery garage until Thanksgiving. After Thanksgiving anything remaining will be discarded. Routine maintenance keeps St. Mary's Cemetery a beautiful and peaceful place to visit our loved ones. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Sports

BNL VARSITY GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Wasaren League All Stars

Submitted by Berlin Central School Communications Department

Alexis Rifenburg
First Team All Star

Holly White
Second Team All Star

Anna Lawless
Honorable Mention
Second Team All Star

Girls Volleyball
Wasaren League
All Stars

Alexis Rifenburg has been named First Team All Star. Lexi finished second in the league and 10th in the section with 268 assists. She also led the entire state with 105 aces.

Holly White has been named Second Team All Star. Holly finished the season with 123 Kills which is good for 3rd in the league and 20th in the section. Holly also had 50 aces.

Anna Lawless was named Honorable Mention All Star. Anna finished the season with 74 digs and 30 aces.

These three ladies had amazing seasons and their hard work produced results. I am looking forward to what they will do in the future!

—Coach Van Vorst

Congratulations, Alexis, Holly, and Anna!

BNL VARSITY BOYS SOCCER

Wasaren League All Stars

Submitted by Berlin Central School Communications Department

Boys Soccer Wasaren League
All Stars

Logan Healy
1st Team
All Star

Cameron Van Dyk
Honorable Mention
All Star

Congratulations to Berlin senior **Logan Healy** who has been selected as a Wasaren 1st Team All Star, capping a stellar season as senior captain with 11 goals. A leader on and off the field, Healy has played varsity soccer for the BNL program for the last three years. He was also chosen for the Section 2 Capital Region Soccer Senior All-Star game, showcasing his skills to collegiate scouts. Congratulations also go to Berlin junior **Cameron Van Dyk**, who earned an Honorable Mention for Wasaren All Stars. Cameron's standout defensive season led to his selection as he finished his 3rd year playing varsity for the BNL program.

—Coach Burhans

Congratulations, Logan and Cameron!



BNL CROSS COUNTRY

Sectional Championships

BNL Cross Country traveled to Queensbury for our Sectional Championships. We had some really tough competition this year with some really fast teams. The boys ran very well with John Savaria taking the lead at 10th place with a time of 17:52. He was followed by Seth Hendricks who got 19th overall and Lance Schroder in 25th with times of 18:56 and 19:27 respectively. We also had strong performances from Nate Hendricks, Vincent Wu, Joey Zvirzdin, Eben Donohue, Ryan Wu, and Finn Buckenroth. Overall as a team we narrowly missed 4th place and settled with 5th. Lorali Spear was our lone representative from the girls team and had an incredible PR, shaving off many minutes of time, coming in at 26:11. The boys are looking forward to coming in next season with extra preparation to make sure we can secure a spot at sectionals, and the girls team might have enough to score as a team for the first time in two years. What a great season from all these athletes; we're looking forward to the next!

—Coach DeLuca

← Compilation of photos of the sectionals by Coach Shaw.



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PUBLIC NOTICES

Annual Election of the Petersburg Fire District No. 1 on December 10, 2024

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Annual Election of the Petersburg Fire District will take place on December 10, 2024 between the hours of 6:00 PM and 9 PM at the Petersburg Fire House located on Route 22 in Petersburg, NY, for the purpose of election of Commissioner for a five (5) year term, commencing on January 1, 2025 and Ending December 31, 2029.

All duly registered residents of the Petersburg Fire District No. 1 shall be eligible to vote. Any of those wishing to become a candidate should file their names with the Secretary of the Fire District at PO Box 190 Petersburg, NY 12138 by November 20, 2024.

Christina Lamphere, Secretary
Petersburgh Fire District No.1

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF BERLIN

The Town Board of the Town of Berlin, Rensselaer County, State of New York will be holding a public hearing on the 2024 Preliminary Budget on November 14, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Town of Berlin Municipal Complex, 17563 State Route 22, Berlin, New York. All are welcome.

By order of the Town Board
Sarah G. VanBuskirk
Berlin Town Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, That pursuant to Section 5.03 B (3) of the Rensselaer County Charter, a Public Hearing will be held in the Chambers of the Rensselaer County Legislature at the County Office Building, 99 Troy Road, East Greenbush, New York on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. regarding the changes proposed by the Finance Committee of the Rensselaer County Legislature to the 2025 Rensselaer County Tentative Budget.

Jessica L. Charette, Clerk
Rensselaer County Legislature

Dated: November 7, 2024
State of New York)
County of Rensselaer) SS:

I, Jessica L. Charette, being duly sworn, depose and say that the aforesaid Notice of Public Hearing is a true and accurate summary of the proceedings before the Rensselaer County Legislature in connection with the matter contained therein. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the County Legislature of the County of Rensselaer, this 7th day of November, 2024.

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

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

Please take notice that the annual election of the Berlin Fire District #1 will take place on Tuesday, December 10th, 2024, between the hours of 6:00pm and 9:00pm at the Berlin Fire Hall, located at 11 Community Avenue, Berlin, NY.; For the purpose of electing two (2) commissioners and one (1) treasurer. One (1) commissioner will serve a five (5) year term; commencing January 1st, 2025 and ending December 31st, 2029. One (1) commissioner will serve a three (3) year term; commencing January 1st, 2025 and ending December 31st, 2027. Electing One Treasurer for a 3-year term, commencing January 1, 2025 and ending on December 31, 2027.

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

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

By order of the Berlin Board of Fire Commissioners
Jennifer Burhans; Chair

SIGNATURE PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT, LLC
Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on September 13, 2024. 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 SIGNATURE PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT, LLC, 150 Lake Lorraine Way, Hoosick Falls, NY 12090. No reported agent. Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Public notice, the Planning Board of the Town of Berlin, Rensselaer County, State of New York, Rensselaer County, will be holding public hearings to consider the subdivision application of property owned by Priscilla Smith, 1159 Taborton Road, Town of Berlin, New York 12153 (Tax Map 150-1-1.1).

The public hearing will be held in the meeting room, in the Town of Berlin Municipal Complex, located at 17563 State Route 22, Berlin, NY, on Thursday, December 5th, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Frank Mace
Chair of the Berlin Planning Board

Notice of Formation of an LLC

Drain Care Septic & Sewer Service LLC

Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on August 27, 2024 with Certificate of Amendment being filed on August 29, 2024. Office Location: Rensselaer County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: Lee Lobdell, 2087 NY 7, Troy, NY 12180. This LLC was formed for any legal purpose.

MEADOWOOD TREE FARM LLC

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on JULY 10, 2024. 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 MEADOWOOD TREE FARM LLC, 559 State Route 40, Melrose, New York 12121. No reported agent. Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

Winter Solstice Hospitality Group LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 12/03/2023. Office: Washington 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, 62 Rice Lane Eagle Bridge, NY 12057. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

291 RIVER STREET LLC

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on JULY 8, 2024. 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 291 RIVER STREET LLC, 297 River Street, Troy, New York 12180. No reported agent. Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

INDUSTRIAL QUALITY MAGIC LLC

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization filed with the Department of State of New York on March 19, 2024. 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 INDUSTRIAL QUALITY AND MAGIC LLC, 153 Weatherwax Road, Poestenkill, NY 12140. No reported agent. Latest date of dissolution of LLC: None. Purpose: All legal purposes.

Notice of Formation of an LLC

Hoosick Storage Solutions LLC

Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on October 2, 2024. Office Location: Rensselaer County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The address within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is: Stanley Pettibone, PO Box 174, Berlin, NY 12022. This LLC was formed for any legal purpose.

Church News

First Baptist Church

All are invited to a Community Thanksgiving Service on Tuesday, November 26th, at 6:30 pm at the First Baptist Church, 80 Main St, Hoosick Falls. This is a great time to come together to give thanks to our Lord with thanksgiving.

The First Baptist Church at 80 Main Street in Hoosick Falls offers a crochet group each Monday at 6 pm. Everyone is welcome and instructions are given if anyone is just starting out and wants to learn.

A Bible Study is held each Wednesday at 6 pm and led by Pastor Hector Meza. Currently they are studying the book of Esther. All are welcome to attend and dig deeper into God's Word.

If you have questions, you may phone the church at 518-686-5779.

Grafton Baptist Church

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

Hoosick Falls Community Alliance Church

Once again, the Hoosick Falls Community Alliance Church (HFCAC), 484 Hill Rd, will host GriefShare, a 13-week faith-based grief support group. Meetings will take place on Tuesdays, through December 3rd, from 6 to 7:45 pm at the church. A GriefShare group is a safe, welcoming place where others understand the difficult emotions you are experiencing. You will discover what to expect in the days and months ahead and what is normal in grief. You'll learn helpful ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability, and gain solid support each step of the way.

Participants each receive a workbook filled with valuable exercises for navigating their personal grieving process. Topics include how to manage emotions such as loneliness, anxiety, sadness, anger, and regret; how to cope with the changes in your life and relationships; and what to do if you feel stuck or hopeless.

If you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a loved one, we strongly encourage you to give GriefShare a try. It will give you hope and encouragement as you work through the grieving process.

Suggested donation for registration is \$20 to cover the cost of the book, but scholarships are available for those who might find this a hardship. For more information, and to register for a group, please visit griefshare.org/findagroup, or contact Gail Smith at 518-390-4986.

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. We have adult and children's clothing, jewelry, shoes, linens, toys, puzzles, books, etc.

Petersburg Baptist Church

Come join the Taconic Valley Community Choir, directed by Karen Dixon Webster, for the annual Christmas program! Rehearsals have begun, at 1 pm at Petersburg Baptist Church, and the program will be presented December 15th at 4 pm also at the Petersburg Baptist Church.

Sand Lake Baptist Church

Join us at 2960 NY-43 for our Annual Pie and Praise Service on November 24th at 6 pm in which we worship our Lord through music and song! This is a much loved, multi-church event (with choirs). Wonderful fellowship follows the service in which a plethora of delicious pies will be served. All are welcome. Updates will be →

Senior News

Grafton Merrymakers

You do not have to be a Merrymakers member to sign up for the Christmas party on December 7th. Those 55+ are welcome to join in. The festivities will be held at Guiseppes's Restaurant, NY 7, Hoosick Falls, with your choice of chicken parmesan, roast beef, or Italian stuffed shells. The meal includes appetizers, eclair pie, soda, or coffee. The cost is \$20. Make your reservation by calling Cathy at 518-279-3231. Payment is due by November 30th.

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. Chair yoga is held Mondays and Fridays at 10 am. Strings and things is held Thursdays at 10 am. Games & Conversation is held Wednesdays at 9 am. Cardio drumming is held Tuesdays at 9:30 am. Walking for health is held Thursdays at 9:30 am. Lunches and grab-and-go meals are served Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon. Congregate meals are eat-in or take-out. Call 518-279-3413 to be added to the events or lunch list. Please call by 10 am day of to reserve meals.

11/19: 10 am Medicare appointments with Casey Bates; 12:30 pm Celebration of November Birthdays

11/21: 12:30 pm Variety Bingo

11/26: 11 am Eat Smart with Cornell Cooperative Extension; 12:30 pm Monthly Movie

11/28 & 11/29: Center closed—Happy Thanksgiving!

Hoosick Falls Senior Center

The Hoosick Falls Senior Center, 21299 NY-22, is open from 9 am to 3 pm Monday through Friday, with congregates and to go lunches served at noon. Please call 518-686-7561 by 10 am to reserve a meal. We are now offering Monday-Friday transportation to any Hoosick-area senior who would like to come to the center. Pickup times will vary based on location, begin at 9 am, and leave the center at approximately 2:30 pm. Reservations are required, and can be made by calling 518-686-7561. Card/game group meets daily at 10 am. The gym is open daily from 9 am to 2:30 pm. Exercise group led by Pat on Wednesdays at 1:30 pm. Exercise with Sonya Mondays at 10:30 am. Senior games Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at 10 am. Cardio Drumming Wednesdays and Fridays at 10:30 am. Bingo Fridays (11/15 and 11/22) at 12:30 pm.

11/18: 1:30 pm Medicare Monday with Casey

Church News

made on our website: sandlakebaptistchurch.org and on our Facebook page: facebook.com/sandlakebaptistchurch.

Stephentown Federated Church

The Stepentown Federated Church, 1513 Garfield Road, will celebrate Thanksgiving on Sunday, November 24th, with a service at 9:30 am and a food drive for the Stepentown Emergency Food Pantry and Charlie's Pantry in New Lebanon. The Valley Faith Community Thanksgiving Service will be held at 4 pm; we will be sponsoring a Thanksgiving Worship Service along with the Canaan Congregational Church and the Church of Our Savior (Episcopal) in New Lebanon. The Valley Faith Community invites everyone to this service. The building is accessible.

Bates—call for appointment

11/19: 10 am – 2 pm Medicare appointments with MJ Murray—call for appointment

11/20: 11 am Eat Smart; 12:30 pm Monthly Birthday Celebration with senior game

11/25: 10:30 am Yarn and More—Senior led in arts & crafts room; 12:30 pm Movie Monday, *Planes, Trains and Automobiles*

11/27: 12:30 pm Senior Feud Game

11/28 & 11/29: Closed—Happy Thanksgiving!

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. New members are always welcome. The Seniors have a members only Facebook page, Lebanon Valley Seniors. To find the calendar of meetings, trips, and activities, please visit townofnewlebanon.com, or for further information, please email LebanonSeniorCitizens@gmail.com with your address or call William Shannon at 518-938-1039.

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. For general information, please call Yvonne Meekins at 518-733-5341. For trip information and reservations call Judy Hunt at 518-733-5755.

UAlbany New Students

UAlbany Welcomes New Students for Fall 2024

The University at Albany is welcoming students back to campus for the start of the Fall 2024 semester, including some 5,430 new Great Danes. More than 2,800 first-year students, from 32,320 applicants, are joining UAlbany's Class of 2028, with 223 students selected to be part of the University's Honors College, and 226 students enrolled as Presidential Scholars. In addition, more than 1,000 transfer students, including about 200 transfers from the College of Saint Rose, and 1,630 new graduate students are joining the campus community this fall. The Class of 2028 is among the most diverse in University history. The class boasts an overall high school average of 90.3 percent.

The following students are joining the University at Albany for the Fall of 2024:

Aerianna Kristel of Averill Park, majoring in Non-matriculated

Kara Taylor of Averill Park, majoring in Non-matriculated

Renee Agne of Averill Park, majoring in Mental Health Counseling (MS)

Holly Buoye of Averill Park, majoring in Curriculum Development & Instructional Technology (MS)

Kaiya Leveroni of Averill Park, majoring in Social Welfare (MSW)

Morgan McIntyre of Averill Park, majoring in Human Development

Isabella Pelech of Averill Park, majoring in Social Welfare (MSW)

Delaney Munyan of Averill Park, majoring in Social Welfare (MSW)

Katie Munyan of Averill Park, majoring in Social Welfare (MSW)

Jacklyn Hicok of Averill Park, majoring in Public Health

Grace Powers of Averill Park, majoring in Interdisciplinary Studies-Environmental Science

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UAlbany New Students

Puzzles

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- Kelly-Jean O'Neill-Knasick** of Averill Park, majoring in Public Health (MPH)
- Natalie Gruszczak** of Averill Park, majoring in Digital Forensics
- Jared Pardo** of Averill Park, majoring in History
- Kyle Millington** of Averill Park, majoring in Cybersecurity (BS)
- Jack Hyde** of Averill Park, majoring in Business Economics (intended)
- Jordan Rodriguez** of Buskirk, majoring in Mathematics
- Elliott Norman** of Cambridge, majoring in Public Administration (MPA)
- Kordehlia Koopmann** of Cambridge, majoring in Interdisciplinary Studies-Environmental Science
- Kaia Haskell** of Cambridge, majoring in Literacy (MS)
- Audrey Danielsen** of Cambridge, majoring in History (intended)
- Logan Goyer** of Cropseyville, majoring in Geography
- Adam Film** of Cropseyville, majoring in Environmental and Sustainable Engineering
- Tara Dayton Simmons** of Cropseyville, majoring in Social Welfare (Advanced Standing) (MSW)
- Ella Hunt** of Eagle Bridge, majoring in Childhood & Special Education (intended)
- Joel Olzak** of East Nassau, majoring in Studio Art (MFA)
- Carlton Truax** of East Nassau, majoring in Electrical & Computer Engineering
- Owen Hirokawa** of Grafton, Open Major
- Kani Topuz** of Hoosick Falls, majoring in Business Economics (intended)
- Catherine Coons** of Hoosick Falls, majoring in Educational Policy & Leadership (PhD)
- Keana Heim** of Hoosick Falls, majoring in Curriculum Development & Instructional Technology (MS)
- Jordis Harrington** of Hoosick Falls, majoring in Criminal Justice (intended)
- Luke Youngmann** of Hoosick Falls, majoring in Computer Science (Combined)
- Havah Youngmann** of Hoosick Falls, majoring in History
- Grace Houghton** of Hoosick Falls, majoring in Political Science (intended)
- Jay Angell** of Hoosick Falls, majoring in Criminal Justice
- Zachary Stone** of Hoosick Falls, majoring in Interdisciplinary Studies-Environmental Science
- Molly Rossi** of Melrose, majoring in Public Administration (MPA)
- Ashlyn Chartier** of Melrose, majoring in Forensic Accounting (MS)
- Ashton Evans** of Petersburg, majoring in Accounting
- Kendra Roberts** of Petersburg, majoring in Non-matriculated
- Cheyenne Phillips** of Poestenkill, majoring in Criminal Justice (intended)
- Sarah Faragon** of Poestenkill, majoring in Music
- Jack Galvin** of Poestenkill, majoring in History (intended)
- Sophie Ericson** of Stephentown, majoring in Political Science
- Renee Van Keuren** of Stephentown, majoring in Early Childhood/Childhood Education
- Charlie Brownell** of Valley Falls, Open Major
- Emily Turriglio I** of Valley Falls, majoring in Early Childhood Education (MS)
- Marissa Vaughn** of Valley Falls, majoring in Special Education (Inclusion) (MS)

Crossword Theme: **Thanksgiving**

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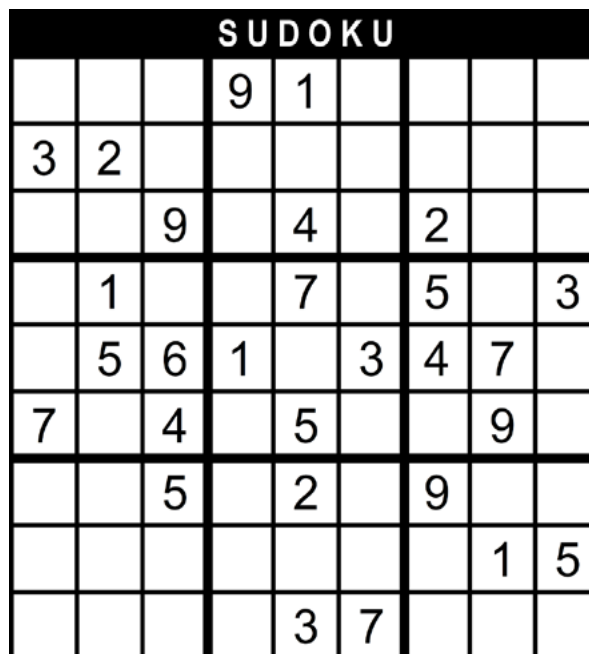
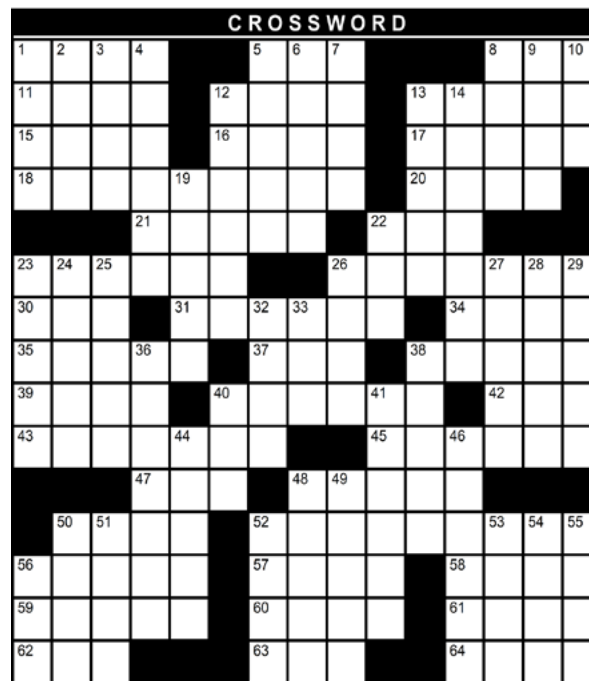
- 1. As opposed to Ave.
- 5. *Male turkey
- 8. *The National ____ Show
- 11. Suggestive look
- 12. Transversus abdominis location
- 13. Milan's La ____ opera house
- 15. Curved molding
- 16. Welcoming sign
- 17. Crossword entries
- 18. *Skillet-cooked batter
- 20. Bristles on grass
- 21. Talked like a pigeon
- 22. Scepter's partner
- 23. A way to steal gas
- 26. With two maxima, in statistics
- 30. All Nippon Airways
- 31. Tip of lion's tail
- 34. Body, breath and mind workout
- 35. Garments

- 37. Singer Benatar
- 38. Unethical loaner's practice
- 39. Copycat
- 40. *Pie nuts
- 42. Honey maker
- 43. Like Old Glory
- 45. Time for an egg hunt
- 47. "As if!"
- 48. Battle of the ____, a.k.a. Ardennes Offensive
- 50. Moldy appetizer
- 52. *Green bean ____
- 56. *Thanksgiving football regulars
- 57. Cream-filled cookie
- 58. Chieftain in Arabia
- 59. Poem at a funeral
- 60. Of two minds
- 61. Not ever, poetically
- 62. Oui in French
- 63. Ensign, for short
- 64. Make them meet

DOWN

- 1. Coalition
- 2. Emmet Brickowski's brick
- 3. Zig or zag
- 4. Make wet
- 5. Safari hat
- 6. Mountain nymph
- 7. "Cobbler, cobbler, ____ my shoe"
- 8. Repair a sock
- 9. Cutlass or Delta 88, for short
- 10. "Now we're cooking with ____"
- 12. "La cerveza m s fina"
- 13. Bunch of #42 Across
- 14. *Football regulars on Thanksgiving
- 19. They're made for walking
- 22. Tin Man's remedy
- 23. "The Forsyte ____, " pl.
- 24. Not suitable in certain circumstances
- 25. Fruit-cutting device
- 26. 2nd letter of Greek alphabet
- 27. Skeptic's MO
- 28. Come to terms
- 29. Extra sweatshirt, e.g.

- 32. Hightailed it
- 33. Cul de ____
- 36. *Prepping a turkey
- 38. Cell phone bill item
- 40. Teacher's favorite student
- 41. Infamous Baby Face
- 44. Verse
- 46. Tranquil
- 48. Noble one
- 49. Internet patrons
- 50. Digestive aid
- 51. Fish eggs, pl.
- 52. ____ d'Ivoire
- 53. Bad luck predictor
- 54. What Pinocchio did
- 55. Makes mistakes
- 56. Bovine hangout



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

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

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“Lichen in Circles”

Nature Photography by Trix Niernerger, Master Naturalist



Concentric Boulder Lichen (*Porpidia crustulata*) is likely to be found on stone and looks like it is shaped in concentric circles. When walking in the woods these days, it is a good time of year to study the lichens on the rocks and bark. This entertaining specimen was found in the Petersburg forest.

Berlin of Yesteryear

by Katherine Wells, William T. Reynolds and Jean Carr

Sponsored by the Taconic Valley Historical Society • Originally Published in 1991
Most of the pictures from this book were taken between 1875 and 1915.



The track side of the Berlin Station shows us the loading platform with milk cans and passengers awaiting the next train. With Arthur Cowee's interest in gladiolus and hydrangeas, we assume that he was responsible for beautifying the station yard. The building on the right was Porter Lamphier's Store.



Porter Lamphier took over H. F. Brown's furniture store and expanded the variety of stock and services offered to the public. Mr. Lamphier was the town's sole funeral director for a number of years.

Community Calendar

NOVEMBER 16, SATURDAY

Youth Snowmobile Safety Course, 8:15 am – 4 pm, free, for ages 10–17, Grafton VFW/Fire Hall, South Rd, lunch/snacks provided, info: Jim at 518-469-2656

Fall Craft & Vendor Fair, 9 am – 2 pm, Center Brunswick United Methodist Church, 990 Hoosick Rd, table & chair for \$25, contact Lori Holmes at lholmes382@hotmail.com

Repair Cafe, 10 am – 2 pm, free, New Lebanon Community Center, 523 SR 20, two item limit, info: Columbia NE Repair Cafe Facebook

Handmade Holidays Fundraiser, 10 am – 3 pm, 124 Pleasant St, Upstairs, Bennington, buy handmade treasures to benefit Bennington Senior Center

Erik Barragán & Community Potluck, doors 5:30/show 6 pm, \$5/minors free, PVMCC, 71 Main St, Petersburg, eclectic guitarist/singer-songwriter, refreshments, 50/50 raffle, 21+ BYOB

NOVEMBER 17, SUNDAY

East Nassau Cookie Contest, 1 – 4 pm, Hoags Corners Vol Firehouse, 7237 Rte 66, auctions, free sundaes, cash prizes for winners, proceeds benefit village projects & charities, info/enter: village website or Diane Maguire at 518-766-5811

“Spiritualism in the Gilded Age,” 2 pm, free, Grafton Town Hall, Kathryn Sheehan presents illustrated talk

NOVEMBER 20, WEDNESDAY

Senior Citizens Concert & Luncheon, 10:30 am concert, luncheon following, Tamarac High School, RSVP to alabshere@brunswickcsd.org by 11/13

Meet the DAR Lecture, 7 pm (6 pm tour), free, Cambridge Historical Society & Museum, 12 Broad St, Carmen Bogle speaks about Daughters of the American Revolution, info: 518-350-0627 or info.cambridge.ny.museum@gmail.com

NOVEMBER 21, THURSDAY

Northern Turnpike Talk, 7:30 pm, free, Pittstown Town Hall, historian Ken Gottry presents, info: pittstownhs@gmail.com

NOVEMBER 22, FRIDAY

4-H Winter Fair, 6:30 – 8 pm, Tamarac Elementary School cafeteria, projects, canned good donations, greenery candle ring workshop, info: Eileen DePaula at emd32@cornell.edu

NOVEMBER 23, SATURDAY

Festival of Trees & Craft Fair, 10 am – 3 pm, free, Greywacke Meadows, 40 Dunham Reservoir Rd, Cropseyville, bring new, unwrapped toy/pet food donations

Community Thanksgiving Dinner, 4 – 6 pm, free, New Lebanon Jr/Sr High School cafeteria, crafts & gym time for kids

NOVEMBER 26, TUESDAY

Thanksgiving Holiday Music Organ Concert, noon, free, Proctors GE Theatre, Schenectady, organist Helen Maksymicz

Uncanny Valley Artist Reception, 4:30 – 6:30 pm, \$5/members free, Bennington Museum, refreshments, music, artwork for sale

NOVEMBER 28, THURSDAY THANKSGIVING

Troy Turkey Trot, 10K 8 am, Turkey Walk 9:30 am, 5K 10 am, starting at Fourth & Fulton St, costume contest, proceeds benefit local charities

NOVEMBER 29, FRIDAY

SML Holiday Market, 11 am – 3 pm, Stephentown Memorial Library

NOVEMBER 30, SATURDAY

Hoosick Armory Holiday Market, 10 am – 3 pm, 80 Church St, Hoosick Falls
Stephentown Lighted Parade, lineup 4 pm, Veterans Park to Fire Hall, Santa & Mrs. Claus, light refreshments, donate unwrapped toy, enter: svfd1.org

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