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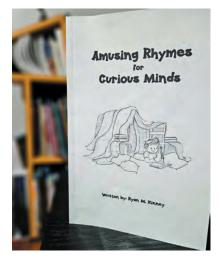
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Local Author Publishes First Book

Ryan Kinney recently published his first book titled Amusing Rhymes for Curious Minds. This collection of whimsical children's poems will surely have you laughing. With titles like Peanut Butter Pete, My Pet Shark, The Lost Tooth and Giraffapotomus, you will be smiling for days. Written to indulge the curious and inspire creativity, this collection of writings is a must have for any book collection.

Ryan grew up locally and graduated from New Hartford Senior High School. After leaving the area for a few years he returned to continue his education. Upon meeting his wife, Meghan, they decided to call New Hartford home. Ryan has always enjoyed writing but was inspired by his son Ryker. Their silly conversations and creative stories sparked the idea to create a book of their own. The below is titled "Bee Sting" and can be found in Amusing Rhymes for Curious Minds.

Bee Sting

Well, it happened and it happened to me I didn't think it was possible but I was stung by a bee I've always been so careful, and respectful of the queen But for some reason, this particular bee decided to be mean He got in my way so I politely stepped aside I turned to walk away, when he stung my behind Yowzers! I shouted he had stung me right through my trousers I yelled for my mom and I yelled for my dad I yelled back to the bee I hope you feel bad! But I'm a tough kid, a bee sting won't make me cry At least when my friends ask that's how I reply Currently Available on Amazon:

https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0D4T4GJ7L



Jaime Hawkins George **Foundation**

On Friday, May 30, 2025, members of the Jaime Hawkins George Foundation erected a memorial sign and healing tree at Sherrill Brook Park in remembrance of those individuals who we have loved and lost to Many of these individuals were recipients of the Foundation's donations. The ceremony was attended by over 70 people. A special thanks to those who made this event possible: Paul Miscione, John Randall, Cheryl Jassak, Sal Longo Family and ADK Fine Finishes!

Thank you all for your continued support!



May 2025 New Hartford Police **Department Activity**

1074 Incidents / Calls for Police Service 54 Arrests 344 Vehicle and Traffic Law Stops 58 Motor Vehicle Collisions Investigated 363 Vehicle and Traffic Law Tickets Issued 191 Supplemental Neighborhood patrols

5 Community Policing Details Completed



NYS Approved Defensive Driving Course Offered

New York State approved defensive drivers course for insurance and point reduction programs will be provided by AARP on Tuesday, July 29 & and Thurs Aug. 28 New Hartford Public Library from 9am to 3:30pm.

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H.A.R.P. Museum Kicks Off 2025-2026 Membership Campaign

The H.A.R.P. Museum at the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley is launching its 2025-2026 Membership Drive.

The H.A.R.P. ("History, Ancestry, Research and Programs") Museum is the first Irish museum in Utica's long and storied history. It was established to capture and celebrate the rich history of the local Irish community and the many cultural contributions and influences they have endowed us all.

In 2021, the museum started a "Friends of the H.A.R.P. Museum" membership campaign, attracting over 130 individuals, families and businesses whose names are now reflected in a "Founding Members" plaque, proudly displayed in the museum. With that initial influx of funding, museum personnel were able to purchase essential supplies and equipment for the museum's Phase I opening on November 5th, 2022. Since then, the museum has continued to grow; both in terms of the permanent and traveling exhibits it hosts, and the many cultural programs and events it is able to attract and present to the public.

By joining at any of six different levels of support, members are entitled to various benefits, including: a quarterly "Friends of the H.A.R.P." newsletter, unlimited access to Ancestry.com, free access to the Frank C. Kealy Reading and Lending Library, discounts on H.A.R.P. merchandise, programs and concerts, and a \$5 coupon to be used at the Five Points Public House. As a qualified 501(c)(3) organization, the museum also gratefully accepts donations.

Membership applications are available online at https://www.iccmv.org/museum/#membership, or by sending an email to iccmv.museum@gmail.com.

The H.A.R.P. Museum at the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley is located at 623 Columbia St. in Utica NY.



Watering 401

by Shelley Corey of The Mum Farm

As soon as the time rolled around to write this article, I knew exactly what I wanted to educate everyone in... yup, you guessed it...watering. I cannot stress enough how important a job watering is. It really does take years of experience to learn, and you are bound to kill a few plants along the way!

Learning when to water during a rainy season is extremely difficult. I'll remind you that roots of a plant need water and they need oxygen. They need air space within the soil to help roots grow, to supply nutrients and water to the plant. This year, with the 3.5 inches of rain we have already had this month to date, our soil in the ground and in our pots and window boxes is saturated. A sunny day comes along and you might notice your plants wilting. Your first thought is that they need water, but before reaching for the watering can you should try to determine if they truly are dry. It's totally possible that they do not have strong enough roots because of being saturated with little to no air space within their root zone. In that case, just sitting

back and hoping that the roots grow stronger is all that you can do.

To test the saturation of the soil, it's either by touch or weight. Hanging baskets are the easiest... gently lift from the bottom of the pot (without removing it from its hook) to judge the weight. After a period of time spent doing this, you will know when the basket is wet, or dry or somewhere in between. Containers can be assessed it a similar manner by just gently lifting up the side of a container. This of course only works on lighter weight pots. If you have cast stone planters or window boxes, checking out the color of the soil (it will lighten when dry) or sticking your finger in the soil will determine if you need to water or simply wait for the soil to dry out.

Fertilizing is also tricky during rainy seasons. I always recommend a slow-release fertilizer when planting. A popular brand is called Osmocote. I use it as a "back-up" whenever I plant hanging baskets and containers. That way if we do have a rainy season, the plant still has nutrients to grow because our watering days may be few and far between. You can also top-dress your containers now that they have been planted, so when it rains or you water, the fertilizer gets into the root zone.

I could go on and on about watering and fertilizing, but hopefully this short education gets you on the right track to caring for your beautiful annuals. Time to smile, now we'll all have beautiful plants, rain or shine!

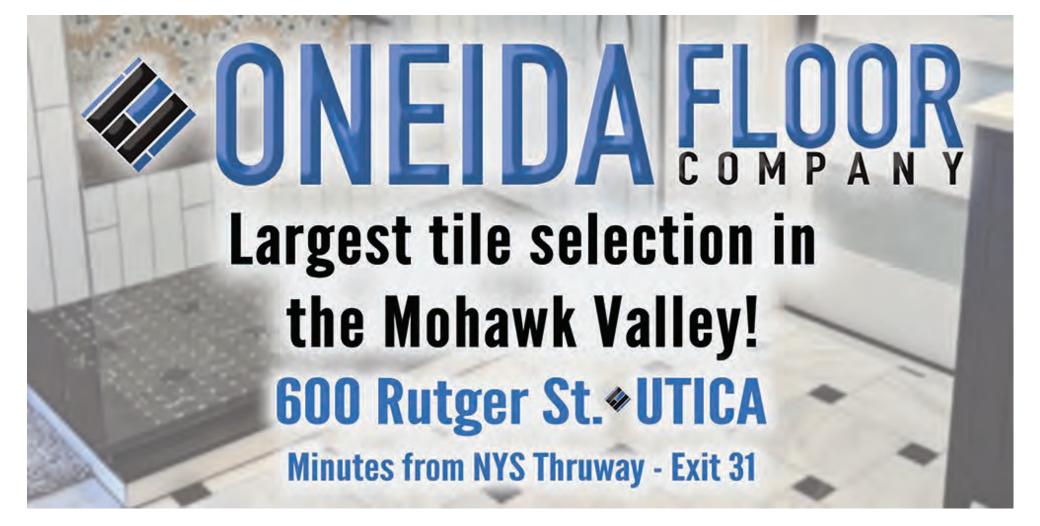
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Monday and Tuesday 10am-8pm **Closed on Wednesdays** Thursday and Friday 10am-6pm Saturday 10am-2pm Sunday 1-5pm **Curbside Pickup Remains an Option**

The Library will be closed on Friday, July 4th

Summer Hours are in Effect!

We will be closed on Sundays In July. Sunday hours will resume on September 7th.

Stay Connected With Us!

The most up to date information regarding closings, reopening, programs and crafts can be found on our website and on our Facebook and Instagram pages. Website: www.newhartfordpubliclibrary.org

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Charge Up While You **Check Out!**

The New Hartford Public Library now offers an electric vehicle (EV) charging station for public use! Conveniently located in our lower level parking lot, you can power up your car while enjoying our books, events, and community spaces.

Stop by, plug in, and stay a while!

NHPL Board of Trustees 2025 Meeting

All meetings are held at 4:30 in the Sammon Room at the Library on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, unless otherwise designated.

*Wednesday, August 6th 1st Wednesday of the month, no July meeting

Wednesday, September 17th

Wednesday, October 15th

*Wednesday, December 3rd 1st Wednesday of the month, no November meeting.

Mid York Library System App

Did you know there's a NEW app for all your library needs? Download the Mid York Library System App from your app store to search our catalog, place holds, view your account, and even see what's happening at any Mid York library!

The new app allows you to log in with one or more Mid York library cards, search for items, place holds, see library locations, check out OverDrive books, read OverDrive books, check out OverDrive magazines, read OverDrive magazines, search and filter library programming, bring up a digital library card, and much

The app is available in the Apple App Store as well as the Google Play Store.

Community Outreach

We are hitting the road and would love to come to your organization! Are you involved with a preschool, daycare, summer program or assisted living center? We would love to come to your organization and share more about our upcoming programs, issue library cards and provide programming to your facility. For more information, please contact our Library Director, Anne 315-733-1535.

Interested In Using Our Window Display?

The display case at the Library's main entrance is available without charge for community groups or individuals to display works of art, collections or educational displays. Exhibits must be in keeping with the Library's mission to meet the educational, cultural and recreational needs of the community. Exhibits may not be for entrepreneurial or commercial purposes, for the solicitation of business for profit or for fundraising. Religious proselytizing and partisan political recruitment are similarly prohibited. Applications for the case are on a first come, first served basis and are limited to one month, with displays also limited to one per year per individual, group or organization. Exhibits will be reviewed in advance before being displayed. Applications for use of the case are available at the Library's front desk. If you have any questions or are interested in using the display, please call the Library and ask to speak to our Display Case Coordinator, John. 315-733-1535

Spring Farm CARES

Spring Farm CARES Animal and Nature Sanctuary will be the featured exhibit during the month of July at the New Hartford Public Library. Founded in 1991, SFC is home to more than 225 animals, including cats, horses, donkeys, goats, pigs, sheep, rabbits, birds and exotics, as well as a nature sanctuary with 250 acres of forest, wetland and grassland. SFC focuses on helping animals with special needs, medical issues or advanced age, and strives to restore the connection between humans, animals and nature. The exhibit will feature information on SFC's rich history, mission, what they do and how you can get involved. Spring Farm CARES is open for visitors and tours at 3364 NY-12 in Clinton and welcomes any questions at (315) 737-9339.

AARP Smart Driving Class

Tuesday, July 29 from 9:00am - 3:30 Call Ron Merrit at 315-724-0096 to register.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Join us on August 5th from 12p-4p in the Sammon Meeting Room. Walk ins are welcomed or preregister here: https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/driveresults?zipSponsor=NHPLibrary

Literacy CNY

We have a volunteer at the Library each Tuesday from 11:00am-2:00pm. Literacy CNY provides trained individuals to assist patrons on a one-on-one basis. They look forward to helping our community. We greatly appreciate this service they are offering our patrons.

Farmers Market

While you're at the Farmers Market at the Village Green, be sure to stop by our table. Snap a Summer Selfie and do a specially planned activity with us. If you have any questions about our library or services feel free to ask. We can't wait to see you there!

Catch us 3:00pm on the following dates: July 16th, July 30th, August 13th

Summer Fun is Heading to the Library!

During the months of July and August be sure to stop in the library for a wide array of activities. There is something for everyone this summer! From Tunes for Tots to Teen Art Club Tuesdays.

Check out our Summer Calendar or stop in today to learn more.

Utica Zoomobile

Stop by the library on July 10 at 2pm to see the Utica Zoomobile! Registration is recommended to save your seat for this event.

Regular Story Time Pause

Regular Monday, Tuesday, Thursday Story Times will be put on pause for July and August. Please check our Summer Reading Calendar for summer Story Times and Programming. We hope to see you there!

SUMMER Pre-K Playdate & Story Time

From July 8th to August 12th Pre-K Playdate and Story Time will be shifted.

Pre-K Playdate will be on Tuesdays 10:00am-11:00am with Story Time to follow at 11:00am.

YA Summer Activities

Join the Teen Art Club at the New Hartford Public Library this summer, running Tuesdays from July 8 to August 12, 2025, from 6:30 to 7:00 PM in the YA section. Teens can drop in to explore a variety of creative projects like DIY pinhole cameras, book making, interior design, portrait printmaking, and more. No registration is needed, and all materials are provided for free. Whether you're a seasoned artist or just looking to try something new, this is a fun and welcoming space to get creative and connect with others. Give us a call if you have any questions!

This summer, the Teen Book Club at New Hartford Public Library is going virtual! We'll be hanging out on the free Fable app during July and August to chat about our monthly reads, share thoughts, and connect over great books. Want to see what it's all about? Come to our interest meeting on July 1st at 11am in the YA Section of the library. We'll go over how to join the club, get you set up on the app, and talk about what we'll be reading. It's super chill and a great way to stay connected this summer.

Fiction Writing Intensive

Act on some of the essential ideas about creative writing from Richard Weems, author of three books and US Presidential Scholars Distinguished Teacher. Fun and engaging prompts offered in an inspiring and supportive environment! Also, learn about creative writing contests for high school students. Registration required. Go to www.WeemsInk.com or text 201-286-2030 for information.

July 8, 15, and 22nd from 1-3pm For grades 8-12

A Song for Olaf

Join us on July 12 at 12pm for an author talk and reading of A Song for Olaf: A Memoir of Sibling Love at the Dawn of the HIV-AIDS Pandemic by Jennifer Boulanger.

Chair Yoga Class

Join us on Monday and Friday mornings from 11:00 to 12:00 for Chair Yoga in the Sammon Room. There is no charge for this class.

Senior Yoga Class

Senior Yoga takes place every Monday at 3:00 in the Sammon Room with Bill Skinner. For those wishing to participate at home, we do offer a Zoom link for this class. Please call 315-733-1535 to get the link. There is no charge for this class.

Lego Club: From Book to Block

New time for Lego Club!!

Each month a passage from a book is read aloud from a pre-selected book. Using their imagination, children are asked to build what they see when visualizing that scene. This club meets on the 1st Saturday of the month at 10:30am.



A Conversation on **Immigration Law**

Please join us on July 21, 6:00 PM at the New Hartford Public Library for a discussion with immigration attorney Christopher M. Jones of the Hiscock Legal Aid Society. This topical conversation will give attendees a brief rundown on how our immigration laws work and will touch upon such topics as the difference between refugees and asylees, the executive's ability to grant and end Temporary Protected Status, and the rights of student visa holders. The talk is geared towards members of the community who want to understand the immigration headlines better, and also those who work with noncitizens and want to better understand immigration terminology.

Park Passes Are Back!

Once again, the Friends of the New Hartford Public Library are supporting our Park Pass Program. Through their generosity, we will be allowing our patrons to check out the following park passes which will allow our patrons a discounted entry rate:

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Community Rooms

Community Rooms will be available for groups and organizations to use. You can find more information on our website (https://www.newhartfordpubliclibrary. org/reserve-a-room/), by calling 315-733-1535, or by visiting our Circulation Desk at the Library.

Book Clubs

Are you interested in joining a book club, currently in a book club, or looking to start one? If your club needs to order books or if you are interested in starting a book club, please call the Library and ask to speak to our Book Club Coordinator, Danielle. 315-733-1535

>Ruth Anne's Mystery Book Club reads mystery novels. They meet on the second Saturday of the month at 11am. For more information, please contact the

The April Meeting will be on April 19th from 1-2pm >Wanderlust Book Club reads novels, ranging from current to historical. They meet on the first Thursday of the month. For more information, please contact the library.

>TBR Book Group: Are you on Facebook? Are you always looking for your next book? We have the perfect group for you. We have created a group called the To Be Read (TBR) Book Group where readers can comment on what they're reading and look for suggestions for their next book. With over 100 members, you will never wonder what you should read next! Join here: https:// www.facebook.com/groups/1532390520153487/

The After Breast Cancer (ABC) Group will not be meeting in July!

Heritage Doll Club

Cancelled for July!

The Heritage Doll Club meets on the third Saturday of the month at the New Hartford Public Library. Meetings are held every month except May, July, August and December, at the library beginning at 10:30 a.m. Interested guests and new members are welcome to attend.

> *From the Friends of the* New Hartford Public Library

Annette Barber Used Book Room

ACCEPT: hardbound and paperback books, Passes must be placed on adult library cards and magazines as well as records, DVDs, children's books, puzzles

> DO NOT ACCEPT: moldy/damaged books (WE have to throw them out!!!), textbooks, medical books, National Geographic Magazine, Reader's Digest, multivolume book sets. No longer accepting audio cassettes, VHS tapes and computer games/books or CDs.

> The library and community greatly appreciate your "gently" used books but please limit your donations to one box/bag at a time and drop them off at the circulation desk.

> DO NOT drop them off in the hallway, at drop boxes, or outside the door when the library is closed. Thank

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Thanks to your generosity, fundraisers like The Bill Bonsted Indoor Miniature Golf Tournament, The Annette Barber Used Book Room, the Joshua Turner Fund, Hannaford Bloomin' 4 Good Program, and donations and membership, we were able to purchase new toys and furniture for the children's area, update computer hardware, sponsor performers for the children's summer reading program, park passes and raise our nation's flag with the addition of a new flagpole and flag. Thank you for your continued support.

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NHPL Is Fine Free!

As of June 18, 2025, the New Hartford Public Library (NHPL) will no longer charge fines for overdue materials*. Our mission states that the New Hartford Public Library strives to be the center of community activity and identity by providing access to available resources and opportunities to further the educational, informational, recreational, and cultural pursuits of the residents of the Town of New Hartford and the Mid-York Region. We believe that charging overdue fines goes against this mission and that fines can become a barrier for those that may wish to use the Library's

We encourage you to enjoy all of our Library's resources and then return them by their due date so that others may use them as well.

Please note that every library in the Mid York System has its own policies and procedures. Items checked out at other libraries may still accrue fines.

NHPL will still charge for lost or damaged items. The cost for replacing lost or damaged items varies and will be determined by the Library Director.

*Museum and park passes will still accrue fines.

Did you Know that God Has a Name?

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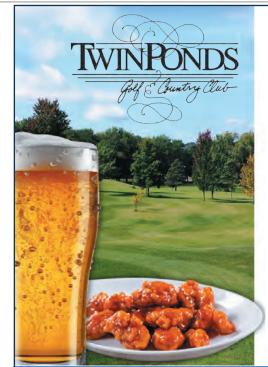
How Now Rogue Cow

It was a decade ago, in the summer of 2015, when New Hartford made the national news due to the running rampage, over several months, of a runaway cow the Utica Police named Norm. Little did they know that the runaway rogue bovine was actually a female heifer, so she became Norma. The runaway had been given the monicker, 'the New Hartford Cow" by the local and national media. The story went viral as the Associated Press picked up the story. A Twitter account was created that

garnered a large fanbase. New Hartford was put on the national map thanks to this 1500-pound Bovine Bulldozer. Norma was first spotted in the woods behind the New Hartford Moe's in June of 2015. She was spotted several times over the next few months with her taking a long trot down the arterial with motorists slowing down as they respectfully watched her jog. The local authorities put out a call to farmers and nobody reported one missing so Norma's escape origin was as secret as her nightly hideaway spots. Many attempts were made to capture Norma; however, none were working, including the police setting up a trap device that is used to feed cattle. The headlock device was placed in the area of the woods where she had been seen. All that was needed was for the hungry rogue cow to stick her head through the device to eat some lovely grains and she'd be snared. The New Hartford Cow was now street smart and didn't fall for the device thus she kept on motoring around with her cowness free as a soaring eagle. So where did Norma get her inspiration for her New Hartford spree? Back in May 2013, a male bull sprung loose from a farmer's transport and fled through the village and ended up swimming in the pond in the park across from the Yahnundasis. Nicknamed the "Utica Bull," he ended up getting captured but not after several hilarious attempts by members of the local town department as wrangling a bull in the pond was not part of their job description. This falls under the category of "whatever else is assigned by your supervisor." Was the cow in the pond the inspiration for Norma to become a New Hartford resident? Unfortunately, we shall never know as locals were unable to decipher her language since we do not have a cow whisperer in our midst. After many months of futile attempts to capture Norma, the locals, in September 2015, called in professionals to complete the job. A group of Cowboys from Washington County, which is northeast of Albany, came with their horses and a team of dogs to search and hopefully capture Norma. The Cowboys had stated that she was hoofing and free for many months, so she was increasingly not only rogue but dangerous. The Cowboys launched their search on horseback near the New Hartford Home Depot and within two hours located Norma and lassoed her, but it was not easy as months on the run had turned Norma into a Karen. Her capture made national news and the New Hartford Cow's Twitter account #teamcow released a Scooby-Doo-inspired statement that read, "They may have captured me, let my cow spirit always live free. And I would have gotten away if it wasn't for those meddling kids." Norma was captured and still homeless as her original owner never was identified so a local farmer took her in where she could be away from the celebrity spotlight. She was put out to pasture where Norma is always greeted with, "How now rogue cow."

Dennis Webster is a New Hartford resident, and author of regional books on true







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Wrap up Restaurant Week with a bang! Join us Thursday, July 24 at Five Points Pub for the **GRAND FINALE HAPPY HOUR**—a summer bash you won't want to miss.

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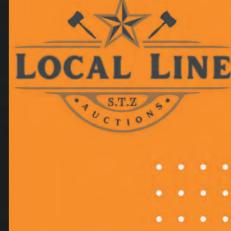
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Born on May 16, 1913 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Woodrow Charles Herman was a child prodigy appearing on stage singing and dancing when he was only 6 years old. Subsequently he entertained playing the saxophone and the clarinet, cutting his first record, The Gentlemen From Georgia, at age 16, and began touring with other orchestras before forming his own group displaying his talents as a band leader, a singer, and playing various instruments, the clarinet being his most cherished. His first band, The Band that Plays the Blues, was formed in 1936 and was followed by several other bands which he dubbed his herds, providing many of his greatest hits including Saturday Night is The Looniest Night of the Week, Do Nothing Till You Hear from Me, The Woodchoppers Ball, Laura, Love is a Many Splendored Thing, Let it Snow Let it Snow Let it Snow and many others. Because his musical career began as a child and continued throughout his life, Woody's achievements are voluminous. Few artists have had such a long and exceptional entertainment livelihood as Woody who twice graced the Stanley Theater stage. His performances at the Stanley Theater were in April 1944 and again in March of 1956, the latter appearance billed as Woody Herman & His Third Herd Orchestra. The lifelong musician, known as a Jazz Clarinetist, Alto and Soprano Saxophonist, along with being a Singer and a Band Leader died on October 29, 1987 in Los Angeles, California.



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The William & Rita Abraham Parkinson's Speakers Series presents "Her Journey through Young Onset Parkinson's"

Community Wellness Partners will host The William and Rita Abraham Parkinson's Speaker Series event "My Journey with Young Onset Parkinson's" on Thursday, July 17, 2025 at 10:00am at the North Utica Community Center, 50 Riverside Drive in

Joining us will be Kristi LaMonica, PHD from Russell Sage College, Troy, NY. She is an Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Biology and Health Sciences who also lives with young-onset Parkinson's.

Kristi LaMonica, PhD (USA) has shown Parkinson's motor symptoms since 2013 and REM sleep disorder since 2005, receiving Young Onset Parkinson's disease (YOPD) diagnosis in 2020 after several traumatic events. She is involved globally with the Parkinson's disease Avengers, co-chairing its Wellness Committee, and is an active participant in the World Parkinson's Congress YOPD Women's Group.

Kristi is an ambassador for the Davis Phinney Foundation, a panelist in their "living with Parkinson's" meetups, and has contributed to various initiatives, including the Stand Up to Parkinson's events and co-authoring the book 'In Her Shoes' for YOPD women. Recently, she coordinated "Living Well with Parkinson's" event in Southern Saratoga County and is now Vice President of HELP for Parkinson's. Kristi also engages with students, organizing Lee Silverman Voice Therapy - BIG training, and is focusing her laboratory's research on women and Parkinson's disease.

Kristi was nominated as one of the "Remarkable Women" of 2024 by ABC News Channel 10 of Albany, NY. She will be discussing:

- · Kristi's Circular Path to Young Onset Parkinson's Diagnosis
- · Women with Parkinson's disease
- · In Her Shoes ~ a FREE downloadable book created for and by YOPD women
- · Parkinson's Outreach and Advocacy

Approximately 65,000 New Yorkers, 1 Million Americans, and 10 Million people world-wide live with Parkinson's. Community Wellness Partners offers many programs that treat people who have Parkinson's disease as well as opportunities for caregivers. Those programs are Rock Steady Boxing, Pedaling for Parkinson's, the William & Rita Abraham Speaker Series, Parkinson's Awareness Walk, and a monthly Parkinson's Support Group. While there is currently no cure for Parkinson's disease, these are some ways to improve quality of life while living with it.

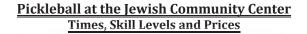
The William and Rita Abraham Parkinson's Speaker Series provides education and insight to the community on Parkinson's disease. The speaker series offers a variety of Parkinson's related topics that will enhance the lives of individuals living with Parkinson's disease, their family members and caregivers. Created by the Abraham family to honor their wife and mother, Rita, the events are free to attend and are held throughout the year in the Mohawk Valley region.

Community Wellness Partners is a faith-based network of nonprofit organizations that supports wellness through the provision of community services, housing, and



healthcare. Community Wellness Partners has provided a combined 150 years of service to our community. As one of the largest senior living organizations in Central New York, we remain steadfast in our commitment to provide the most complete continuity of health and wellness for older adults across the counties we serve. Community Wellness Partners employs over 800 employees who service over 1,300 older adults each day throughout its continuum, which includes Home Care, Adult Daycare, Independent Living, Assisted Living, Rehabilitation, Skilled Nursing, and more. We continue to introduce new and innovative programs and services to benefit the lives of those that we serve every day.

For those interested in attending this FREE event are encouraged to RSVP To Alison J. Swartz, Parkinson's Program Director at (315) 235-7353 or e-mail aswartz@ cwpinc.org. Those unable to attend are encouraged to RSVP to receive a link for alternate viewing. More information about Community Wellness Partners and its Parkinson's programs can be found at www.communitywellnesspartners.org.



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Veterans and family members spend the weekend at Camp Sitrin during the 2024 Warrior Retreat.

Sitrin Military Program to Host 11th Annual Warrior Retreat

From July 18 to 20, local veterans of Sitrin's Military Program will head to Camp Sitrin on Graffenburg Road in Frankfort, for the 11th Annual Warrior Retreat.

Sitrin's Military Program provides comprehensive, complimentary care to post-9/11 veterans and service members who have post-traumatic stress, suicidal ideations, depression, amputations, spinal cord injuries and other combat-related conditions.

Throughout the weekend, campers will utilize several of Camp Sitrin's amenities, including its 10-acre lake,

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cabins, nature trails, playing fields, and pavilions. To prepare for the event, many veterans of the Military Program have spent time cleaning and prepping the camp by cutting down branches, clearing hiking trails, raking, and cleaning docks.

"Veterans love Camp Sitrin for its peaceful environment where they can get away from everyday stresses and past trauma experienced in war," said Jackie Warmuth, vice president of Clinical Development and director of the Military Program.

This popular outing brings veterans and families together to share experiences, form friendships, create memories, and enjoy delicious food and baked goods. This year, attendees will join in a variety of fun-filled activities including line dancing, ballroom dancing, soap making, cornhole, group art, and planting a tree in honor of a local veteran.

The Warrior Retreat is a free event made possible through funds raised by Sitrin's Annual Riggie Run, Walk and Riggiefest as well as private donations and contributions from local VFWs and American Legions. This event is also the primary fundraiser for Sitrin's Military Program. This year's Riggie Run, Walk and Riggiefest will take place on Sunday, October 12, 2025, at the SUNY Polytechnic Institute campus, and will feature a 5K Run, 5K Riggie Challenge, 5K Wheelchair Race, 5K Wheelchair Riggie Challenge, 2-Mile Walk, and a 1-Mile Kids Run. Additionally, at the conclusion of the Run & Walk, a Riggiefest will be featured in the Field House in which local restaurants will showcase their version of this famous Utica dish. For more information or to register, please visit www. sitrinriggierunwalk.com.

Any post-9/11 veteran or service member interested in participating in the Warrior Retreat can contact Jackie Warmuth at (315) 737-2435 or jwarmuth@sitrin.

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Elderly Wellness

Submitted by Jim LaFountain, All American Fitness Center

Over the past 40+ years, I've written several articles about Wellness. Recently, I have entered the "on line" category of "elderly." In July, I will be 71 years old and my view on Wellness has changed considerably. The urge to compete with others has been replaced by the inner freedom of competing against myself (you can never lose).

My belief in balanced wellness includes Social, Emotional, Spiritual and Physical components. Balancing all four is the most direct pass to being well and any imbalance is a recipe for failure. The Physical component gets more attention than any, probably because it's highly visible. The Social component is perhaps next, while the Emotional and Spiritual is not as visual and, in most cases, undetected. Let's take a look at each component:

Social: in our high tech world, social wellness is a major challenge. What used to be taken for granted now requires work. Speaking, listening, making eye contact and basic communication skills have been replaced with the latest technology. In the late 70's Dr. Robert Ringer wrote a book entitled 'Restoring the American Dream.' He hypothesized that with the increase in technology, what he referred to as "high touch" had to increase, as well. If it didn't, our culture would deteriorate. Some experts claim it's already happening. Socializing, as practiced in the late 90's has changed dramatically. At 70, I find myself more selective with whom I socialize.



Emotional: as I've progressed into the "elderly" category, I find myself more tolerant with the "small stuff" that used to bother me. Aging has taught me to distinguish between what truly matters and what does not. Self esteem is no longer the tightrope we tend to walk in our youth. One of my favorite quotes is from Judy Ford, "your opinion of me is none of my business". Being upset by an ill timed "spoken word" is no longer a negative for me. What's made a tremendous difference is an enormous contributor also. There are a lot of in my life is that although someone may say or do something that angers me, my response is less intense and temporary.

Spiritual: I'm not in the business of saving souls and I wouldn't consider myself religious. I am, however seriously spiritual. I've read extensively about almost every religion and spiritual practice. What I've discovered is they are very similar. For what it's worth, I pray and meditate daily. At times, I miss and have found my level of focus is off the entire day. Again, I'm not in the business of saving souls, but chose to share an important part of my life that motivates and brings focus to each day.

Physical: although physical development, aesthetics and scale weight loss dominates our culture, a mature view of physical wellness may put things in perspective. It's essential to understand the role of genetics, as it

relates to physical wellness. Experts claim, what we can physically achieve is 50-60 % genetically predisposed. Overweight grandparents and parents seldom produce lean children. It's no secret why professional athletes have physically gifted children. Nature/Nurture is a term used to describe the contribution of genetics and lifestyle. Although one's gene pool contributes most to the potential for physical development, lifestyle underachieving, genetically gifted athletes. Training hard pays significant dividends and cancels out many genetic deficiencies.

Can we ever achieve perfect balanced Wellness? I doubt it, but enjoying the process of a serious effort, in and of itself is worth the effort.



The 45th Annual Remsen Barn Festival of the Arts will be held September 27-28, 2025; Sat. 10-6; and Sun. 10-5. Admission to the Festival is free and there is plenty of parking. No pets allowed. Remsen's Main Street is closed to vehicles and transformed into a shopping, eating, and entertainment adventure. More than 225 quality artists and crafters offer art, jewelry, textiles, fashion accessories, woodcrafts, soaps, pottery, holiday items, furniture, glass, candles, and more. A variety of food vendors offer everything from hearty meals to sweet snacks.

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New Hartford Veterans and Their Ties to Midway Island by Rick Giffune

There is no greater piece of a community's history than the Veterans that served to protect it! Since July is the month we celebrate our Nation's birthday, we thought this would be a good edition to forgo our usual "local" history and write a bit about some crucial American history.

Midway Island is an atoll (an island or group of islands formed by coral). It is in the Pacific Ocean approximately 1,300 miles east of Hawaii. It was first spotted by Captain N,C. Brooks 1859 who then claimed the for the United States.

Midway was never really of any importance until 1903 when it became a crucial link in the global telegraph system linking Hawaii to Guam. By 1941, Midway, along with other islands, became home to some of America's defense battalions. Second only to Pearl Harbor, Midway was considered crucial in the defense of the west coast of the U.S.

After the attack on Pearl Harbor, Midway was recognized as an important installation in the defense of the Pacific. From 1941 to 1993 the U.S. Navy maintained an Air Station at Midway. And that station played a pivotal role in the Battle of Midway June 4-7, 1942. It was considered the turning point for the war in the Pacific. The U.S. was successful in turning back the enemy and keeping control.

After World War II, Midway would continue to play a part in the "cold war". In 1996, Midway was transferred from the Department of the Navy to the Department of the Interior. Today Midway is a National Wildlife Refuge.

We in New Hartford are honored to have at least two veterans who, at one time or another, served on Midway. Robert "Bob" Parr, grew up on Golf Ave. and was a Petty Officer 3rd Class while serving with the SeeBees on Midway Island in 1975. Rick Giffune, Sr. raised his family on Leard Road. He was a Private First Class with the Marines and was stationed on Midway in 1946.

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New Hartford Highway News

Submitted by Richard Sherman, Highway Superintendent

I would like to explain the paving process when we pave roads in the town of New Hartford. The Town goes out to bid for milling and blacktop. Once we go out to bid there is

a date set for opening the bids. Then the town board will approve the lowest bids for milling and paving. The town awards the bid to the lowest bidder and we get on a schedule for milling and paving. Once the milling is done the town work force with the highway equipment takes our machines and sweeps the roads and mills the edge of driveways and around the sewer manholes. The crew will fix any repairs with the sewer manholes in the roadway along with the drainage catch basins. The town's larger street sweepers then clean the roads again. When the milling machines come, they do several roads while they are here because of their schedules and the roads get prepared for the next crew with the paver and rollers. That is why it takes 7 to 10 days between crews and we have milled roads for that period of time. I hope that this explains why we have the milled roads for that period of time before it gets paved.

The Town Highway Department along with the New Hartford Public Library, again hosted the "Touch the truck" event in the library's parking lot. This year the New Hartford Police Department and New Hartford Fire Department joined us with this event. The Highway Department distributed hard hats for the children to wear as they went from truck to truck. Next year we are looking to move this event with the library to the New Hartford Rec Center where we will have much more room for equipment and a large parking lot to park in.

The work continues on the detention ponds on Roman Rd. We will be moving a crew back to the Chadwicks project and also another crew will be starting a drainage project in the White Tail development with new piping, catch basins, street signs and paving the roads.

The Town of New Hartford took delivery of our new 2025 New Holland tractor with an over the rail mower and will be used for mowing our Town roads and the Oneida County roads ROW. The mowing ahead sign will be placed for the safety of the traveling public and our mower operator. We are a little behind on our green waste and brush pickup as the paving project takes most of our crew. Be patient as we will get caught up shortly. The Washington Mills Parks new play ground equipment is in and the highway crew will be getting that area ready and prepared for the new installation. The Sherrill Brook dog park will get a crew to finish up the dog park and dog wash station soon. Once the major summer work is caught up, we will get back to our ditching along our roadways. Our mechanics are working on our salt hopper replacing the steel frame work that has rusted out over the years in the fabricating part of our garage.

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Exploring Sanitation Solutions: A Cleaner, Smarter Future for New Hartford

submitted by Paul A. Miscione, Town Supervisor

As New Hartford continues to grow, so too does our responsibility to ensure that core services keep pace with the needs of our residents. One area we are actively exploring is the potential for improving and expanding sanitation services—specifically, implementing a more structured and reliable town-wide trash collection system.

Currently, sanitation services in New Hartford are handled independently by various private haulers, with scheduling and pricing varying by neighborhood. While this system offers some flexibility, it also presents challenges in terms of efficiency, fairness, and long-term planning.

The Benefits of a Town-Wide Sanitation System

By moving toward a more organized, scheduled, and unified approach to garbage collection, New Hartford could realize a number of important benefits:

1. Financial Savings for Residents:

By consolidating services and negotiating as a single municipality, the Town may be able to secure lower rates than what residents are currently paying individually. Economies of scale—when one provider services multiple homes on a coordinated route—can significantly reduce overall costs.

2. Cleaner Streets and Stronger Curb Appeal:

A unified schedule means fewer trucks driving through neighborhoods on different days of the week. That leads to less wear and tear on our roads, less noise pollution, and improved overall cleanliness. Scheduled bulk pickups and consistent recycling programs could also be introduced town-wide.

3. Greater Accountability and Oversight:

With a centralized contract, the Town can ensure high standards of service, monitor compliance, and address resident concerns more effectively. Missed pickups, billing issues, and service complaints would be handled directly through the Town's designated channels, eliminating confusion and improving response time.

4. Organized and Predictable Scheduling:

One of the biggest frustrations residents currently face is inconsistent pickup times or days that vary depending on which private hauler is used. A town-coordinated schedule would bring predictability and uniformity, allowing residents to plan accordingly and avoid last-minute rushes to get their trash to the curb.

Planning for the Future

We understand that any transition in services must be thoughtful and inclusive. That's why the Town has begun conducting research, gathering public input, and evaluating potential providers through a Request for Proposals (RFP) process. Our goal is not only to improve service—but to do so in a way that is costeffective, transparent, and beneficial to all residents.

This isn't just about trash—it's about building a smarter, cleaner, and more coordinated New Hartford.

We Want to Hear From You

Resident input is a vital part of this process. If you are interested in seeing improved sanitation services in New Hartford—or if you have ideas, questions, or concerns—we encourage you to reach out directly. Please email me at pmiscione@townofnewhartfordny. gov to share your thoughts or express your interest in this initiative.

Together, we have an opportunity to modernize a fundamental service, enhance the appearance of our neighborhoods, and improve quality of life for every resident in New Hartford.

Let's keep moving forward—one step, and one service, at a time.



From the Desk of the NH Town Clerk

submitted by Cheryl Jassak-Huther, New Hartford Town Clerk

Over the last few months, while reaching

out and connecting with residents across New Hartford, I've had the opportunity to listen to many valuable suggestions from our community. One topic that continues to come up is our senior population—and how we can do more to enhance the quality of life for older residents in our town.

Specifically, many have expressed a desire to see expanded senior programming and more activities offered closer to home. Whether it's social events, wellness classes, informational sessions, or simply a place to gather, it's clear that our seniors are eager to stay engaged, active, and connected.

As someone who has always believed in listening first and leading with compassion, I want to open the door to more feedback and fresh ideas. That's why I'm proposing we host a Senior Day in the coming weeks—an open forum where residents can share their thoughts on what types of programs and activities would best serve our senior community.

As Town Clerk, I've had the honor of working with many of our senior residents, assisting with everything from notary services to marriage certificates to voter registration. But my role extends beyond the Clerk's Office. I care deeply about every corner of our community, and I want to be part of the conversation on how we build a more inclusive and enriching environment for all generations.

If you are a senior, a caregiver, or simply someone who wants to get involved in making New Hartford a more senior-friendly town, I invite you to reach out. Let me know your ideas, your concerns, and what you'd like to see in the future. You can contact me directly at cjassakhuther@townofnewhartfordny.gov or by calling the Clerk's Office at (315) 733-7500.

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Service Type = 10

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Other Alarms = 14Overpressure = 0

Mutual Aid = 0

Weather Related = 0

Other = 0

Total Calls for the Month of May 2025 = 83.

Of the 83 alarms, 74 were in the town and 9 were in the village. There were no mutual aid alarms during the

Total alarms year-to-date through May 31, 2025 = 470. Some of the calls listed above - such as Fires, EMS, and Hazardous - are self-explanatory. Others such as Service, Good Intent and Other Alarms are not. Service Calls includes water or animal problems, public assistance or standbys. Good Intent refers to responding but did not find anything or canceled in route. Other alarms include explosions, carbon monoxide, smoke or sprinkler detector activations.

The figures above do not include other activities by members of the department such as Fire Prevention details, training, parades, Open House and other various department committee meetings that take place throughout the year.



New Hartford Volunteer Fire Department Schedules 21st Annual Fire Truck Spectacular

The New Hartford Volunteer Fire Department's 21st Annual Fire Truck Spectacular will be held on Thursday evening, July 17, 2025, from 6 to 9 p.m. in Sangertown Square – Macy's wing parking lot.

Fire and Emergency Medical Service apparatus from throughout Oneida and Herkimer counties and beyond are expected to participate. "This show provides an opportunity for the public to see the various pieces of equipment and the latest technology currently used in the fire service. It also provides the public with a chance to ask questions and interact with emergency services personnel in an informal setting. Our goal is to inspire individuals to join their local department," said Roy Schultz, Event Chairman. "This event provides for a great family atmosphere!"

Various fire apparatus, both old and new, will be on display including new firefighting technology and equipment. Local ambulance services, fire equipment vendors, all area volunteer and paid fire departments have been invited. "This is an opportunity to meet with our fellow firefighters on a totally different level, while providing a valuable educational tool to inform the public about the services the Fire and EMS companies perform within their respective communities," said Schultz.

Two popular contests between the various departments will take place. They are: Fastest Gear Contest and the Ice Cream Eating Contest. Individuals at the event will be able to scan a special QR code to vote for the following: Best Appearing Pump Engine, Tanker, Tower/Ladder, Rescue, Squad, Ambulance, Antique and the Department traveling the farthest distance.

Food will be available as five food trucks have reserved their spot as of press time.

This event is made possible thanks to our sponsors that include: A&P Master Images; Amicable Lodge # 664 F. & A.M.; Clifford Fuel; Excellus BC/BS; Express Employment Service; First Source Federal Credit Union; Gates-Cole Insurance Agency; GPO Federal Credit Union; New Hartford Safe and Lock; Nicky Doodles; PJ Green; Scharf Plumbing and Drain Service; Steet-Ponte Auto Group; and The Travelers.

The Fire Truck Spectacular will be held rain or shine. Admission is free. Visit the New Hartford Volunteer Fire Department's website for more details at: www. nhfd.com and the NHFD Facebook page for current updates and news about the department.

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by Raymond J. Durso, Jr., President/CEO The Genesis Group Chairman, Chamber Alliance Mohawk Valley

Genesis Group (Mid-Year) Report to the Community

Being an optimist, I like to focus on opportunities that benefit others. Whether it is staying healthy and being safe or just doing good to make someone's day better, it's important for me to make a difference.

When it comes to the Genesis Group, our mission is to make a difference in the community. We are a civic and community organization that promotes the Mohawk Valley region. We unite business and community leaders to advance regional, social, and cultural interests. We are dedicated to adaptive leadership to meet new challenges and opportunities.

As a nonprofit organization focused on community growth and vitality, we rely on the support of local businesses and individuals to help sustain our vital work.

We also value our regional partners who play a crucial role in empowering us to continue serving our community and fulfilling our mission.

I'm a firm believer that if you want to achieve success...you must have a plan. The Genesis Group has a "Strategic Plan." Strategic planning is a process in which an organization defines its vision for the future and identifies its goals and objectives. The process includes establishing the sequence in which those goals should be realized so the organization can reach its stated vision. Strategic planning is forward looking. It differs from traditional business planning, which typically focuses on short-term, tactical goals. The following are goals included in the Genesis Group Strategic Plan:

Goal #1 - Organize regional events that will create transformational impacts in the community.

Goal #2 - Acknowledge and commemorate achievements of local individuals and organizations.

Goal #3 - Focus the community's awareness on pertinent issues and opportunities. Goal #4 - Facilitate and advocate effective collaborations between individuals and organizations to foster adaptive growth and transformational community development.

Goal #5 - Strengthen the organization's capacity and flexibility to respond to the needs of the community, and to be a reliable and trusted voice for the community.



We continue to witness firsthand the profound impact our programs and initiatives have had on the lives of those we serve. None of this would be possible without the support of our donors, sponsors and volunteers. Together, we are creating stronger connections and lasting change throughout the region.

As we enter the month of July, it means we have reached the half-way point of 2025. While the year is going by fast, the Genesis Group continues to take action and achieve results.

Here's a list of some of our accomplishments:

- Genesis hosted the 25th Annual Legislative Forum with Elected Officials from Herkimer, Madison, Otsego and Oneida counties.
- Genesis partnered with the Herkimer County Guidance Association to offer a Career Exploration Program to 1,000 students from 10 schools in Herkimer County with 60 career representatives participating.
- Genesis partnered with Vernon-Verona-Sherrill CSD to offer a Career Exploration Program to several hundred students with 50 career representatives participating.
- Genesis partnered with First Source Federal Credit Union and WKTV NewsChannel 2 to present "Teacher Appreciation Week."
- Genesis partnered with healthcare organizations in Oneida, Otsego, Madison and Herkimer counties to present the Annual Healthcare Recognition. The event also included a panel covering the Mental Health Crisis.
- Genesis hosts "Our View & Opinion," an online initiative that offers the opportunity to comment on local issues.
- Genesis hosts "Community Corner," an online initiative that recognizes achievements of area businesses, organizations and individuals.
- Genesis continues to host Drone Education Camps for area students.
- Genesis partners with Perch Place Consulting to host "Dolly Parton's Imagination Library" to area school districts.
- Genesis continues to partner with the Chamber Alliance of the Mohawk Valley offering forums and events for area Business Leaders.
- Genesis hosts a Grants Program to offer assistance and incentives to area small businesses.
- Genesis has rebranded it's "Did You Know" initiative offering information about local history.
- Genesis CEO hosts a weekly radio show promoting community leaders and events. "This Week in the Mohawk Valley" runs every Sunday at 9am on WIBX950AM and 92.3FM. The show is also a podcast.

Coming this Fall:

24th Annual Day of Remembrance – September 11

Genesis Group 25th Anniversary Dinner – October 9

Annual Candidates Forum – October 28

19th Annual Celebration of Education – November 20

As we celebrate 25 meaningful years of service to the Mohawk Valley region, the Genesis Group remains focused on the "community's agenda." We look forward to working with you to continue moving our community forward.







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1 to 3 p.m. daily Museum Shop

SATURDAY, JULY 12

Fountain Elms Invitational

Personal Luxury Cars 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fountain Elms Grounds / Grove

Community Car Show

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Munson Parking Lot and Palmer Park

Mohawk Valley Bonsai Club

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Easton Pribble Room

Concert: The Swooners

Yacht Rock Quintet 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Parking Lot Stage

Car Show Awards

3:30 p.m.

Munson Parking Lot Stage

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

Plein Air Painting Demo/Class

Chad Smith, Instructor 9 a.m. to noon | Front Lawn Tent

ICAN Mobile Museum

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Front Lawn Tent

THURSDAY, JULY 17

15th Annual Oneida County Youth Bureau Sidewalk Chalk Art Competition

Ages 5–18 | Free 10 a.m. – Registration 10:30 a.m. – Competition Palmer Park

10th Annual Big Ol' Steamrollin' Print Invitational

10 a.m. till done Front of the Museum / Genesee St.

Foam Party for Kids 2:30 p.m.

Front Lawn Tent

Pride Party and Concert: Pat Tato and the Baked Potatoes

7 p.m.

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FRIDAY, JULY 18

Puppy Parade

Front Lawn Tent

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The D King and Amos Donnell Experience

DJ and Karaoke 6:30 p.m.

Front Lawn Tent and Stage Cash bar available

SATURDAY, JULY 19

Outdoor Art and Yoga

10:30 a.m. | Free Front Lawn

Children's Craft

11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Front Lawn Tent

Powdered Color Battle

2:30 p.m. Front Lawn Tent

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Festival Art Show Awards

5 p.m.

Museum of Art | Root Court

Beer Garden and Concert: Our Common Roots

Alternative Folk Rock 7 p.m.

Front Lawn Tent and Stage Cash bar available

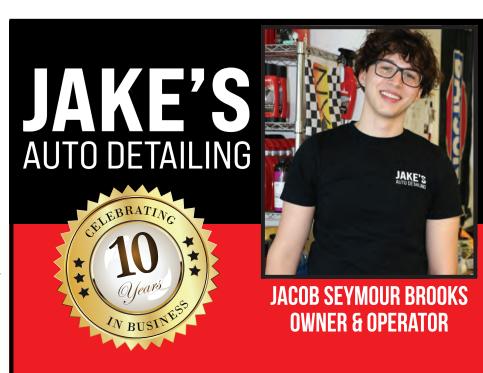
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SCAN FOR EVENT UPDATES







by Victor J. Fariello Jr.

Collecting Books: A Worthwhile Pursuit

Book collecting is more than a hobby; it is a passion rooted in history, discovery, and personal connection. Whether driven by nostalgia, scholarly interest, or the thrill of the hunt, book collectors often find themselves building meaningful relationships with the written word and the physical objects that carry it.

At its core, book collecting involves acquiring and preserving books for their intellectual, historical, or aesthetic value. Some collectors seek first editions, rare manuscripts, or signed copies. Others focus on specific genres, authors, periods, or themes—Victorian novels, modern poetry, science fiction, or cookbooks, to name a few. The motives vary: a collector might chase childhood favorites, build a professional research library, or invest in items of growing financial worth.

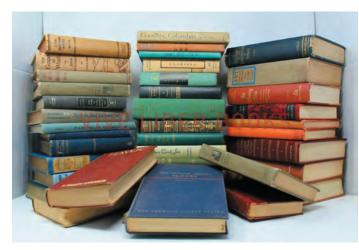
One of the joys of book collecting lies in the tactile experience—the feel of old leather bindings, the look of hand-pressed type, or the scent of aging paper. A book can be a historical artifact, a work of art, or a personal memento. Bookplates and inscriptions tell stories that extend beyond the printed text, offering a glimpse into the lives of previous owners.

Collectors also play an important role in preservation. By valuing and caring for books, they help keep literary heritage alive. In some cases, private collections have later formed the foundations of public libraries and archives.

Ultimately, collecting books is a deeply personal endeavor. It is not about the number of volumes on a shelf but the stories behind them, the pursuit of knowledge, and the quiet satisfaction of holding a piece of history in one's hands.

There are some excellent books available on book collecting. The Art of Rare and Antique Book Collecting by John Harvey; Discovering Book Collecting by John Chidley; and Modern Book Collecting by Robert Wilson and Nicholas Bisbanes. These and many others on the subject are available on amazon.com.

Happy collecting!



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NH Questers Seeking Members

The J. Schoolcraft Sherman Chapter #1519 meets monthly at the NH Library except July and August. Our meetings are at 4:30 p.m. on the 1st Monday of the month. We are a chapter of the International Questers, an organization of individuals interested in history, preservation and an appreciation for antiques. We try to have an interesting program each month and members bring items for a Show & Tell. Dues are \$50 per year and includes an online subscription to the quarterly Questers magazine. For more information contact me by email at vjfariello@gmail.com or call 315-723-7285. We would love to see you at an upcoming meeting this Fall.

Victor J. Fariello Jr. is a lifelong resident of New Hartford and has been a collector and dealer of antiques for many years. He is a past officer and member of the New Hartford Historical Society and is the President of the J. Schoolcraft Sherman Chapter #1519 of The Questers, an International organization for people who love antiques and have a commitment to preservation. Questions on anything related to antiques can be sent to him at PO Box 194, Washington Mills, NY 13479 or by email to vjfariello@gmail.com. Any photos submitted will be returned upon request.





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SEWER AND DRAIN BACK UP:

Sewer overflow or drain back-ups can present a more technical approach to the clean- up due to the contaminates involved. Porous, semi-porous building materials and contents will generally involve removal where affected by sewage, followed by proper remediation cleaning and disinfecting procedures. Hard surface areas when properly remediated will bring the space back to a pre loss condition and ready for new material replacement.

BASEMENT AND ATTIC MOLD:

Several factors can influence a mold growth in a basement or attic area.

Attics and basements are one of the most common areas of mold growth in the home. Attics tend to have the perfect conditions for mold growth (hot, humid, and an abundant food source consisting of the wood framing and sheathing). Most homeowners may go up in their attic seldom if ever so the mold problem is allowed to grow undisturbed sometimes for years! Basement mold is a common problem in many homes due to ground water seepage mainly at the base of the walls around the perimeter of the basement.

WHAT ARE THE SIGNS OF AN ATTIC MOLD PROBLEM:

Dark black staining on wood surfaces, both the underside of the roof sheathing and also the framing lumber itself. If the wood in your attic shows any dark discoloration, a spotty or solid pattern the problem has moved beyond moisture and you may have mold that should be removed.

WHAT ARE THE SIGNS OF A **BASEMENT MOLD PROBLEM:**

Several factors can influence a mold growth in a basement area. Basements with finished walls are susceptible to moisture intrusion at the ground level. Trapped moisture due to lack of air flow between the finished wall and the exterior foundation wall is an ideal environment to facilitate mold growth. A dark appearance showing on the face of the finished wall should be investigated further. Unfinished basement will typically show signs of mold growth at the base of the foundation spreading upwards over time. Although there are a few different reasons this particular area of the structure is problematic, ground water seepage along with lack of air flow and improper dehumidification are generally the cause.

DO I NEED A WATER MITIGATION **COMPANY AND WHAT DOES A WATER MITIGATION COMPANY DO:**

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When it comes to interior design, pet owners often find themselves walking a fine line between style and practicality. After all, your home is both a sanctuary and a playground—especially if it's shared with a dog that thinks the sofa is their throne or a cat who's convinced your velvet chair is there for nail filing. But fear not: having pets doesn't mean you have to sacrifice elegance or personality in your space. With thoughtful choices and clever tricks, you can create a home that's as beautiful as it is pet-friendly.

The Foundation: Flooring That Stands Up to Fur and Paws

Let's start with what's underfoot. Hardwood floors are undeniably gorgeous, but not all woods are created equal when you have pets. Opt for harder varieties like oak, hickory, cherry which are less susceptible to scratches from nails. Matte or distressed finishes also help disguise wear and tear over time. If you're not a fan of wood, luxury vinyl plank flooring is a smart and stylish alternative—it mimics the look of real wood but resists moisture, scratches, and the occasional muddy paw. Rugs are still fair game but choose low-pile durable options in darker patterns that can cleverly hide pet hair and minor stains. And always look for washable or spot clean varieties; machine-washable area rugs are a game changer for pet households.





comes in various sizes and colors.

Fabric Matters: Choose Wisely, Shed Less Stress

When it comes to upholstery, some fabrics are better companions than others. Avoid velvet, chenille, which attract pet hair and can be tough to clean. Instead, go for tightly woven textiles like microfiber, canvas, or indoor-outdoor performance fabrics—they resist stains and are easy to wipe down. Leather or Faux Leather, surprisingly, is also a great choice. It doesn't trap fur and is easy to clean, but keep in mind that sharp claws can leave marks.

Color can be your best ally when designing a petfriendly home. Coordinating your furniture or textiles with your pet's fur color may sound excessive, but it's a practical trick that many seasoned pet owners swear by. A tabby gray and brown colored cat? Rich browns or grays blend fur into the background effortlessly. A yellow lab mix breed? Light neutrals work beautifully. You'll vacuum less—and stress less.

Color can be your best ally when designing a petfriendly home. Coordinating your furniture or textiles with your pet's fur color is a practical top tip from designers and seasoned pet owners.

Dedicated Spaces: Give Them a Stylish Spot of Their

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Pets love having a designated zone. Why not make it stylish? Custom-built pet nooks under staircases or window-seat hideaways for your cat create a sense of belonging while blending seamlessly into your home's aesthetic. Elevated pet beds with mid-century legs, chic ceramic food bowls, or modern litter box enclosures can serve as both functional and decorative elements. You don't need to sacrifice your taste to make your pets feel at home—in fact, designing around their needs can actually elevate your space.

Decor Do's and Don'ts

When styling shelves or coffee tables, think high and secure. Keep breakables out of tail range and avoid small, chewable objects. Plants add life to a space, but make sure yours are non-toxic to animals—think spider plants, ferns, and palms, and skip lilies, philodendrons, or pothos which can be harmful to pets. Scented candles and diffusers are wonderful but always check for petsafe ingredients. Lavender, for example, is soothing for



humans but can be harmful to cats when concentrated.

The Golden Rule: Embrace Imperfection

At the end of the day, a home with pets is a home with life. There will be fur, there may be an occasional scratch, and yes, your dog will probably sneak onto the sofa when you're not looking. The trick is to design a home that embraces that reality while still reflecting your style. So go ahead—add that washable throw blanket to your linen slipcovered sofa. Hang the custom pet portrait in your hallway gallery wall. Celebrate your furry roommates in the design, not in spite of them. Great design isn't just about how your home looks—it's about how it feels to live in. And there's no better feeling than sharing it with those who love you unconditionally, paw prints and all.

Did this article spark your interest in contributing to your community's animal welfare and bringing home a buddy in need? There are approximately 5.8 million cats and dogs that entered shelters and rescues in the United States last year according to statistics from ASPCA. Some of the many amazing local rescues – Rover's Do Over www.roversdoover.com & CPV Rescue & Sanctuary (315) 381-3605 or visit their Facebook/Instagram @CPVRescue.

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New Hartford Chamber hosted the June meeting for Chamber Alliance of Mohawk Valley at One Genny on June 18th.

Many neighboring chamber members and other organizations attended.



Christopher J. Carbone

Understanding Risk for Bond Investors

A primary reason investors own bonds is because their values have historically remained relatively stable over time. In other words, they've been less risky than stocks. (Of course, their returns have been lower as well.) So you might want to have bonds in your portfolio in case the stock market takes a hit. If that happens, the bonds could stabilize your portfolio's overall value. And that may help you avoid making emotional (and sometimes costly) heat-of-the-moment choices.

Lower risk is different than no risk

Bonds are considered less risky than stocks, but

they're certainly not risk-free (no investment is). Although some investors may believe bonds are as safe as cash, that's not the case. In fact, bond investors face a number of risks, including:

Interest rate risk. The chance of a change in a bond's price in response to movements in interest rates. It's important to understand this risk because bond market prices and interest rates are negatively correlated. In other words, if interest rates increase, existing bond prices are likely to decrease. Conversely, when rates are higher and begin to decrease, bond prices will tend to increase.

Credit risk. The prospect that an issuer may suffer a relative decline in credit quality or outright default. The lower the credit risk, the fewer credit-related price fluctuations there should be.

Default risk. When you purchase a bond, you face the risk that the issuer may be unable to pay the interest or par value when it's due.

Opportunity risk. The possibility of missing out on potentially better returns you may be able to get from other investments, like stocks.

Consider your big picture

Whether you're talking about bonds or stocks or any other investment, it's important to remember that the amount you own should be determined based on a strategic asset allocation — how your portfolio is divvied up between different investment types — based on your:

- \cdot Goals. What you're investing for, such as being able to afford retirement.
- · Time horizon. How long you have before you need to tap into our investments. If you're 47 and want to retire at 67, you may have a 20-year time horizon.
- · Risk tolerance. How comfortable you are with fluctuations in your portfolio's value. If market volatility makes it difficult for you to get a good night's sleep, you likely have a relatively low risk tolerance.

If you already invest in bonds or are wondering whether you should, you need to understand their risks and the important role they can play in your overall investment strategy. For help with that, you may want to work with a professional financial advisor.

Investments in fixed-income securities are subject to market, interest rate, credit, and other risks. Bond prices fluctuate inversely to changes in interest rates. Therefore, a general rise in interest rates can cause a bond's price to fall. Credit risk is the risk that an issuer will default on payments of interest and/or principal. This risk is heightened in lower-rated bonds. If sold prior to maturity, fixed-income securities are subject to market risk. All fixed-income investments may be worth less than their original cost upon redemption or maturity.

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Summer Walks & Talks 2025

6pm, Rain or Shine. Free and Open to the Public. Donations Gratefully Appreciated. Wear Comfortable Shoes and Bring a Friend!

Monday, June 30, 2025

Fort Schuyler Club

254 Genesee Street, Utica

Presented by: Darcy Stevenson, Club Manager

Meet: In front of the building

Park: On the street

Monday, July 7, 2025

Deerfield-Schuyler Cemetery / Living Hope Ministries Center

1414 Herkimer Road, Utica

Presented by: Susan Lorraine

Meet: At the church

Park: In the adjacent church parking lot

Monday, July 14, 2025

Historic Clinton Tour

Beginning in front of 32 Utica Street, Clinton

Presented by: Sally Carman

<u>Meet:</u> In front of 32 Utica Street, corner of Mulberry Street, Clinton

Park: On Mulberry Street

Monday, July 21, 2025

Interior Tour of the Utica Armory

1700 Parkway East, Utica

Presented by: Vincent Scalise

Meet: In front of the building

Park: At the adjacent lot on Culver Avenue

Monday, July 28, 2025

St. Mary of Mount Carmel Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

648 Jay Street, Utica

Presented by: Reverend Jim Cesta, Pastor

Meet: In front of the church

<u>Park:</u> In adjacent parking lot or on the street

Monday, August 4, 2025

Rome Train Station

6599 Martin Street, Rome

Presented by: Colin Havener, Director, Rome Historical Society

Meet: In front of the station

<u>Park:</u> In the adjacent parking lot or on the street



Lunch & Learn – History of the Utica Boilermaker

Please join us at the H.A.R.P. Museum as it continues its popular "Lunch and Learn" series on Wednesday, July 9 at 11 AM, where local writer, author, and historian Joe Kelly will present a history of the Utica Boilermaker road race.

Started as a local 15K road race in 1978, it rapidly evolved into a world-class event attracting elite runners from all walks of life from across the globe. Just as important, however, are the inspiring stories of the human spirit overcoming all kinds of challenges to be able to participate in this global event.

Joe Kelly is a retired writer for the Utica Observer-Dispatch. He currently writes a column for the Daily Sentinel and Boonville Herald and is the host of WUTR's Joe Kelly Show.

A \$20 registration fee will cover the program and lunch (tax and gratuity are included). All those interested in attending are asked to register at https://bit.ly/43Runi4 or leave a message at (315) 733-4228, Ext 6. The H.A.R.P. Museum is located on the second floor of the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley, 623 Columbia St, Utica. All are welcome to attend this program and the museum is wheelchair accessible.



Concert - Harp & Fiddle Duo Saturday, July 12th at 7pm

The Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley 623 Columbia Street Utica

Eimear Arkins and Eileen Gannon have been lighting up the Irish music scene in St. Louis and beyond for the past several years, touring across the US, Ireland and further afield.

Eimear Arkins, award-winning singer and fiddler from County Clare, and Eileen Gannon, from St. Louis is one of the top Irish harp players in the world

TICKETS: Advance sale tickets are \$20, and available at the Five Points Public House or online at https://bit. ly/4l0gFjU. At-the-door cost is \$25 per ticket. Youth aged 16 and under are free when accompanied by an adult.



at the Irish cultural center



Great American Irish Festival Reunion

The Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley will host a Great American Irish Festival Reunion on Friday July 25 starting at 4 PM.

Who out there remembers a 3 day celebration of Irish music, culture and craic held the last full weekend in July at the Herkimer County Fairgrounds?? Did you volunteer? Chair a Committee? Attend?? Wasn't it the BEST???? We think so too and have decided that it's time for a GAIF REUNION!!! A party to celebrate the fun, friendships and craic that brought us all together and laid the groundwork for our wonderful Cultural Center!

Admission includes a cookout, giveaways, cornhole games, and more. Cash bar. More details to follow, but put July 25, 4 to 10 p.m. on your calendars and plan to meet us at the Irish Cultural Center!!

This event will be held at the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley, 623 Columbia St, Utica. The venue is wheelchair accessible. Advance sale tickets are \$20 and are available at the Five Points Public House or online at https://bit.ly/4jM4x4S.



Register at ConnorsWay.com (click on RunSignUp)
Free T-Shirt with Registration through September 3, 2023
Food Trucks & Music
Awards to Top Runners
Proceeds Fund Scholarships for Area Youth

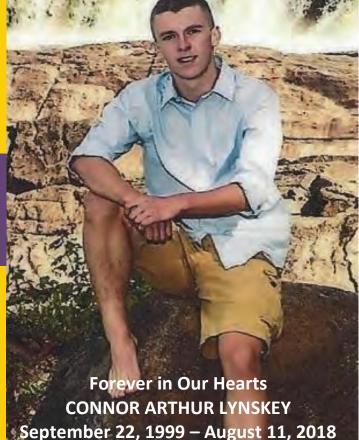
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Kids Fun Run Sponsored by Bruce F. Daniels, P.C.

September 21, 2025
Free ~ Pre-registration is required
Register by September 3rd and receive a Free T-shirt
½ Mile ~ 9:30 Start
Register at ConnorsWay.com (click on RunSignUp)





SAUQUOIT VALLEY UNITED METHODIST **CHURCH**

Cor. Pinnacle Rd. & Mohawk St., Sauquoit

Office: 315-737-7505 email: sauquoitvallyumc@aol.com

Pastor: Robbin Harris

Sunday Worship 11:30 a.m. (Nursery Care Available)

Sunday School 9:30 a.m. For all ages.

Handicapped Accessible

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

105 Genesee Street, New Hartford (315)733-4227 office@firstumconline.org Rev. David McKinney Sunday Services:

10am Classic Worship

Sunday School for children begins around 10:20

Adult Sunday school 11-12pm Sunday Youth Group 7-8pm

Supervised Nursery Care during Worship

Fellowship Coffee Hour following Worship Service

Praise/Worship Services are the 3rd Wed. of each month. Light supper will begin at 5:30 and worship is from 6-7pm Our Church Building is open for in-person worship services Or watch our livestream service online at firstum conlline.org Easily accessible building, sanctuary, and bathroom.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

66 Oxford Road - 315-732-8521 Rev. Msgr. James Lang Saturday: Vigil 5:15 p.m. Confessions 6:15pm Sunday Masses: 8am & 11am We are handicapped accessible!

CROSSPOINT CHURCH

317 Oriskany Blvd, Whitesboro - 315-797-4520 Senior Pastor, Bobby Allen

Sunday Services:

8:30am - 9:00am Breakfast

9:00am - 10:30am Study Groups 10:30am - 12noon Worship Service

Website: crosspointchurchonline.org

Sunday Morning Services streamed live

Pastor Bobby's message available at our website

We are handicapped accessible!

HOPE ALLIANCE CHURCH

4291 Middle Settlement Road, New Hartford

General Office: 315-732-1349 Rev. Andy Ward, Pastor hopealliance4291@gmail.com www.hopealliancecny.com Morning Worship: 9:30am

Communion First Sunday of the Month.

Wednesdays: Awana - 6pm

Fridays: Christian Service Brigade - 7pm

Hope Alliance Church is handicapped accessible.

ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

25 Oxford Road - 732-7462 (Parish & Rectory)

ststephensepiscopalnhny@gmail.com

Sunday Service of Holy Communion at 10am followed by fellowship

Al-Anon Meetings: Sun. at 5pm & Thurs. at 5:30pm

AA Meetings: Sundays at 8pm

Yoga by Kristy: Tues. 5:30-7pm & Thurs. at 9:30-11am. more information can be found at www.rootdownwell.com EGA Meetings: 1st Friday of the Month

St. Stephen's is handicapped accessible.

IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Fletcher Matlack

9501 Weston Rd. (Next to Perry Jr. High), (315) 737-5222 www.ibcfamily.com E-mail: info@ibcfamily.com

Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:00 am

Sunday School for all ages at 9am.

Nursery, Preschool and Children's Worship hour: 10:00 am Worship Services Wednesda See our website for information regarding our Youth Group, Zoom and In-Person Worship Services - All Welcome!

Kids Club and other upcoming events. Church is handicapped accessible.

NEW HARTFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Hannah Ratliff, Pastor

45 Genesee Street, NH 315-732-1139

newhartfordpresbyterian.org

office@newhartfordpresbyterian.org

Morning worship is at 9:30 during July and August. In July, worship will be outdoors on the Village Green adjacent to NHPC and held jointly with First Baptist Church of New Hartford. (The outdoor services are not livestreamed on Facebook.)

A time of fellowship follows each Sunday worship service. A Blessing of the Animals will be held on Sunday, July 20, following the worship service. That same morning will also feature a visit by the Utica Zoomobile, as NHPC's July Confection & Connections event. It will be free and open to the public, with refreshments served.

"Compassion Camp," NHPC's 2025 Vacation Bible School program, will be held August 4-8 — watch for details!

The listing below includes numerous summertime activities taking place on the Village Green.

7/1 — 7 p.m. Deacons Mtg

7/2 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews

7/2 — 2:30-6:30 p.m. Farmers Market on Village Green

7/2 — 7:30 p.m. NH Citizens Band concert on Village Green 7/4 — Independence Day, NHPC closed

7/6 — 9:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship on Village Green, led by

First Baptist Church of NH, Communion

7/9 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews

7/9 — 2:30-6:30 p.m. Farmers Market on the Green

7/9 — 7:30 p.m. NH Citizens Band concert on the Green

7/11 — NHPC office closed

7/13 — 9:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship on the Green

7/15 — 7 p.m. Session Mtg 7/16 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews

7/16 - 2:30-6:30 p.m. Farmers Market on the Green

7/16 — 7:30 p.m. NH Citizens Band concert on the Green

7/17 — NHPC office closed

7/18 — NHPC office closed

7/20 — 9:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship on the Green, Blessing of the Animals, Utica Zoomobile visit

7/23 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews

7/23 — 2:30-6:30 p.m. Farmers Market on the Green

7/23 — 7:30 p.m. Citizens Band concert on the Green

7/25 — NHPC office closed

7/26 — 3 p.m. Hope House meal preparation

7/27 — 9:30 a.m. Outdoor Worship on the Green 7/30 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews

7/30 — 2:30-6:30 p.m. Farmers Market on the Green 7/30 — 7:30 p.m. NH Citizens Band concert on the Green

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NH

7 Oxford Road - Office phone: 315-733-4570

firstbaptistnh@gmail.com Rev. James Harriff, Pastor

Sunday Service - 9:30am Sunday School - 11:00am

Handicapped Accessible. All are welcome.

ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

350 Higby Road, New Hartford, 315-292-6682

Fr. George Goodge

Sun - 9am Matins, 10am Liturgy

Wed - 5:30pm Vespers

Bookstore hours: Open Sundays after Services.

WESTMINSTER-MORIAH-OLIVET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Interim Pastor Rev. Dr. Mark S. Caruana Choir Director Alan Frederick

Worship service: Sunday 11am

714 Washington St., Utica. 315-732-6518 www.wmoutica.org pastor@wmoutica.org

find us on Facebook Handicapped accessible

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Worship with us on Sundays at 10am 8439 Clark Mills Rd, Whitesboro (315) 527-6257

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

630 French Road, New Hartford Pastor Rev. Marie Duquette.

Sunday Mornings at 10 AM Al-Anon Meetings, Wednesdays at 12:30 PM

315-732-4110, office@zionluth.com

www.zionlutheranNy.org

Facebook: Zion Lutheran Church, New Hartford, NY

ST. MARGARET'S ECUMENICAL & RETREAT CTR 47 Jordan Road, New HartfordPlease call (315) 724-2324

or email info@stmargaretshouseny.org.To learn more about any of our events or volunteer opportunities, for lunch and monthly dinner reservations, or to inquire about a personal or group retreat, please call 315-724-2324 or email info@stmargaretshouseny.org. Our regular office hours are Monday - Friday from 8:00AM to 4:00PM.

Weekly Activities

Please contact St. Margaret's for the information to join by Zoom

Wednesday Lunches at 12:30 PM

Includes main, sides, salad, and dessert

Please make a reservation by the Friday before - Suggested donation \$15

Monthly Activities

Men's Group | 1st & 3rd Wednesdays from 10:30 AM to 11:45 AM

Meant to be a time of fellowship and exploration, Father Nick Smith will begin each week by asking the question "What is saving your life today?" Let's find out and share our conclusions!

Conversations with Father John LaVoe | 2nd Wednesdays at 1:30 PM - Join us for conversations about faith hosted by Father John LaVoe.

Grief Support Group | 3rd Fridays at Noon

St. Margaret's continues to host a peer facilitated grief support group for anyone experiencing loss - new members are welcome to join.

Conversations and Cool Drinks on the Patio | 4th Wednesdays at 1:30 PM - Join The Reverend Deacon Jean Skinner for conversations about faith. Please consider bringing a few cans of food for our food pantry as a donation.

Scrabble Days | 4th Wednesdays at 9:15 AM - Join our Scrabble group for monthly mornings of fun, coffee, and conversation.

Special Events

Sacred Site Tours | May - September 2025

We will meet at St. Margaret's at 9 AM and carpool to our destinations, returning around Noon. Please call or email to register and indicate if you are willing to drive or need a ride. Dates or locations may change due to changes in avail-

July 3rd, Holy Trinity Church, Utica

August 7th, St. Joseph & St. Patrick Church of Utica

Sept. 4th, Zion Episcopal Church, Rome

Pop Up Movie Days | July 16th and August 6th at 1:30 PM - Join us for a meaningful and poignant Christian film and popcorn. Call for more details. Please sign up ahead so we can plan for enough popcorn. Book Club: Not the Boss of Us | July 21st, 28th, and Aug.

4th at 10:30 AM - Join Executive Director Judith Reilly for a series of discussions as we work our way through the book, Not the Boss of Us: Putting Overwhelmed in Its Place in a Do-All, Be-All World (2018). Please register by July 14th and read chapters 1 - 4 before the first session.

St. Margaret's Day Celebration | July 23rd at Noon - Rev. Sister Kristina Frances, SSM, will join us for St. Margaret's Day Holy Eucharist and celebration this July 23rd. Please make reservations for the luncheon by July 16th (\$20/person). The collection from the service will be donated to the Sisters of St. Margaret. Thank you for your generosity!

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

2620 Genesee St., South Utica. (315) 732-7869

trinitylutheranutica.com

Sunday School 9am. Worship Service 10:30am Holy Communion is celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sundays

Trinity Christian Preschool, weekday classes from Sept-May Handicapped accessible.

THREE STEEPLES UNITED

2817 Old State Route 12, Paris, NY 13456 315-368-3416 threesteeples@gmail.com

We offer services every Sunday at 10AM! Three Steeples is a Presbyterian-United Church of Christ hybrid that offers a traditional foundation for progressive thinking and growth and is open to engaging with all faiths. Three Steeples United is an inclusive and member-driven faith community of active individuals and families who connect with and care for their neighbors and one another through worship, education, and culture. We challenge ourselves and others to



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH of UTICA

10 Higby Road, Utica NY 13501 315-724-3179 www.uuutica.org

Minister: The Reverend Karen Brammer The Unitarian Universalist Church is an open minded, open hearted spiritual community. Unitarian Universalists come from different faith backgrounds but our shared values bring us together. Whoever you are, whomever you love, whatever

your beliefs, you are welcome here. Services are at 10:30 AM on Sundays, in person and on

Zoom. Join the interactive Zoom services here Meeting ID: 368 701 920, Password 548638 From your phone:

1-646-558-8656, ID: 368 701 920#, Password: 548 638#

Hospitality hour with coffee and snacks follows each service. July 6 Beth Brotherton and DAT - When There Were Kings This summer marks the 250th anniversary of America's revolt against monarchy. Some of our founding fathers like Jefferson and Adams were considered to be Unitarians. Our Democracy Action Team will explore monarchy and democracy, 250 years ago and today.

July 13 On Boilermaker Sunday we will stream a service from another UU congregation. UUUtica will be open and we will stream that service on our large screen.

July 20 Rev. Mark Caruana – Strangers, Neighbors and Friends Mark served Utica's Tabernacle Baptist Church for 17 years. During that time his congregation welcomed hundreds of ethnic Karen refugees from Burma. Mark has spent time in the refugee camps in Thailand and Burma, most recently for an extended period thanks to a Lilly Endowment Sabbatical grant. He is currently an emeritus trustee of The Center (MVRCR). July 27 Salisbury Center Cluster Service

Mohawk Valley UU Cluster Service at Salisbury Center, 10:30 AM. The combined UU choir will sing under the direction of Mark Bunce. Covered dish luncheon will follow the service. The First Universalist Society is at 138 State Rt 29A, Salisbury Center (good gps address).

UUUtica will not hold a service on July 27, although the church will be open for informal fellowship.



TEMPLE EMANU-EL

2710 Genesee St Utica, 315-724-4177 • teuticaoffice@gmail.com Rabbi Peter Schaktman Friday Evening Shabbat Services 6pm.

TEMPLE BETH-EL

1607 Genesee Street, Utica Rabbi Gustavo Geier In person and on zoom www.tbeutica.org Fri night - 5:30pm • Sat morning - 9:30am

THE JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

2310 Oneida Street, Utica - 315-733-2343

Provides programs for seniors and recreational activities for all ages. Open to people of all races, religions, and nationalities.

ZVI JACOB

Orthodox Synagogue
110 Memorial Parkway, Utica - 315-724-8357
Interim Rabbi Levi Charitonow
Services are held Saturday at 10am, and on holidays.
Services may be held at other times if there is a minyan.
Visit our website www.zvijacob.org. All are Welcome.





FREE PARKING

on Boilermaker Race Day!

Zion Lutheran Church, 630 French Road, New Hartford Sunday, July 13th

Races Begin at 7:15 AM — Arrive Early!

Enjoy These Perks While You Park:

Fresh Baked Goods, Cold Beverages, Safe, Convenient Parking Help Us Help Others!

> Bring canned goods in exchange for free parking. Cash donations are also welcome for parking.

All donations support local food pantries.

Be part of the excitement - support the race and give back to your community!





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Kick off your summer in style! Summer's here! Soak up the sun. Summertime and the livin' is easy. Unwind and let go! Find your happy place.

- Our beautiful reminder to soak up the sun. Affirm life's magic, hang our hand-embroidered Tree Poem Hanging, displaying the poem "Think Like A Tree" by Karen I. Shragg, made in Bangladesh.
- An enchanting whirl of blues and greens, our Phoenician Blue Decanter makes a stunning and eco-friendly host gift! It also doubles as a vase. In the historic West Bank city of Hebron, master craftsmen use a secret technique to turn recycled bottles into one-of-a-kind art pieces with signature swirls.

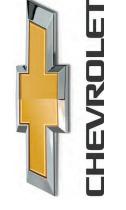
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