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JUNE 30 & JULY 1

The Edinburg Emergency Squad will be holding their ANNUAL FUNDRAISER at the corner of North Shore Rd. and Northville Rd., and also South Shore Rd. near the Old Country Store.

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Jean Raymond, Supervisor

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Saratoga County Honor a Deceased Veteran Program

Each month Saratoga County has a ceremony where they honor a deceased veteran from a county town or city. Former Edinburg Assessor Alois (Lou) Matousek will be recognized at the county facilities on Tuesday, July 18th at 2:00pm. The ceremony is open to the public. For additional information contact the Town Hall.

Town Board Member Appointed

Michael Evans was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Town Board from the resignation of Janet Johansson. The appointment will be until December 31, 2023. He is a former member of the

Edinburg Common School Board and an employee of the Knolls Atomic Power Lab Kesselring site in West Milton.

Edinburg Town Park

The Town Park at the southern end of the Batchellerville Bridge is open to residents. The Beach is closed and NO SWIMMING is allowed. The gate is kept closed and cars are not allowed to drive into the park. You may access the park by walking around the gate or by using the sidewalk on the other side which goes under the bridge and down into the park. Please carry out any trash or garbage.

Saratoga County Fair

The Saratoga County Fair will be July 18th-23rd at the County Fairgrounds in Ballston Spa. For additional information their web site is: www.saratogacountyfair.org

Town Hall Closed for Vacation

The Town Hall will be closing Friday June 30th at 1:00 pm and will reopen on Monday, July 10th. The Building Inspector will be available by appointment during that week. The phones will be checked regularly for messages and town officials can be reached at their homes if needed.

EVENTS:

July 8th-Historic Edinburgh Day. Museums will be open and there will be horse and wagon rides.

REMINDER:

THE RECYCLING CENTER AND TRANSFER STATION WILL BE OPEN FRIDAY, JUNE 30th AND SATURDAY, JULY 1ST FROM 9:00-3:00. GARBAGE WILL BE COLLECTED ON MONDAY JULY 3RD ON NORTH SHORE AND WEDNESDAY JULY 5TH ON SOUTH SHORE

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JULY 2023 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Here's a list of some notable dates and meetings. Please send your information to the Edinburg Newsletter at edinburgnews2023@gmail.com

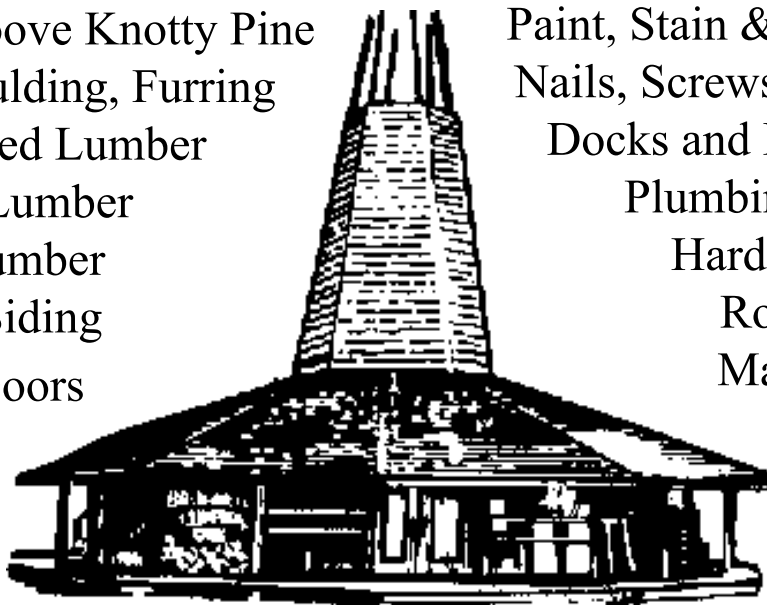
Fri	June 30	Northville Doins and Parade
Tues	4	Independence Day
Thurs	6 7:00 pm	Edinburg Zoning Board Meeting
Sat	8	Historic Edinburgh Day
Tues	13 6:00 pm	Edinburg School BOT Meeting
Fri - Sun	14 - 16	Northville Rotary's 14th Annual Woodworking and Fine Arts Weekend
Tues	18 4:00 pm	Edinburg Historical Society Meeting
Thurs	20 4:00 pm	Edinburg Town Board Meeting
Fri - Sun	21, 22, 23	Northville Town-wide Garage Sale
Thurs	27 7:00 pm	Edinburg Planning Board Meeting

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DID YOU KNOW THAT---

By Town of Edinburg Historian,
Priscilla L. Edwards

Slavery Part 2 and Conclusion

Various blacks lived in Edinburg in the mid 1800's but not necessarily as slaves. Ely and Diadama Beecher had a black servant named Mary Jones. The Beechers came from Fish House to Edinburg in or about 1802. Mary, fondly thought of by the Beecher family, died in 1876 at the age of 68 and is buried with the Beecher family in the Edinburg Cemetery.

Damie Copeland Fuller- a daughter of covered bridge builder, Arad Copeland- adopted a black child named Anna that was born in or about 1866 and raised her as her own. Anna grew into a fine young woman, moved to Gloversville for employment and married a man by the name of Clauson.

Damie's niece Emma Tyrrell, the same age as Anna, also lived in Gloversville with her family. Anna and her family would sometimes visit Emma and her family. Two of Emma's daughters, Nellie and Sylvia lived in Arad's brick house across from the Copeland Covered bridge in their later years. Sylvia told me that she and her mother attended Anna's funeral when she passed away in Gloversville, possibly in 1912 Or 1913.

At Fish House another "champion of the oppressed", Doctor Langdon Marvin- a captain in the Civil War- returned home from the Civil War with a young black man by the name of Ashton Hodges. It's quite possible this was a fake name to protect him from any previous owners in the south. Fondly called "Ash" by family members, Hodges spent the rest of his life at Fish House as overseer in charge of the Marvin family farm and is buried in the family plot.

In 1845 there were two black families by the names of Parker and Mott living in Edinburg. In 1850 the Mott, Teabout and Fitch families were here. By 1855 only the Teabouts were here and in 1860 only a family by the name of Cutter were living here. Mr. Mott died in or about 1865 and his wife and son moved to Gloversville.

All of the above families were listed as being born in New York State but one wonders if they would have dared to admit otherwise? The above mentioned Henry Fitch with his wife and many children established a home on the mountain near Efnor Lake in Corinth very near the Edinburg-Day-Corinth town lines. He is believed to have helped many slaves over the "tracks" of the Underground Railroad. Could he have possibly brought some of them over the mountain, down to the Sacandaga River bank, across the



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Batchellerville Covered Bridge and into the “safe” places in Beecher Hollow?

President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863. Many people thought this a rather strange document as it only freed the slaves in the Confederate states not yet occupied by Union troops. From this came the 13th Amendment in 1865, abolishing slavery, the 14th Amendment in 1868, for the protection of Citizens Rights and the 15th Amendment in 1870, giving Black men the right to vote. All three of these amendments were a direct result of the Civil War.

When folks think of slavery they usually just think of the United States and what many do not realize is that during that time period in our history the entire world was involved in slavery! What is even stranger is that the country of Africa was very involved in slave holdings. Slavery in West Africa did not legally end until 1875 but unofficially continued until World War 1.

Today we think of slavery as being very far removed from our northern homes but in the mid-1800's slavery was much closer to us here in Edinburg than we could ever imagine.



Edinburg Historical Society

PO Box 801, Northville, NY 12134
 EdinburgHistoricalSociety.org
 Claudette Koza - Secretary

HISTORICAL EDINBURG FESTIVAL JULY 8 FROM 10 A.M. TO 3 P.M.

The Town of Edinburg comes alive on Saturday, July 8th with free horse and carriage rides by J & D Percherons at the Rural Museum. The Edinburg Volunteer Fire Company displays their fire trucks and will sell hot dogs. The Dave Winn Car Show at Fuller's Store organized by Dawn Buyce and her brother David Winn continues their father's legacy of his love for cars. The Edinburg Methodist Church will feature music by Rustic Chill from noon to 2:30 p.m. and will sell hamburgers. The Nellie Tyrrell Museum will feature a Quilt Exhibit, a Veteran's Exhibit and you can look through the historic photos of Edinburg. The Rural Museum will have arts and crafts booths, home baked goods, salads, and beans, hot dogs with sauce, condiments, and sauerkraut. Pick up free books at the Little Free Library and check out the White Elephant Sale table. Visit historic Barker's Store and see where slaves were hidden as part of the Underground Railroad.

GRANDMOTHER'S FARM JULY 18, 7 P.M. AT THE SAND HILL SCHOOL HOUSE ON TANGE ROAD

On Tuesday, July 18 at 7 p.m. Valerie Kaye will present a program on the history of her Grandmother's Farm at the Sand Hill School House on Tange Road. Valerie is Vice-President of the Edinburg Historical Society.

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The Edinburg Emergency Squad

The Edinburg Emergency Squad was founded in 1962 by Elwin Ginter, Edward Ashcroft, Turk St. Onge and Elmer Kenyon to serve the Edinburg community

They are the only all-volunteer service in Saratoga County and they cover around 150 calls annually with 22 volunteers, nine of which are EMTs. They boast a 95% response rate! There are 1,292 people living in the area year-round. However, every summer that number increases with vacationers visiting the beaches, boat launches and camps in the area.

The Edinburg Emergency Squad is no stranger to community outreach. During COVID-19 they organized multiple mass distributions of PPE and recruited nurses to join with them and the department of public health and ran dozens of community and at home clinics delivering one of the highest number of COVID-19 vaccine doses in the county, they also provided the entire community with home testing kits.

The Edinburg Emergency squad is an all volunteer, nimble, dynamic selfless service organization that has consistently embraced change, delivered the highest quality EMS coupled with enhanced services to their citizens and their community. They

provided high-level care, going above and beyond during the COVID-19 pandemic.

You might know that they are a volunteer agency that does not bill. What many of you may not know is they run all of their operations by donations only, they are not on the town's tax roll.

So what makes this new ambulance even more exciting... They were able to pay for it in full! (Which was just a little over \$250k) From their dedicated volunteers doing endless fundraisers, coin drops, fund drive letters and more.

So we want to give a HUGE SHOUT OUT OF THANK YOUS to all of the people who have supported them throughout the past few years to make this possible, without your generous donations they wouldn't be able to operate.



2002 was a Banner Year for our Edinburg Emergency Squad!

Not only did they receive the Saratoga County EMS Agency of the Year award, the Regional Emergency Medical Organization (REMO) Agency of the Year award but the New York State EMS Agency of the Year Award as well!

If you'd like to be a part of this dynamic group, they are always looking for volunteers! Of course donations are also welcome! Mail donations to:

Edinburg Emergency Squad
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You can keep up with the Squad on Facebook:
 Edinburg-Emergency Squad

Pictured on cover left to right: Kayla Milnyczuk, Doreen Cunningham, Steve Teshoney, Bob Anderson, Ron Beckering, Angela Reynolds, Denise Milnyczuk, Hayden Milnyczuk, Chris Murphy, Joyce Dunn, Desiree Murphy, Diane Dillenbeck, Walt Fitzgerald.



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As you walk, watch for historical plaques posted around the village. Stop to try our eateries and explore our gift shops.

Take time to relax and spend a minute sitting on our benches and observe the beauty and local activity.



WHERE

- 1 Sport Island Pub
- 2 Methodist Church
- 3 Timeless Tavern
- 4 Northville Liquor Store
- 5 Inn at The Bridge
- 6 Town Park
- 7 Northville Presbyt Church
- 8 Northville Central School
- 9 Village Green
- 10 Adirondack Country Store

WHAT

- A Toot to the FJG Railroad*
- Fishing on the Sacandaga*
- Northern Pike World Record*
- Sunflower Summer*
- Adirondack Winter Fun*
- Ring of Fire*
- ADK Wildlife*
- NCS Rocks*
- The Flying Fairy*
- Loons on the Lake*

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Northville School Donates Flag to FDNY Ten House of Heroes

Aroun Deen - Freelance Writer

Students and teachers from MS/HS Northville Central School, Northville, upstate NY., on Friday, June 9, donated a school-designed 9/11 Memorial American Flag to the FDNY firehouse that is home to Ladder Company 10 and Engine Company 10, known as FDNY Ten House of Heroes at 124 Liberty Street.

The FDNY Ten House of Heroes is the firehouse closest to the World Trade Center. It is located directly across from where the South Tower of the World Trade Center stood. It is adjacent to the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in downtown New York City.

The 10 X 12-foot Star-Spangled Banner gift to the firehouse was in commemoration of the 20th anniversary of 9/11, observed two years ago.

Students created the flag using their handprints to sketch the stars and stripes of it.

MS/HS Northville Central School principal Sam Ratti said coming to the firehouse and presenting

the flag enables them to connect and engage with first responders, some of whom witnessed and were engaged in the incident that happened on September 11, 2001.

“Even though our students learn in school about what happened on 9/11, they want to keep history alive and show appreciation to the men and women who put their lives on the line for the good of others.

Ladder 10 Company Capt. Brody received the flag on behalf of the firehouse. The captain



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expressed gratitude to the school for what he called a gift of profound gesture to them.

Capt. Brody said it was really nice of them. "It will help keep memories alive of the people we lost during 9/11."



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by Brian DeFeo

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5/14 Northville VFD, Mutual Aid
 5/14 Providence VFD, Mutual Aid
 5/15 Providence VFD, Mutual Aid
 5/16 South Shore Road, Structure Fire
 5/17 Floyd Brown Road, Rescue
 5/17 Northville VFD, Mutual Aid
 5/18 Providence VFD, Mutual Aid
 5/18 Broadalbin VFD, Mutual Aid
 5/19 Providence VFD, Mutual Aid
 5/24 North Shore Road, Lines Down
 5/24 Tennantville Road, Lines Down
 5/24 Northville VFD, Mutual Aid
 5/25 Northville VFD, Mutual Aid
 5/27 Fox Hill Road, MVA
 5/28 North Shore Road, MVA
 5/28 Northville VFD, Mutual Aid

5/29 Northville VFD, Mutual Aid
 5/29 Hadley-Luzerne VFD, Mutual Aid
 6/2 Northville VFD, Mutual Aid
 6/2 Hadley-Luzerne, Mutual Aid
 6/2 Glasshouse Road, Lines Down
 6/3 Northville VFD, Mutual Aid
 6/4 Northville VFD, Mutual Aid
 6/5 South Shore Road, EMS Assistance
 6/13 Providence VFD, Mutual Aid
 6/13 South Shore Road, MVA

Once again, we are hosting our very popular annual summer time barbecue. It will be Saturday, July 22, starting at four pm and going until seven, or when we are sold out.

This event is very well attended. We very strongly recommend you come closer to four than seven. Eat in or take out.

We are holding prices this year and will see how it works itself out. The cost will be fifteen (\$15.00) dollars for either Chicken or Ribs, and twenty (\$20.00) for the combination of both. The full menu also includes: corn, biscuit, baked beans, coleslaw, potato, and dessert.

You can't beat these prices with a stick, so show up hungry.

Something new this year, we will also be at the Edinburg Historical Days on Saturday, July 8th. We will be serving hotdogs and soft drinks for your pleasure.

It has been a pretty busy Spring for EVFC so far, and we have not even reached summer yet. Be smart and stay safe.

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- Wed, July 12 & 19; 1 pm – “Kids Art” with Cheryl Miller

At the library: try guessing how many candies are in the jug and spin the prize wheel once a week.

Insolent Willies will entertain at the Friends’ Annual Meeting on Wed Jul 12 at 630 pm. This acoustic roots-rock band is known for its hip-shaking mix of quirky, clever original music and unpredictable covers. A free ticket is required for admittance due to limited seating. Contact the library.

On Tue, July 25 at 630 pm: Montgomery County Historian Kelly Yacobucci Farquhar will highlight the Underground Railroad and Abolition Movement that occurred in the years leading up to the Civil War.

Hours: April - August	
Monday	9am - Noon
Tuesday	9am - 6pm
Wednesday	9am - 4pm
Thursday	9am - 4pm
Friday	9am - 4pm
Saturday	9am - Noon

The MAMMOTH BOOK SALE will be held in the library’s parking lot. It is scheduled for Thursday and Friday, June 29 & June 30 (9-4) and Saturday, July 1 (9-3). The first day from 9-10 am only has an entrance fee of \$3 for early-bird shoppers. Great prices and great deals!

The ANNUAL ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND RAFFLE will take place on Saturday, July 22 from 5 – 8 pm in the library gardens overlooking the Great Sacandaga Lake.

“Now Showing”

Movies at the library on Thursdays at 1 pm will feature these award-winning films:

- July 6: “Tar” – tragedy of a classical music conductor
- July 13: “Banshees of Inisherin” – dark comedy of Irish friends
- July 20: “The Whale” – severe obese man & his teenage daughter
- July 27: “The Fabelmans” – a young aspiring filmmaker



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Flower Talk

Sally Peck, of the Flower Barn

Born to the Mediterranean then moved to Great Britain in the late 1500's, the Larkspur was finding its place in culture and horticulture with quite a tale to tell. It's appearance with five petals, one being elongated that gave this flower its name. Larkspur is derived from this elongated petal. Because it resembles the shape of silver prick spurs on riding boots of medieval knights. Which explains its earliest nickname, Knights Spur. More than likely, it is named after the hind claw of a lark bird. John Gerard, author/ horticulturist made these notes about the Larkspur, "that in England the plant is known as larkspur, larks heel, larks toes, larks claw and munkeshoode." Eventually the name Larkspur settled in and was seen along roadsides and in cornfields throughout Great Britain and Europe. As a relation to the Buttercup, it was once considered to be a member of the Delphinium family. However, it is an annual, therefore has been re-classified with the Ranunculus.

Its first tale is in Greek legend. The story goes that Achilles' mother requested that her son's armor be given to the bravest warrior during the Battle of Troy. To the dismay of the brave warrior Ajax, the armor was

awarded to Ulysses. This upset Ajax so much that he threw himself on his sword and where the blood pooled, it is told, there grew the first Larkspur.

But it's alluring looks of this flower and tales didn't stop with the Greeks. According to Native American folklore, the birth of the Larkspur goes to a celestial figure who was curious about the Earth. This celestial figure tore open the evening sky and used a piece of the sky to create a spike so that she could climb down to the Earth. The spike had small blue pieces of sky attached to it. The sun dried out the spike,



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which disintegrated into small pieces that were scattered on the Earth that became the Larkspur.

In 1859 the tales continues as an early American legend. During the time of the goldrush, two Crane brothers wanted to 'strike it rich'. These mischievous youths were heading out from their midwest home to California to strike it rich. Along the way, they encountered countless poisonous snakes. To combat snake attacks, they used the tall larkspur as a guardian device and defense tool while they rested. This is an easy to believe story. Perhaps the Crane brothers may have known about the mild poison in the flower which was used throughout ancient times to ward off scorpions, venomous snakes and kill lice. The poisonous alkaloids in the plant are an antidote to poisonous stings. Interestingly, one 'poison' cures another. The toxin is strongest in the seed and weakens into the flower as it grows and matures. Keep in mind they are toxic to humans and livestock, but not to pollinators or domestic sheep. The toxins, are used as an insecticide in the UK since the 1700's.

Both the Native Americans and the European settlers used Larkspur to make blue dye. Although Larkspur bloom in many colors, The blue in Larkspur is simply beautiful and is a great color for cheering someone up. Blue is calming and a lovely way to remind them to take a breather when things get too troublesome. Celebrate July birthdays with the Larkspur, the flower of July and of devotion and sincerity. Make it America's birthday flower by adding a little red and white for a patriotic bouquet. Happy 4th of July and God Bless America.

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Northville Rotary's Fourteenth Annual Woodworking and Fine Arts Weekend July 14-16 will feature more than 50 accomplished artists from this area and beyond. Woodworkers, jewelers, weavers, potters, photographers, painters, and many other artists will display and sell their artwork at the Bradt Building and Town Park on Main Street in the Village of Northville on the beautiful Great Sacandaga Lake.



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We are proud to announce that this year's Featured Artists are Diane Babin from Schenectady who creates intricate and unique pine straw bowls and wall hangings as well as William Paul Wiatr of Poland, NY whose beautiful paintings of the area earned him the name of "The Adirondack Artist". To read about Diane, check May's Newsletter.

William Paul Wiatr has been painting a wide variety of wildlife and scenery for over 50 years. His inspiration comes from the beauty of the Adirondacks where he was born and lives today with his wife Christina. He was introduced to painting by his grandmother who did everything she could to see this gift blossom within him. William has no formal training. He says, "It is a gift from the Lord".

William started painting in 1976.

Today, thousands of his paintings are all over the world. He paints the beauty of the rivers, mountains and animals of the Adirondacks. Most of his original paintings are acrylic wash on Masonite. COVID did not stop him. He used the time in isolation to create five new paintings for 2022.

William went into the print business to make his artwork more affordable to the general public. He custom cuts all his mattes and rustic barn siding for all his frames. There are several types of barnwood with different textures and coloring as well as matte coloring and styles. Customers can select what



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they would prefer, or William can use his eye to design a perfectly framed print. Recently he discovered a company that produced canvas giclee and photo prints of all his work. This created many more options for customers.

At this time, his paintings are available in a number of styles. Giclee on Watercolor Paper has a bright white finish with an elegant feel. Giclee on Canvas is a richly textured canvas resists curling and cracking and Lumira which are prints that offer incredible detail, sharpness and color thanks to the combination of digital image preparation technology and traditional processing techniques. You can view and purchase Williams current 85 paintings and variety of frames and styles at his website: www.theadirondackartist.com.

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On June 10th the SPC held a fundraising golf outing at Hales Mills Country Club in Johnstown. We enjoyed a beautiful day of good weather, cold drinks, good eats and some great and not so great golf. Most of all everyone had FUN ! We would like to thank the staff at Hales Mills, Chris Mathewson, Misty Garafalo and the rest for a great day. Our mission is to maintain lake access to all users, protect the environment and enhance the economy of the Great Sacandaga Lake community. Without your support and the support of our sponsors we would not be able to continue our mission. A special thanks to our major sponsors, Our premier The Lanzi Family Restaurants, our major sponsors, Fuel and Food, Brown's Collision & Ford, Empire Wine, Environmental Design Partners, Universal Warehousing, Mackey Auto Group, our Gold sponsors Doc's Marina, the Becker Family, and Olbrych Realty our Bronze sponsors Allen & Palmer, Hawk Well Drilling, Thompson's Marina,

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We can't thank everyone enough for making this a very successful fundraising event. Thank you all for contributing and the hard work of our Golf committee.

The days contest winners were as follows, First place Terry Whitney, Tom Gleaves, Kevin Van Heusen and Josh Christensen; Second place Tim Moran, Sean Moran, Mike Altavilla, and Dave Cicono ; Third place Ted Brann, Kevin Brann, Jack Conroy, and Ed Geejay . Longest drive Ted Brann and Kate Conpropst and closest to pin Terry Whitney.



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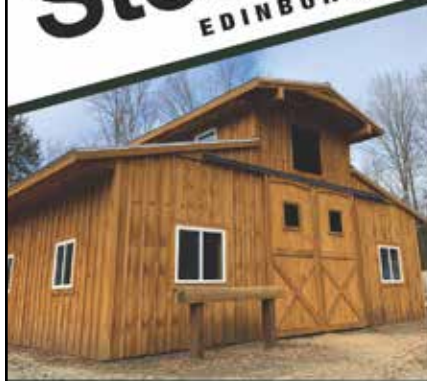
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in the park and the evening will end with the Jerry and Erin Gretzinger performing in concert at 6 p.m. and fireworks at dusk. Please plan on joining the festivities. To participate in the parade or be a vendor at the event, email clerk@villageofnorthville.com or call 518-863-4211.



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Happiness, Helping others, Christian living

Think about this Chinese saying: “If you want happiness for an hour, take a nap. If you want happiness for a day, go fishing. If you want happiness for a year, inherit a fortune. If you want happiness for a lifetime, help somebody.”

That is great food for thought! Our happiness can be found in helping others.

For it is in giving that we receive — Saint Francis of Assisi, The sole meaning of life is to serve humanity — Leo Tolstoy, We make a living

by what we get; we make a life by what we give — Winston Churchill, Making money is a happiness; making other people happy is a superhappiness — Nobel Peace Prize recipient Muhammad Yunus.

Giving back is as good for you as it is for those you are helping, because giving gives you purpose. When you have a purpose-driven life, you’re a happier person — Goldie Hawn

And so we learn early: It is better to give than to receive. The venerable aphorism is drummed into our heads from our first slice of a shared birthday cake. But is there a deeper truth behind the truism? The resounding answer is yes. Scientific research provides compelling data to support the anecdotal evidence that giving is a powerful pathway to personal growth and lasting happiness. MRI technology, shows that altruism activates the same parts of the brain that are stimulated by food, and it is pleasurable. Helping others may just be the secret to living a life that is not only happier but also healthier, more productive, and meaningful. But it’s important to remember that giving doesn’t always feel great. At times giving can make us feel depleted.

1. Find your passion

Our passion should be the foundation for our giving. It is not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving. It’s only natural that we will care about this and not so much about that, and that’s okay. It should not be simply a matter of choosing the right thing, but also a matter of choosing what is right for us.

2. Give your time

The gift of time is often more valuable to the receiver and more satisfying for the giver than the gift of money. We don’t all have the same amount of money, but we all do have time on our hands (lifetimes to service—just give a few hours each day—few days a year.)

3. Give to organizations with transparent aims and results

Harvard scientist Michael Norton says, “Giving to a cause that specifies what they’re going to do with your money leads to more happiness than giving to an umbrella cause.

4. Find ways to integrate your interests and skills with the needs of others

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5. Be proactive, not reactive

We have all felt the dread that comes from being cajoled into giving. Instead we should set aside time, think about our options, and find what works with your values. The key is to find the approach that fits us. When we do, then the more we give, the more we stand to gain purpose, meaning and happiness—all of the things that we look for in life but are so hard to find.

These thoughts might sound more familiar to some readers than to others. Christ asks us to live by his example. He tells us that giving of ourselves to help others is essential to a meaningful life. He wants us to live showing genuine concern, compassion and love for others. You will be surprised how the joy of giving can fill your soul!

FRAXTURED FACTS

Brian DeFeo

A rather prim, old fashioned lady had begun planning a camping vacation for herself and her husband. In making their reservations she wanted to be sure that the camp ground had all of the modern facilities. She was reluctant to specifically write about their toilets, so she decided that she used the old fashioned term bathroom commode. Yet, this also was a little too pointed for her discrete sensibilities. So she simply referred to the B.C. Writing “Does your campground have its own B.C.?”

The campground manager, had no idea what the Lady was referring to so he showed the letter to several campers. They were all equally baffled, until one person mentioned that she must have been referring to the Baptist Church down the road. Armed with that misinformation the manager sent back the following reply.

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The B.C. is located five miles from the campground in a beautiful grove of trees. I realize



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that is quite a distance if you have the habit of going regularly. You will however be pleased to know that it seats over one hundred. Some folks even take their lunch, as on Thursday's there is organ accompaniment. The acoustics are great, you can hear the slightest sound. It may interest you to know that my daughter actually met her husband at the B.C.

Because my wife is in delicate health, it has been two months since she last went.

It pains her not to be able to go more often. As we grow older it seems to be more of an effort, especially in cold weather.

I will close for now and look forward to meeting you. Perhaps I can accompany you the first time, and introduce you to others sitting nearby.

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BACKYARD WILDLIFE

Roberta MacIntyre Games

The clouds were hanging low in the grey sky, the summer season turning to fall as I walked along the lake. I spotted a large brown duck in the road. She was having trouble walking so I scooped her up thinking she was injured. She nestled into my arms and leaned close. I started home thinking “what am I going to do with her? The lake was right there maybe I should just let her go into the water”. I slowly approached the water stepping carefully over the rocks. As soon as I was 5 feet from the lake she perked up, struggled against me and then did an amazing swan dive into the water. She swam several yards under water before breaking the surface. After some research I discovered that she was a diving



duck possibly a female canvasback that became disoriented in the greyness as to what was water and what was road. Diving waterfowl are amazing swimmers torpedoing underwater after fish and other aquatics. They have powerful webbed feet for thrust but the disadvantage is that they have trouble walking on land as their feet are set far back on their bodies. They have to “run” on the water to take off in flight sometimes taking almost ¼ of a mile to become airborne.

In our Northern Forest Region the most popular diving waterfowl is the Common Loon. With their distinctive black and white plumage, large size,

and unmistakable “tremolo” laughing calls, they are easily identifiable (although I have mistaken them for common mergansers from a distance).

Loons are like the proverbial canary in the coal mine as early predictors of environmental and ecosystem quality on lakes. Although they have been doing well due to biologist’s efforts they are still at risk due to lake disturbances, lead sinkers, and pollution. Like my rescued brown duck, loons are sometimes stranded on late lake iceovers and wet pavement during migration.

While kayaking recently on a local lake I spotted an eagle on a branch. I was watching it completely unaware that a loon had come up behind me about 6 feet from the kayak. His “tremelo” call startled me and when I spun around I saw it. His mate was sitting on their nest and as I was approaching he needed to get my attention. I already had momentum moving toward it and she lunged off

the nest wings held high and then circled my little boat. Often you will see photos of loons wings held high rising out of the water as they defend their territory. I immediately changed course but was able to spot the large brown egg on the nest. Once I was out of their danger zone I watched as they started to “fish” dropping their heads and eyes under the shallow water looking for fish then diving underwater only to surface many yards away.

Loons can live up to 20





years or more in good conditions raising one or two chicks each season, which are swimming within days of hatching and riding on their parents backs! The haunting sound of the loon's "laughing" calls are alarm calls or sometimes together with other loons a nighttime chorus. Many consider it the call of the wilderness, their likeness and image representing that very sense of the wild.

For more info on loons visit www.adkloon.org
Photos by Roberta Games

Roberta is a longtime Sacandaga area resident and loves sharing about her encounters with wildlife.

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Greetings from the members and friends of First UMC! Welcome to summer in the Adirondacks. We are so fortunate to live in such a beautiful place ... mountains, lakes, artist events, music, parades, food and fun. God's love and peace and beauty are all around us wherever we are in this wonderful community.

Prayer for July 4th - The following lines are from a long prayer, "That America Fulfill the Promise of Its Founding," by Rabbi Mordecai Kaplan. Though written in 1945, it rings true yet today. (Full text at <https://tinyurl.com/nhc8747x>.)

O God, who is Liberator and Redeemer,
Lawgiver and Judge, ...

May America remain loyal to the principles of the Declaration of Independence, and extend their application to ever-widening areas of life. Keep out of our life all manner of oppression, persecution, and unjust discrimination; save us from religious,

racial and class conflicts; may our country be a haven of refuge to the victims of injustice and misrule.

Instruct us in the art of living together, of reconciling differences of opinion and averting clashes of interest, of helping one another to achieve a harmonious and abundant life ...

That the Star-Spangled Banner, the symbol of our American democracy, may ever wave o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave. Amen.

First UMC is planning a "dip lunch" on July 15, starting at 11 am. There will be hamburgers and hot dogs on the grill as well as sides to go with them. Everything will be reasonably priced and we hope you will stop by for lunch as you wander over to the woodworking event which is a couple blocks away.

Our Thrift Store ministry is open and thriving. Hours are: Tuesdays, 2-5 pm; Fridays and Saturdays, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm. Shoppers are asked to bring their own bags if possible. All purchases are by donation. Gently worn, good, clean, used clothing only is accepted and welcomed. PLEASE DO NOT DONATE HOUSEHOLD ITEMS, TOYS, ETC. We cannot emphasize this enough!

As our nation prepares to celebrate its independence, we praise God for the freedom to gather for worship. We invite everyone to join us on Sunday mornings for music, prayer, and interesting sermons, including a children's time with the pastor.

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The Gymkhana under the lights starts on Friday Night at 6:30 pm. Gymkhana is an equestrian event consisting of speed pattern racing and timed games for riders on horses. This event will include six timed events with 3 divisions.

On Saturday, July 22nd, starting at noon, is our **FIRST-EVER Versatility Horsemen Challenge!** The Versatility Horsemen Challenge will be a timed and judged race through an obstacle course created to test communication between horse and rider as well as each competitor's horsemanship skills. The competition will be suitable for riders of any discipline and horses of all breeds. As the horse and rider teams work through each obstacle, they will be judged on several criteria as well as overall performance. Contestants will compete for premiums, bragging rights, and other prizes. Divisions will be broken down by skill level and age. The Versatility Horsemen Challenge is a **PRE-ENTER ONLY** event.

And on Sunday, July 23rd is the Open English & Western Horse show. English will be in the morning, and Western will be in the afternoon. You can pre-enter for the Open English & Western show or enter the day of. Riding instructor Missy Nichols will be the judge for these events

on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

For more information on classes, times, rules, and did we mention some great paybacks, **CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION.** Or call the Show Chairperson at 518-542-4796. Remember, as always, we will need negative Coggins within the last two calendar years and proof of Rabies vaccination within the last year.



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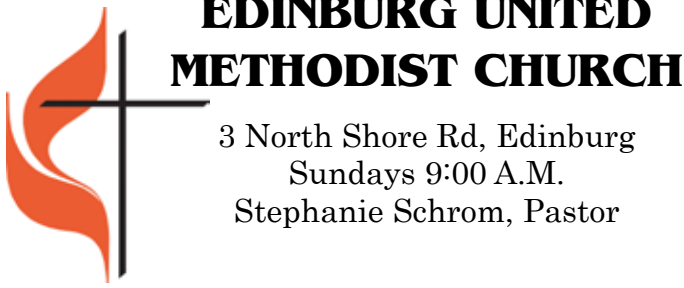
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July 4th, Independence Day is a time to celebrate the independence of our nation from Great Britain on July 4, 1776. May our nation always enjoy the freedom we have had over the last 247 years, and remain one nation under God. Psalm 33 verse 12 tells us "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he chose for his

inheritance." We pray everyone has a safe, fun celebration!

July 8th, Edinburg Days we are blessed to have Roger Shafer who has shared his vocal talent at many venues opening for Rustic Chill Music Ministry. Rustic Chill is a Christian music band from Schoharie County that is devoted to writing and performing faith based music. Their newly released 12 track CD, "Faith Over Fear" is receiving world wide attention and you can listen to them wherever you stream music. The music starts at noon until 2:30 pm at our pavilion behind the church. Admission is free and our women's group will be selling hamburgers, nachos and refreshments. Our historic church built in 1836 will also be open for anyone to tour. Stop by and see us, meet our pastor and the congregation. It will be a fun time for people of all ages.

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Our Beginnings – An Exploration of Genesis

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WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday Worship at 9:00 AM
Bible Study Wednesday at 10:00 AM

UPCOMING SERMONS

- 7/02 “Caretakers” - Genesis 6:5-11; 9:1-17
- 7/09 “Coward or Hero” - Genesis 12:1-4, 10-20
- 7/16 “Family Feud” - Genesis 27
- 7/23 “Struggles in Abundance” - Genesis 29:1-30
- 7/30 “Favorites” - Genesis 37:4, 19-20; 41:29-40

Clergy Column

The Gift of Freedom

On July 4, 1776 our founders declared: “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.” Thereby affirming what Scripture maintains that there exists a Creator and that we were created to be free. That freedom can be used for enormous good as evidenced by the number of institutions that exist to assure the well-being of all. It can also be destructive as we see in the all too frequent reports of suffering and violence as the greedy take from the weak and wrongs are addressed with violence.

For the common good we have created laws and ways to peacefully settle disputes, but their success is limited by the willingness of individuals to follow the rules.

The prophet Jeremiah spoke of God’s promise to

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create a new covenant or agreement with God's people that will be written upon their hearts. In Jesus we learn of that new covenant, based not upon a set of rules but upon a relationship based on love. A relationship with a loving God that declares in Jesus the price has been paid, God has declared we are forgiven and promised a life filled with peace in which the very presence of God walks with and uses us to share God's love. The power of love is stronger than any force in heaven or on earth.

We have the power to choose to go our own way with all of its problems or to say yes to God and allow God's presence in the form of the Holy Spirit guide us. This world has the potential to be a Heaven on earth or a Hell that we long to escape from; the choice is ours. Choosing to allow God into our heart doesn't always mean things will be easy but the alternative ultimately leads to destruction.

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currently have a church home, we would gladly welcome you to join Northampton at Fish House on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM.

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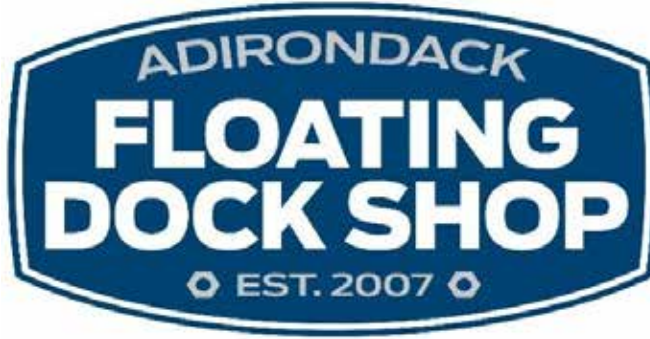
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"In a world where you can be anything, be kind." - Clare Pooley

Friendship and laughter, family and spirituality, nature and the arts sustain me. I was raised to take responsibilities seriously. To volunteer for worthy causes, to have integrity in everything that I do, and to be kind. I was lucky to have a family that "walked the walk". I must say the stress of living up to those expectations can be overwhelming. Am I good enough? "Do your best and have a good day," my mother said as I walked out of the door.

As Vice President of SVAN, I feel responsible for keeping things "on track". I do the best that I can while juggling other responsibilities. In preparing for a recent board meeting, I felt stressed. There

were many things on the agenda! It turned out to be a productive meeting and one filled with supportive laughter! What a relief! The SVAN Board of Directors is a diverse group of people who have a variety of strengths and interests. A family of sorts, as well as a group of friends. It seems that we at SVAN are on track for a great 2023 season.

Pat Nugent's Journaling class is off to a good start with participants reporting getting "more than expected" from the experience. The rain paused long enough for the Art of Nature hike but added a challenge to our picnic and creativity. A little rain did not dampen the beauty of nature or our enjoyment of the day. Our Gallery Reception on June 11 was well attended. Our guests enjoyed live music by Kate Blain, and talked with featured artist Janet Yeates, all while



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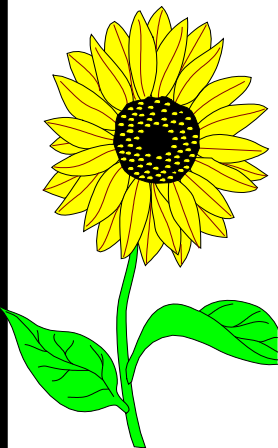
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munching on delicious refreshments. A reception was also held at the Northville Library Gallery for the Northville School photography students. Don't miss the work of these talented students, on display now through July 31st. Registration for the Painted Quilt Square Workshop is full! It is sure to be a fun and creative evening. The Scholarship committee chose two recipients, Sarah Dworman from Gloversville, and Alex DeMagistris from Johnstown. You can read more about these high school seniors in the next SVAN newsletter. Yes, there has been a lot happening at SVAN. Together we are doing our best.

What's next on our schedule? SVAN will be marching in the Northville parade on Saturday, July 1st, having "Fun In the Adirondacks". Jerry & Erin Gretzinger kick off our Summer Concert Series in the Northville Waterfront Park at 6 pm. You can find information about this year's concerts on SVANarts.org, on our Face Book Page, SVAN Grapevine, or stop by the Northville Gallery and Gift shop for a rack card. Please note, there are two changes to the Summer Music Schedule! The Caroga Lake Music Festival Concert will be held on Sunday, July 23rd at 3 PM at the Mayfield Presbyterian Church. (There is a misprint on the

Rack Card). The final concert on August 26 will now feature The Electric City Horns.

The next Gallery rotation of Art is scheduled for July 8th with the new work ready for view on the 14th. August 19 & 20 are the dates for Art Trails. Maps will soon be available for your self-guided visit to local art studios. SVAN has scheduled the Annual fundraiser on August 22nd, 5-8pm at The Local Dining & Spirits, Main Street, Northville. Join us for an enjoyable evening of live music by Rob Aronstein, house- made appetizers and an Art Auction. For tickets or information call 518-863-8047 or talk with any board member.



Kate Blain, musician chats with Janet Yeats, artists, at the Northville Gallery Reception

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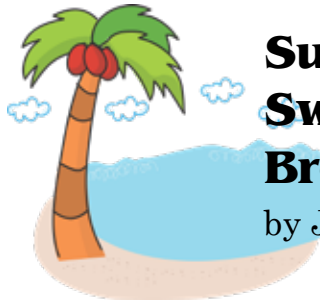


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Sun, Sand and Swaying in the Breeze!

by Janice Hawk-Baldwin

It is 6:00 AM and I am awake and listening to the early morning sounds, in the house. I smell coffee and hear voices murmuring in the living room. Hoss is snuggled under the covers by my side and Billy is softly snoring. I am very happy. Jeremy, Lucas and Acadia arrived yesterday for a visit. I have not seen them since Christmas. My heart is full. I closed my eyes again and suddenly, let out a giggle. Good grief it is six o'clock in the morning. It is too early to be awake but we have

a very good reason to be up. Billy just joined Lucas and Jeremy in the living room. I am now enjoying listening to the "boys" talk about where they are going fishing today. As I listen I notice the early morning light creeping into our bedroom and illuminating different pictures on our walls. We chose special memories to move with us, to the Keys. As I look around the room, my mind starts to wander and suddenly I have many memories flooding through my brain. I remembered a picture that was taken of Billy in 1974 when I was a freshman at Elmira College. Billy and I were on a date at Harris Hill watching people hang glide. I am not sure where that picture is and it has taken me two hours to remember the name, of the place, where the picture was taken. That memory sparked my mind into high speed and suddenly so many more memories played flashed through my mind, like in a screen show. We lived in a mobile

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home for the first three years of our marriage. In 1979 we built a new home and moved to Greenfield Center. We were thrilled to live on three acres of land and look out and see the foothills of the Adirondacks. We were in heaven and truly understood what it meant to live in God's country. Twenty one years and two children later we moved from Greenfield to Edinburg on the Great Sacandaga Lake. We enjoyed 18 years living on the side of a mountain looking over the lake. Living on the lake was awesome and it opened up many new adventures for us. We were finally understanding the many facets of living in God's country, from a different view. Now, it is hard for us to believe that we have owned our Key West home for seven years. Time certainly flies by in a blink of an eye. When we moved to the Keys our eyes were open to see yet another view of God's country. His work is truly magnificent.

We have had a good journey since we started dating in 1974. I have to remember to thank God more often for the incredible journey we have been on. I said my morning prayers and climbed out of bed, an hour and a half later, (I wasn't going fishing lol) I realized that Billy and I have been together 49 years and on July 10th we will celebrate our 47th wedding anniversary. I felt really old for a moment and had to shake that feeling off. It is true, we are older and our bodies are moving a little slower but we refuse to let any grass grow under our feet. We go to bed earlier,

sleep in later and try to live a healthy and active lifestyle. We want to be able to enjoy every moment we have left on earth with our family and friends. Every day in life should be an adventure.

I will not forget this morning for a long time. I am thankful for the memories and I am happy that we will have a month together with Lucas and Acadia. Yesterday we started compiling our 2023 Key West memories. Boating, fishing and manatees visiting us. We are all excited to be together again. We are thankful and blessed.

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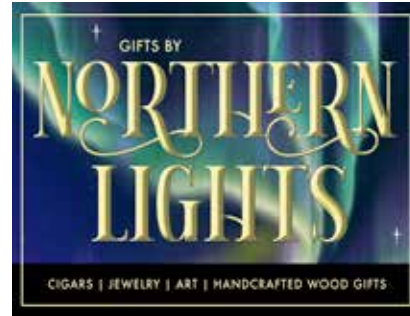
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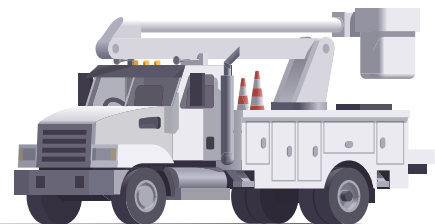
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by Barbara Klueg

Grab His Hand!

Let's take some time this month to think more about our Mighty God. The Bible says that nothing is impossible for God . . . love that. When a person gives their life to Jesus Christ, they confess that they are sinners and believe on Jesus as their Lord. Then the Holy Spirit comes to live in them and helps them to live their day to day lives to please Jesus.

God restores us, strengthens us, and helps us through every storm in life. (And, yes, trials and hard times do happen to everyone!) Maybe you are going through a hard time right now. Give your troubles to Jesus today. Grab hold of His hand. Matthew 14:27-29 tells how Jesus encouraged Peter during a storm. Jesus said to Peter . . . "Don't be afraid. Take courage. I am here!" Peter was fearful and said to Jesus, "Lord, if its really you, tell me to come to you, walking on the water." Jesus said, "Yes, come!" So, Peter walked to the other side of the boat and walked on the water toward Jesus.

Stop looking at your problems. Instead, step back and see Jesus through your storm. His arms are stretched out to you, inviting you to come to Him. Leave your wind

and waves to Him! Grab His hand!

We had a GREAT week of Vacation Bible School last month. Thank you to all who enrolled their children and to those who helped . . . taught Bible Classes, helped with the game time, or song time or baked cookies. It was a busy week but a very worthwhile one. It is always such a wonderful blessing when you see young people learning more about Jesus and giving their lives to Him.

Happy July 4th to everyone as we celebrate God's goodness to America, land of the free. Pray that we as a nation remember our country's meager beginnings and strive to continually keep God first.

We hope that everyone is having an enjoyable summer with their families and

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friends, and most of all making the time to love the Lord as God commands us. Matthew 22 says that Jesus astonished the crowds with his teachings. The ones who were trying to trick Jesus asked him a question. "Teacher, which is the great commandment?" Jesus answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And the second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

We can start doing this by coming to church every week to worship our Great God together. If your bad health does not allow you to join us for worship, you can watch our Sunday morning service on-line. Our website is bconny.org or go to our YouTube channel or on Facebook Live (Baptist Church of Northville NY).

If you need spiritual advice and encouragement, contact Pastor Larson at church (518.863.8001). He has a heart for God, will pray with you and give you great guidance from God's Word.

Our weekly schedule is:

- Sunday: Sunday School for all ages: 8:45 a.m. Worship: 10 a.m. 1st Sun. of the month: Fellowship Time: 6 p.m. with refreshments & service following. Home Small Groups: 6 p.m. on other Sun. nights or on a weeknight. (Youth Groups take a break for the summer.)
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- 1 Tbsp butter, melted
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 3 tsps. molasses
- 1 tsp paprika, preferably smoked
- 1 minced garlic clove
- 1 (1 pound) pork tenderloin, trimmed and cut in half crosswise

Instructions:

Toss the squash with half the melted butter and salt and pepper. Transfer to the air fryer and cook for 8 minutes at 350 degrees, tossing halfway through.

Meanwhile microwave the molasses with the paprika, garlic, salt and pepper until fragrant, about 30 seconds, stirring halfway through. Pat the pork dry and add to the molasses mixture, tossing to coat. Stir the squash and lay the tenderloin pieces on top, tucking under any thin ends of the pork. Return the basket to the air fryer and cook 16 to 20 minutes, until the pork registers 140 degrees. Flip and rotate the pork partway through the cooking to ensure it is evenly done. Transfer the meat to a platter and slice it 1/2 inch thick. Add squash to the platter and serve.

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Sufficiency

Shellie Kovaleski

Milkweed offers gifts. Glimpsing monarchs tilting on the breeze isn't the only thing to enjoy. It's true that if you give it a foot it might take your whole yard - but it is so easy to contain. Any stems that grow out of bounds can be pulled with minimal effort. As a bonus they can be part of a meal within minutes. You are probably skeptical. The top 5 or 6 inches, whether in leaf bud or flower bud, are tender and exquisitely flavored provided you boil them once and throw out the water. Reboil, then drain and enjoy as you would asparagus.

Fortunately the monarch caterpillars that require milkweed rely on the vegetation, not the flowers, so by taking tips you're not jeopardizing the monarch nursery. I only harvest them because I grow them and a quick harvest keeps them within bounds.

A milkweed plant I once allowed into a flower patch, sensing opportunity, gradually colonized the entire thing. Then, moving towards sunnier spaces, steadily advanced onward. At first we stood back and watched, unwilling to disrupt this life-support system for monarch caterpillars. When we are without

milkweed, we will be without monarchs skittering through the sky.

Do we need monarchs? I don't know.

I just revert to some words that jumped off a brochure at me once: The first rule of intelligent tinkering is to **SAVE ALL THE PARTS.**

Let's test that:

Do we need blackflies? I learned while guiding, tempting as it may be to devise the demise of those airborne bloodsuckers, something out there absolutely requires the calories they provide to carry them through a season. A fly fisherman working one of the Raquette Lake tributaries noticed that the


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bellies of brookies he caught during weekends in May were absolutely stuffed with blackfly larvae. It was over 95% of their diet that time of year, carrying them over till the next food source emerged.

Speaking of the great web of life, an even more surprising thing that some trout rely on is wolves. Sounds farfetched, doesn't it? Biologists who studied the return of wolves to Yellowstone noted that the presence of wolves changed the browsing habits of elk and deer which affected the stream-side vegetation. Browsers had become brazen.

With no predators on the premises and no need to hide, they spent more time in the open and on riverbanks polishing off alders and other shrubs that shaded stream beds, keeping

the water cool and trout friendly. The return of wolf packs made browsers return to their natural behaviors: go for a drink then run for cover, back to the woods. Thus river banks recovered and trout returned.

So as I muse over my patch of milkweed I wonder if it sustains, indirectly, some other sequence of life that I know nothing of - a sanctuary for some bug that sustains bluebirds, bats or bumblebees? When you wave a wand of milkweed seeds over a sunny backyard or back road many marvelous meals can follow.

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Edinburg School Happenings

Michelle Ellis, Superintendent

Farewell to the 2022 - 2023 School Year

On Monday, June 26, 2023, students, teachers, and staff celebrated the end of the 2022-2023 school year with our annual “walk out” and sixth grade graduation. We surely hope everyone has a safe and wonderful summer!

We would like to congratulate the following students that have been identified for being named to Honor Roll/High Honor Roll in grades 3rd through 6th for the 4th quarter. We are so proud of you all!

Honor Roll (89.5-94.4)

- Aubrey
- Russell
- Brayden
- Iris
- Isabella
- Eastyn
- Sadie

High Honor Roll (94.5-100)

- Gabby
- Emily
- Amelia
- Jeanette
- Kenzie

Yearbook Dedication

This year’s “Yearbook Dedication” was announced on Friday, June 2, 2023. The Edinburg

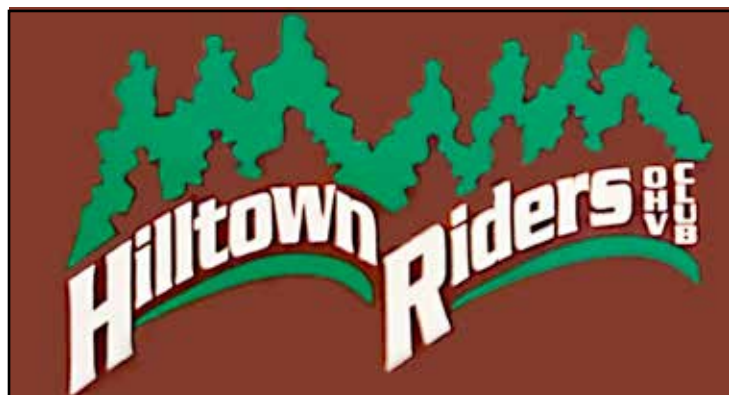


PTO presented the 2022-2023 yearbook to Mr. Thomas Moore as honoree. Congratulations Mr. Moore, we couldn’t think of a better person to receive this honor! His dedication page stated . . .

“We, the 6th grade class of 2023, are dedicating this yearbook to Mr. Moore. Thank you for being a great teacher! You have been a support to us throughout our years here at ECS. You have dedicated your time to not only teach but for coaching, Lego club, Sphero club, and troubleshooting our computers and Chromebooks. You are always ready to have fun with us like joining in at basketball practice and tubing at Oak Mountain. You make our educational environment fun whether it’s telling a joke or building snow castles. You always show patience and kindness to all students. We were grateful to have you as our teacher for our last year here at ECS as we move on to the 7th grade.”

Father’s - Special Person’s Day

On Wednesday, June 14, 2023, we enjoyed a luncheon and a school-wide kickball game with the Father’s or Special Persons in our lives! We had a great turnout and all had a wonderful afternoon! Thank you for all that you do for us!



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“Summer Fun Learning Program”

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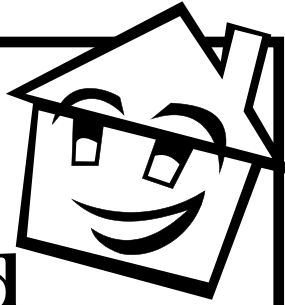
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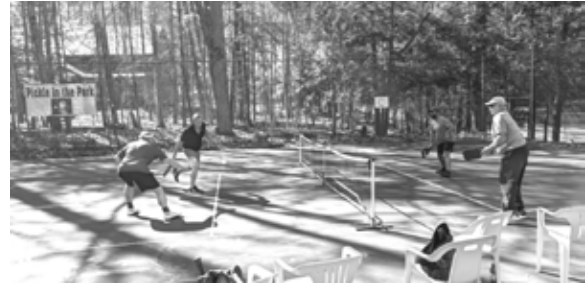


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July 6th, OFA Congregate Meal 11:30-12:30

Cheesy Ham and Rice Casserole, Brussels Sprouts, Carrots, Peaches. We will celebrate all July birthdays with a cake provided by Georgia Jacquard. No program this date

July 13th, OFA Congregate Meal 11:30-12:30

Chef's Choice Salad Cold Plate, Macaroni Salad, Carrot Raisin Salad, Cake. STFSL Program at 12:30 - Marlene McCleary, Program Manager of Fulton, Montgomery and Schenectady Counties Alzheimer's Association of Northeastern New York will present a program, "Healthy Living for Brain and Body."

July 20th, OFA Congregate Meal 11:30-12:30

Meatloaf, Sweet Potatoes, Broccoli, Gelatin. No program this date.

July 27th, OFA Congregate Meal 11:30-12:30, Macaroni and Cheese, Stewed Tomatoes and Zucchini, Green Beans, Cake. STFSL Program at 12:30 - Polly Saltsman, Caseworker at Fulton County Office for Aging will provide information on a variety of topics including Farmer's Market Coupons and the OFA summer picnic, There will also be a Blood Pressure Clinic this date.

Call Fulton County OFA at 736-5650 to make lunch reservations. If you are unable to attend the lunch, please call OFA by 9 am to cancel your meal! If the OFA meal site is closed, there will be no program that day. Additional information about STFSL can be found online at STFSL.org For information about trips or to request volunteer medical transportation, call STFSL at 752-8737 and leave a message.

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Mayfield Historical Society

Carol Johnston, Publicist
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The Mayfield Historical Society is thrilled to announce the recent acquisition of an 1843 oil painting of Mr. Oliver Rice, the owner and builder of the 1810 Rice Homestead and his 1790 homesteading cabin at 328 Riceville Road in Mayfield. The related buildings and grounds now serve as a museum which is listed on both the State and National Historical Registries.

The Mayfield Historical Society did not know the portrait existed. A year ago, on May 8, 2022, Ms. Jennifer Lanagan-Robison of Palm Harbor, Florida, contacted the Mayfield Historical Society through the Society's



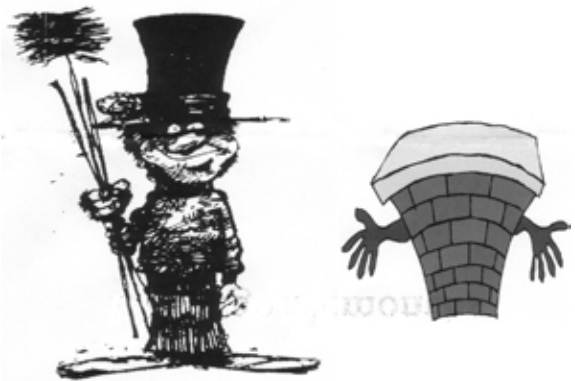
Facebook page after doing a web search on the name "Oliver Rice", which was written on the back of the painting. After careful examination of the handwriting, info on the back, and the face in the portrait along with Oliver's birthdate of 1768, it was determined that this was indeed a portrait of Oliver Rice of The Rice Homestead. She very graciously decided to donate the painting to the Mayfield Historical Society feeling that the best place for it was back in Mayfield, New York, in Oliver Rice's home where many visitors to the museum would enjoy it for years to come.

Thanks to Ms. Lanagan-Robison, the painting will be on display at The Rice Homestead beginning with the first Mayfield Historical Society

event of the summer season, the 40th Annual Strawberry Festival, which was Saturday, June 10th. The Rice Homestead is open through Labor Day Weekend on Wednesdays and Saturdays noon to 4 pm and by appointment by calling 518-332-0538. Admission is free; donations accepted. For more information, please visit www.facebook.com/ricehomestead.



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Mayfield Historical Society Ice Cream Social

The Mayfield Historical Society will hold its Annual Ice Cream Social on Thursday, July 20, from 6 to 8 pm at The Rice Homestead, 328 Riceville Road, Mayfield. Local popular musician Dan Lynaugh will perform. Free tours, spinning and chair weaving demonstrations, Oliver's Trail, Heritage Gardens, "Oliver's Attic" Sale, and the special exhibit "School Days" will be featured. For more information, contact 518-332-0538. Rain venue is Mayfield Presbyterian Church, 22 N. Main St., Mayfield.



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Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club

Broadalbin-Perth Lions Recognize Community Service Standouts

Broadalbin, NY, June 6, 2023 - Local students, educators and community leaders were recognized by the Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club at an awards event held at the historic Broadalbin Hotel.

This year's recipients are Adrianna Sheckton of Broadalbin-Perth and Isabella Towne of Mayfield. Each student received \$2000 towards their future endeavors. Applicants for the award were submitted by each school district to the Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club. A committee reviewed the applications and those selected were



B-P Lions Club President and Master of Ceremonies Bob Townsend, right, presents Broadalbin-Perth High School senior Adrianna Sheckton, left, with a \$2000 check and certificate recognizing her community service. Sheckton will be attending St. John Fisher University and will major in marketing and communication. (Photo courtesy Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club/Lion Ed Balaban).



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done so based on their overall commitment to the Lions' mission of "We Serve."

Shectkon has been cited for academic excellence and is President of Key Club, Vice President of National Honor Society, Vice President of Future Business Leaders of America, member of the varsity soccer team, and student representative to the Board of Education. She has received the Girl Scout Silver and Bronze Award, and placed third at the regional level of the Future Business Leaders of America speaking competition for each of the past two years. She also interned with the Amsterdam Mohawks baseball team during the summer of 2022.

Shectkon will be attending St. John Fisher University, in Pittsford, in the fall and will major in marketing and communication.

Towne has been cited for academic excellence and has played on the soccer and softball teams. She is also a member of National Honor Society, Co-President of Student Council, Key Club, Drama Club, and served as Class Representative. She has been cited as a Student of the Month, recognized on

Principal's List, and is the recipient of the St. Rose Presidential Scholarship.

Towne will be attending SUNY Plattsburgh in the fall and hopes to be a nurse.



B-P Lions Club President Bob Townsend, right, congratulates Broadalbin-Perth High School 10th grader Alexis Lin, left, on her participation in the Hugh O'Brien Youth (HOBY) Leadership development program. (Photo courtesy Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club/Lion Ed Balaban).

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“Nuggets and News” from the Town of Lake Luzerne

Historian, Pam Morin

For the good will and benefit of all, the Lake Luzerne and Hadley town historians, Pam Morin and Kathy Trackey have joined hands, hearts and history on the Bridge of Hope to be part of the Edinburg Newsletter for the first time. We look forward to sharing our Nuggets of History from then as well as what's happening now. Nugget for July. As most know, Hadley and Lake Luzerne lie in two different counties, Saratoga and Warren respectively. But did you know it's the Bridge of Hope that brings them together to share the view of the “Mighty Hudson River. Looking north from the Bridge you see the thrilling picturesque beauty of Rockwell Falls and the extreme narrowing of the river. Crossing the southside you'll see the rush of rapids and dangerous whirlpools, the remains of the Nu Era Paper Company, and just beyond the visible confluence of the Sacandaga River meeting the Hudson then into “The Tiosaronda Bay”. One block away in Lake Luzerne begins the showcase of the historic and retail business district. Within 3 blocks you will find peaceful Pagenstecher Park next to Wells Creek and a Pulp Mill replica, Gailey Hill Schoolhouse, the Rockwell-Harmon Cottage, Kinnear Museum of Local History, three churches, Lake Luzerne for swimming and paddling and Lt. Col. Benjamin C. Butler Pavilion Park for picnicking. Now from Hadley one block you will find the historic Parabolic Bow Bridge, a 90' foot high D & H Trestle Train/bike rail Bridge, a country road

to a pocket park suitable for moments of peace, tranquility and a wedding spot and just around the bend is a golf course that once upon a time was a Country Club and a Dude Ranch. Two Towns, Two Counties, Two Rivers, and Three Bridges, we are connected. Now Looking ahead: July 4th is upon us and the skies will be filled with fireworks that commemorate the celebration of our America's Independence. “In fact, the genesis of America's love affair with fireworks is inextricably linked to its independence. In a letter dated July 3, 1776, American founding father John Adams wrote to his wife Abigail that, on the occasion of Independence Day, the country should be honored “with Pomp and Parade, with Shews, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more.”

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TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) of 1005 Northville meets every Wednesday upstairs in the conference room at the Bradt (Municipal) building on 412 South Main Street in Northville... Weigh in is at 8:30am with the meeting to start soon after!

We welcomed back some of our winter members... Cathe Bard, Ellen Descharnais, Ronnie Flynn, Nancy Bassett, Pat Wilcox, and Cookie Utting. We have also welcomed three new members this year!

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Saratoga County 4-H Market Auction – a look into where our food comes from.

SARATOGA COUNTY, NY - The Saratoga County 4-H is hosting their annual Market Auction on Sunday July 23rd at the Saratoga County Fairgrounds at 162 Prospect Street, Ballston Spa, NY. This year there are 9 youth selling lambs, turkeys, and chickens in the auction. Community members and local businesses are invited to come bid at the auction. The bidders are invited for a preview of the sale and registration at 11:30AM. The Market Auction will begin at Noon. When purchasing a 4-H animal from the auction, you are getting a high-quality product. Market animals are raised with the utmost care.

The 4-H Market Auction is a unique program for 4-H youth who are participating in market animal projects to raise various farm animals for the purpose of sale to the public. The project is intended to give youth the chance to be responsible

for their animals but also to receive the monies from the sale. They'll use some of the funds to offset the costs incurred from caring for their animals and then be given the freedom to use any profits for themselves. Most individuals will use



their funds to begin the process of raising another animal or put it towards saving for their secondary education endeavors.

All animals must be paid for, IN FULL, at the end of the auction. The animals will be delivered to a processor, on Sunday, after the auction. The processor may be contacted directly for a specific

cut sheet and the processing costs are separate from the auction purchase. The meat will be delivered personally by each 4-H'er, or a pick-up may be arranged. Purchases can also be signed back to the 4-H'er with the original purchase price benefitting the 4-H member and the secondary sale furthering educational materials and supplies for the Saratoga County 4-H Livestock Program.

Bid as an individual, a business, or collaborate with a partner and go in as a share, by proxy options available as well. This may be a tax-deductible purchase when made as a goodwill gift or charitable donation. Early bidder registration is available NOW! Contact Rylie Lear McLenithan, 4-H Animal Science Educator, at 518-885-8995 or rjl287@cornell.edu to register or with questions. Saratoga County 4-H is excited to offer this new program in the animal science department.



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Saturday: 10am-6pm & Sunday: 10am-3pm

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I worked at a hair salon cleaning up hair (surprisingly really bad at that job), McDonald's, a deli (not good at that one either), a door-to-door rep for the bottle bill (scariest job I ever had), bartender, diet technician, towel cleaner one summer in college (this one actually had a title – Summer Linen Director - got me free room for the summer), Registered Dietitian, the list goes on. I think I picked up a nugget from each place that has helped me in doing what I am doing now – at least that is what my Mom says. I have had probably 25 different bosses – good and bad. McDonald's is where I learned the phrase, "if you have time to lean, you have time to clean". I still use that one. My point is, I think (hope) Jeremy and I have had enough life experience to help lead the kids in choosing whatever will make them happy and to teach them to be good stewards of what they receive out of life.

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I can't believe it is July already – this month flew by. Lucas and Acadia had their first day of working today. We are very clear with them that there is NO PRESSURE to take over the business and make it a 6th generation company (5 is pretty amazing on its' own), but we never want them to regret their decision – whether it be yes OR no. So, we want them to learn and DO everything – from toilet cleaning and tool organizing to servicing trucks, pump diagnostics, and of course business practices. This way (hopefully), they will be able to make a very informed decision as to whether this is something that they want. They are still young, 12 and 14, but Jeremy and I are very honest with them about the ups and downs of owning and running a company.

They have both been great sports so far (granted, this is day one and I already rewarded them with large sundaes). Acadia is cleaning, filing, watering plants and likely soon, answering phone calls. I figure it will just be her getting info when I and Amanda are not able to get the incoming calls so we can call the person back faster. She says that she is worried about it because she knows she has a very high pitched

voice. Lucas is, at this moment, putting well caps together. He has already swept every barn, picked up garbage around the shop grounds, swept cobwebs from barn windows and cleaned the men's bathroom (and he didn't even complain – well, any more than saying that it looked like it hadn't been cleaned in years). Not true, btw, but it is gross. Once they are done, they will both start washing trucks. I'm a proud momma.

Both kids have said that they do not want real responsibility yet and I get that...they just want the rote stuff like putting fittings away and cleaning. The plan is for them to work 3 full days a week (M, T, W) and have Thursday and Friday off to either make plans with friends or, down the road, have another job to get other experiences. This is obviously only during the summer. Weekends are for camp.

Jeremy and I had very different work experiences growing up. His only job has been here – doing what our kids are doing now. I started working at 14 doing babysitting and then every other job you can think of. I enjoyed trying new things. I have, of course, done waitressing,

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