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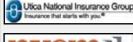
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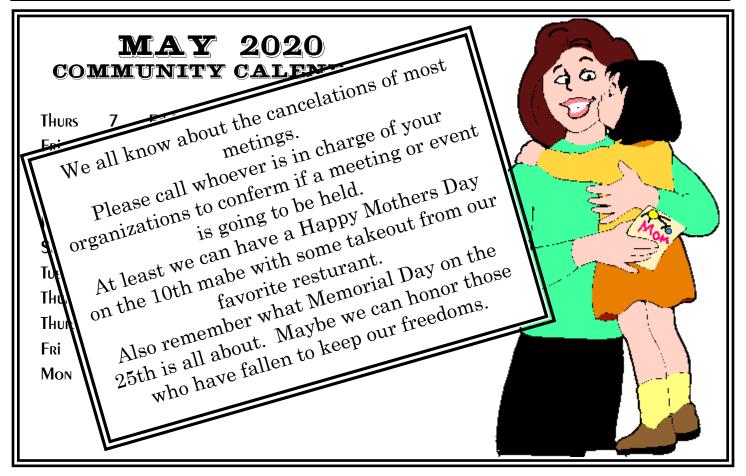


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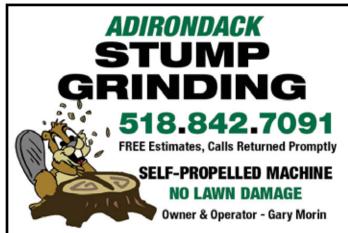
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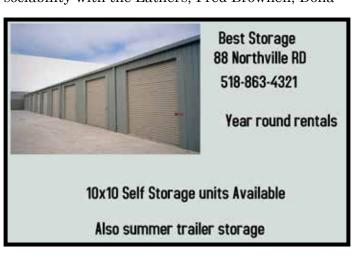
The Edinburg Historical Society has cancelled their May program due to the Coronavirus. EHS continues to raise funds for the restoration and maintenance of the Copeland Historic Site which is comprised of the Copeland Covered Bridge and Carriage Shop. Your donation of \$25 will purchase a share certificate for yourself, as a gift, in honor of a loved one or in memory of a loved one. An acknowledgement of your contribution will be sent to the recipient you request, and the name will be posted at the Copeland Covered Bridge. Send your request to the above address.

A share has been purchased in honor of Christine Saglimbeni.

Mark your calendars for two festivals being held on Saturdays, July 18 and September 26. Both festivals are held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Crafters are needed for both festivals. Contact George and Andrea Blackwood, 518 863-6772 or visit the EHS website for information.

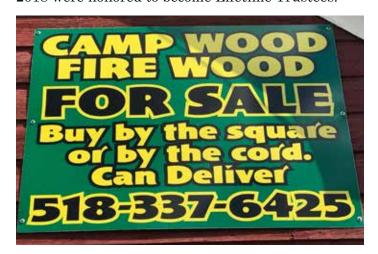
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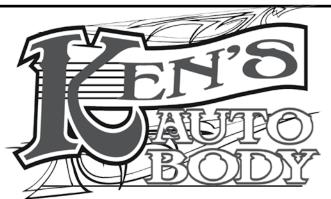
The Edinburg Historical Society has lost a longtime member, Roger Hoff, on February 18 in Newtown, PA. He loved his summering in Edinburg for a good portion of his life, beginning in the 1940s, when he vacationed at the Palmer place on Pucker Street and continuing after he bought Ross Mack's house on North Shore Road in 1980. Sitting on the screened in back porch listening to the music of Beecher Creek was his happiest time. He enjoyed sociability with the Lathers, Fred Brownell, Dona



and Marshall Robinson in Beecher Hollow and with his friends in the Edinburg Historical Society.

Roger held various positions while a member of EHS, staffing the museums, the takeover of the Copeland Covered Bridge, co-chairing the Edinburg Walking Tours, Chairing the Nominating Committee for many years, and physical jobs like sealing the floor of the rural. With his wife, Kathy they did a layout of the Rural Museum. Roger donated his 1916 canoe that is on display at the Rural Museum. Both Kathy and Roger were given the Volunteer of the Year Award in 2011 and in 2018 were honored to become Lifetime Trustees.





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by Jean Raymond



COVID19 HEALTH EMERGENCY

The town offices are closed to the public, minimizing direct contact with anyone for the wellbeing of all. Anyone needing assistance please contact the Town Hall via telephone at 518-863 2034, email at edinburg@roadrunner.com or fax to 518-863-2985 and you will be contacted. Residents who have any questions -please call or email so we can try to help you with any problems or concerns.

The Community Center is also closed and the Congregate Senior Meal Site is closed. Home delivered meals are being delivered by the Saratoga County Office of the Aging.

Garbage and Recycling will be collected on the normal schedule. The Recycling Center and Transfer Station will be closed on Friday and open from 10:00 to 2:00 on Saturday for disposal of garbage and recycling ONLY.

Beginning on May 1st the Recycling Center and Transfer Station will be open on Fridays and Saturday from 9:00 to 3:00.

The reuse area and book lending area will be closed. Residents are asked to dispose of their items and NOT PARK or linger at the center and to avoid close contact with the employees or other users.

CELL PHONE SERVICE

On March 20th the Adirondack Park Agency issued a permit to Verizon Wireless to co-locate a new Telecommunications Antennas on an existing tower. The tower is the Saratoga County public service radio tower on Fraker Mountain off Military Road by Morris Road in the Town of

Edinburg. We do not yet have a date for completion of the installation but hope it will be sometime this summer. The county tower on Horse Hill Road in the Town of Day is also under discussion for a second tower.

2020 CENSUS

Invitations to respond to the 2020 Census should have arrived in your mail in March. If you have not responded please take the time to do so as soon as possible. If you did not receive a census invitation you may go to 2020census.gov and click on fill out census today, then click on respond, then click on respond, then click on start questionnaire and then under log in click on do not have a census ID. This will get you the census ID number you need to fill out the form. Each person who lives in the home should be included when responding. If you are away for several months but live in Edinburg you should list Edinburg as your home. In 2010 the entire Adirondack Region was undercounted and it affected our representation in Congress as well as funding for many federal programs. It is estimate that Saratoga County was undercounted by as much as 30%. Some of the undercounted include children under 5 years old, senior citizens and the rural poor. The current response rate for Saratoga County as of 4/18/20 is 51.6% and the rate for Edinburg is 15.5%. This is probably because they plan to go door to door to gather information but you can still respond via internet or also by phone.

IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT EVERYONE RESPOND.

Anyone with any questions can contact the town hall via email at edinburg@roadrunner.com or call 518-863-2034 and leave a message and someone will call you back.

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Public Health is working to reduce the spread. We recommend if anyone has a fever, with cough or experiencing shortness of breath they should contact their health care provider. If you believe you have been exposed or that you have symptoms of COVID-19, CALL YOUR DOCTOR FIRST.

Please <u>do not</u> walk in to your doctor's office or to the Emergency Room and risk exposing the staff and other patients.

Change can lead to stress...and COVID-19 surely has brought change!

Adults

May Notice:

Anxiety
Changes in sleep and appetite
Difficulty concentrating
Feeling impatient/short-tempered
Aches/pains

Children

May Notice:
Worry/sadness
Crying/irritation
Changes in sleep/appetite
Poor attention/concentration
Ccomplaints of headache/stomachache

You can...

Remember to take a break from the news! Focus on what you can do, not what you can't! Try to stick to your routines, as much as possible. Structure helps!

Reassure your kids in terms they understand! Be a role model!

Stay connected to friends and family as best you

can — social media was made for this!
Germs are everywhere! They can get onto hands and items we touch during daily activities and make you sick. Cleaning hands at key times with soap and water or hand sanitizer is one of the most important steps you can take to avoid getting sick and spreading germs to those around you.

There are important differences between washing hands with soap and water and cleaning them with hand sanitizer. For example, alcoholbased hand sanitizers don't kill ALL types of germs, such as a stomach bug called norovirus, some parasites, and Clostridium difficile, which causes severe diarrhea. Hand sanitizers also may not remove harmful chemicals, such as pesticides and heavy metals like lead. Handwashing reduces the amounts of all types of germs, pesticides, and metals on hands. Knowing when to clean your hands and which method to use will give you the best chance of preventing sickness.

When should I use?

Soap and Water • Before, during, and after preparing food • Before eating food • Before and after caring for someone who is sick • Before and after treating a cut or wound • After using the bathroom, changing diapers, or cleaning up a child who has used the bathroom • After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing • After touching an animal, animal food or treats, animal cages, or animal waste • After touching garbage • If your hands are visibly dirty or greasy

Alcohol-Based Hand Sanitizer

Before and after visiting a friend or a loved one in a hospital or nursing home, unless the person is sick with Clostridium difficile (if so, use soap and water to wash hands).

If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol, and wash with soap and water as soon as you can.

Do NOT use hand sanitizer if your hands are visibly dirty or greasy: for example, after gardening, playing outdoors, or after fishing or camping (unless a handwashing station is not available). Wash your hands with soap and water instead

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library in the last year, using 25,000 items, including digital resources as well. The library's computers and wireless network were accessed nearly 3,000 times, and the library handled about 7,500 transfers, sharing items between area libraries. 77 programs were held with 1,500 participants from Pre-school children through senior citizens.

The following programming information is all contingent on the reopening of the library and other consequences that might ensue.

The Sacandaga Book Club will meet on Tuesday, May 12 at 10 am in the library's program room. Pat Nugent will lead a discussion of "Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity and Love" by Dani Shapiro. The book is about secrets within families, kept out of shame or self-protectiveness; secrets we keep from one another in the name of love. It is the story of a woman's urgent quest to unlock the story of her own identity, a story that has been scrupulously hidden from her for more than fifty years, years she had spent writing brilliantly, and compulsively, on themes of identity and family history. It is a book

about the extraordinary moment we live in--a moment in which science and technology have outpaced not only medical ethics but also the capacities of the human heart to contend with the consequences of what we discover.

Story Time will be held on Sat, May 16 at 10 am, coordinated by Ondrea Filkins. Bring your pre-

school children for stories, snack, and craft.

Watch for these titles to be arriving: Walk the Wire – David Baldacci Goodbye Man – Jeffrey Deaver Camino Winds – John Grisham Hideaway – Nora Roberts Wedding Dress – Danielle Steel



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Great Sacandaga Lake Association

by Edward Ludlum, President Great Sacandaga Lake Association

This is my second communication to members this spring. As the COVID19 crisis continues, some things remain the same. Recent rains across the drainage plain are causing the Great Sacandaga Lake to rise rapily As I write this, the lake is rising at aproximately 1/2 foot a day. While I can't predict the future, I think there is a reasonable possiblity the lake will flow over the spillway again this year. The high lake levels have become norm rather than the exception.

Please know that we have discussed our members' concerns with the HRBRRD. We hope to continue the discussion with the HRBRRD at a telephone meeting in a week or so.

To all of our members and readers, Stay Safe, wash your hands, practice social distancing and be part of the Coronavirus solution.

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Flower Talk by Sally Peck

It's May, time for hanging baskets and garden flowers. The Fuchsia with it's unique look stands out among the crowd. It can be grown as a shrub, trailing vine, miniature tree or bedding plant. Love Hummingbirds? Then get a Fuschia, the colorful flowers attract hummingbirds, which are a main pollinator of the Fuchsia.

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The Fuchsia, in the Evening Primrose family, has quite a history. A French monk and botanist named Charles Plumier discovered and named many plants in honor of his fellow botanists during his three plant hunting trips to the Caribbean and South America. He discovered the Fuchsia along with the Begonia, Lobelia and Magnolia. In 1695 on his third voyage (to look for quinine from the Cinchona tree) for King Louis XIV, he discovered, sketched and described a plant on the foothills of Hispaniola (now Haiti & Dominican)...

it was the Fuchsia! Bad news was the plant and seed samples were lost in a shipwreck. The good news, his drawings and description were on another boat. In 1703 Plumier published the name Fuchsia in honor of his most esteemed botanist. Leonhard Fuchs. Because it was given a German name, it should be pronounced as "fook-sya", but the English pronunciation remains as "fyusha" (as does the color). A vear later Mr. Plumier died and in his honor was named the Plumeria (flowers used in Hawiian Leis). It wasn't until 88 years after Plumier's death that an actual Fuchsia made it to the UK. The craze began with hybridization from early to late 1800's. Today there are over 100 species of

During the Victorian Era, it was the plant of excellence, favored by the Queen herself. They were grown everywhere by the thousands from pillars to gardens and sold at markets. Then the wars came.

The two world wars slowed their popularity and where Fuchsia's once grew, food crops had replaced. It's in between these two wars that they found their way to the USA where intense breeding began, with larger blooms.

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There are other areas where the Fuchsia is revered. It made its way to the Isle of Man (between England and Ireland) in the early 1800's. On Tynwald Day, July 5 it is the preferred floral emblem. You can find it on their coins, stamps and maps. In Western Ireland, it is very prolific and called 'deoa De', which translates as God's teardrops. The Scots would make a 'lady' or 'fairy' from the flowers. The petals form the skirt, the stamens (take out all but two) are her legs. In New Zealand, they have a Fuchsia with a blue pollen. 200+ years ago, the young Maori (indigineous people of NZ) used it as make-up to adorn their face. The Natives of S. America used the root as a source of black pigment for coloring wool.

The Fuchsia even has Biblical connections. An ancient story goes that the Fuchsia sprang from the blood of Christ at the foot of the cross. It's pendants dangle because it hangs 'it's head from sorrow'

It represents humble love, concern and friendliness. Some say that any bride who offered the fuchsia as an offering or wore them on her wedding day would enjoy bountiful blessings.

The fruit of the Fuchsia are the berries which contain many small seeds. The berries can be red,

green or purple depending on the variety. They and the entire plant are edible, high in vitamin C and antioxidants (use only organic non-treated plants). The berries are the most popular and are compared to pitless cherries in flavor. They can be made into jams, wine and more. It takes a LOT of berries, you would need a hedgerow to get the amount needed. The flower can be used as a garnish in salads. The 'foodies' of today get creative with ways to eat their Fuchsias.

The oldest known fuchsia (and it still lives) was planted in 1899, an heirloom plant for sure or perhaps a 'witness' plant'. So however you grow them, enjoy them for the elegant beauty they are.

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DID YOU KNOW THAT—

by Town of Edinburg Historian, Priscilla L. Edwards

2020 marks 75 years since the end of World War II. Shortly after the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 the United States became involved in the war. At this time a Home Land Security System was organized. The program was established under the Defense Act to promote State and National Security and was administered through each county's Council of Defense. For the years 1942-1945 life on the Home Front took on a whole new meaning.

For the Town of Edinburg a Civilian Protection Council was set up and manned by several committees with Grace S. Edwards as the Deputy Director. Grace was a school teacher in our local area for many years. She and her husband had a little farm on Tange road.

Our old town hall-now the Nellie Tyrrell Museum-was used as a "war hospital" and training sessions were held on a regular basis. Beulah Brownell RN was in charge of Medical Personnel with Jessie Downing as her aide. Beulah with her husband and son lived in the former Methodist Church parsonage. Jessie lived on furthest end of Sinclaire road with her husband and son.

Mrs. Marie Malec was in charge of the Ambulance Corp; the ambulance being her son Jaro's 1940/41 Chevy panel truck. The truck was used on Saturdays to peddle eggs and milk from their farm on Sinclaire road.



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An unfortunate incident happened during one training session when "patient" Eva Rockwell Baur, while being carried into the building on a stretcher was accidently dropped, breaking her arm.

Observation sites around the Sacandaga Reservoir were located on higher ground and manned by local citizens to watch for enemy aircraft. One of the civilian watchers, a teen-ager at the time-remembers 3 guard houses at the Conklingville Dam but according to the HRRD there were only 2, one by the look-out; the other down closer to the dam. The watchers at these sites were armed with rifles.

As a small child I remember seeing these guard houses; being scared to death that enemy aircraft would attack Edinburg.

Another observation site was on the western hillside behind Henry Torrey's home on North Shore road in the general vicinity of the Lakeland Development. Each of these sites had a sign-in sheet and telephone. Calls from these phones went to a central base in Albany.

Bertha Torrey (Henry's wife) was chairman of the Air Observer Committee for Edinburg. Mary Allen, Carmy Stockwell, Percy and Ted Olmstead (my grandfather and uncle); Walter Edwards and his children Tressa and Guy were just a few who did their part as observers. Each observer was issued an Identification Card similar to a driver's license with one's thumb print on the back of the card.

I've just recently located another observation site on Simpson road in the Town of Northampton not far from the Edinburg line. Thank You, Maryanne "Cookie" Langr Blanchet!
The Langr family owned a grocery and meat market on Bridge Street in Northville for many years after moving there from Osborn Bridge.

Cookie told me how her dad Frank Langr was an observer at an observation site somewhere on the further end of Simpson road. The light bulb went on and I remembered a place I had visited as a girl-again roughly in the same general location. I started making phone calls and asking lots of questions. After the war Loren Laird, a lifelong friend of my dad's, bought a piece of property "over back". I wasn't very old and that's all I remembered.

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Our families went there a few times to look at the lot or maybe to have a picnic. All I remembered about the property seemed strange to me. It was quite rocky, there was a wooden tower-14/15 feet tall, a telephone pole and a Quonset hut. You didn't see many Quonset huts in Edinburg in the 1940's! Once I got all of this straight in my mind I determined this was the same site that Cookie had brought to my attention! During the Cold War of the 1950's the property was checked for uranium as were several other places in the Sacandaga area at that time. As with the other sites the amount found was not cost-effective enough to mine or process. Another family friend now owns the property.

Victor Brownell's business Brownell Lumber Company was a designated Defense Necessary Industry producing 12" x 12" timbers for the General Electric Company in Schenectady. The American Locomotive Company made tanks and Espy Manufacturing near Ballston Spa made the machine gun and firing mechanisms for the tanks. The tanks were shipped overseas for the war effort with the 12x12 timbers attached to all four sides of each tank acting as a bumper to protect the tanks in shipment. Brownell Lumber Co. was stamped on each timber.

Vic didn't have a sawmill of his own at this time but he had already purchased timber from the Tennant family at Tennantville. He sub-contracted with John VanWormer to move his sawmill from the Town of Day to Tennantville to saw the timbers.

All families were asked to save their old newspapers, tin cans, tin foil from chewing gum wrappers and milkweed pods. All of these were recycled in various ways for the war effort. At our house it was my job to flatten the tin cans while my dad placed them in a burlap bag and stored them in our empty ice house waiting for pick up. Edinburg

families didn't have a lot of tin cans as many women still did home canning in the 1940's.

Betty Wilder-the Wilder home was on the site of the current Edinburg Marina- drove her Ford pickup about town collecting newspapers and tin cans. The milkweed pods would be gathered in onion sacks and taken to school by students to a central pickup point.

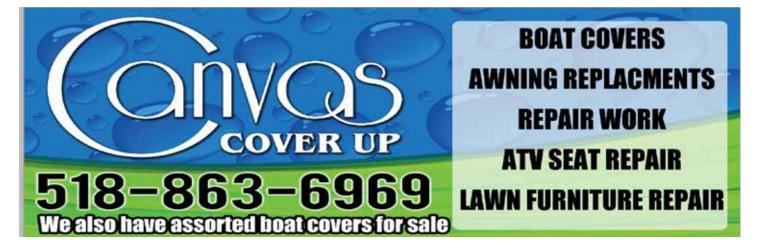
Each family was encouraged to have a "Victory Garden" but in rural areas such as Edinburg this was not a huge effort since almost every household had a large garden each year anyway. All one had to do was plant some extra rows.

Blackouts were in effect every night. Dark green shades and/or heavy curtains were at all windows to block any light to the outside in the event any enemy aircraft that might be flying over. Homes within a mile or two of the Edinburg 4-corners had electricity but ones further out would not have electric lights until well after the war in the late 1940's. These outlaying homes still used kerosene lamps for light at night.

Ration books and stamps were issued to each individual. Many things were rationed—food, clothing and gasoline being just a few. These and many other items were needed for the war effort. Women improvised in cooking and baking. I have several of my grandmother's recipes with substitutions. Rural women used honey, maple syrup and kayro syrup instead of sugar.

America was much more rural in the 1940's. These folks were tougher—they'd already been through the Great Depression of the 1930's. The children in some younger families were sent to live with their grandparents on the farm. There weren't many choices—dads were fighting in the military overseas and moms were working long hours in factories producing items for the war effort leaving no one at home to care for the kids.

The folks of my parents and grandparents generations were indeed the greater generation!





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Lake Safety: "Social Distancing on the Water?"

by Captain Peter M. Byron, NAV-ED SERVICES GROUP

The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) has created an entirely new outlook on life. As I write this article in preparation for our May issue, the Governor of New York State, Andrew Cuomo, extended the New York State on PAUSE restrictions and closures until May 15, 2020. The series of restrictions have resulted in the suspension of classroom instruction for Boater Safety Certificates but have not suspended the implementation of the phase-in of Brianna's Law which requires certificates for all operators of motorboats by January 1, 2025.

The State emphasizes that "Brianna's Law goes into effect starting January 1, 2020 and becomes fully effective by January 1, 2025. This law modifies Sec. 49-1 of the Navigation Law to require all operators of motorboats to hold a boating safety certificate. Brianna's Law builds on current safety certificate requirements utilizing a phase-in model based on a person's date of birth. Under the new law, all motor boat operators:

Born on or after Jan. 1, 1993 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2020.

Born on or after Jan. 1, 1988 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2022.

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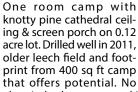
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Born on or after Jan. 1, 1978 will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2024.

All motor boat operators regardless of age will need a boating safety certificate beginning in 2025."

Readers are directed to continue to monitor the NYS Safe Boating website for updates on class information as well as specific information about the coronavirus. Please access: https://parks. ny.gov/recreation/boating/education.aspx as well as www.cdc.gov/COVID19

What is New York State on PAUSE: The Governor announced the New York State on PAUSE executive order to assure uniform safety for everyone. The plan which was effective on March 22 has been extended to May 15, 2020. Executive Order 2026 among other provisions closes non-essential businesses, limits the concentration of individuals which requires social distancing of at least six feet from others, limits outdoors recreational activities to non-contact and

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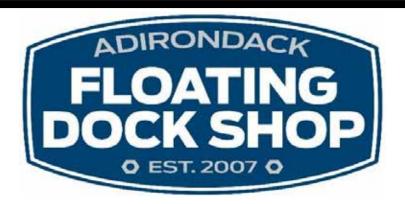


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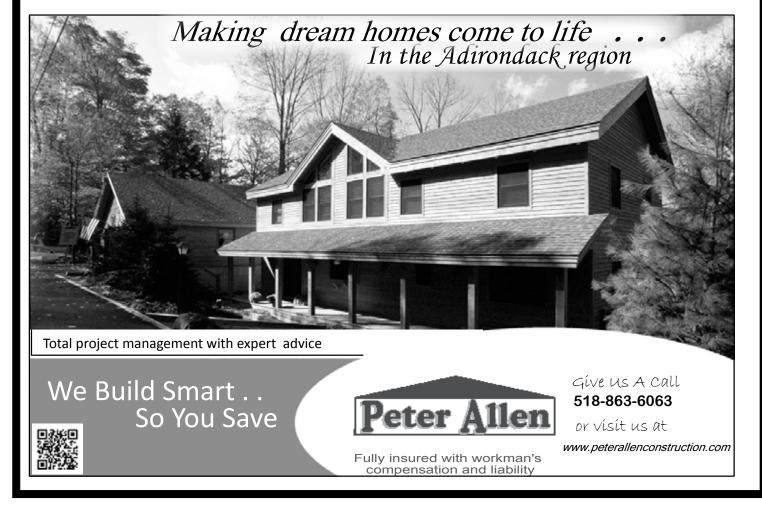




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cancels non-essential gatherings of any size. Guidance was provided on April 19, 2020 that allowed "Marinas, boatyards, and recreational marine manufacturers, for ongoing marina operations and boat repair/maintenance, where such facilities adhere to strict social distancing and sanitization protocols. Use of such sites for the purposes of personal use or operation of boats or other watercraft is permissible, provided that no establishment offer chartered watercraft services or rentals. Restaurant activity at such sites are limited to take-out or delivery only." Further information can be found at: https://esd.ny.gov/ guidance-executive-order-2026 It is important to monitor information to receive updates on the guidance on the Governor's Executive Order as modifications may be made at any time to the regulations!

What Does this Mean for Boating? One has to remember that this pandemic is evolving as are recommendations for the implementation of 'good practices' for safe boating. Some of the suggestions from national groups are worth sharing. Let's take a look at a few which you





might want to consider as you operate your boat under the provisions of the Executive Order. Tips on Boat Operation in a COVID-19

Environment:

Social Distancing: There are some great ideas in Discover Boating (https://www.discoverboating.com/resources/boating-during-coronavirus-covid-19) concerning the dilemma facing boaters and shares a great poster from SEA TOW on social distancing. Boating appears to be a 'safe social distancing activity' but may not be! Some of the recommendations they make might be ones you should consider! Let's make it safe.

"You need to limit the people aboard to those family members you share your home with, period—no guests.

You also can't raft up with other boats or pull up onto a beach close to another boat, as that could put you in close proximity with the occupants. You also have to be careful to maintain a safe distance from others when doing things like loading up at the marina or fueling the boat. After doing anything that requires touching

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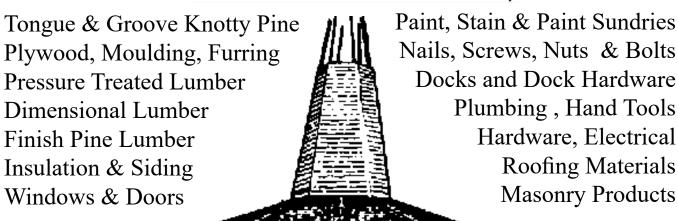
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an item someone else may have touched, like a marina gate lock or a fuel pump, disinfect by washing your hands or using a hand sanitizer as soon as possible.

Finally, to maintain the highest level of safety pack your gear and supplies ahead of time and don't plan to stop at a store on the way to the marina or launch ramp, as you usually might." (Discover Boating https://www.discoverboating. com/resources/boating-during-coronaviruscovid-19)

SEA TOW has a great poster which captures their thoughts on the issue of 'distancing'. Here are their thoughts without the graphics! They call their tips "Social Distancing When Boating". These tips are found at the same web address as above (https://www.discoverboating.com/resources/ boating-during-coronavirus-covid-19)

"Only boat with those in your immediate household.

No beaching your boat right next to someone else.

Maintain your distance at the fuel dock – and remember to wash your hands.

No rafting up – keep your distance on the water.

No guests on your boat! This includes family members not in your immediate household or your closest boating buddies.

Go right to your house to the boat and back – no unnecessary contact with anyone.

Enjoy your boat, the water and the fresh air; but enjoy it while boating responsibly!" (SEA TOW)

Boat and Equipment Maintenance: Let's take a quick look at: (a) an effective way to clean your boat (YouTube); (b) taking care of Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs).

Discover Boating helps you with your 'boat cleaning' needs in the time of the Coronavirus by recommending a quick look at this YouTube suggestion: https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=3xVlebfQfnw

The Life Jacket Association provides some tips on cleaning and storing your PFDs through a link to the USCG site: https://www.uscgboating.org/

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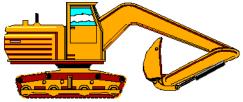
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multimedia/news-detail.php?id=532 Availability of Boater Safety Classes: New York State has traditionally maintained a listing of class locations as well as specific class-related information. Interested students may want to monitor this list as the 'social distancing' conditions change. The class listing is posted at: https://parks.ny.gov/recreation/ boating/safety-courses.aspx

The ONLINE Route to a Boater Safety Certificate: As we are embarking on an everyday report of COVID-19 patients and recommendations for 'social distancing', let's take a deep breath and look at another boater safety instruction option offered in New York State! Look ONLINE! Use some of YOUR time and earn your certificate. Tell your neighbor and tell your friends (by telephone) that they can use some of their homebound time to prepare for the boating season. It will be fun and they will learn safe practices.

Readers can discover more about the online options including varying prices (there is a FREE one!) and review a list of questions and answers concerning the program by checking the NYS web address: https://parks.ny.gov/recreation/ boating/education.aspx

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with you. However you're not likely to see me, as I will be in self quarantine due to having flown across our Country. Not to protect myself, rather to protect us. And that is the point of this article. I would like to reach out to those of us who still feel that this pandemic or whatever you care to call it, is not your problem. That it belongs to the "Summer People" or the city dwellers, and will not effect those of us in rural areas.

When Corona Virus does come your way, things suddenly get very personal. That's what happen to me when I had a potential exposure due to my volunteer work experience in an emergency room in a Regional Trauma Center. Suddenly the nightly news became very real to me. For someone who has never given too much thought to his overall health I was way passed being concerned, I

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was frankly scared.

After several days of fever, it took another eight days post testing to get my results. Like the majority of people I thankfully tested negative. Yet it left me with a new kinship with those folks we see on the news everyday. With those who came before me and the hundreds of thousands who will come after me.

This virus is not concerned whether you're a city mouse or a country mouse. It is very likely among us now. Particularly, as we have learned one does not have to have active symptoms and yet can still spread the virus to others. Research at the time of this writing indicates that up to fifty percent of those whom tested positive had no telling symptoms!

So it is to those non believers I write, imploring you to maintain social distancing even as the epidemic seems to be tiring itself out. It is really the only strategy we have available at this point and it is something we can all do.

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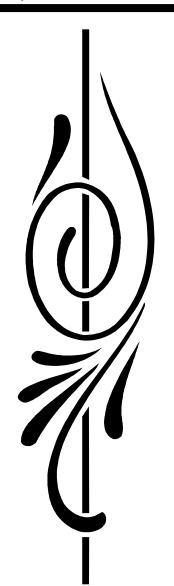
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Linguistically Speaking

Folks who know me know that I love words and their usage. During these times of crisis and recovery, several words have been running

through my mind and how they relate to our country's current situation. Here are just a few of these words. Please take time to reflect on these

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ENDURANCE: To suffer (something painful or difficult) patiently. From the Latin "in-durare"

STRENGTH: The emotional or mental qualities necessary in dealing with situations or events that are distressing or difficult. From the Old English "strengbu"

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the post of Stated Clerk of the PCUSA's Albany Presbytery. A recent announcement on the Presbytery's website stated that "Rev. Becca Lawson Putman begins her term as Albany Presbytery's Stated Clerk on April 14, 2020. Becca

has been a minister member of Albany Presbytery since 2015, and also serves as the pastor at Northville United Presbyterian Church. Becca is passionate about our polity, and believes that the polity and constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) links our theology with our praxis. She is excited to begin serving as Albany Presbytery's Stated Clerk, and is grateful for the opportunity to serve God and the Church through this additional function."

The Albany Presbytery is a governing body in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). It is one of twenty two Presbyteries that are a part of the Synod of the Northeast. It is also a gathering place for ministry for about 60 congregations, four new worshiping communities, one new immigrant fellowship, hospital and college/university chaplains and ecumenical connections.

Until Next Month, WELLNESS, PEACE, LOVE, SACRIFICE, ENDURANCE, STRENGTH, FAITH, COMPASSION AND GOD's BLESSINGS TO YOU ALL!

These are the thoughts of Frank Ralbovsky, Congregant and Elder of the Northville United Presbyterian Church.

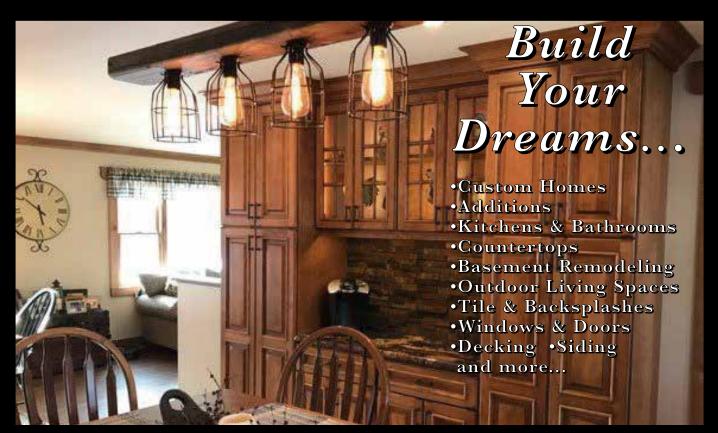
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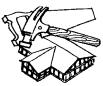
HEALTHLINK ACTIVITIES CANCELLED

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HealthLink Littauer, the community health and wellness service of Nathan Littauer Hospital and Nursing Home, announces it is cancelling all activities scheduled through May 31st as a precautionary measure.

Activities cancelled include all exercise classes, educational programs, support group meetings, and the monthly Vitality Plus luncheon.

For updates, visit www.nlh. org or call HealthLink at 518-736-1120.

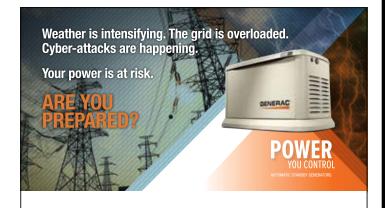
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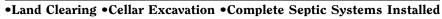
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by Capt. Stephen George, Secretary

Greetings from the GSLFF!

The 2020 raffle tickets are being distributed throughout local sport shops and through members. This year's raffle is a "shop local and support local business" theme and prizes will support only local businesses that help and support the GSLFF and the local economy. The

prizes will be a \$150 gift certificate to either a local bait shops or a restaurant. The drawing is based on the NYS Evening Daily 3 Digit Lottery number. We wish to thank the following sponsors and participants in the raffle: Franks Gun Shop, Jim's Bait Shop, Fuel & Food, Ross Bait Shop, Lanzi's Restaurant, The Raindancer Restaurant, The Broadalbin Hotel. Harnish Outdoor Supply, and Pa's Tackle Box in Wells. With the need to support our local economy more than ever, this raffle will help all those businesses that have

supported the Fisheries Federation, and served all of us over the years.

Spring fish stocking is being discussed as hatcheries are not "essential businesses" and allowed to operate as normal. Whether the fish will be available to be shipped and distributed, and stocked by Avery's Fish Hatchery has yet to

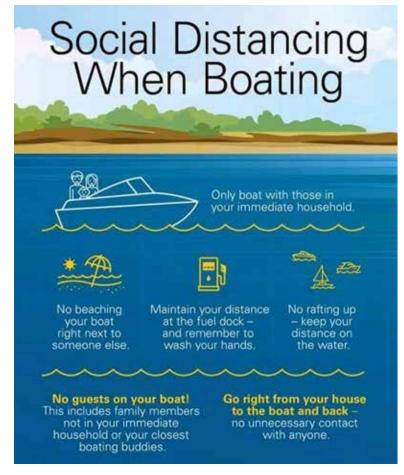
be determined. Worst case scenario, the stocking of trout will take place in the fall, along with the walleye. The Saturday May 2nd GSLFF tournament is cancelled. We are hoping that by the time the June contest rolls around, things will be back to normal and we can hold the weigh-in and awards at Sport Island Pub.

The DEC has announced that due to the cancellation of all hunter education courses, they now will offer an on-line course so those that need a course before May 1st can take a class, get a hunter education certificate, and get out after birds. Here is the posting from the DEC:

Online Hunter Education Course Available for NY Hunters

First-time hunters who want to hunt during New York's turkey hunting seasons must first earn a

hunter education certificate prior to purchasing their first hunting license. This applies to both the regular season, May 1-31, and the youth (ages 12-15) turkey hunting weekend April 25-26. Unfortunately, all traditional hunter education courses have been canceled due to the Covid-19 pandemic, leaving many new hunters unable to get a certificate before spring turkey season. Now there is a new option for earning a hunter education certificate. For a limited time, firsttime hunters in New York can complete the required hunter



education course entirely online.

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complete the online course and virtual field day. and pass the final exam, will receive their hunter education certificate and can purchase a hunting license. Only those hunters ages 12 or older may purchase a license and head afield this spring. The cost of the course is \$19.95. The online course will be available April 15 through June 30, 2020 on the Kalkomev website.

The Great Sacandaga Lake Safe Lake Initiative face book page has a lot of great information about the lake and efforts made to make it a safe place for everyone. They are reminding people that after this virus pandemic is over, its good practice to follow various protocols to avoid another outbreak, and to be polite and keep some distance between on another.

How do you get involved in a great organization that promotes the overall health of the GSL fishery? How about come to a meeting, join for only \$10/year, help out with fish stocking, and hang out with the coolest fishermen and woman in the state ... it's that easy! The GSLFF meetings are being held via teleconference these days to practice social distancing. Updates regarding meetings, stocking, and contests can be found on our facebook page or at our Website www.gslff.com.

Good luck out there, stay safe, stay healthy, and of course ... tight lines everyone!



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Great is Thy Faithfulness: The Pandemic Virus has engulfed our lives in the past few months. With Faith and the Promise of "God's Love" we will hopefully return to Church in May. The music we learned as a child in Sunday School, "Jesus loves me this I know for the "Bible" tells me so. When we hear the words in the hymn "Christ the Lord has Risen Today" it restores our Faith. In one of our Pastor's opening prayers he wrote: Even though we don't always feel it, God is with us. The darkness and doubt of the world can threaten to consume us. Yet God is with us. All around us there is fear and hopelessness but we place our trust in God's promise. Let us freely and without fear open our hearts to God's healing Peace and Hope.

Every Sunday at 9AM we gather in God's

name to enjoy sharing the Peace of Christ. Our doors are open to all as we continue our service to the community and our commitments to our Missions. Plans for our "Strawberry Festival" in June and our "Thursday Night Live Music Program" in July will be posted in the June edition of the Edinburg Newsletter.

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by Barbara Klueg

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Who is Our Help?

Our world is in chaos and our lives have changed drastically since the corona virus hit.

Our schools, businesses, and churches have closed and professional sports became non-existent. (But men have survived sports withdrawal, and are now listening to their wives! Let's keep our sense of humor.) NYC's Central Park now has a tent hospital to care for those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic because the hospitals are overloaded. At this writing (4/15/2020 according to the World Health Organization) there are approximately 2 million confirmed cases and 123,000+ have died from the virus world-wide. It feels as though we are living in a 2020 science fiction movie.

Pandemics are not new. According to Wikipedia the Spanish Flu (also known as the 1918 Flu Pandemic) infected 500 million people, a quarter of the world's population at that time. The death toll

was between 17-100 million! My grandmother (born in 1899) would have been 19 yrs. old when this hit. She told me that she saw cars, radio, airplanes, the telephone, TV and computers invented, but she never mentioned surviving the Spanish Flu to me. Some horrible flu pandemics that have occurred during my lifetime are: the Asian Flu (1957-1958) when 1-4 million died world-wide, the Hong Kong Flu (1968-1969) when 1-4 million died world-wide (I graduated from HS in 1968), and the Swine Flu (2009-10) when between 151,000-575,400 died worldwide.

Now we are facing the Corona Virus pandemic. We are consumed with TV's minute-by-minute updates but social-media overload can make us feel overly-anxious. Our world's turn-of-events are a reminder that we are not in control of things . . . but the good news is . . . God is! We are in desperate need of HELP . . . help from the Lord! My all-time favorite psalm is Psalm 121: "I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made Heaven and earth." Many years ago a teenager named



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Joseph, (Genesis 37-50) my all-time favorite Bible character, suffered insurmountable trials. God helped him and had a purpose for his hardships . . . and used them ALL for good. The Apostle Paul in the New Testament faced many trials, but God helped him to change our world and to be an example to us all. It is also encouraging to see what God has done in the lives of others throughout history . . . like Corrie ten Boom who hid Jews during the Holocaust in WWII, and Joni Eareckson Tada, a quadriplegic who helps and encourages others. There are so many others we can read about throughout history and even in today's world like Joni, who are influencing our world for good. They inspire us and show us what God can do with one life yielded to Him. Maybe you can and should be one of those life-changers whom God uses. . . in your own way, right now.

We are thankful for our doctors, nurses, EMTs, military, policemen, firemen and other support/ staff who have all been amazing! They have worked tirelessly and deserve our highest praise! No one has been whining or complaining. Everyone has pitched in and given their best. We are blessed to live in America and super-blessed to live in the Adirondacks!

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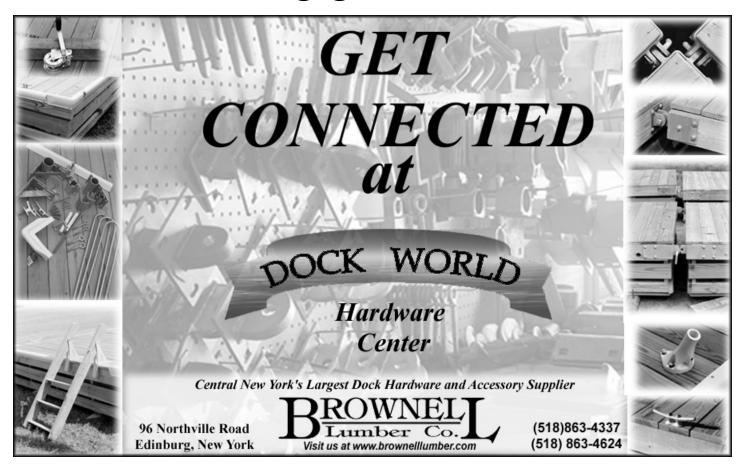
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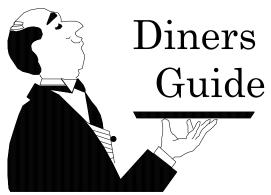
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how to help one another while still doing 'socialdistancing'. They have created funny Facebook messages or videos to cheer or make others laugh. Some have been busy sewing face-masks or gone grocery shopping for neighbors or family. Others are restocking the local food pantry or helping with food programs. Our kids are even getting into it . . . as they make cheery artwork messages on their sidewalks. Parents have organized kid driveby birthday parties for their children. Our school teachers have been phenomenal; keeping in touch with their students and encouraging them, even reaching out to make our HS Seniors feel extraspecial. Folks are ordering meals from our local businesses, as they want to support their friends financially. There is a special bond among us – it's easy to see! Our churches are sharing God's Word on FB and on-line to encourage their congregations and others to live for Jesus.

The Bread of Life Food Pantry in Northville can always use help. (They give out food the 1st & 3rd Wed. of the month (10-11 AM) and right now it is a drive-up-only in front of BCON Corner. One bag of groceries is delivered out to each car.) Nonperishable food items may be dropped off at the Baptist Church (Please call first: 518.863.8001).

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At The Inn we look to exceed your level of expectation. We do ask that you be considerate and aware of your personal health and if you are sick, not feeling well or have any of the symptoms reported in the news, please call us to cancel and /or reschedule your reservation. We are relaxing our cancellation policy until the end of May and hopefully the spread of COVID-19 brought under control.

The Bistro & Wine Bar will remain closed until further notice. Events for the time being must follow the guidelines and limitations set by the State, Federal Government and CDC, please call us to further discuss possible options.

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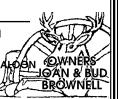
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BE ENCOURAGED . . . God ALWAYS uses our trials for our good! There is ALWAYS some benefit to hard times! One benefit is . . . it puts everything into perspective: what's important and what's NOT! Have you noticed that families are spending more time together? I have . . . that's a positive! We use our creative juices more! We have more time to complete home projects. I heard that sales are up for paint and building materials. Our homes are cleaner and closets cleaned out. (All of my kitchen cupboards have been cleaned and reorganized — finally!) Life does not come to a stand-still. We find ways to keep going and improve the way we do everyday life!

We've been enjoying the live-feed church with Pastor Larson each week. It has been such a blessing and encouragement. You can join us! Watch Facebook Live on our church Facebook page, "Baptist Church of Northville" or you can go on our church website, www.baptistchurchofnorthville. org and click on the 'live feed' button on our home page at 10 AM and 6 PM on Sundays. On Thursday nights we have a special prayer time at 6 PM. We long to meet together for church 'person to person' to have that human touch, to give a real hug again, to sing God's praises together in person, to be closer than 6 ft. to each other ... but until then we will carry on! Colossians 3:2 says, "Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things," and (that includes NOT on COVID-19). Let us keep our eyes on Jesus . . . Who is Our Help!

Happy Mother's Day to All the Moms! You are loved! See ya' in church in person . . . hopefully SOON!

Whenever things return to normal our church schedule is supposed to be: Sunday: Sunday School (8:45 a.m.) Worship (10 a.m.) Evening Service (6 p.m.) Monday: Ladies Bible Study (11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.) Wednesday: Youth Groups Jr. High 6 p.m. Sr. High 7:30 p.m. Thursday: Bible Study/Prayer @ 7 p.m. 3rd Thurs: Nursing Home Service @ Nathan Littauer (10 a.m.) Saturday: Men's Bible Doctrine Study & Coffee Hour (6 a.m.)

Game of Logging Courses

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Warren County will be offering two Game of Logging workshops in May 2020. Game of Logging I will be offered on Thursday, May 14th and will focus on introducing the participant to open face felling and to develop techniques to safely fall a tree. Topics include: personal protective equipment, chainsaw safety features, chainsaw reactive forces, bore cutting, pre-planning the fell, and understanding hinge wood strength. Game of Logging II will be offered on Friday, May 15th and will focus on maximizing chainsaw performance through basic maintenance, carburetor setting, and filing techniques. Liming and bucking techniques will be introduced, springpole cutting is covered and more felling is practiced. Participants need to bring safety equipment (hard hat/shield; hearing protection; chaps; steel toe boots...), chainsaw and lunch. Both workshops will be held at the Welch property on 105 Dankers Rd, Johnsburg, NY 12843. Workshop participants will meet each day at 7:30 AM and start at 8:00 AM sharp. The cost per person is \$45.00 and needs to be paid in advance. Checks can be made out to CCE Warren County and mailed to CCE Warren County, 377 Schroon River Rd, Warrensburg, NY 12885. We can accept credit card payments over the phone however, due to COVID-19 outbreak office hours are limited. Please leave a message and we will call you back.

Note: Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, we may need to postpone and reschedule these trainings. If that happens and you are unable to make the new date, you will be issued a full refund. Assuming the workshops occur as scheduled, cancellations need to be done by Friday, May 8th in order to receive a refund. Any participants cancelling after May 8th will not be issued a refund. To register call 518-668-4881 or email Dan Carusone at jc69@cornell.edu.

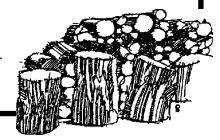
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Edinburg School News



Edinburg School Happenings

by Michelle Ellis Superintendent



Edinburg Common School District has cancelled classes, all school events, and activities until May 15, 2020, as per governor

Cuomo's executive order. This concerted effort was extended to reduce the spread of the COVID-19/ Coronavirus that has rocked many counties and communities not only in New York State, but also across the globe. As of April 20, 2020 (the date this newsletter was written), we have not been notified of any confirmed cases of the virus associated with our school community.

As a school community, here are some of the programs that Edinburg Common School is implementing during this closure:

Instructional Planning for Distance Learning: Students and families were polled to better understand their needs for technology devices and wifi opportunities within the home. Students in need were issued school Chromebooks in order to connect with teachers and classmates for distance learning. Teachers created Google classrooms to deliver lessons via video and students respond and submit their classwork via video/posts. Virtual classrooms offer learning to continue remotely. Although it was a learning curve for some of our teachers and students, everyone has adapted well and is participating as though they are sitting in class. We continue to make school wide deliveries bi-weekly to students' homes in order to replenish learning materials and/or supplies required to be successful.

Meal Planning:

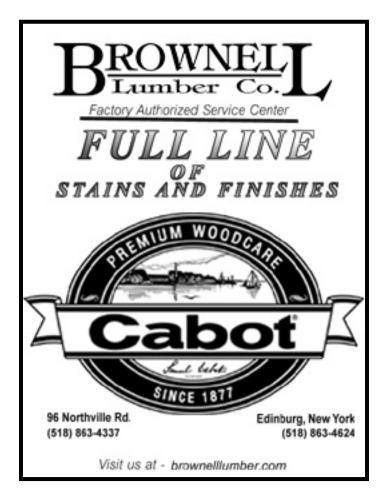
With the executive order given from governor Cuomo and regardless of financial thresholds, all students are offered breakfast and lunch free of charge. Edinburg Common School delivers meals once a day to the homes of our students with breakfast and lunch. On the continuum, we touch base with our families weekly to check on the current families that have signed up for the program and reach out to the remaining families to see if their needs have changed. Should your family decide to participate feel free to contact the main office at 518-863-8412.

Teachers, Staff, Students and Families:

We are currently working with a limited number of essential employees on campus. The main office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 until 12:00 pm. Our teachers and staff continue to show their commitment to our students and families. Meetings and conferences with parents still take place by using Google Meet and/or phone calls. I couldn't be more proud of our accomplishments and look forward to a time when it is safe enough to be back in session. Our students and families also continue their very best. We cannot thank you enough for your ongoing support! We are proud of our Edinburg Eagles!

With the weather starting to take a turn for the better, as a reminder, we regret to inform the community that the school grounds also remain closed at this time. School grounds include the playground, soccer fields, and basketball court. Please follow our district Facebook page and district website at www.edinburgcs.org for future updates and press releases.

Stay safe and healthy!





4-H Leaders Serving Their Community to Fight Covid 19

One 4-H family in Saratoga County is doing their part to support the frontline workers battling to help fight Covid 19. The Russell's from Ballston Spa started out using skills and values learned through 4-H to make protective face shields for family and friends. Little did they know at the time, that it would grow to be so much more. To date the Russel's have made over 180 masks and have donated them 60 going to St. Peter's hospital, 40 going to Eddy Visiting nurses, 50 going to SUNY POLY and 36 have been delivered to individuals.

"I couldn't help but to share this with the community", said Greg Stevens, Saratoga County 4-H Issue Leader. "These are the values that 4-H teaches todays youth. To be selfless, creative, and always help others when you can". I couldn't be prouder to be involved with folks like this on a daily basis". The family, was not looking for recognition for what they are doing. Lisa Russell

(pictured) said "We feel like we're helping our medical people just a little bit". And the group continues to grow. According to Tyler, other kids and families in the community are starting their own "posse" of families who want to help the cause. The family and friends will be printing more in the upcoming days and weeks.

The Russell's along with their mom/grandma Carol Bertone are a 3-generation family that has been involved with the 4-H program in Saratoga County for 44+ years. Through the years the Russell's have always been active and are currently the Resource Leaders for one of the biggest 4-H Robotics Programs in New York State. It was a simple transition to utilize their 3-D Printer often utilized for 4-H Projects to be used for this greater cause.

4-H connects youth to hands-on learning opportunities that help them grow into competent, caring, contributing members of society. Youth participate in 4-H by joining community clubs, or participating in in-school and after school programs. For more information about 4-H in Saratoga County please contact Greg Stevens @ grs9@conrell.edu 518-885-8995

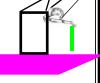
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context. Thinking about the bird's behavior and looking at our surroundings I realized that he was probably right. I felt bad for the little guy. I could not get the the bird out of my mind. It made me start to think about the people who are feeling lost and desperate, during these difficult times. Social distancing has people going stir crazy. People want to be around others. It also has many others in the grips of despair. The Corona virus, lost jobs, lost income, no food, and no idea of what the future will bring. I do not think there is a person out there that has not had some kind of feeling of loss or foreboding during this pandemic. We occasionally feel alone or afraid. People are tired of worrying and tired of wondering what is going to happen? We are kind of like that little bird. We are trying valiantly to get "home" where our world is normal again.

I have to wonder, though, what that normal really is? Working long hours and involving our children in a full time schedule of extracurricular activities . . . is that normal? Spending hours on our phones, playing games or watching tv . . . is that normal? Doing everything for our children and grand children . . . is that normal? I actually think that people are starting to relax a little. That does not mean they are not stressed or it is easy. What I do see are families bonding together at meal time. They are spending time playing games, taking walks or hikes together. Children are learning how to cook and are given more responsibility to do chores around the house. The family pictures people have shared on Face Book are amazing. People are starting to acknowledge the little things; that they were to preoccupied to notice before. I love looking at all of your wonderful pictures. Bill and I have been blessed to be in the Keys. The decline of tourists and people on the water has brought about many siting of manatees, dolphin and turtles. We have been spending more time talking to our neighbors. We are enjoying our back yards. I have seen an effort, by people, to focus on the positive. The sharing of many pictures of the happy places, you have visited and the family members that you are so proud of, are nothing short of amazing. The willingness of people to come forward and sew masks, make food or shop for others is fantastic. When things get tough people come together.

I am hopeful that the little bird made it to land. I am hopeful that when our world starts to right itself again, we remember the lessons we have learned in this pandemic. We live in an amazing world. Let's continue to appreciate the people in our lives and the beauty that surrounds us. Stay safe!







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We were floating on the water in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, over twenty miles from home. The day was overcast and calm. There was barely a ripple on the water. We had been trolling for a few hours but the fish were not biting. As we were trying to decide what to do next, Bill's lines got tangled together. The result was a giant, knotted mess. Big Hoss and I sat on the front of the boat, trying not to bring attention to ourselves. I am sure that all of you wives, of fishermen, out there can relate to that. Hoss and I were sharing a snack of cheese popcorn. Suddenly a bird flew up and landed on the boat. It was a tiny bird and Hoss got very excited and started barking. The bird flew around a few times and tried to land again. As suddenly as it appeared, it was gone. Billy was so into untangling the line he had no idea of what just happened. I went back to my book and thought about the little yellow bird. I just figured that the few nibbles of popcorn, that I had thrown to Hoss, attracted his attention. A few minutes later the

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bird came back and tried to land again. This time I realized it was not a yellow bird. It was actually black with orange markings. Every time the bird would come close, Hoss would bark. I was intrigued by this little bird and scrambled to get my phone for a picture. The minute my phone was in my hand, the bird started to fly away. We stood still watching it, hoping it would come back for a photo opportunity. It was hovering and suddenly it just vanished. I did a 360 degree turn around the boat, looking for it, but it was gone.

Reality started to set in. What was this lonely little bird doing so far out on the ocean away, from any land? Bill told me it was probably very tired and just looking for a place to rest. I had not thought about it in that

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