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## EDINBURG TOWN REPORT

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Jean Raymond, Supervisor

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### Election November 8th

The General Election is Tuesday, November 8th. The polls open at 6:00 am and close at 9:00 pm. Edinburg votes at the Community Center at 47 Military Road. Early voting begins 10/29 until 11/6. Contact the Board of Elections for times and locations, at 518-885-5381 ext. 2249 for information.

Turn the ballot over and vote yes or no on the proposed 4 BILLION, 200 MILLION DOLLAR BOND ACT on the other side of the ballot.

### Home Energy Assistance Program

The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) is a federally funded program that assists low income households with the cost of heating their homes during the winter months. The 2022-2023 Regular HEAP program begins November 1, 2022. Emergency HEAP will open on January 3, 2023. The Saratoga County Department of Aging and Youth Services will be accepting applications for persons that are 60 years of age and older and for anyone who is deemed disabled. If you would like to receive an application or make an appointment

for help filling out the application, you may call the HEAP desk at 518-884-4111. People who are not able to apply through the Department of Aging may call the Department of Social Services HEAP office at 518-884-4146 for information on how to apply. Applicants must meet gross income guidelines. The benefit amounts this year are:

Oil , kerosene and propane	\$900.00
Wood products, pellets, coal	\$635.00
Utilities electric, natural gas	\$400.00

Regular benefit amounts are based upon the household gross monthly income and commodity used to heat your home.

This year's income guidelines are:

Household Size	Maximum Gross Monthly Income
1	\$2,852
2	\$3,730
3	\$4,608
4	\$5,485

### Ethan Moore, Eagle Scout Award Received

Local Boy Scout, Ethan Moore received the Eagle Scout award for overseeing the design and construction of two picnic areas with tables on the new section of the Town of Edinburg Nature Trail. The first section of the trail is a 3000 foot loop that begins behind the Town Hall. The new section is just beyond and beside the Recycling Center and is also a loop. It has been constructed by the highway department and should be complete next summer. The two sections will then be joined together. It is hoped that in future years the town can continue with improvements to the trail and picnic areas.

### REMINDERS:

Beginning in November the Recycling Center will be open on Fridays from 12:00-3:00.

The Town Hall and Recycling Center will be closed on Friday, November 11th for the Veterans Day Holiday.

The Town Hall and Recycling Center will be closed on November 24th for Thanksgiving and Friday November 25th, the day after Thanksgiving.

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# NOVEMBER 2022 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Here's a list of some notable dates and meetings.

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- Thurs 3 7:00 pm Edinburg Zoning Board
- Sat 5 4:00 pm Roast Beef Dinner/Basket Raffle (more info on page 49)
- Sun 6 12:00 am Daylight Savings Time Ends
- Tues 8 Election Day**
- Tues 8 6:00 pm Edinburg School BOT Meeting
- Fri 11 Veterans Day**
- Sun 13 12:00 pm Veterans Honor Luncheon (more info on page 29)
- Tues 15 6:30 pm Turning Stone Bus Trip (more info on page 37)
- Thurs 17 4:00 pm Edinburg Town Board
- Thurs 24 Thanksgiving Day**
- Thurs 27 7:00 pm Edinburg Planning Board

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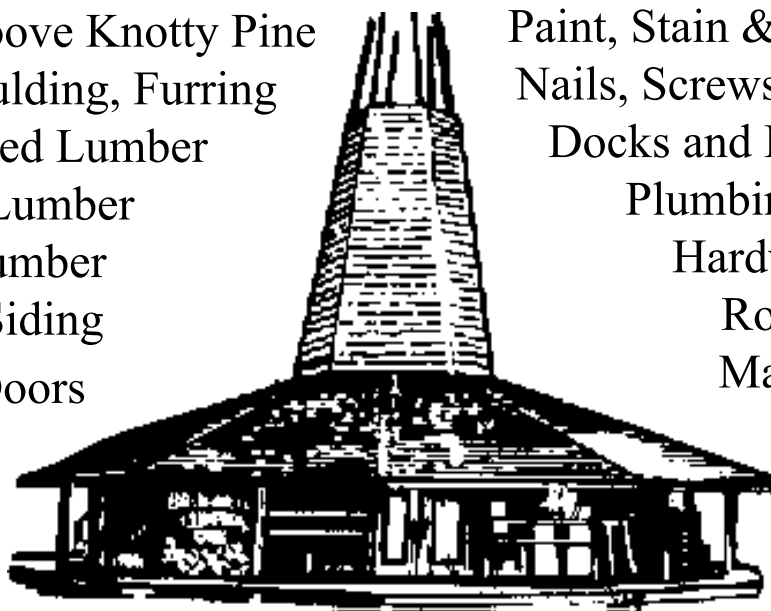


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## DID YOU KNOW THAT---

By Town of Edinburg Historian,  
Priscilla L. Edwards

### Weather Signs

For hundreds of years people depended on weather signs as a way of life whether on land or sea. It was as much a part of their day as milking the cows, opening the front door of their shop or setting sail for the Seven Seas.

Knowing weather in advance had a huge effect on planting and harvesting crops; hunting and fishing to feed the family or for safety's sake if one had to travel any distance. Weather signs might mean life or death for sea or river men.

Radios weren't common in Edinburg until the 1930's and even then weren't always reliable. When I was growing up in Edinburg weather signs, proverbs and sayings were still used in most households. I thought it might be fun to dredge up some of these old signs. Even today an Albany forecast may have little or nothing to do with the Adirondack foothills—I often think if we paid close enough attention to the signs we could do as good a job as Doppler radar any day.

Did you know that “a swarm of bees in May is worth a load of hay; a swarm of bees in June is worth a silver spoon but a swarm of bees in July is not worth a single fly”. A sure sign of spring is when the weather warms enough for the peepers (members of the frog family) to start singing.

Snow dropping away from the base of the trees is a sign to start tapping the maples. Millers flying about in the spring signals warmer weather and an end to maple syrup season. My family made a point to never tell my late brother-in-law with the sugar bush if we should see a miller or hear a peeper during maple season.

“If bubbles form in a water puddle during a rainstorm, it will rain again the next day”. “If the sun goes under before 7 (am), it'll rain by 11 (am)”. A sign once observed by loggers—“In the spring after the first thunderstorm one can peel poplar and spruce pulp”.

A yellow sky during a thunderstorm will be followed by hail.

“Wet in May, barn full of hay”.

A ring around the moon predicts a storm. The number of stars within the circle indicates the

number of days before the storm.

“If seabirds fly to land, a storm is sure to be at hand”.

“A sunshine shower won't last but one half-hour”. A sunshine shower usually brings a rainbow also.

“When the fog goes up a-hopping, the rain comes down a-dropping”.

Pay close attention each spring as the leaves start to appear—

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"If the oak leafs out before the ash, be ready for mud and a lot of splash". (wet)

"If the ash leafs out before the oak, be ready to choke from dust and smoke". (dry)

"When the leaves on the ash tree are the size of a mouse's ear it's time to plant corn". Years ago planting by different phases of the moon was strictly adhered to by many farmers. Some older gardeners still follow this belief.

Leaves turning up their underside in a breeze predicts a storm.

One or more "sundogs" are sure signs of a storm. What's a "sundog"? It looks like a small section of rainbow located on one—sometimes both sides—of the sun.

"As days begin to lengthen, cold begins to strengthen".

"Thunder in the fall, no winter at all".

We all know: "Red sun at night, sailors delight; red sun in morning, sailors take warning".

"The thicker the cornhusks, the harder the winter".

"Lots of snow, the fruit will grow".

Legend tells us that farmers would forecast the coming year's harvest by observing the weather on Christmas Day. Possibly because being a holiday it was one day they could remember while other days of the year blended into a haze with time. "If the sun shines through the apple tree on Christmas Day, the next year will have a plentiful harvest".

"If at Christmas ice hangs on the trees, clover may be cut at Easter".

"A clear and bright sun on Christmas Day forecasts a peaceable year and plenty; but if the wind grows stormy before sunset it means sickness in the spring and autumn quarters".

"A February fog will kill a dog"; "A February fog will freeze a hog": "Fog in February, Frost in June".

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Several mornings with a white frost in the winter will be followed by rain.

Anchor Ice—when the creeks freeze on the bottom under the water—predicts rain. These last two signs almost always hold true.

A heavy dew in the morning is the sign of a nice day.

“A curdled sky never leaves the ground dry”.

“When the fog goes up the hill—there will be water for the mill”.

“Water boiling away in the teakettle means rain”.

When there is a patch of blue sky on a rainy day large enough to make a Dutchman a pair of britches we'll have a nice afternoon.



If you have a birthday that you would like to put in the Edinburg Newsletter, please email it to: [edinburgnews@frontiernet.net](mailto:edinburgnews@frontiernet.net)

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

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***Jim M.***

***From Four Corners Diner Gang***

***Happy Thanksgiving***

***Happy Birthday to my beautiful wife***

***Amy VanDerwerker.***

***Love, Your loving husband Bruce***

Animals have been used for centuries to predict the weather.

“A yawning horse indicates rain within 24 hours”. Cows lying down in the pasture is a sign of a storm.

Deer will eat much earlier on the day of an impending storm so as to seek shelter on a full stomach. In the winter deer will gather in herds and “yard up” in a hemlock forest for food and shelter before a heavy snowfall.

Many animals become nervous and restless prior to an earthquake.

Most of us are familiar with the stripes on the woolly bear caterpillar and the groundhog seeing his shadow. Those of us who live in the northeast also know that we'll be having six weeks more of winter whether good old Punxsutawney Phil sees his shadow or not on Candlemas Day, February 2.

“After you hear the first cricket in the summer—52 days later will be the first frost”.

“When spiders have their laundry out to dry—webs spread on the lawn and fields—it will be a nice day”.

“When cats go running about the house, the wind is going to blow”.

Neither can we forget the two-legged animal-US. Anyone who has experienced broken bones or suffer from arthritis can predict a storm long before the best meteorologist on television.

Do these signs still hold true due to the concerns of global warming? Put down your cell phones once in a while and look at nature around you. Just for fun study the signs and see how many are true.

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Claudette Koza - Secretary

The Edinburg Historical Society will have its last meeting on Tuesday, November 15 at 7 p.m. at the Sand Hill Schoolhouse. This meeting will be a Pie and Reminisces meeting. Bring your favorite pie and some stories about yourselves or anything of interest regarding Edinburg. Hopefully the weather will cooperate. If it is necessary to cancel the meeting because of inclement weather an email will be sent to all EHS members.

The holidays are just around the corner and for someone on your list who "has everything" you can purchase a share in the Copeland Covered Bridge. Your donation of \$25 helps EHS maintain the four museums and the Covered Bridge and honors the

recipient with this gift. The name of the recipient is posted on the share sign at the Rural Museum. A certificate can be purchased in memory of a loved one, a birthday or an anniversary. Send your request to the address above.

Dues are being collected for membership in EHS. \$5 for an individual and \$10 for two or a family. Please include your name, address, phone number and email address so you can receive our once-a-month meetings that run from April to November.

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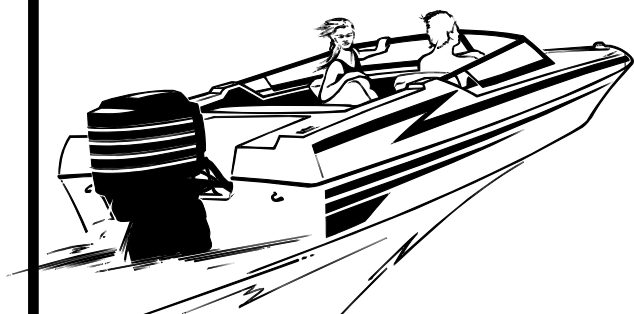
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Thursday	9am - 4pm
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and nearly overdue material. Also, a history of what you have borrowed can also be kept in your account. Ask at the circulation desk.

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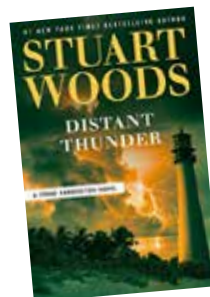
The Sacandaga Book Club will meet on Tuesday, Nov 8 at 10 am in the library's program room. Jean Ludlum will lead a discussion of Kim Richardson's "Book Woman of Troublesome Creek". Inspired by the true blue-skinned people of Kentucky and the brave and dedicated Kentucky Pack Horse library service of the 1930s, this novel is a story of raw courage, fierce strength, and one woman's belief that books can carry us anywhere - even back home.

Story Time, scheduled for Tues Nov 15 at 10 am, will celebrate "Turkey Time" with stories, snack, and a craft, coordinated by Shirl Doherty.

The Friends of the Library's Annual Holiday Raffle will begin on November 8. See the baskets displayed and take a chance! This year's baskets are "Sacandaga Breakfast", "Kids' Fun", and "Happy Holidays". The drawing is December 8. This is the final fundraiser of the year that allows the Friends to support the library with programming, materials, and the gardens.

Watch for these titles to be arriving:

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- High Notes – Danielle Steel
- Secluded Cabin Sleeps Six – Lisa Unger
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## Celebrating 200 Years!

by Dave Davidson  
Town of Day Historian

We're interested in meeting anyone interested in Day history. We collect personal and family stories, research topics, and volunteer opportunities are available at the museum. Contact Dave Davidson, Town of Day Historian, at [sabbaticaldave@earthlink.net](mailto:sabbaticaldave@earthlink.net)



### 1830-1880 - Living

The river and streams were central to social life. Fishing, swimming, ice skating – all the way from Fish House to Conklingville. Log drives were a spectator sport.

Church was held in homes until 1845 or so, when The Old Stone Church and the 1st Christian Church of Day (Day Community Church) were built. The Methodist Episcopal Church and the Christian Church of West Day both served congregations. All had Sunday Services, and Sunday School.

Horse racing was a major spectator sport. Local farmers raced horses on the ice! One early summer (1867?) after the log drives were over, they built a ½ mile, oval track in Day Center to conduct a match race between Baldy & Buckskin – two log skidding horses. The horses pulled sulkys, and seemed to have been trained as trotters. Crowds came. Sean Perry, the tavern keeper, acted as host. Bets were made (\$50 for the match race principals) and drinks were drunk – copiously.

The log skidding roads were smooth and snow frozen all winter. Boys would catch a tow up the mountain behind a team of oxen returning to get a new load of logs, and then sled down the log skidding road, a route that would take them over a mile, from ridge top to river.



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## EDINBURG VOL. FIRE CO.

by Brian DeFeo

Service before self -

Each month the Fire Company provides information regarding how and when we serve our community. This is important on many levels. One being that as local tax payers we want you to know when your money is being spent. Rest assured that the Fire Company is a careful financial steward. Fire fighting is a very expensive proposition, even for volunteer companies. We look very carefully at all of our purchases to ensure that we get the best possible value out of our equipment. As always we are grateful for your support and that of our Town Board.

Emergency responses from the period of September 14th through October 13th were as follows:

9/21 structure fire, Sand lake road  
9/27 Mutual Aid to Northville FD  
9/29 EMS assist, Yates Hill road  
9/30 EMS assist, Lakeside avenue  
10/2 Mutual Aid to Northville FD  
10/9 Mutual Aid to Fulton County, water rescue

Each year at about this time we discuss the single most important thing you can do to safe guard your family in the event of a fire, that being formulating and practicing a home emergency evacuation plan. And yet, most families never do it. Partly because people think it will never happen to them. Statistically they are correct, but in a practical sense, they couldn't be more wrong. There are thousands of home fires across the Country each year. And good, well meaning people are caught unprepared and die in their homes. Some perish running back into their homes to try and rescue love ones.

Not all deaths are in fact preventable. Yet, a well written fire emergency exit plan could save your life and that of your children. First, you need to acknowledge that in a smoke filled house and three in the morning, there is going to be much panic within the home. Regardless if you are three,



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thirty-three, or one hundred and three. You need to have planned ahead for how you are to protect yourself, how to best exit the home, and where to meet outside the home. And you need to practice this with everyone within the home at least once a year, more so if you have little ones.

Everyone's house is a little different so we can only give you some general guidelines in developing a plan. First, we have to go back to smoke detectors, do you have at least one on every floor of your residence and when was the last time you rotated out those batteries?

Okay now you are up, you smell smoke, don't open the door right away, touch it first. If it is hot, chances are you better keep it closed and head for a window. If you have a two story home you should have at least one window chain ladder for emergencies. Speaking from personal experience these are not easy to climb down, but it might be your best option.

If you have a fire extinguisher on each floor you might be able to use it to make a temporary path to get through the fire. At worst, you could soak some sheets with water, cover yourself and try to make it out. All of these are tough options. Ideally, if you can just leave the house immediately do it. Everything but you is replaceable!

Designate a meeting place that is safely away from the structure, easy to access and familiar to even the youngest of your children. Be thankful

that you took the time to prepare. And that you will all be together, for another tomorrow.



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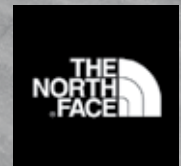


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# Flower Talk

Sally Peck, of the Flower Barn

The Ranunculus (rah-NUN-kew-lus) translates to 'Little Frog': in Latin "rana" means frog and "unculus" means little. It is believed that its name came from where it grew naturally - along streams (in Southwest Asia / Northwest Africa) in the Spring, just like the little frogs. The flower was first discovered in the 13th century in the Holy Land by the first Crusaders of Saint-Louis (Louis IX). At this time in Europe, the flower had gone almost unnoticed. A few years later, the bulb drew attention in the gardens of the rulers of the Ottoman Empire. In the 17th century, it was found in the gardens of Sultan Mohammed IV. The flower achieved great success and a worldwide reputation. Centuries after its first documented use, the cultivated Ranunculus alongside the tulip and anemone were introduced to Europe during the reign of Elizabeth I in the 16th century.



This flower plays the leading role in myths and legends too. A Persian (Iranian) legend is told in the story of a lovestruck prince. This handsome prince dressed in green and gold shiny clothes fell for a young and elegant nymph. He sang different songs for her and did everything to woo her but she rejected all his feelings and did not feel any attraction. After doing everything for her, one day he died from a broken heart. A flower called Ranunculus grew at the spot where he fell down. Another version reads that the other nymphs were quite frustrated hearing songs by the prince, so one day they all turned a prince into a Ranunculus.

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Among some Native American tribes, Ranunculus flowers were known as Coyote Eyes. According to legends, they received this name from a mythological coyote. To entertain himself, the coyote would toss his eyes up in the air and catch them again. Suddenly, an eagle swooped down and snatched the coyote's eyes while they were still airborne. Since he was now unable to see, the coyote grabbed two Ranunculus flowers growing in a nearby field and used them as his new eyes.

Prior to their ornamental uses, Native Americans used Ranunculus in herbal medicines. Dried plants were formed into poultices that could remove warts, and treat muscle and joint pains. During medieval times, the entire ranunculus, including the flower, leaves, and roots, were used to help with blisters. In fact, Pliny the Elder ( a Roman author, naturalist and naval and army commander of the early Roman Empire wrote the encyclopedic Natural History, which became an editorial model for encyclopedias.) recommended it for treating leprous sores. In folk medicine, these blooms were also used as a remedy for swelling of the lymph glands, known as the king's evil in Europe. They also hung them at their front doors as an amulet. Nowadays, the whole plant, specifically the Ranunculus Bulbosus, is used to make medicine for treating flu, hiccups, arthritis, rheumatic pain, and other diseases. Please beware that all Ranunculus plants are toxic to humans and animals. Their leaves contain a poisonous compound called protoanemonin. When ingested it causes very unpleasant physical side effects. So, a word of caution: Ranunculus is great to look at, but not to eat! Despite

this toxicity, the Ranunculus flowers make great pollinator plants and also serve as a food source for hummingbirds. The yellow colored species has smooth petals that are highly reflective, like a mirror. This helps to attract insects and aids in regulating the plant's temperature.

Today, it has turned into a wedding favorite and member of 'high end' flowers in floral shops and plant nurseries around the world. For those of you sensitive to floral fragrances, but still want flowers in your home, Ranunculus is the right choice for you... most varieties (of which there are 600) are not scented.

The ranunculus flower is a beautiful, romantic version of the common buttercup flower with layers



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upon layers of petals; 100-130 to be precise. This is why some may refer to it as the Persian Buttercup. The flower bud contains hundreds of impossibly thin layered petals that are spiraled around each other in an intricate fashion. The petals peel open one by one, slowly revealing a darker-coloured center. So with the gray skies moving in and the white of snow on its way, perhaps a little Ranunculus is all you need to brighten your day.



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We're very proud to say that every penny we've received from the public, has gone back to the public. All of our meetings, meals, and all business expenses have been paid by the members.

Unfortunately, due to covid and other factors, as of Oct. 31, 2022 we are sorry to say that we will no longer exist. Realizing that all of our funds came from the public, it was an easy decision to return all of these funds to local groups, charities, churches, and the Northville and Edinburg Fire and Ambulance Squads.

We would also like to express our gratitude to The Sport Island Pub and Lanzi Families who have hosted us and for their amazing generosity in all that we do.

Again, all of our thanks to you for allowing us to be a part of this organization thru all of these years.

Please take care and stay healthy,

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## NAV-ED

### Lake Safety

by Captain Peter M. Byron  
NAV-ED Services Group

As I write this update it is the middle of October! We have beautifully changing leaves and great colors everywhere. The temperature has been fluctuating but it seems to make itself back into the 50's and 60's with beautifully sun-filled skies. Of course, along with the varying temperatures and changing leaves, we also have to start collecting those beautiful leaves that have already been displayed and are all over the yard!

The most surprising part of my preparation for this article was my quick look at the National Weather Service website for the current weather in Northville. I know it doesn't mean very much to see the 'SNOW' word in the forecast but there it was on October 17, 2022! Now it really wasn't very much because it only said 'Chance of Rain/

Snow' for October 17 – October 19! But, it was enough! I guess it made me take a look out the window at the beautiful sun and sky!

But enough of this. Let's just give you a chance to check the weather when you read this article which will be half a month since I spotted the use of the word 'snow'!

Step 1: (National Weather Service) Access the site by typing: [www.weather.gov](http://www.weather.gov)

Step 2: (Area of Interest) Go to the top left side and type the name of the area of interest i.e. Northville, NY (or other area) and press GO.

You will then see the extended and detailed forecasts for Northville or the area you selected. On the bottom of the page you will also have the opportunity to select other forecast possibilities including the 'hourly weather forecast graph' which can be advanced for an additional two days by clicking 'forward two days'! This chart can access displayed data by clicking directly on the chart.

Keep your eye on the sky and good luck on the weather-based activity planning!

November 1st is a Great Day and Time for Life Jackets if YOU are Not Wearing One!

New York State requires life jackets for: "Everyone aboard pleasure vessels less than 21 feet in length, including rowboats, canoes, and kayaks, while underway between November 1st and May 1st."

I guess the secret to this is that the use of a life jacket increases your survival rate and this would make you, your family and friends happy! It also increases your chance of having another boating season next year.

Please wear a life jacket!

### Snowmobile Basics in New York State - Regulations

We know that snow is on the way and will open up a lot of great adventures for the young and not-so-young among us.

The State reports that there are over 10,500 miles in the Statewide Snowmobile Trail System traversing 45 counties "under the jurisdiction of OPRHP, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), NYS Canal Corporation, national forest land, local governments and many private landowners who have increasingly opened their property to

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snowmobiling with insurance coverage provided by the state snowmobile program.”

What do we have to do to take part in this winter adventure? How can we learn about snowmobile education and the requirements in New York State? It is easy to find information at: <https://www.parks.ny.gov/recreation/snowmobiles/education.aspx>

Here are the highlights of the requirements but take a closer look at the site listed above: (1) students must be age 10+; (2) students receive the NYS Snowmobile Safety Certificate; (3) youth (age 14-17) may operate a snowmobile on lands where snowmobiling is allowed without adult or other supervision “if they have completed a snowmobile safety training course recognized by the State of New York.”; (4) “If youth ages 14 through 17 years have not completed the training course, they may operate a snowmobile if accompanied by (within 500 feet of) a person who is at least 18 years of age.” (5) “Youth ages 10 through 13 may operate a snowmobile, on lands upon which snowmobiling is allowed, if they have completed a snowmobile safety training course recognized by the State of New York and are accompanied by (within 500

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feet of) a person who is at least 18 years of age.” (6) “Children less than 10 years old or less than age 14 without a safety certificate may operate a snowmobile only on lands owned or leased by their parent or guardian.” (7) “A non-resident operator who is a resident of another state or country and is the holder of a valid snowmobile safety certificate issued by that state or country shall be considered the same as the holder of a New York State Safety Certificate.”

Just a quick note, there are no on-line courses offered for the snowmobile certificate. In 2021-22, 111 courses were held and approximately 2,320 students received certification.

### Be Careful on the Trails!

As can be imagined, with the combination of fast vehicles, wooded terrain and in some cases, operation at night, accidents can happen. Snowmobile accidents are mostly caused by unsafe speed and collisions with fixed objects (trees). The latest data reported in the 2021 and 2022 were 111 accidents reported and 19 fatalities compared to 171 accidents and 15 fatalities during the 2020-2021 season.

Winter residents and visitors to the Great Sacandaga Lake must be particularly aware of their surroundings. It is important to be careful when operating on frozen lakes and ponds where surface and shoreline obstructions may be a cause of difficult operation.

### Snowmobiling in New York State - Snowmobile Guide

Now that we have looked at the certificate requirements and the accident records for snowmobile operation, let's take a little closer

look at the Guide. We will just highlight the contents of the materials and let the reader take a closer look at the entire document which can be found at: <https://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/nysparks/snowmobileguide/>

As one could expect, the guide contains the specifics of registration, ownership and renewal.

There are suggestions on trailering, required (helmets, etc.) and emergency equipment (first aid kit, etc.), recommended ice thickness, Rules of the Trails and operational restrictions, general snowmobile regulations (speed, etc.), Getting Ready to Ride Preparation Suggestions, and Specific Recreational Activities.

The Guide is used during the instructional phase of training for younger riders but there is certainly no reason for individuals who are not required to take a snowmobile course to stay away from downloading the document!

### Things to do in New York State This Winter (Pictures Included)

After writing the information about snowmobiling on this non-snow day, I thought that I needed a little change of scenery. Of

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course, there is no better place to travel than to the I LOVE NY website for winter views. So, if you are in the same mood, try a look at some memorable views at: <https://www.iloveny.com/blog/post/things-to-do-in-new-york-state-this-winter/>

The website provides a state-wide prospective and an absolutely great picture of snowmobiles which can be expanded by a quick 'click'! So, take care, be safe and enjoy.

Catch you next month. Be SAFE in the Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter!

*Peter M. Byron who holds a New York State Public Vessel license as a Joint Pilot and Engineer and has taught NYS Boater Safety Classes and USCG courses on the Great Sacandaga and in the Capital District for many years.*

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### **The American Legion Auxiliary Unit #862 is having a raffle for an American style Quilt!**

This lovely Americana quilt was made by member Linda Mason.

Details for the drawing as follows:

Date: Thursday, December 15, 2022

Time: 7 pm

Location: William J. Varney American Legion Post #862

379 Lake Ave.

Lake Luzerne, NY 12846

Cost: Raffle tickets are only \$2. Each! With a maximum of 500 to be sold!

To purchase tickets, contact:

Dawn Grant, President of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 862

Phone 518-744-3197

Or any member of ALA Post 862

Advance checks can be mailed to Dawn Grant at 41 Second Ave, Hadley, NY 12835

Thank you for your continued support!!



### **The American Legion Auxiliary Post #862 is pleased to announce our annual Veterans Day Dinner.**

Date: Friday, November 11, 2022

Time: 4:30-6:30 pm

Location: William J. Varney American Legion Post #862

379 Lake Ave.

Lake Luzerne, NY 12846

Cost: Veterans free, Advance tickets (until November 9) for Guests \$10, at the door Guests \$12. Advanced ticket purchases highly recommended.

Dinner includes Chicken Parmesan, salad, bread, dessert.

To go dinners also available!

Contact info:

Dawn Grant, President of American Legion Auxiliary Post 862

Phone 518-744-3197

Advance checks can be mailed to Dawn Grant at 41 Second Ave, Hadley, NY 12835

Your tickets will be held by Dawn and available on dinner day!

Advanced ticket sales also available at the Legion.

Thank you for your continued support!

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### **The American Legion Auxiliary Unit #862 is looking for vendors for their Annual craft fair!**

Details as follows:

Date: Saturday, December 3, 2022

Time: 9 am – 2 pm

Location: William J. Varney American Legion Post #862

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Cost: \$30 per table. Tables will be provided by the American Legion Auxiliary.

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## Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club

### Broadalbin-Perth Lions Gather Food and Coin

Broadalbin, NY, Oct. 2, 2022 -- The Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club began their weekend early last Friday morning, Sept. 30, when members met the delivery truck from the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York in Amsterdam. Lions gathered food to be delivered to the Backpack Program at Mayfield Central School. The program provides food to those students who are less fortunate.

The following morning, Saturday, Oct. 1, Lions took station at the intersection of Main Street and Second Avenue in the Village of Broadalbin to conduct their annual Coin Drop. Lions safely greeted vehicles at each of the streets approaching

the intersection and owing to the well publicized event, received donations estimated to be around \$2000. The funds will be used to support Club endeavors that support the greater Broadalbin-Perth-Mayfield community.

The Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club is part of Lions Clubs International, the largest service club organization in the world. More than 1.4 million members in over 48,000 clubs are serving in 200 countries and geographic areas around the globe. Since 1917, Lions have strengthened local communities through hands-on service and humanitarian projects, and we extend our service impact through the generous support of our Lions Clubs International Foundation. We are focused on supporting vision, the environment, childhood cancer, hunger, diabetes and other pressing humanitarian needs to help address some of the biggest challenges facing humanity.



Broadalbin-Perth Lions Bill Suchy, left, and Tom Kevlin, right, pick up their Club's share of food from the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York. The Lions delivered the food to Mayfield Central School in support of that school's Backpack Program which provides food to less fortunate students. (Photo courtesy Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club/Lion Ed Balaban).



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Broadalbin-Perth Lions Valerie Kevlin, foreground, and Don Savoie, express their gratitude to drivers as contributions were generously made during the Lions' annual Coin Drop in the Village of Broadalbin. (Photo courtesy Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club/Lion Ed Balaban).



Lion Debbie Murphy of the Broadalbin-Perth Lions receives a contribution from a passing driver during the Club's annual Coin Drop. Working the four streets of the intersection in the Village of Broadalbin, an estimated \$2000 was donated to the Club which will be used to support Club endeavors that support the greater Broadalbin-Perth-Mayfield community. (Photo courtesy Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club/Lion Ed Balaban).



## Reflections on the Lake

by Kevin Donovan

This is the first of what I and my colleagues on the board of the Sacandaga Protection Committee hope will be many articles about our way of life on the Great Sacandaga Lake. It is an interesting time to write our first article about lake life because autumn is bittersweet for most of us. The water level on the lake is extremely low. The boats are out of the water and prepared for winter storage. The water is much too cold for a swim. The "summer people" have mostly left, not to return until spring; and we feel the pressure to complete the last of our outdoor chores before the snow flies. I suppose there may still be a few days warm enough to paddle a kayak or canoe, but only for the most cold-hardy among us. We will miss the fun, and the warmth, of summer.

But autumn is also beautiful around the lake. Hiking among the colorful leaves, drinking fresh

New York apple cider (and eating too many cider donuts), or enjoying New York wine and microbrews, or hot cocoa in the company of friends around a lakeside fire are among the special activities our region offers. And for many, the chores at this time of year go beyond just raking leaves to include preparing snowmobiles and ice fishing shelters, or bringing cross-country skis and snowshoes out of storage, anticipating the beauty of the coming winter on the Great Sacandaga.

Perhaps most importantly, at this time of year we join with family and friends to be thankful for our good fortune of living in the beautiful foothills of the



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Kevin Donovan is vice-president of the Sacandaga Protection Committee. He wasn't born on the lake, but he got here as soon as he could. To learn how the committee protects the current system of lake access and our way of life on the Great Sacandaga Lake, please visit [www.SacandagaProtectionCommittee.com](http://www.SacandagaProtectionCommittee.com).

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November 6 is also all Saints Day. A special prayer and candles are lit in memory of a recent deceased loved one.

November 11 celebrates Veterans Day. This day is set aside to honor all our military Men and Women who have provided protection both here

and abroad. There will be Parades, flags flying and sales of Red Poppies in remembrance and Thankfulness for their devotion to our country.

November 24 celebrates Thanksgiving Day. People have been affected so deeply this year by many disasters and we pray daily for people who are suffering. We give thanks to the hard working farmers who grow and supply the food that comes to our table every day. We also will give Thanks for Family gatherings and prayers for the lonely.

November 27 The Methodist have a Special collection for the Students who are entering college on their Faith journey. One student from Tennessee stated that he wants to continue serving his church and help the youth of future generations navigate life and to become Christian leaders.

Give Thanks to the Lord always with a grateful heart. Remember Sundays and keep it Holy. It is a great way to start the week. WELCOME and hope you will enjoy some time with us.

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#### INGREDIENTS:

- 1 1/2 lbs. acorn squash
- 1/2 lb. cooked ground pork sausage
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 1/4 sliced mushrooms if desired
- 1/2 cup finely chopped onion
- 1 small beaten egg
- 1/4 cup sour cream
- 2Tbsps grated cheese
- Salt to taste

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

Halve squash and remove seeds. Invert on baking sheet and bake in 350 degree oven 30-40 minutes.

Sauté sausage about 5 minutes. Add Italian or other seasoning as desired if not already seasoned.

Combine remaining ingredients and add to meat. Fill squash cavities and bake at 350 degrees 15 minutes.



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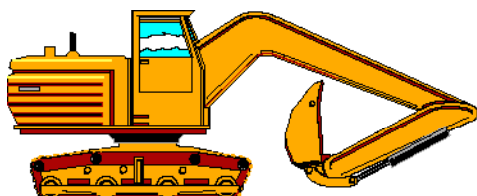
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Greetings from the members and friends of First UMC! It's November already but it's hard to tell because the area at this writing is filled with sunshine, blue skies, and magnificent fall foliage. We are so thankful for these glorious days right now because, in the blink of an eye, the weather will get colder, the time change will plunge us into dark evenings so much faster, and the trees will be bare of their fall finery. Does that keep us from being thankful? We certainly hope not because giving thanks every day for even the most mundane things ... thankful the large can of soup that rolled out of the cupboard did not break your foot! ... makes us lighter and happier. We at First UMC give thanks for the people of our church who make things run smoothly; we are thankful for the pie bakers and those who came to purchase the many pies available at our pie sale in October; we are thankful for the volunteers who keep the thrift store open and the many wonderful customers who are able to find some good clothing for them and their families; we are thankful for the new faces we see some Sunday mornings and the regular faces we see every week. Your attitude, your life, can be changed by a life of gratitude.

Happy Thanksgiving from all of us to you and your families. We invite you to spend some time with us in word, song, and prayer during worship on Sunday mornings. Regular Sunday worship is at 11:00 am in the church's sanctuary. There is a ramp at the front of the church building and a chair glide to assist entry into the sanctuary if stairs are a problem. We also invite anyone who would like to sing with the choir to join us for rehearsals on Thursdays at 4 pm.

Some dates to remember; "like" us on Facebook for updates:

**November 6 – Daylight Saving Time** ends; turn your clocks back! We will also celebrate All Saints Sunday in our 11:00 am worship service.

**November 11 – Veterans Day**; take time to practice gratitude and thank veterans for their service to our country.

**November 24 – Thanksgiving Day**, a perfect time to express gratitude to and for family and friends.

**November 27 – First Sunday in Advent**, a season of preparation as we look forward to Christmas

Our Thrift Store ministry is open and thriving. Hours are: Tuesday, 2-5 pm; Friday and Saturday, 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.

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Following the luncheon Colonel Hans E. Anker, U.S.A.F. and Air Force Academy Graduate 2000 will give a talk on his experiences in Iraq and Kuwait.

This luncheon is free for our vets. Fee for guests is \$10.00. Please call Mrs. DeBlasio at 603-759-5266 for reservations by Nov. 9, 2022. Seating is limited so kindly make reservations by calling Mrs. DeBlasio at 603-759-5266 by November 9, 2022.



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Wendy Reu, Village Clerk

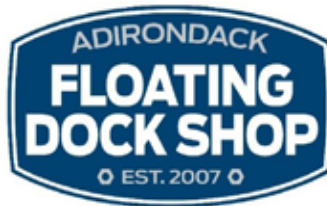
We had a beautiful Fall Fest weekend in the Village in early October. Hopefully you had a chance to partake in some of the activities. Mark your calendars for October 7, 2023, and we will do it all over again. We are looking to add more events and activities to the weekend, in and around the Village. But remember, you don't need a special event to pay a visit to the Village. The local businesses, restaurants, shops and galleries are open year round. Whether you are out leaf peeping or just passing through, stop by and support the local merchants.

Trick or Treat in the Village will be on Monday, October 31st from 5-7 p.m. Northville Central School will conduct their annual Halloween parade at 1:15 p.m. on Monday the 31st as well.

The Northville Board continues to work at moving our spillway walkway project forward. We had a kickoff meeting with the engineers in September and work has begun on drafting design documents.

The Board has received several complaints about speeding in the Village, particularly on South Main Street. Please be reminded that the speed limit in the Village, with the exception of the school zone while school is in session, is 30 mph. Please remember that the Village limit does not end at the Spillway, it ends at the top of Gould Hill at the intersection of Ridge Road. We are in the process of purchasing a speed recording sign that we will place at various areas around the Village as a gentle reminder of how fast you are going. School is back in session, with many kids walking to school and the days are getting shorter, making it darker earlier, so please be more aware of your speed for the safety of all.

Looking ahead, the Civic Association is planning the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony in the Waterfront Park on Saturday, December 3rd from 5-8 p.m. Santa will be making an appearance and horse drawn wagon rides are planned. The Village, in coordination with the Civic Association is organizing the Lighted Christmas Parade the same day. The parade will kick off at 5 p.m. If you wish to enter your group in the parade, please email the Village Clerk at [clerk@](mailto:clerk@)



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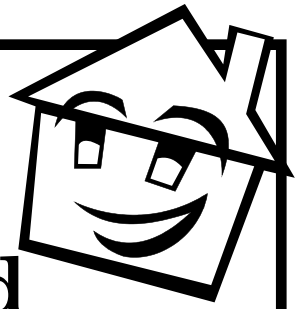
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We are also continually working on DOINS celebration and parade plans for 2023. The DOINS next year will be June 30th and July 1st. We have already lined up some favorite past participants for the parade and secured vendors and entertainment. More details to follow in coming issues.

The Village Board meets the third Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the conference room of the Bradt Building, located at 412 S. Main Street.



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"I'm just wowed by the universe. I'm just glad to do something I love to do. I love color, I love painting, I love shapes, I love composition, I love the people around me. I'm adoring it all. My legacy is in the hands of other people."

*Peter Max, German-American artist known for using bright colors in his works.*

The excitement and gratitude expressed in the quote above reflects the feelings I held on the day of the SVAN Arts Jubilee. Joy and excitement accompanied by gratitude. I was stationed for most of the daytime event at the public mural painting area.



Children ranging from the age of a very young 3 years to the young at heart 100+ years old, picked up a paint brush and paint to contribute to the blank white board, which resulted in a colorful composition! Some participants were eager to start, others resistant and unsure,

but all left feeling good about their efforts and accomplishments. Whether a small black line or multiple colored shapes and textures, each contribution added to the success of the project, just as each volunteer and each participant added to the success of the day of celebration.

SVAN's Jubilee Committee core consisted of Don Hoffman, Dianne Knapp, Shelley Murphy, and Barbara Spaeth. We were directly supported by Carolyn Wilcox of Silver Maple Stained Glass, Carolyn Darkangelo, John Spaeth, Debbie Hoffman, Dominick Darkangelo, Donna Frederick,

Dan Mussman, Sue Sedon, and Bill and Lauren Gritsavage. We are grateful to Wendy Rue and the Village of Northville for the use of the Waterfront Park and the support and cooperation in getting all the details done right.



Music performed live by local talent filled the stage throughout the day, while guests enjoyed the products, food, artworks and demonstrations of the arts vendors who set up around the park. The day was topped off by a catered ticketed dinner. Thanks to Jenn Donovan and her expertise in filing forms, we were able to enjoy a glass of wine with the delicious dinner. It was a perfect celebration of the arts for SVAN's 25th Anniversary, supported not only by our hard-working volunteers and the great weather, but also financially by generous donations. Special thanks to The Flower Barn, Fulton County for Regional Growth, Park Marine Base, Inc., Stewart's Shops, and Price Chopper Market 32.

The year of celebration continues with Gallery shows, Artists talks, workshops and receptions. Next up: Acrylics: Printing, Painting, Layering: A Hands-On Workshop with Painter Dr. Leslie Ford and Educator Dianne Knapp, Saturday, November 5, 9:30 am -12:00 pm, at the Northville Public Library Gallery. For information and registration, email [vicepresident@svanarts.org](mailto:vicepresident@svanarts.org). SVAN's Annual Members Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 13, 3-5pm, at the Northville Gallery and Workshop. After a short business meeting to elect the new slate of officers we will be honored with a talk by sought-after author Patricia Nugent and entertained with live music by the talented musician, Don Hoffman, while we enjoy tasty treats by hostess Debbie Hoffman. It's sure to be a great afternoon, so come join us!





SVAN's music committee is also making plans for the return of a Winter Concert Series. Those of you who enjoyed the Summer Concerts in the park know that this is good news!

I close this article with gratitude for the First United Methodist Church of Northville and all our SVAN members, and the community that supports us.

Dianne Knapp  
SVAN Vice President



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## Sun, Sand and Swaying in the Breeze!

by Janice Hawk-Baldwin

Wow! It seems like the months are passing at warp speed. Thanksgiving will be here before we know it. Thinking about my article I started to remember Thanksgivings through out my life. When I was younger I had to sit in the kitchen with my cousins. They were much younger than me and I did not like that. I could not wait to be old enough to sit at the dining table with the adults. That did not work out, so well, I was also old enough to help wash dishes. Our

Thanksgivings with family and friends changed through out the years. When I was a little girl we had Thanksgiving with my grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. That changed abruptly in the mid 1960's with a falling out in the family. The next few years we had Thanksgiving dinner with Billy's family ( remember I was the girl next door). I will never forget the Thanksgiving when I was twelve or thirteen years old. We woke up to significant snow on Thanksgiving morning. My mom insisted that we had to go the Thanksgiving church service. My father was leery but we piled into the car. It was snowing so hard Dad could barely see and the roads were not plowed. Less than a mile from home we had to turn back. I remember how upset my mother was about missing church. Later in the afternoon the snow stopped and the roads were plowed. We got in the car and Dad drove us to Greenfield Center, to have dinner with the Baldwin/Boyce family. The trip up 9N was good until we turned onto South Greenfield Rd. Our family station wagon could not make it up the hill. I don't remember the exact sequence of events but I remember Billy and his older brother Bob, riding over the top of the hill on snowmobiles. They unloaded food from our car and gave us a ride to the house. My mother was horrified to ride such a contraption, especially in a dress and my brother was just plain scared. They went first and the guys came back for me and Dad. We loved it and laughed all the way there. It was a day of adventure, good food, live music and square dancing. It is one of the few Thanksgivings that I vividly remember.

When Bill and I started dating we alternated spending Thanksgiving, with our respective parents. This continued after we got married and our boys were born. We continued this for the next fourteen years. Billy started hunting when the boys were young, with my father and his friends. When the boys got old enough they would go into the woods, when they were hunting locally. Over the years hunting on Thanksgiving Day became a tradition for our family. This is when things really started to change. Thanksgiving dinner was always at the same designated time and our mom's got mad when we were late. That meant the boys had to come in early from hunting, to make it to dinner, on time. When the boys were in their later teens they started to rebel. They wanted to stay out and hunt. I was the bad guy who had to keep the family peace with the mothers. They did not understand how important the camaraderie was

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between the boys and their dads on this holiday. Our traditions, once again, changed.

I started making Thanksgiving dinner, at our house. Our moms didn't like it but we always made an effort to visit with them for dessert. My mom and dad came up to our house for dinner a few times before they moved to Florida. I remember that every single time I made dinner, my dad would always say "I did not know that you knew how to cook". The older the boys became, the more things changed. Billy's parents also left for Florida and then it became just us. By the time the boys were out of high school and we moved to the lake, Billy, the boys and their friends would head up the mountain at first light. My job was to make a venison roast, for them to eat midday. They would lay around for a few hours and go out to hunt again for night watch. We ate our Thanksgiving dinner when they came back. The first few years, I ordered a precooked dinner. I will never forget in 2001 we were living in our camper waiting for our house to be finished. I did not know that I had to finish cooking the turkey. I put it in the oven and it was so large I could not close the oven door. Oh how we all laughed. Thanksgiving hunting

tradition continued after the grandchildren were born. Jeremy would bring the kids to our house and they would climb in bed with me. We had fun when we got up making breakfast, cookies and venison. Our house looked like a cyclone hit it but we did not care because there was so much laughter and fun. In later years, Sandra and Jeremy started alternating between our house and Sandra's parents house. Our Thanksgiving menu became simpler. There was no big elaborate table filled with all kinds of food. I would cook a turkey breast, make stuffing with mashed potatoes and gravy. If someone had a favorite dish I would make that too. Of course there was always pumpkin pie. We would slice up the turkey breast and make wraps with the fixings. We have enjoyed all of our Thanksgivings but the ones that made us the happiest, are the ones that were the simplest. The day is not about the table we set, the china we use or the elaborate feast that is prepared. Enjoy the time with the people you are with.

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## Northville United Presbyterian Church News

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### The Greatness of Grant: Lessons to Learn from the Man who Saved the Union

Among the pantheon of immortal American heroes, Ulysses S. Grant ranks at the very top, standing beside only George Washington and Abraham Lincoln in regard to his contributions to the United States. As his faithful friend and most trusted subordinate during the American Civil War, William Tecumseh Sherman put it, "If the name of Washington is allied with the birth of our country, that of Grant is forever identified with its preservation." Not only did Grant save the nation that Washington founded, but he also did it in a way that the father of America would have admired. U.S. Grant epitomized Washington's timeless belief that, "Perseverance and Spirit have done Wonders in all ages."

A humble and hardworking man from America's heartland, Grant faced tremendous hardship and adversity throughout his life. He always confronted the challenges head-on and refused to be broken by them. His rise to greatness as the top Union commander who won the Civil War and his achievements as the 18th president of the United States forever marks him as a hero for the ages and someone who every American might consider learning from.

Seize opportunity and run, he said. The outbreak of the Civil War in April 1861 found Grant still down on his luck and working as a clerk at his father's leather goods store in Galena, Illinois. When the call for volunteers to defend the Union came, he eagerly set out to do his duty. Despite his experience as a soldier, though, the rumors of Grant's drinking haunted him, and he initially struggled to obtain

a command. No matter how disheartening this situation was as his fellow Illini and others around the North mobilized for war, Grant remained ready. He soon got the chance to prove himself and seized each opportunity to the utmost, displaying a clear talent for military leadership.

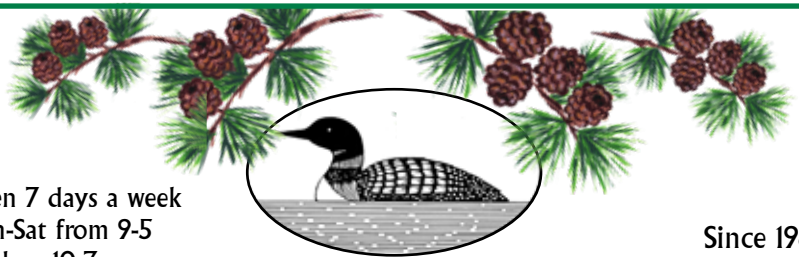
In early 1862, U.S. Grant emerged as the supreme soldier that President Abraham Lincoln and the Northern people desperately needed. As William T. Sherman put it, in America's hour of peril, Grant had "marched triumphantly into Fort Donelson. After that none of us felt the least doubt as to the future of our country."

By seizing his initial opportunities and then running with them, Grant won the trust of many, a trait worth noting!

Grant's operations against Vicksburg were hailed by men like Sherman as "one of the greatest campaigns in history," but above all else, Grant's ultimate conquest of the city was a testament to his ability to adapt and overcome tremendous obstacles. Potomac in the spring of 1865, Richmond was finally in Union hands and on April 9, the bloody Civil War came to an end.

When Lee surrendered to him at Appomattox, he let Lee's "men who claim to own a horse or mule ... take the animals home to work their little farms." He also sent rations to Lee's starving men.

He was a leader for everyone. After the four bloodiest years in American history, as the 18th President of the United States had the job of rebuilding the war-scarred nation



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and reestablishing peace across the land. The legendary poet Walt Whitman considered this task “more difficult than the war itself,” but Grant faced the challenges head-on, just as he had done on the battlefield and all throughout his life. Among the many highlights of his highly underrated presidency, perhaps the greatest was Grant’s commitment to being a true leader for each and every citizen of the United States.

In his farewell message to Congress in 1876, President Grant said, “I have acted in every instance from a conscientious desire to do what was right, constitutional, within the law, and for the very best interests of the whole people.” From his efforts to heal the nation and promote peace after the Civil War, his actions to protect the freed slaves, and also his struggles to secure fair treatment for Native Americans, Ulysses S. Grant was truly a leader for every American.

After the Civil War was over, being a very humble man and Christian, unlike many of the prominent figures who had shaped the conflict who could hardly wait to write their memoirs, Grant was not one of them. He was content to march to his grave in dignified silence, letting his extraordinary wartime record speak for itself.

After giving every ounce of devotion to his country in war and in peace, in a cruel twist of fate, Ulysses S. Grant, and many of his family members lost their life savings as a result of the duplicity of Ferdinand Ward, a financier whom Grant had entered into a partnership.

It was only after he was left broke that Grant finally agreed to pen his memoirs in order to ensure that his wife and family would have financial security after he was gone. When dying from painful throat cancer, with less than a month from his death, a stoic Grant penned his Personal Memoirs,” writing on the porch of his final residence at Mount McGregor, New York.

Although Grant did not attend worship services every week, he certainly practiced his Christian principles of right and wrong and sharing, and compassion etc., and lived quietly his faith through his actions.

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Sometimes we feel that God is not fair. But, if we are totally honest with ourselves we know that if we got what was fair the results would not be good.

Over Thanksgiving season we thank God for our

family and material blessings. But MOST of all we need to thank God for His GRACE and MERCY! He does not give us what we deserve. We are sinners deserving God's judgment. Jesus willingly went to the cross to pay the price we could not pay. If you have not already done so, turn to Jesus for the forgiveness of your sins and receive what's not fair . . . eternal life.

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## Northville Meal Site Menus and STFSL's Program Calendar for November, 2022

Lunches and programs are held Thurs at the Northville Meal Site which is now located in the Fellowship Hall in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, 161 Reed St. Northville. The site is accessible by stairs and by elevator.

### **Nov 3rd** OFA Congregate Meal 11:30-12:30

Roast Pork with Gravy, Stuffing, Cauliflower, No Bake Cookie. We will celebrate all November birthdays with a cake provided by Georgia Jacquard.

STFSL Program at 12:30 To be announced.

### **Nov 10th** OFA Congregate Meal 11:30-12:30

Chicken and Biscuits, Mashed Potatoes, Glazed

Carrots, Brownie

Shari Crawford will talk about 1940's toys and games..

### **Nov 17th** OFA Congregate Meal 11:30-12:30

Ham with Mustard Sauce, Scalloped Potatoes, Peas and Carrots, Ice Cream

STFSL Program at 12:30 To be announced.

### **Nov 24th** Closed for Thanksgiving

## Christmas Shopping Trip

The Task Force trip to Albany for a Christmas shopping trip is scheduled for November 8th. Leaving the Northville Baptist Church parking lot at 8:30. This is a change from the original date. We will visit the Colonie Mall and also the Shaker Craft Fair, always a favorite. We will also stop for lunch along the way.

On **November 20** we will drive to the Soroptimist Craft Fair in Gloversville, one of the biggest Craft shows in the area. A great place to pick up handmade Christmas gifts. We'll leave the Northville school parking lot at 9:30. Weather permitting, we are planning some trips in December, maybe a museum or two.

If you are interested in going with the group on these trips please call the Sacandaga Task Force for Senior Living at 518-752-8737 and leave a message. We will get back to you.



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Sunday Services at 9:00 AM

Coffee Hour at 10:00 AM

Study Group Wednesday at 10:00 AM and 6:00 PM

Our study group will be looking at the life of the early Christian movement.

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The pastor also has a Daily Photo Devotion available by email, contact him at revdavid76@gmail.com to be added to email list.

## ONE THING

Lately the United Methodist Church which I serve as an ordained minister has been in the news over the possibility that there will be a split. The decision on that will not happen until October 2024. The important thing to remember as we progress to that point is that regardless of the label attached to our local faith community, there is one thing on which we all can agree. Faith Communities all claim as part of their understanding of the Divine that we are called to share God's love with our neighbor. When Jesus was asked who is my neighbor, he shared the story of The Good Samaritan. A man was robbed and beaten and left beside the road and was passed by until a Samaritan stopped and cared for him. The punch line to this story if you will is that it was one who was considered an enemy of the individual who rendered aid, who treated him as a neighbor. In this time of divisions dividing us, it is well to remember the story of the Good Samaritan and that we are called to share God's love with everyone. It may be impossible for us to be in agreement on various issues, but we should be able to come together on the divine commandment to love one another.



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### Saturday, November 5

Nuno Felt Scarf with Marjolaine Arsenault.  
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### Saturday, November 5

Introduction to Cold Process Soap Making with Roberta Devers. 1/2 day. 1pm-4pm. Tuition \$70. Member Tuition \$55. Materials fee \$15.

### Sunday, November 6

Scroll Saw Christmas Ornaments with Walt Ulrich. 1 day. 9am-4pm. Tuition \$125. Member Tuition \$100. Materials Fee \$15.

### Sunday, November 6

Holiday Soap Making with Roberta Devers. 1 days. 9am-4pm. Tuition \$125. Member Tuition \$100. Materials fee \$20.

### Sunday, November 6

Rugs from Rags with Caroline Dvorak. 1/2 day. 12pm-4pm. Tuition \$85. Member Tuition \$65. Materials fee \$10.

### Thursday, November 10

AFS Sewing Circle. 1/2 day. 10am-2pm. Tuition \$0. Member Tuition \$0. Materials fee \$0.

### Fridays & Saturdays, November 11&12 and 18&19

Weaving 103: A Study in Twill with Teri Dvorak. 4 half days. 10am-1pm. Tuition \$250. Member Tuition \$200. Materials fee \$25.

### Saturday, November 12

Intro to Nature & Wildlife Photography with

Dave Oxford. 1/2 day. 9am-12pm. Tuition \$85  
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### Saturday, November 12

American Tinsmithing Basics with Art Thorman. 1 day. 9am-4pm. Tuition \$125. Member Tuition \$100. Materials fee \$10.

### Sunday, November 13

Woodturning: Holiday Ornaments with John Kingsley. 1/2 day. 9am-12pm. Tuition \$70. Member Tuition \$55. Materials fee \$20.

### Sunday, November 13

Beginning Bluegrass Banjo with Mac Petrequin. 1/2 day. 1pm-4pm. Tuition \$70. Member Tuition \$55. Materials fee \$0.

### Friday, November 18

Merry or Ziggy Basket with Linda Scherz. 1 day. 9am-4pm. Tuition \$125. Member Tuition \$199. Materials fee \$50 for Merry, \$60 for Ziggy.

### Saturday, November 19

Large Copper Embossing with Mark Swanberry. 1 day. 9am-4pm. Tuition \$125. Member Tuition \$100. Materials fee \$65.

### Saturday, November 19

Tin Ornaments with Art Thorman. 1 day. 12pm-4pm. Tuition \$70. Member Tuition \$55. Materials fee \$7.

### Saturday & Sunday, November 19&20

Chip Carved Optical Illusion Plate with Dennis Wilson. 2 days. 9am-4pm. Tuition \$250. Member Tuition \$200. Materials fee \$50.

### Sunday, November 20

Sacred Union of Plant & Water with Margo Mullein. 1/2 day. 1pm-4pm. Tuition \$70. Member Tuition \$55. Materials fee \$15.

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# Edinburg School Happenings

by Michelle Ellis, Superintendent

The New York State School Boards Association recognizes October 17 - 21, 2022 as School Board Recognition Week. This is a time to promote awareness and understanding of the important work performed by school board members. The Edinburg Common School District is joining all public school districts across the state as we honor our local Board of Trustees for their commitment to the school community and its children. We would like to thank Angela Ludwig, President, Dr. Mary Ann Borden, Vice President, and Mr. Robert McCloskey, Board Member, for their ongoing support and dedication to the Edinburg Common School District.

On October 12, 2022, our sixth grade students, who will be entering middle school, visited the Northville Central School District. They will be visiting once a quarter to work with their peers, administrators, and staff. These opportunities will be a wonderful way to have exposure to middle school "life" and the ability to collaborate with one another. They will be making projects and attending assemblies as well. We look forward to this opportunity!

After school enrichment clubs are well underway! This year the Edinburg Common School District will offer a variety of after school enrichment clubs for students to participate in. The clubs will happen at various sessions throughout the school year, so please stay tuned for a signup sheet in your child/children's backpack. As of right now, here are the clubs that will be offered during the 2022-2023 school year: Cooking Club, Sphero Club, Yoga Club, Drama Club, Lego Club, Homework Club, and Basketball Club!

Students in PK - 6th grade were able to enjoy a fall field trip to the Ellms Family Farm in Ballston Spa. Students, parents, teachers, and staff enjoyed fall activities, corn mazes, hay rides, ziplines, farm animals, the pumpkin patch, pedal carts and more! We would like to thank the Edinburg PTO for making this field trip possible!







## "An Eagle Eye on . . . "

Students in grades PK through 2nd grade are honored monthly for their great character, being a good friend to their peers, making great choices, and displaying great work ethic in class. The teachers and staff at ECS think you are doing a fantastic job! Keep up the hard work!

Edinburg Common School District would like to congratulate the following students for being Student of the Month for November 2022:

PK- Genevieve Shiely

K- Mason Karas

1st- Cora Hand

2nd- Katie Frasier

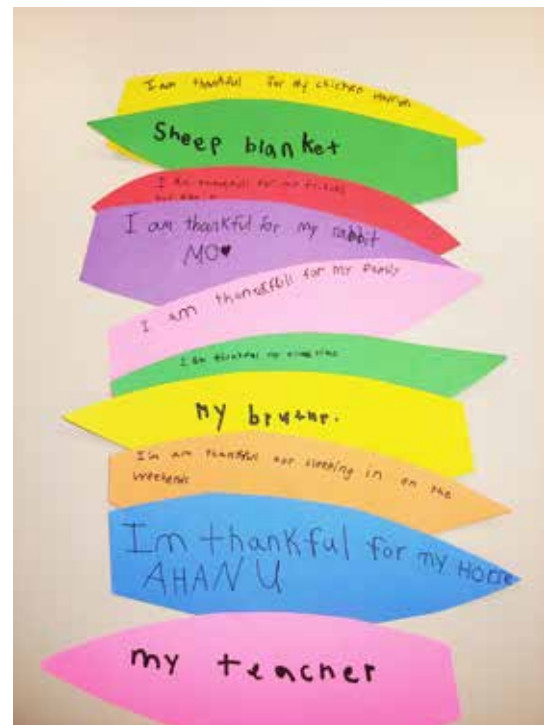
Don't forget to join us on Friday, November 4th at 2:30 pm during Eagle Afternoon in the gymnasium as we honor these students. We will also celebrate November birthdays and sing our patriotic songs.

Please remember to support the Edinburg PTO at the annual Roast Beef Dinner and Basket Raffle on Saturday, November 5, 2022 from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm. We cannot wait to see you all back in our gymnasium as a community once again. We will still have meals to go should you prefer to eat in the luxury of your home. Please arrive on-time so you don't miss out on this scrumptious meal! Basket raffles will be available to view and place your tickets for a chance to win. Good luck!

The Edinburg Common School will honor our

local veterans this year by reaching out to our families and community members. Veterans will be asked to send in information about themselves along with a picture. Stay tuned for more details and please contact the main office at 518-863-8412 if you would like to send in your information and photos. We honor and thank you for your services!

For more information please go to our school website at [www.edinburgcs.org](http://www.edinburgcs.org) and/or like our school Facebook page.



## Dates to Remember:

Saturday, November 5th - Annual PTO Roast Beef Dinner 4:00 - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, November 8th - ECS Board of Trustees Meeting 6:00 pm

Thursday, November 10th - Veterans Day Assembly 1:30 pm

Friday, November 11th - Veterans Day - No School

Monday, November 14th - Professional Development Half Day

Dismissal at 11:45 am and Pick-Ups and buses will load at 11:50 am

Tuesday, November 14th - Discovery Kids 3 year old program 1:45 pm

Tuesday, November 22nd - Emergency Early Release 2:30 pm

Wednesday, November 23rd - Friday, November 25th Thanksgiving Holiday Break

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# Veterans Day

Veterans Day (originally known as Armistice Day) is a federal holiday in the United States observed annually on November 11, for honoring military veterans of the United States Armed Forces (who were discharged under conditions other than dishonorable). It coincides with other holidays including Armistice Day and Remembrance Day which are celebrated in other countries that mark the anniversary of the end of World War I. Major hostilities of World War I were formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 when the Armistice with Germany went into effect. At the urging of major U.S. veteran organizations, Armistice Day was renamed Veterans Day in 1954.

Veterans Day is distinct from Memorial Day, a U.S. public holiday in May. Veterans Day celebrates the service of all U.S. military veterans, while Memorial Day honors those who had died while in military service. Another military holiday that also occurs in May, Armed Forces Day, honors those currently serving in the U.S.



military. Additionally, Women Veterans Day is recognized by a growing number of U.S. states that specifically honor women who have served in the U.S. military.

Veterans Day is a federal holiday, a bank holiday and, in most states, a state holiday. That means that federal employees, including military members, are typically given the day off and, in most states, state workers are as well.

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Happy Thanksgiving! This month's article is going to be about our amazing water treatment technicians. It's long overdue that they be introduced. Hawk has been doing water treatment, knowledgeably and diligently for decades, but I'm not going to lie, it was always side work, not a devoted service, like it is now. That is wholly thanks to my first introduction:

Chris Santilli has over 30 years of experience as an installer/service technician, and actually owned a local water treatment company. Chris met Jeremy and I through Church. I love our first face to face interaction. Keep in mind, we were competitors and didn't always agree on things. When Chris first saw Jeremy and I enter Church, he yelled out "Hawk Drilling, we need to talk. (pause) Nah, we're all brothers here!" We've liked him ever since. When it was his time to move on from owner of the other company, he reached out to see if Hawk might hire him. Jeremy had to ask his parents, and pushed to get him on. He started in September of 2020- a month before Jeremy and I took over the company, and we have

loved watching our water treatment division grow through Chris' diligence, knowledge, and oversight. Anyone who has met Chris, knows he is a smart, funny, and generally swell guy. When speaking with new customers, I always tell people that they are going to love him.

A year later, a friend of his from the other water treatment company, reached out to him to see if Hawk had room for another technician. We did – and we couldn't be happier with Josh Baruch. He is meticulous in his service and he and Chris get along so well. What I appreciate most about Josh is his organization. We purchased a second water treatment truck this past year and he did a wonderful job setting up the shelving and labeling things. I love labeling. Fun side-bit about Josh - he is a singer. I still haven't heard him sing – we were supposed to all go for karaoke, but there was a big storm the night of it and we have yet to reschedule. Chris says he has an amazing voice.

A couple of months ago, Matt Culver reached out to Josh to see if Hawk had room for another technician. We did!-and Matt started with Hawk

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