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Jean Raymond, Supervisor

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Saratoga County Emergency Declaration

On Friday, May 19th the Chairman of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors issued a declaration of emergency order in response to the possible relocation and arrival of illegal immigrants and asylum seekers from New York City. The State of Emergency can be read on the Saratoga County web site at saratogacountyny.gov on the Clerk of the Board page.

July 4th Garbage Collection Change

There will be no garbage collection on South Shore Road on Tuesday, July 4th. Collection will be on Wednesday, July 5th.

Historic Edinburgh Day

Correction, the date in the May article was wrong. The correct date is Saturday, July 8th.

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JUNE 2023 COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

- Thurs 1 7:00 pm Edinburg Zoning Board Meeting
- Tues 13 6:00 pm Edinburg School BOT Meeting
- Tues 20 4:00 pm Edinburg Historical Society Meeting
- Wed 14 Flag Day**
- Thurs 15 4:00 pm Edinburg Town Board Meeting
- Sun 18 Father's Day**
- Wed 21 First Day of Summer**
- Thurs 22 7:00 pm Edinburg Planning Board Meeting
- Tues 27 Local Primary Election**

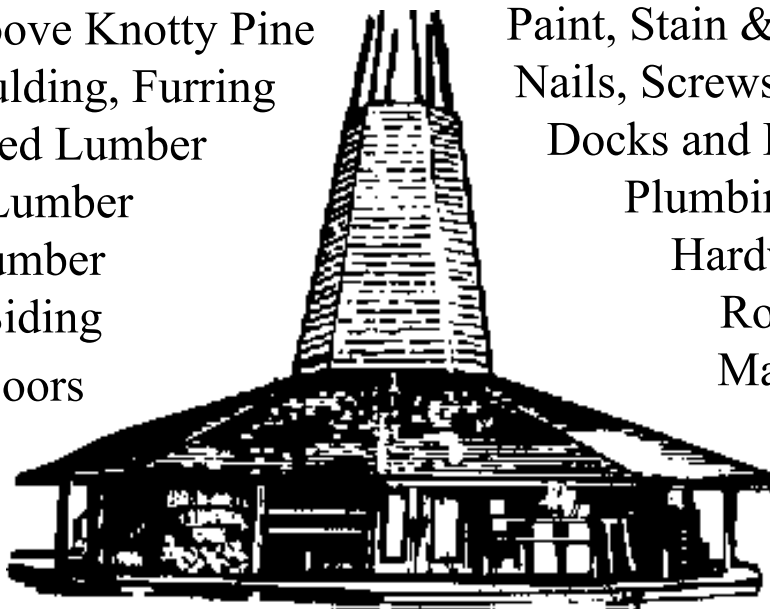
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DID YOU KNOW THAT---

By Town of Edinburg Historian,
Priscilla L. Edwards

Slavery

Slavery was introduced in the Americas in 1619 when a Dutch trading ship brought 20 Blacks to the Jamestown settlement. The colonists purchased these people and held them as slaves for life rather than indentured (workers would sign a contract for only a certain period of time) as white servants were treated.

By 1690 the New York Colony had the largest slave population in any of the English colonies in the North. The largest slave population was in the South with the rise of the southern plantation colonies. In the years before the Civil War the state of Virginia became a large supplier of slaves to states in the lower south. Importation of slaves was barred after 1808 but slave smuggling was not stopped until 1860.

It might also be noted that our Native Americans also kept slaves. Chief Pontiac of the Ottawa tribe told of his accompanying an Ottawa war party from the Northern Great Lakes to far south below the current states of Indiana and Kentucky or further to encounter parties or individuals from southern tribes such as Cherokees, Choctaws, Natchez or Upper Creeks. The Ottawa tribe would engage the southern tribes in warfare and return home to the north with scalps, equipment and new slaves.

In 1785 three years before becoming a state the New York Colony attempted to pass a law seeking gradual freedom for the slaves. With a steady flow of runaway slaves seeking safety in the free northern states, Washington passed a Fugitive Slave Law in 1793 making it a crime to help an escaped slave. Their owners and slave catchers had the right to seize runaways even in free states.

On July 4, 1799 New York State declared that all children born to slaves in NY were free after that date.

The American Anti-Slavery Society was formed in Philadelphia in 1833 and since Great Britain forbade slavery in any of its provinces, Canada became a safer destination for runaway slaves than even our northern states.

The Liberty Party which opposed slavery was formed in 1840 and shouted with joy when an 1841 state law granted automatic freedom to any slave brought into NYS by a slave holder.

The federal Fugitive Slave Act of 1850 was meant to strengthen the Fugitive Slave Act of 1793 and to appease the South because the North was growing in antislavery sentiments and the activities of the Underground Railroad was moving more and more fugitives to safety. Under the 1850 Act a fugitive was subject to six months in jail plus \$2,000 in damages and fines. US Marshals were subject to a \$1,000 fine for refusing to arrest and detain a fugitive. A runaway slave must be returned to his owner without even a trial.

In defiance of the new law the northern

states spent time recruiting more help to send fugitives safely north on the Underground Railroad.

The 1793 and 1850 laws were repealed in 1860.

Probably nothing since the War of 1812 stirred up the North Country as much as slavery did in the 1840's and 50's. Anti-slavery meetings and the Underground Railroad Movement

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(UGRR) were once alive and well in Edinburgh.

The Reverend Abel Brown, pastor of the Sand Lake Baptist Church in southern Saratoga County was a fiery abolitionist going about Saratoga County speaking out against slavery. The newly formed Liberty Party, the Methodist Church, and the Quakers worked hand in hand as all were very involved in the anti-slavery and UGRR movement.

In Edinburgh James Armstrong, John Barker and Henry Noyes were prominent members of the Liberty Party. Several Liberty Party conventions were held at the home of Henry Noyes with Reverend Brown as the speaker.

A letter written by Rev. Brown in September 1844 mentions a “grand convention being held at the Methodist Church in Edinburgh. It was a new era in Saratoga Abolitionism. The house was full; the audience voted to stay another hour and hear another Liberty speaker.” \$100. was raised at this meeting to hire an anti-slavery agent to circulate throughout the county.

The next convention was to be held in Corinth in two weeks and by November the Rev. Brown was dead at the age of 34. (maybe from exhaustion?)

John Barker, a stanch Methodist, was believed to be the builder of the Edinburgh Methodist Church in 1836 and Barker’s store in 1847 where even today at the store one can view a “hidden room” under the stairs used to conceal slaves on their way north to freedom as part of the Underground Railroad. Many buildings constructed by or for abolitionists after 1840 would include a special hiding place. Sympathizers owning older buildings would often re-do an area within their home to create a hiding spot.

Most of the UGRR route in New York State passed through the western part of the state. There was however a lesser used northern route. When slaves reached New York City they would go directly north to Albany; then through Saratoga, Washington and Warren counties. From there the route went through Essex and Clinton counties and into Canada.

Conclusion next month—Blacks in Edinburg

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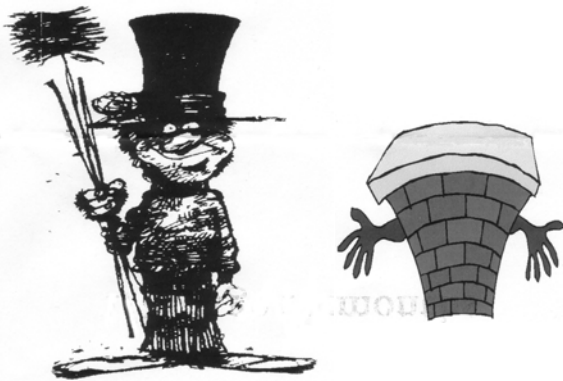
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On Thursday, June 20 at 7 p.m. at the Sand Hill Schoolhouse on Tange Road, Denise Ferguson will tell us about her and Joel’s business, D & J Percherons. She has been the Edinburg Town Clerk since November 13, 1986. Her father Ivan Sheils came from Northville and her mother Patricia Aldi Sheils lived in Amsterdam NY. Denise grew up in Edinburg and attended the Edinburg School on Sinclair Road and graduated from Northville Central School. She is married to Joel Ferguson, a descendant of the Tennants who formed Tennantville.

Joel was interested in horses all his life, spending his young life in the barn with animals and a work horse named Old June. Joel and Denise were married and living on Tennantville Road when Joel said he wanted a horse with a carriage to go for Sunday morning horse and carriage rides and thought he might like a morgan. Denise suggested he should go with a bigger horse, and they decided to purchase Percherons and their business was born. Percherons have docile, stoic temperaments and are called Gentle Giants. They provide horse and carriage rides at EHS festivals, weddings, village celebrations and winter sleigh rides.



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- 4/13 Mutual Aid, Providence Fire Department
- 4/13 South Shore Rd., Good Intent Call
- 41/5 Rosebloom St. EMS Assistance
- 4/18 Johnson Rd., Good Intent Call
- 4/22 North Shore Rd., Brush Fire
- 4/22 Partridge Farm Way, Brush Fire
- 4/27 Mutual Aid, Northville Fire Department
- 4/30 Tennantville Rd. Lines Down
- 4/30 Tennantville Rd. Lines Down
- 5/1 South Shore Rd. Fire Alarm
- 5/11 Mutual Aid, Northville Fire Department
- 5/11 Mutual Aid, Providence Fire Department

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| 432520032744 | Mark of The Beast |
| 7 | 1990’s TV Program / Beverly Hills |
| 12345 | Number worn by 327 NBA players |
| 12 | # of combinations of Erno Rubik’s Cube |
| 666 | Deadly sins, colors of a rainbow |
| ??? | Your House Number |

The Correct answer happens to be the last, **YOUR HOUSE NUMBER**. Every year we mention this at least once, as it is a critical component in keeping you safe. And we have no control over it! We can not stress enough how important it is to properly identify the location of your residence - prior to an emergency.

Many people place their house numbers (incorrectly) parallel to the roadway, rather than perpendicular. These are often nicely decorated with gold colored numbers over natural wood. Beautiful, yet subdued enough to send us rushing right by, as they can’t be identified in a hurry. And we are in a hurry, to provide you help during your emergency.

What we are strongly encouraging you to do, is purchase four inch tall reflective black letters on a light background. Attach them to your mailbox or a small sign, four feet off the ground, perpendicular to the roadway, ideally a set from each direction. Should you reside on a long multi - dwelling shared road, place a sign on your property next to your road. Don’t assume because you have lived here for years the apparatus driver knows exactly where to go. Once again, we can not emphasize this enough. We can’t help you, if we can’t find you. Seconds count!



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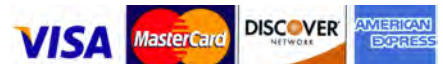


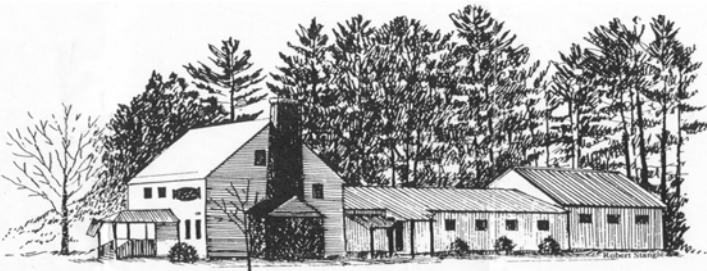
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The 2023 Summer Reading Adventure “All Together Now” will begin June 26. Programs planned include:

- “Kids Art” with Cheryl Miller on July 12 & 19 @ 1 pm: Grades 1-5 (10 seats only)
- “Backyard Creepy Crawlies” with naturalist Anita Sanchez on July 26 @ 1pm.

Details are available at the library. Seating is limited and registration is required for all programs. There will also be the prize wheel and a candy jar guessing game. Each week a reader can spin the wheel for a prize.

The Friends of the Library’s Mammoth Book Sale is scheduled for June 29 and June 30 (9am to 4 pm) and Saturday, July 1 (9 am to 3 pm). Early Bird buying will take place on Thursday from 9 - 10 am only with a \$3 entrance fee. Thousands of books, audiobooks, and DVDs are on sale. Thursday prices = \$2 hardbacks, \$1 paperbacks, \$.50 children, \$1 A-Vs; Friday prices = \$5 / bag; Saturday prices = \$1 / bag.

The set up for the Book Sale will take place on Tues, June 27 at 9 am. All community adult and student volunteers are welcome to assist in this set up.

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

The Sacandaga Garden Club will hold their Annual Flower Show at the library on Wed, Jun 14 – Fri, Jun 16. This year’s theme is “Whimsical Summer”. Be sure to stop by and see these amazing creations!

The Friend’s Summer Raffle will be on display at the end of the month with baskets, donated items and gift certificates from local businesses. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The drawing will be held on Sat, July 22 at 8 pm after the Annual Ice Cream Social.

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Flower Talk

Sally Peck, of the Flower Barn

“Dandelions, like all things in nature, are beautiful when you take time to pay attention to them”, June Stoyer. Dandelions? Some say they must go! Really? The dandelion has been carried from place to place since before written history, it is said to be native to Europe and Asia. The earliest recordings can be found in Roman times and the use of this plant has been noted by the Anglo Saxon tribes of Britain and the Normans of France. In the 10th and 11th centuries there is mention of dandelions used for medicinal purposes from Arabian physicians. In the time of the Mayflower, the Puritans found dandelions to be so useful that they actually brought them to the new country to be a source of medicine with health benefits, rather than as a food commodity. Many

European settlers brought these plants intentionally to America, like the Spaniards who brought them to California and Mexico. While the French introduced them to Canada. It also came to our country discreetly in a pant cuff or boot



sole. It didn't take long for them to spread, when the wind blows on the puffball, a couple hundred seeds spread up to 100 miles away depending on the wind strength. This makes the species not easy to contain. By 1672, the plant was well established in New England.

The dandelion has been used for food and as an herb by the ancient Egyptians, Greeks & Romans as well as in Chinese and American Indian medicine for over a thousand years. It would be intentionally planted to grow alongside vegetable and herb gardens. Today botanists consider the dandelion to be an herb, the entire body of the dandelion from bloom to stem is edible. Its roots have been used for medical remedies for the discomfort of many ailments: baldness, toothaches, fevers, weakness and depression. Tonics and teas made from the roots which aided in digestion and removed toxins from the liver and blood. The flowers used for wine. In the late Spring of yesteryears, the wine was made for an Autumn and Winter drink. Another way to drink Dandelions is roasting the roots for a caffeine

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free coffee substitute, similar in taste as coffee made from chicory, the roots contain more antioxidants and nutrients than regular coffee. To make dandelion root coffee, scrub, and dry the roots. Place on baking sheet and bake for 4 hours at 150°. Grind room temperature roots in a blender. Store in a covered jar. For coffee add one heaping teaspoon to one cup boiled water, let steep for about 3 min. Strain, add cream and/or sweetener to taste.

The bitter, earthy leaves contain numerous vitamins and minerals such as iron, potassium and calcium as well as antioxidants and are used for cooking. Studies have shown that dandelion roots and leaves can reduce cholesterol and boost the immune system. Add young unblemished leaves to salads and smoothies, substitute them for spinach, endive and collards. You can soften the leaves in water which

pulls out some of the bitterness. Saute larger leaves with olive oil, onion, garlic, salt, lemon and add to pesto, pasta, omelets or soups.

Still not liking the dandelion that grows in your lawn? It's more than an 'invader', it's a transformer. It loosens compacted soil by growing deep roots, acting as an aerator for the soil, while their roots also soak up nutrients from the deeper soil and spread those nutrients throughout the yard, working as fertilizer. They create a microclimate that attracts earthworms whose job is to change and rejuvenate the soil, drawing nutrients to the surface, adding nitrogen and minerals to soil for plants with shallow roots. Small birds feed off the seeds and the flower provides nectar for the honey bees... let's save the bees.

Where on earth did the 'DandyLion' get its ever identifiable name? It comes from the Latin; Dens

Leonis. The French translation is 'dent de lion', meaning lion's teeth, from the tooth-like leaves. The English changed this phrase to dandelion.

When you give someone a single dandelion or a bouquet, you're giving a message of hope, telling the recipient to not give up and to persevere to sunnier times ahead. Be like a dandelion, whenever they fall apart, they start again.




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June 1st OFA Congregate Meal 11:30-12:30 Swedish Meatballs, Egg Noodles, Mixed Vegetables, Brownie. We will celebrate all June birthdays with a cake provided by Pat Paton. No program this date.

June 8th OFA Congregate Meal 11:30-12:30 Ham and Cheese Cold Plate, Potato Salad, Three Bean Salad, Mandarin Oranges. STFSL Program at 12:30, Michael Burnett, director of the Northville Library will speak about "What the library can offer you."

June 15th OFA Congregate Meal 11:30-12:30 Pork Chop, Au Gratin Potatoes, Lima Beans, Pineapple Tidbits. No program this date.

June 22nd OFA Congregate Meal 11:30-12:30 Chef's Choice Chicken, Rice Pilaf, Corn, Gelatin. STFSL Program at 12:30, Musician Gary Van Slyke will present his "Singing Cowboy" program. Come wearing any western wear and be entered for a prize drawing!. We will also hold a blood pressure clinic this date.

June 29th OFA Congregate Meal 11:30-12:30 Swedish Meatballs, Egg Noodles, Mixed Vegetables, Brownie. STFSL Program at 12:30, Maggie Luck, Nathan Littauer Hospital's Manager of the Lifeline Program, will talk about the Lifeline program.

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



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Woodworking and Fine Arts Show July 14-16 Announces Featured Artists

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

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

Adirondack Artist".

Diane Babin's varied career has always revolved around sewing. When it came time to select her college major, she knew that it had to involve sewing in some way. It was a natural progression in 2016 when she took a class friend on the Native American Art of pine needle coiling. Since then she has designed and sold over 1,000 baskets!

Diane begins with long leaf pine needles that she imports from Georgia. She processes them by washing them in soap and water. They are then baked in a glycerin and water solution, rinsed, dried, and de-capped.

Now the real artistry begins. Diane selects a basket base. This could be something she has created herself or has purchased from the many suppliers. Many times, the finished product looks nothing like the design Diane imagined. She says, "The baskets speak to me as they are forming" entirely different. Seal coating with polyurethane is the final step with every basket, keyring, and ornament Diane makes. Seal coating gives each basket added stability and ensures that it will be a family heirloom for generations to come.

Diane derives much satisfaction from creating



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her pine needle coiled baskets, keyrings, and ornaments. Introducing others to pine needle coiling energizes her to continue to create. She recently began glass fusion where pieces of glass are melted together to form a design

Diane is a Nationally Board Certified Teacher and was named 2006 Family and Consumer Science New York State Teacher of the Year. She has also authored an entrepreneurship curriculum for high school students that is registered with the Library of Congress.

Next month the spotlight is on William Paul Wiatr.

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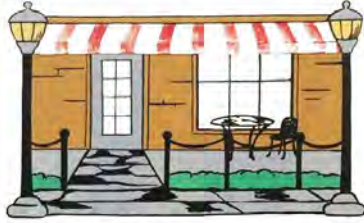


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Sacandaga Protection Committee

Happy summer, almost. Kevin Donovan is taking a couple of months off from his "Reflections on the Lake" column which normally appears here, and I would like to talk a bit about the SPC's fundraising efforts. The SPC is 100% funded by your donations. Our board is all volunteer, we work hard to support our mission, which is to maintain the permit system, public access to the lake and to protect the environment and economy of the lake community.

The SPC has two major fundraising events each year, a golf outing in June and the "Bet on the Lake" raffle. This year's golf outing is June 10 at Hales Mills Country Club in Johnstown and is sold out for golfers. You may still support the outing by attending the cocktail reception, which will start

immediately after golf, approximately 1:30 pm. For \$40 you will receive two drinks and appetizers and be able to bid on many silent auction items, including a sunset cruise, a glamping experience, a pine double swing, gift certificates for restaurants, breweries, distilleries, and much more. We would like to thank our major sponsors; the Lanzi family restaurants – Lakeside Tavern/ Channel Bar, Sport Island Pub, Lanzi's on the Lake, Partners Pub, Lorenzo's Southside; Fuel and Food; Brown's Ford of Amsterdam; Environmental Design Partners; Mackey Auto Group; Empire Wine; Olbrych Realty; Universal Warehouse; Doc's Marina; Bruce & Bobbi Becker; Allen and Palmer; Hawk Well Drilling; Frank and Son's Body Shop; Thompson's Marina; NLH Properties; Gordon's Marina and NBS Electric.

The "Bet on the Lake" raffle tickets will go on sale June 1, with the drawing Friday of Labor Day weekend. The tickets are \$100 each with a top prize of \$10,000, only 400 tickets will be sold. Tickets are available at Brownell Lumber, Fuel and Food, Kingsboro Lumber the Fulton Montgomery Chamber of Commerce, and from SPC board members. Tickets will also be available at the SPC booth at the Northville Rotary



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Woodworking and Fine Arts Weekend on Saturday July 15.

Normally, this column describes people's reflections, or memories, of life on the lake. My lake reflection is having great memories of spending every summer weekend at the lake growing up and now having our grandchildren, who live in Virginia, continue to ask to come to the lake to enjoy learning to waterski, tube, fish and swim. I hope they also enjoy spending time with Grandma and Grandpa! The GSL is certainly a great place to be, young or old! Help us keep it that way.

Bob Jones is secretary/treasurer of The Sacandaga Protection Committee. To learn how the SPC protects your access to the lake and our way of life in lake communities, or to donate to support our mission, please visit our website www.sacandagaprotectioncommittee.com. To attend our cocktail reception following our golf outing or to contact us for any reason, please email us at SPCGSL@gmail.com.

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Wendy Reu, Village Clerk

Memorial Day weekend is here, and the Village is already buzzing with people! Plenty of opportunities to visit our merchants and dining establishments in the Village.

The Village crew has been busy getting the Village ready for the summer season. The parking lines have been painted along the streets and in the public parking lots, along with the crosswalks

throughout the Village. Please remember that must stop when pedestrians are in the crosswalks.

Our culvert repair project on Water Street is almost completed. The paving is done; we are just waiting for the guard rails to arrive. Once the guard rails are placed, the road will be open to traffic again. Please use caution at the entrance to the spillway bridge on South Main Street as we are waiting for a replacement of a guard rail that was damaged from a recent accident. For now, the area is marked with a barricade and cones.

Police Chief Rick Richardson has been busy in his new position. He reported 46 calls were handled by the department during the month of April. This does not include complaints handled by FCSO and NYSP. He is actively monitoring traffic in the village, specifically in the school zone. Please remember that the Village speed limit is 30 mph and 15 mph in the school zone when school is in session. Chief Richardson has recruited three additional part time deputies to our existing force.

We are still having active meetings with the design engineer and grant writer for the pedestrian walkway at the spillway on South Main Street. Our goal is to submit our grant application in late June. If you would like to send a letter of support for the project, please email them to clerk@villageofnorthville.com. Everyone has concerns about pedestrian safety along the spillway and the more attention we can draw to the obvious need for a walkway there, the better the likelihood that the project will get funded. Please take a moment and drop us your thoughts and we will include them in our application.

The Farmers' Market

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Northville News continued

will kick off the 2023 season on Saturday, June 24th. The market will run from late June through Labor Day weekend in the Waterfront Park. Contact the Clerk to become a vendor!

We continue to work on plans for the 2023 DOINS which will be held Friday, June 30th and Saturday, July 1st. The FUN will kick off in the Waterfront Park on Friday night at 5 p.m. with entertainment and karaoke by Top Shelf Entertainment. Food, vendors, and activities will continue throughout the evening. Events will start again on Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m., with the Farmers' Market, vendors, food, and entertainment throughout the day. On Saturday night, SVAN will be hosting a concert by Jerry & Erin Gretzinger, in the Waterfront Park at 6 p.m. The theme for the 2023 DOINS parade on Saturday July 1st will be FUN IN THE ADIRONDACKS! We want you to show us the many ways you have fun in the Adirondacks. Whether it is summer fun, fall fun, winter fun, or year-round fun...put on your thinking caps and wow us with your imagination! To register your float or group for the parade, contact clerk@villageofnorthville.com by June 17th. We had a great parade last year and want to make this year's even better! We are still taking applications from vendors for the event. There is no fee to participate and interested parties should contact the Village Clerk's office via email – clerk@villageofnorthville.com or phone 518-863-4211.

Remember, the fireworks will still be set off over the Little Lake but from a different angle. Water Street and the Waterfront Park will be your prime viewing spots.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on June 27th at 7:00 p.m.



Northville United Presbyterian Church News

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Salute to Our God and America

Spring is here! The birds awaken us in the early morning sunshine and the warmth of the air invites the flowers to peek from beneath the soil. The rabbits can be seen nibbling, the fowls are born, and we feel refreshed. We are blessed to be living in this "land of the free"! Soon we will celebrate Memorial Day, a time we cannot forget. Francis Scott Key helps us remember

Key was trained in law and later served as the District Attorney at Georgetown, District of Columbia. In 1883 Francis Scott Key, author of our national anthem was authorized by President Madison to visit the British fleet during the War of 1812 that was located near the mouth of the Potomac to negotiate the release of a physician friend Dr Beanes, who had been taken prisoner by the invaders. The British admiral finally granted the American's request, but because the British ships had planned an attack on Fort McHenry,



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which guarded the harbor of Baltimore, Key and his party were detained aboard all night.

Fierce bombardment continued during the night. While others aboard rested, Key paced on the deck until the first rays of dawn and on shore “the Flag was still there”.

Key hastily wrote his memorable poem on the back of a letter in the early hours of September 13, 1813.

Upon release he finished his poem at home and printed it in handbill form. It was well received, and the American people were exhilarated by the news of their victory. A month later it was released in sheet music form by Joseph Carr.

Let the birds sing their songs reflecting on the coming of spring and let that delight trigger thoughts of this beautiful song and of the blessing of freedom we share through the sacrifices beautifully reflected in Peter’s Words below.

“Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord’s sake: whether it be to the king a supreme; or unto governors as unto then that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well.” I Peter 2:13, 14.

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BACKYARD WILDLIFE

Roberta MacIntyre Games



I never expected that I would be in Diane Hime's kitchen gently holding a baby squirrel its tiny paws grasping the feeder, eyes closed, drinking with satisfaction. It started when I heard the cries and found baby squirrels by a hole high up in a tree. Remembering that there was a gray squirrel recently hit by a car I thought

"orphaned". It didn't take them long with some coaxing to come into my gloved hands.

Diane is a licensed Wildlife Rehabilitator who volunteers with North Country Wild Care, a network of home based wildlife rehabilitators in Upstate NY. Rehabbers are licensed volunteers who are available to assist when a wild animal is found abandoned or injured. Individual rehabbers often have specialties and additional licenses depending on their specific animal. Diane for example rehabs fawns, porcupines, foxes and migratory birds (raptors). With her husband John they do presentations and educational wildlife viewing with their Barred Owl, Red Tailed Hawk, and Great Horned Owl that they rehabbed but were not releasable. Education is an important part of the work. The intention of successful rehabilitation is that wildlife be returned to their natural territory and released back to the wild.

Diane tells of large birds being shot or injured and sickened through lead poisoning from bullets in carrion or fishing sinkers in fish. Rodent control products can cause secondary poisoning that harms both wildlife and pets. She

encourages the use of non-lead products when hunting and fishing. Rehabbers depend on your eyes and ears to make evaluations. If baby birds are found it is best if a picture is taken to help ID the bird. Some birds ground nest and feed. I have seen robin fledglings I thought were in distress but their parents tend to them this way. One incident Diane recalls was a man that found a fawn curled up on his lawn. Assuming it was orphaned he brought it into his house and called North Country Wild Care. Because of Diane's proper expert advice he returned the baby and the doe came back for her fawn.

If you find any wild animal or bird that appears orphaned or injured, follow North Country Wild Care's advice:

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Diane feeding a porcupette.

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FRACTURED FACTS

Brian DeFeo

In revisiting a previous topic; there are many things we take for granted in this life as true and yet just as often, we have been lead astray. Due to the fact that knowledge, unlike wisdom, is relative to the times we live in. The following is hardly worth mentioning. Which is why you'll find it and other oddities mentioned in this column. Myth, fact, or pure fiction.

Eve may have given Adam something to eat in the Garden of Eden, but it may not have actually been an apple. Genesis Chapter 3, never actually refers to what "the

Forbidden Fruit" really was. We know that an apple a day keeps the doctor away. And an Apple with a bite out of it became a popular international corporate symbol. Yet, how did the poor apple get such a bad reputation?

Pope Damascus commissioned Jerome in the 4th Century AD to make a complete Hebrew to Latin translation of the Hebrew Bible. Jerome noted that the Hebrew word "peri" could refer to almost any fruit, yet the Latin word "malus" as a noun means

apple and as an adjective means evil. Jerome apparently was a bit of a jokester. This is how the apple likely became, the bad apple. The evil fruit has also been attributed to a pear, a peach, and even a pomegranate. I think they are all incorrect. The obvious choice - passion fruit!

Phobias for many are a serious and debilitating illness. I am one of the many who suffer. And there are many Phobias out there. One of my personal favorites is Triskaidekaphobia - I just like saying it. This is the fear of the number thirteen.

There's a new one out there, that I believe is very real. A product of our recent technologically advanced society - Nomophobia. The fear of not having access to your cell phone.

The Battery is dead, the network isn't functioning properly, and you are in panic mode, heading for a major melt down. How many of us freak out when this happens. According to experts, reportedly 34% of men and 52% of women.

Be honest, being out of touch for even a few hours is stressful.

One of the greatest paintings of the Renaissance era, "The Last Super" by Leonardo Da Vinci (not the Mutant Turtle) was painted between 1495 - 1498. In an act of urban renewal to go down in infamy, the bottom center portion of the painting (which had been done on a wall) was torn down to make way for a door in 1652. Jesus had his feet literally cut right out from under him.

Gold fish have a memory lasting only three seconds. I knew this was true of teenagers but never read this relative to gold fish. How does one have a conversation with a gold fish, nor a teenager for that matter. Apparently someone really bored has studied gold fish and found that they actually have a memory of up to three months. Greater than many politicians.

Lastly, you may remember when Proctor & Gamble initially introduced Pringles, an overly processed version of the potato chip. A college friend had brought them from Cincinnati the P & G Headquarters, up to our college in Rochester. People could not get enough of them at the time. But here is the interesting part, the "inventor" of the Pringle, P & G employee Frederic Bauer having died at the age of eighty-nine, was you guessed it, buried in a Pringle's can. Okay, maybe you didn't guess it. His family felt this would be the best place to put his ashes. The only discussion was what flavor. His family voted for "Original", naturally.

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Greetings from the members and friends of First UMC! We would like to take this opportunity to say congratulations to students graduating this month ... pre-K; kindergarten; 6th grade; high school; college. We also congratulate the teachers and parents of these students who support, teach, and encourage. We at First UMC send our blessings to all as you move into higher grades, prepare to go off the college, and prepare to start careers in the workforce or military. Wherever you find yourselves this summer, please know that God is there with you along with our prayers and love.

Don't use summer as an excuse to skip church! By gathering in corporate worship, we obey God's command, become equipped for Christian living, and minister to our fellow pilgrims. Consider these tips for engaging in corporate worship. First, show up — in person if you can. Examine your heart and your motivation for attending church. Lift up your eyes from earthly matters to focus on God. Come prepared. Do you need to confess anything or remove any hindrance? As you worship, consider how each part of the service displays the gospel: greeting, singing, confessing, reading Scripture, hearing Bible-based teaching, praying, giving and communing. Be careful not to compartmentalize corporate worship as separate from the rest of life. Instead, consider how you'll carry the experience into the coming week. Come ready to receive; then let that overflow fuel you for the days ahead. Come prepared to participate, knowing that worshipping together is a rehearsal for heaven. But most importantly? Just come. —Monica L. Wilkinson

In addition to graduations, we celebrate Father's Day on June 18. How will you celebrate this special day, a day to let your dad know how important he is to you? We suspect there will be a lot of dads with a fishing pole in hand showing his kids how to put a worm on a hook; maybe others will be

swinging golf clubs and showing a child how to stand properly and grip the club; maybe others will just lounge around the house, play games and enjoy a wonderful meal together. For some, our father's will be remembered in our hearts because they are no longer here on earth but are with our heavenly father, watching over us. We ask God's blessing on you, no matter how you celebrate this special day.

Juneteenth (June 19), America's newest federal holiday, marks the official end of slavery in the nation. President Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863. Applying only to the states in the Confederacy, it declared "that all persons held as slaves are, and henceforward shall be free." But news of freedom didn't reach Galveston, Texas, until June 19, 1865, when 2,000 Union troops arrived to enforce the decree. The U.S. Constitution's 13th Amendment, which bans slavery, was ratified a few months later. Just as freedom and justice came in fits and starts to the Israelites, so it comes to our own country and around the world, where the pursuit for justice continues. —adapted from The Wired Word

As we look forward, First UMC is planning a "dip lunch" on July 15; details to be announced.

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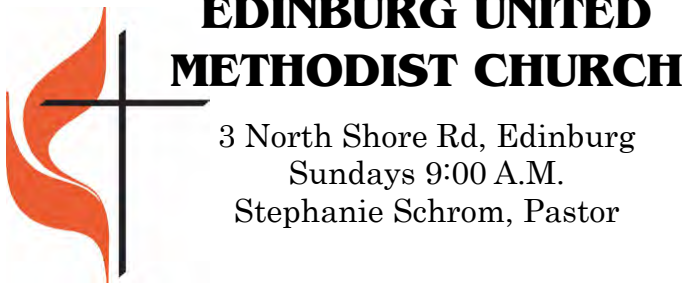
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JUNE 10, SATURDAY, our church ladies will hold a “Take Out “ SPECIAL FOOD SALE from 10 AM to 2 PM. There will be a variety of salads and special sides for sale to help in making your

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WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday Worship at 9:00 AM
Bible Study Wednesday at 10:00 AM – NO BIBLE STUDY – June 21

UPCOMING SERMONS

June 4 “Plans” – Genesis 1:24-31
June 11 Missionary Sunday – Jeanne Smith, Missionary to Africa
June 18 “Choices” – Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-13
June 25 Guest Preacher

Clergy Column

Summertime

The Summer season is upon us with the promise of warm days, barbeques, and family outings. For some though, finances and obligations make getting away for a vacation impossible. Yet for all of us Summer can be a time to find needed rest and renew one’s spirit. That quiet place where we can rest and reflect can be a nearby park or under a tree in your back yard. A place to curl up with a good book, a place to encounter the one who has given us the gift of this glorious planet we call home. A time to remember once more that we are not alone in our journey through life. A time of recalling the Good News that we are God’s beloved children.

As a Christian I believe that God’s love was perfectly reflected in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. God so loves you and me that Jesus was willing to sacrifice his very life for us. Each of us are invited to experience God’s loving presence in all its fullness.

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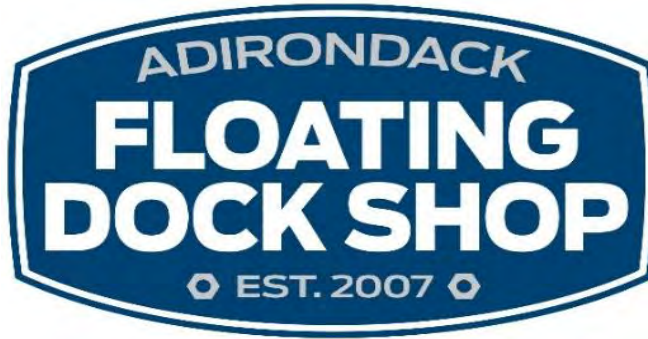
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Journaling: Creativity that Heals

Ever since I was a teenager I have always had some sort of book to write in. Entries were sporadic at best; often spanning years between pages. I have four diary/journal type books that spanned ages 16 to 54. These are largely filled with blank pages. If anyone were to read those earlier journals, they would see that most of the entries were made during times of distress, but also often written so cryptically that even I cannot discern the details of the events that had taken place.

In January of 2022 I took a Journaling class led by Patricia Nugent through the Saratoga Senior Center and Academy of Lifelong Learning. I am not sure what I was expecting, but it was so much more than that! The class participants were all ages, female and male, and came to the class for

varying reasons.

Journaling for me, has become healing in ways I never could have imagined. It has given me the freedom to evaluate past events, sort out current problems, express daily gratitude, let go or forgive, record joy, remember moments of happiness, and so much more.

My mother asked me if I really felt I needed to take a journaling class to learn



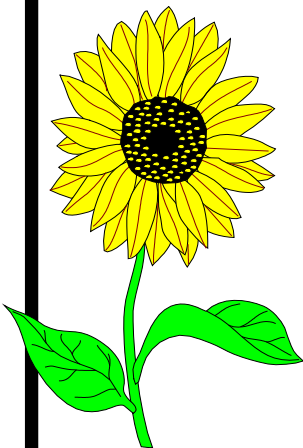
Carolyn's Journals from the past year

how to journal. Admittedly, some people do not. However, if the five and a half journals I have filled in the past 16 months is an indicator, I did need to and am grateful I did.

That is why it makes me very happy that SVAN is hosting Pat and her journaling workshop: "A Path to Understanding & Healing" at SVAN's gallery in Northville this June. The workshop will start June 5 and meet every Monday evening June

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I hope to see you there!

SVAN events coming up in June:

June 5 6:15PM, Journaling Workshop, “A Path to Understanding and Healing”, Registration required (see previous)

June 7, 6-8 PM, Artist Reception for NCS D Photo Club Students at the Northville Public Library. You will not want to miss this. We have some very talented 5th graders. Free to all.

June 10 , 9AM, The Art of Nature. Register upon arrival at SVAN, 303 S. Main St, Northville. Carpool to a local area for hiking, relaxing, and creating. Bathrooms, picnic table, canoe and paddles for your convenience. The day’s schedule will be flexible to suit participant wishes. Registration fees: Members \$10, family rate \$15; Non-members \$20, family rate \$30.

June 11, Artist Reception at SVAN Gallery &



Location of Art in Nature Event

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June 16, 6 – 9 PM, Painted Quilt Square Workshop at SVAN 303 S. Main St, Northville. Fee: Member \$15, Non-member \$25, Materials fee \$5. Please email vicepresident@svanarts.org to register.

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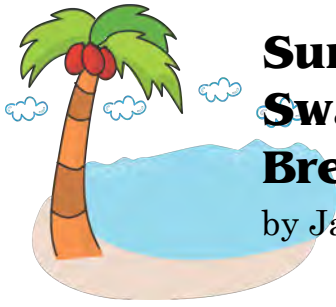


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Sun, Sand and Swaying in the Breeze!

by Janice Hawk-Baldwin

I am sitting outside on the couch with my computer on my lap. I am supposed to be writing a comment paper but I am distracted. Big Hoss is chasing lizards and I am hearing soothing sounds from the neighborhood. The best part is I am basking in the warm sunshine and loving the afternoon breeze that is wafting over my body. I really needed all of this today. I spent seven hours yesterday and six hours today meeting a deadline for a project I am working on. It has been a while

since I have had a work deadline. I have gotten used to retirement life. This week, however, my head has been spinning out of control!! Even though I have done my due diligence, I am nervous.

Last week, Billy and I worked at the Key West Songwriters Festival. We had a week of non stop fun seeing old friends and meeting new ones. The music was phenomenal all over town! The vibe at each venue was palpable! The hours “worked” were well worth it. We were very tired when it ended on Sunday. Monday we spent the day trying to recuperate. It felt nice to sit on the couch and watch old movies on Roku. This week my work consisted of reviewing emails, articles, regulations and proposed bills, to write a position statement. This week’s work pales in comparison to last week’s work. I guess there are many definitions for the word “work”. I can not tell you how worried I was that I might not be able to do what was

expected of me. I have been retired for almost three years and I am “out of the loop”, as they say. It has been a while since I have had self doubts. We all get nervous sometimes. Worrying is a waste of time. I am happy to say that I accurately remembered more than I thought I did . I was able to put the information together in a way that made sense to the people I am working with . . . Hallelujah ! Being told I did a good job and being thanked and appreciated felt great! The working Janice might have “blown” the praise

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off but the retired Janice really appreciated it!

I love being retired and doing whatever we want. It sure beats working long hours, six days a week. Last year, I told you that the first year of retirement was difficult. I wasn't sure who I was, without a title or professional role. It took me about eight months to learn what freedom was all about. I understand it now even though I admit that my cell phone greeting still says, "hi you have reached Janice from Hawk Drilling". Billy and I have watched many people and learned how to make the most of this chapter of our lives. Guess what? There are no titles used in retirement. We are all equal. It is definitely time for me to change the greeting on my phone now. I think I should say "hi this is Janice, I am out having fun with Billy and Hoss. I will call you back when we are done playing". We have choices in life. We can be miserable and yes, we have met those people, or we can choose to be happy. No matter how old you are, live your best life. We have all earned that right!.

As I am sitting here writing, the song "Don't Worry Be Happy" literally just popped into my head. I have no idea where it came from but I am now humming it. I wondered if I was going crazy for a moment. I felt compelled google this song. ! It was written by Bobby McFerrin and released in 1988 by Universal Music Publishing Group. It is not my song but I am going to share the lyrics from verse one with you.

Here's a little song I wrote
 You might want to sing it note for note
 Don't worry , be happy
 In every life we have some trouble
 But when you worry, you make it double
 Don't worry, be happy
 Don't worry be happy now

I bet you started singing it immediately! There are seven more verses to go but you can look them up for yourself . I never appreciated this song until today. It is a perfect ending to my article. No matter who you are or how old you are, take the time to enjoy life and BE HAPPY!

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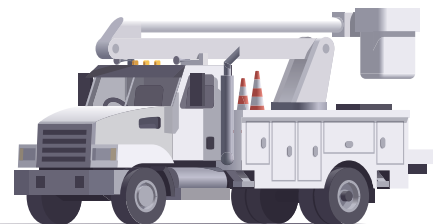
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by Barbara Klueg

Summertime . . .

“YIPPEEEEE!” Kids are cheering . . . parents and grandparents, too! We all look forward to enjoying warm summer days with picnics, camping, biking, swimming, boating, fishing, waterskiing, hiking, vacations, just relaxing on the porch . . . and more!

One of our church’s favorite summer events is Vacation Bible School, or as we like to call it; VBX (Vacation Bible Experience). This year’s theme is “Keepers of the Kingdom”. It will be June 26-30 (for ages 4 through 12th grade) at the church (6:15-8:30 p.m.). During the week the kids listen to our missionaries share, sing (loudly), eat a snack, play games (sometimes getting wet), enjoy our money contest (Boys vs Girls) and listen to their Bible lesson. The Jr. and Sr. High kids (6th-12th grades) especially love their class. After the VBX opening they pile into a school bus and head to the lake to swim, play games, enjoy their snack, and be challenged through God’s Word to live for Jesus. (We do have a lifeguard for that group, in case you are wondering.)

All the money given during VBX offering time goes to our VBX missionaries. This year’s missionaries are Duane and Erika Frasier who have served with the Joshua Project for many years. (Duane is a hometown boy who grew up in Edinburg!) Friday night we close with a BIG (free) picnic at BCON Corner with the VBX kids, their families and our volunteers for the week. And, we find out at the picnic who won the offering contest . . . Boys or Girls?

You may register your children early for VBX. Stop by the church to pick up a registration form or you can always sign them up that week at VBX, too. The week always flies by and yes, everyone is tired by the end of the week, but it is so worth it. We are praying for a good turn out! But, most of all, we are praying that many kids will come to believe in Jesus Christ, and then continue to grow in their faith. This is why we do . . . what we do! The rewards are for eternity!

This Father’s Day we want to recognize and thank our dads. If you are a father, you are blessed! The Bible says so! “The fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one’s youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them.” (Psalm 127) Dads are given a huge job and can make such a difference in their children’s lives! We need to pray for Dads to be godly fathers. The Bible says, “Train a child in the way he should go and even when he

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is old, he will not turn away from it.” (Proverbs 22:6) Thank you Dads ~ for working hard for your kids, being a good example for them, instructing them, preparing them for life, loving them ~ and always being there for them! Fatherhood is a HUGE challenge, and takes a lot of time, an amazing amount of effort and boatloads of prayer, especially in today’s world. We do not take you Dads for granted! May God Bless you all this Father’s Day!

We want to give a shout out this month and a huge CONGRATS to our High School and College grads. Well done! We’re proud of you and pray for God’s blessings on your future endeavors. Keep on keeping on – always strive to do your BEST for God! Keep making us proud! “The discerning person acquires knowledge, and the wise person seeks knowledge.” (Proverbs 18:15)

If you are unable to join us in person for worship, you can watch our Sunday morning service on-line. Our website is bconny.org or go to our YouTube channel or Facebook Live (Baptist Church of Northville NY). If you need spiritual advice and encouragement, contact Pastor Larson at church (518.863.8001). He has a heart for God, will pray with you and give you great guidance from God’s Word.

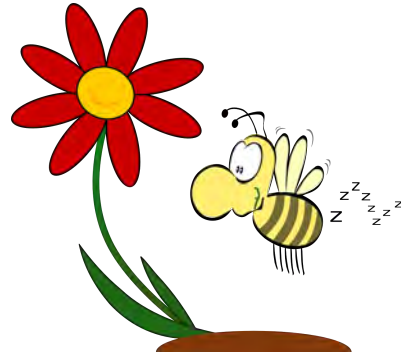
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Pour the batter into your greased pan. Either a 9" round cake pan, a deep dish 9" pie pan or an 8" square pan will do. Arrange the strawberries on top, cut side down to completely cover the batter and sprinkle the two tablespoons of sugar on top.

Bake ten minutes, then reduce the heat to 325 degrees and bake about 45 minutes or until a tester comes out clean and the cake is very slightly golden. Let it cool and serve with whipped cream or ice cream.

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My first lessons in foraging involved traipsing through northern Minnesota woodlands as a high-school student. Oh, that was a while back. We learned what “the Indians” harvested. The problem is that woodland plants are slow to replace themselves, since not much light hits the forest floor once the leaf canopy fills in. And I’ve since noticed, in New York at least, practically all the woodland plants have protected status.

After immersing myself in Katrina Blair’s *The Wild Wisdom of Weeds*, I see the ground covered with manna. For me it took open-space foraging from a slightly weird and eccentric, old-timey practice to a wondrous, and practical, appreciation of nature’s abundance. In nature, nutrition is abundant; we just have to learn to see it.

A generation was taught once that orange juice was basically essential to a good breakfast. Yes, that was how to get your vitamin C. But wait, the Algonquin and Iroquois didn’t have orange juice. How did they survive? Not only did they survive the winters but one tribe saved an expedition of Europeans.

Jaques Cartier actually lost a few men before the natives came to their aid with a drink which effected a quick recovery. The men had been dying of scurvy and the tonic of boiled evergreen needles replenished their vitamin C. One author I read asserts that it was spruce. That’s possible. So is White Pine a possibility, but the version I lean toward names Eastern

White Cedar. . So impressed were they with their rapid recoveries, the explorers carried seedlings of the beautiful trees back to the king of France. After sharing their story, the trees became know as L’ arbre de vie, the tree of life, and they are, to this day called arborvitae, the first New World tree to be seen on the European continent.

And yet, neither spruce, pine or even cedar tea ever sounded palatable to me. It was a pleasant surprise not to taste turpentine when I finally did try it a couple times!

When windy skies snap a branch and set a gift at your feet, consider stripping a handful of fresh needles and steeping them for a few minutes in boiled water. The nutrients in that drink include vitamins C and K, antioxidants and 2 amino acids according to a recent feature by *The Epoch Times*.

I found Katrina Blair’s book useful, readable and *continued on next page*

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fun, filled with intercultural traditions as well as recipes and historic, even prehistoric, records of the “groceries” and gathering habits of people before us.

Foraging - What to expect: Nutrient Density and Flavor Intensity

The first thing you’ll often notice is some strong flavors. Just one or two plants added to a dish enhance it. I’m told that “wild oregano” is the Caribbean name for a lawn invader we call plaintain. You don’t know anybody who wants abowl full of it! But its rich chlorophyll can freshen breath, the seeds are packed with nutrients; in quantity they’re a gentle laxative. Young vegetation is good in salads. You’ll do better treating it as parsley, sage, rosemary or thyme, not lettuce or spinach.

Blair also describes the process of adapting to wild flavors which indicate the rich mineral content. At first you’ll probably want very little; next time it’s likely you’ll tolerate or enjoy or even crave more, sensing and responding to its nutritional value. She suggests letting your taste buds advise you. Spring greens are best. As the season wears on, wild greens become tougher and more bitter.

Once the dandelions bloom, leave those greens alone, move on. Taste the flowers at their peak. Don’t forget to pull roots at season’s end. Those rugged and despised plants offer a trove of nutritional wealth.

I happened to overhear the owner of a natural food store tell a customer, as he stood amongst his inventory of supplements, that the most effective way for the body to absorb nutrients is directly from food, not tablets. Hmm. Considering the energy of squirrels, the swiftness of deer, the power of bears, maybe all that green stuff out there is worth more than we know.

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Hadley – Lake Luzerne Historical Society Juneteenth Commemoration 6/17/2023

On Saturday, June 17, from 11 – 1, the Kinnear Museum of Local History, Main Street, Lake Luzerne, will commemorate Juneteenth, our country’s newest Federal Holiday” .Juneteenth is also known as Black Emancipation Day.

On June 19, 1865, General Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston, Texas where enslaved African – Americans had been continuing to fight rebels. The Civil War had ended the previous April, after General Robert E. Lee surrendered to Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox Courthouse. In those times of limited communications, the news of the war’s end had been slow to spread.

Over 200,000 African – Americans had joined the Union forces to fight for freedom and to save the Union. All of these veterans – those that survived a war that tore the country apart – returned home to rebuild lives and communities. (A reminder of these

returning soldiers was, in Lake Luzerne and Hadley, a branch of the G.A.R – the Grand Army of the Republic – which worked to assist all veterans and their families. The membership list of local residents, and other related documents, who belonged to this

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organization can be found in Lake Luzerne's town records.)

Writer / artist Shellie Kovaleski and Artist Caitlyn DuChamps will present activities for families honoring the diversity and strength of our country and region. Children's art activities and discussion will focus on the remembrance of the "Black Emancipation Day" including the presence of the Underground Railway in Edinburg, Lake Luzerne, Hadley and other sites in Warren and Saratoga Counties

Refreshments will be served; the event is open to all.

Partial funding for this event is through the Stewart's Holiday Match grant. For more information, please contact Maureen Jones at maureenjones12846@yahoo.com or at 518-654-7731.

Rice Homestead Opens for the Summer Season with Festival, Music, and "School Days" Exhibit

The Mayfield Historical Society will be kicking off the summer season with its 40th Annual Strawberry Festival and premiering its new summer exhibit "School Days" on Saturday, June 10th, from noon to 4 pm at The Rice Homestead, 328 Riceville Road in Mayfield, NY. Live music will be provided by The Knoxville Gentlemen who perform classic rock, old country, and 50's and 60's music. Admission is free. Strawberry shortcake with ice cream and lemonade will be available for a donation of \$5/\$3 for children 8 and under. Free tours of the Rice Homestead will be given and the Loom Room, Mill Stone Garden, Heritage Flower Garden, and Oliver's Trail will be open for viewing and strolling. Along with the "School Days" Exhibit, the old Munsonville school house bell is now ensconced in a newly built belfry on the Homestead property and guests are encouraged to "ring the bell." Sturgess Chicken BBQ tickets will be sold at the event and 2023 Mayfield Historical Calendars for a

donation. In the event of rain, the event will take place at the Mayfield Presbyterian Church, 22 N. Main St. in Mayfield. The Rice Homestead will be open throughout the summer on Wednesdays and Saturdays from noon to 4 pm until Labor Day and by appointment by calling 518-725-5261 or 518-332-0538. For more information visit www.facebook.com/ricehomestead.

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Edinburg School Happenings

Michelle Ellis, Superintendent

We surely hope this newsletter finds our community well! It is hard to believe that it is the end of the school year and graduation is upon us! We have so many wonderful things happening at ECS and look forward to celebrating the end of another successful school year!

Budget Vote, Board Seat, Bus Propositions

On May 16th, 2023, the ballots for the 2023-2024 school budget year were counted. We would like to thank our voters for approving the 2023-2024 budget and all the propositions. We would also like to congratulate Mrs. Angela Ludwig for remaining on the Board of Trustees for her third term. We are pleased to have her continue with the district!

Eagle Afternoon

During our Eagle Afternoon on Friday, May 5, 2023, we celebrated our Honor/High Honor Roll students for the 3rd quarter. We would like to congratulate:

Honor Roll

- Emily
- Eastyn
- Iris
- Kendra

High Honor Roll

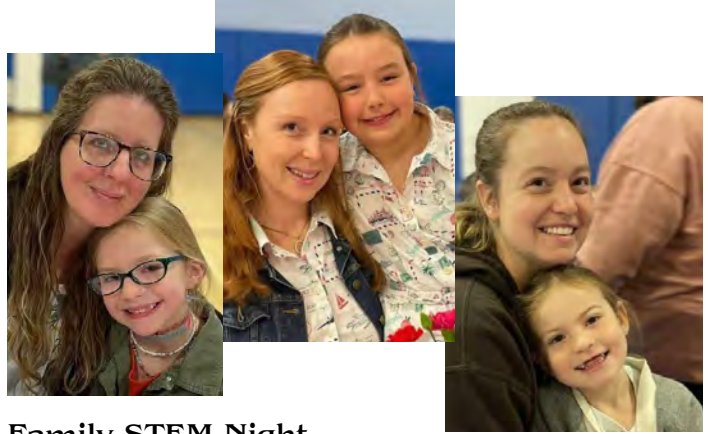
- Amelia
- Jeanette
- Mackenzie

We also honored our students of the month for May! Congratulations to following PK - 2nd grade students:

- PK - Eivin
- K - Easton and Braydon
- 1 - Natalie
- 2 - Noah

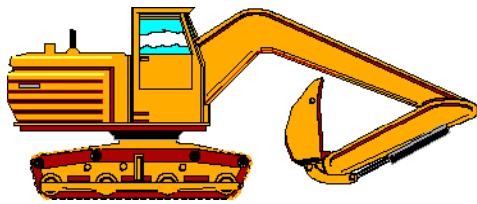
Mother's - Special Person's Day

On Thursday, May 11, 2023, we enjoyed a breakfast honoring Mother's Day or Special Persons Day! We loved spending our time with the mothers and special people in our lives! We cannot thank you enough for all that you do!



Family STEM Night

On Tuesday, May 16, 2023, the Edinburg Common School District held a Family STEM Night! We had so much fun creating, building, and using technology to code and have sphero races! We would like to thank everyone that was able to attend and we look forward to another Family STEM Night in the fall!



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Kendra Finley



Michael Finley



Payton Wilson



Daniel Hasenauer



Hayden Milnyczuk



Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- Friday, June 2, 2023 Eagle Afternoon at 2:00 PM
- Sunday, June 4, 2023 Production "Jungle Book" at 2:00 PM and 5:00 PM
- Thursday, June 8, 2023 Spring Concert/Art Show at 6:00 PM
- Tuesday, June 13, 2023 Board of Trustees Meeting at 6:00 PM
- Wednesday, June 14, 2023 Father's Day/Special Person's Day Event at 11:15 AM
- Friday, June 16, 2023 PK Moving Up Ceremony at 9:00 AM
- Monday, June 19, 2023 No School - Juneteenth
- Tuesday, June 20, 2023 PTO Field Trip
- Monday, June 26, 2023 Sixth Grade Graduation at 9:00 AM
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Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club

Broadalbin, N.Y., April 29, 2023 -- The Broadalbin-Perth Lions made their presence felt at this weekend's Fulton-Montgomery County Home Show and Craft Fair at the Broadalbin-Perth High School.

As in years past, the B-P Lions operated the primary food concession, offering chili, pizza, hot dogs, candy, fruit/vegetable cups, coffee, and a variety of soft drinks. The weekend's damp and dreary weather seemed to increase the event's attendance thereby keeping the Lions busy in meeting the crowd's appetite.

B-P High School student volunteers took food orders from vendors and shuttled meals between the concession and exhibits during the course of the event. B-P Lions Club President Bob Townsend said, "we welcome the student involvement

because it provides an opportunity for our young people to get involved in community service as well as foster leadership skills".

The Lions also held a raffle for a custom made dining table donated by Lion Don Savoie, owner of Adirondack Wood Floor Company. Savoie said that "the table is made from timbers from a home that was constructed in 1872, and the reclaiming of the wood relates to one of Lions' global causes of being good stewards of the environment".

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 extend their service impact through the generous support of Lions Clubs International Foundation. Lions 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. All funds generated by the Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club are



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used to support these global causes at the local level throughout the greater Broadalbin-Perth-Mayfield community.



Broadalbin-Perth Lion Debbie Murphy, left, and Club President Bob Townsend, right, with Broadalbin-Perth High School student volunteers at this weekend's Fulton-Montgomery County Home Show and Craft Fair held at Broadalbin-Perth High School. Several other Lions participated during the two-day event. The student volunteers took food orders from vendors and shuttled meals between the Lions' concession and exhibits during the course of the event. (Photo courtesy Broadalbin-Perth Lions/Lion Ed Balaban).

Broadalbin-Perth Lions Kickoff Spring Soccer

Broadalbin, NY, May 6, 2023 -- The Broadalbin-Perth Lions Club showed their ongoing support of the Broadalbin Youth Commission when they set

up their refreshment tent at this weekend's start of the spring soccer season at the Broadalbin Town Athletic Fields.

The Lions' involvement with the BYC is one of their local efforts aligned with Lions Clubs International's focus area of positive youth development.



Broadalbin-Perth Lions, from left, Mike Auricchio, Debbie Murphy and Bill Suchy take a break in front of their trailer at the opener of the Broadalbin Youth Commission's fall soccer season on Saturday, May 6, at the Broadalbin Town Athletic Fields. The BP Lions offer refreshments and snacks during the games, held every Saturday morning through the end of June. All proceeds and donations go back into the greater Broadalbin-Perth-Mayfield community. (Photo courtesy Broadalbin-Perth Lions/Lion Ed Balaban).

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need assistance in purchasing a drill rig – and if assistance is given to the drill rig manufacturers, shouldn't preference be given to US drill manufacturers? Oh look, you guys put me up on a soap box again - I'll stop.

Aside from the excitement of really jumping back into geothermal drilling, something very cool came out of the conference. I'm not going to offer details YET, but within the next 2 editions, we may be offering/installing a very amazing retrofit unit for houses on wells. We still have a few questions for the engineers and we will be sending our interested technicians out to their facility to learn the ins and outs of the units, but so far, we are thoroughly impressed with the potential. It is basically geothermal for a fraction of the price!! The engineer agreed with me that well companies are best suited for installation of these units as they are heavily dependent on well function and drilling companies, of course, understand wells best. More to come, but if you have ever thought of going geothermal and you have a well, you should reach out to us – it's going to be awesome!

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This has been an exciting month for us so far! We all just attended the NY-GEO conference in Albany and we are ready and raring to go. Geothermal heating and cooling never went away, but it fell out of favor in the last decade – basically due to falling gas prices and the discontinuation of the tax credits. NYS is now more committed than ever to getting residents on the electric bandwagon. The goal is 2,000,000 homes electrified by 2030 – which is a very daunting task. Believe me, we have our concerns – how is the grid supposed to support this, what happens when the power goes out, we don't have enough drillers or drill rigs, etc. Jeremy and I have Geothermal at both our house and our shop and it's wonderful – we don't have any fuel bills (aside from our propane stove) and our electric bill is maybe \$100/\$150 more per month on average (for heating and cooling). And it is a very stable temperature – no big swings. I keep our house at 70 degrees all year round! The problem is when the power goes out. It is one thing to be without lights during the winter, it is another to be without heat – so we have to have a generator as back up.

The NY-GEO speakers informed us that the

electricity grid is actually better suited to supply electricity for a geo unit during the summer than an A/C unit – didn't know that. In addition to amazing tax benefits – as much as 80% back in some cases – they are looking into funding and low interest loans for drillers to get drill rigs and even hire and train new employees. Paperwork is daunting to me, but I am going to grab this by the horns.

We still have so many questions. Jeremy and I are doing a zoom meeting this Thursday with other local drilling companies and NYSERDA to hopefully get things moving. One of our biggest concerns/frustrations is that it sounds like a lot of funding and work is going to be granted to foreign companies. Look, I'm not ignorant, I can appreciate that 2,000,000 homes in 7 years is more work than NY companies alone can handle, but not even keeping the money in the US? This is NY and Federal monies – shouldn't we at least try to keep it circulating in NY? There are huge (like 50 rig companies) out of Canada that are headed in this direction. That was a hard pill for me to swallow at the convention. These companies don't

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