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Shoppers will find an impressive selection of casuals, denim, outerwear, and dresses for all occasions, along with unique jewelry, cozy pajamas, candles, and luxurious body products. Whether you're updating your wardrobe, to dress up or down, searching for the perfect gift, or treating yourself to something special, j.liam offers a refined shopping experience with attention to detail and quality in every piece.

In addition to its extensive women's collection, j.liam also features a men's area and a baby section, making it a true one-stop boutique for fashionable finds in many styles.

For those who prefer a more personalized experience, shopping assistance is available, and the boutique even offers after-hours shopping parties—perfect for a fun evening out with friends. To schedule your private event, call 315-292-8868.

Stay up to date on new arrivals and special announcements by following j.liam on Facebook and Instagram.

With its inviting atmosphere, curated selection, and commitment to exceptional service, j.liam is set to become a favorite local destination for those who love timeless style and quality craftsmanship.

Hospice & Palliative Care Presents Sips at Sunset *An Evening of Celebration to Kick Off the Light Up A Life Campaign*

Hospice & Palliative Care invites the community to Sips at Sunset, a cocktail party celebrating compassion, care, and connection. The event will take place on Friday, November 14, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Hart's Hill Inn, 135 Clinton Road, Whitesboro, NY.

As the sun sets, guests will enjoy an evening of cocktails, conversation, and celebration to launch Hospice's annual Light Up A Life campaign. The evening will feature a two-hour open bar, wine and bourbon tastings by Seneca Liquors, beer tastings by Matt Brewing Company, and an array of hearty hors d'oeuvres — including bacon-wrapped scallops, sweet potato phyllo cups, Mediterranean and fall salads, penne with vodka sauce, butternut squash tortellini, gourmet carving stations, and decadent desserts.

Entertainment for the evening will include a live performance by the Hamilton College a cappella group Tumbling After, bringing harmony and energy to the celebration, along with a Kiosk Photobooth provided by Elevated Events by Gary Johnson. There will also be a raffle with great prizes including a Meyda lamp, a pair of season tickets for UCFC Soccer and a \$100 gift card to an affiliated restaurant and a Ranger Solo Stove.

This year's Sips at Sunset is Chaired by Susan Miller, with Joannie Grande and Steve McMurray serving as Honorary Co-Chairs. Together, they bring a shared commitment to Hospice's mission of providing compassionate care and support to individuals and families throughout our community.

"Hospice touches the lives of so many families with comfort, compassion, and dignity," said Susan Miller, event Chair. "Sips at Sunset is a beautiful way for our community to come together, celebrate that mission, and support the vital work Hospice provides every day." Tickets are \$75 per person and may be reserved online at www.hospicecareinc.org or by calling 315-735-6484.

As part of the Sips at Sunset fundraiser, Hospice & Palliative Care is also partnering with the Utica Comets so guests can keep the fun going that night! Donors to Sips at Sunset will be given a special promo code to receive \$10 off their Utica Comets ticket for that night at the Adirondack Bank Center when the Comets host the Belleville Senators.

Your attendance and participation in both Sips at Sunset and the Light Up A Life campaign help ensure

Hospice & Palliative Care can continue providing comfort, dignity, and compassion to individuals and families throughout Oneida, Herkimer, and eastern Madison counties. Join us for a festive season that blends gratitude, good company, and the joy of giving back.

About Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. provides compassionate, quality care for individuals and families facing serious or life-limiting illnesses. With a dedicated team of professionals and volunteers, Hospice focuses on comfort, dignity, and emotional support, ensuring every moment matters. To learn more, visit www.hospicecareinc.org



September 2025 New Hartford Police Activity:

- 1086 Incidents / Calls for Police Service
- 49 Arrests
- 322 Vehicle Stops
- 80 Motor Vehicle Collisions Investigated
- 311 Vehicle and Traffic Law Tickets Issued
- 348 Supplemental Neighborhood patrols
- 4 Community Policing Details Completed

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Members enjoy downhill, cross-country skiing and snowboarding. The club offers great rates on ski week, weekend, and day trips and a lesson program for the never-ever to expert skier. During the summer months bicycling, camping, canoeing, kayaking, golfing, volleyball, roller blading, hiking and wine tasting are offered. We also have many parties and events year-round. Membership is open to the general public.

B Sharp Musical Club

B Sharp Musical Club will present its opening concert of the 2025-2026 season on Sunday November 2 at 3:00 p.m. at Munson on Genesee Street in Utica.

The concert will feature Debussy's Petite Suite, Dvorak's Slavonic Danse, Gershwin's Rialto Ripples, Schubert's Erlkonig and Du bist die Ruh, Muczynski's Three Preludes for Solo Flute, selections from Bolling's Suite for Flute and Jazz Piano Trio, and songs from "Kiss Me Kate" and "Kismet". Performers include pianists Karen Corigliano and John Krause, Bass Baritone Peter Costianes, Mezzo Soprano Ying Wu, Flutists Elissa May Murphy and Elizabeth Evans, Percussionist Patrick O'Neil, and bassist Joseph Karwacki.

The Sunday November 2nd concert is free and open to the public.



Hometown Hero Program

The veterans banners that were purchased in 2023 with the Mohawk Valley Hometown Hero program have been hung for three years. Therefore, when they are taken down after Veterans Day, the purchaser will be able to pick them up from the municipality where they were hanged. This is for the Village and Town of New Hartford, Rome, Utica, Whitesboro and Yorkville. PLEASE check each municipality's website, Facebook page or newsletter to see when and where they can be picked up. Information will also be posted on the website, www.mohawkvalleyhometownheroes.com. It has been wonderful to see them all as we drive around the Valley!

If you are interested in re-purchasing a banner for another three years, submissions will be accepted beginning February 1, 2026.



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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

Facebook:

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Charge Up While You Check Out!

The New Hartford Public Library 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.

No November meeting.

*Wednesday, December 3rd 1st Wednesday of the month

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 more.

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, at 315-733-1535.

Sit and Stitch

With the Mohawk Valley Quilt Club

Date: The first Monday of the month (11/3/25, 12/1/25)

Time: 12:30 to 2:30 pm

Where: Corasanti Room, New Hartford Library

Bring a project of your own or learn to quilt with us, all experience levels welcome.

AARP Smart Driving Class

The next course will take place on Tuesday, December 9th from 9:00am-3:30pm.

Please contact Ron Merritt to register at 315-724-0096.

Upstate University Hospital's Mammography Van

Will return to the New Hartford Public Library on November 13th

Upstate University Hospital's Mammography Van will return to the New Hartford Public Library at 2 Library Lane in New Hartford, on Thursday, November 13, 2025. The screenings will be available between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Appointments are recommended for women who want to get a mammogram, to ensure they will be seen that day.

To schedule an appointment for a mammogram with the van, women should call 315-464-2588.

Appointments can also be requested online at: www.upstate.edu/noexcuses.

To be eligible for a mammogram on the van, women should be 40 years and older; not have had a mammogram in the past 12 months; and not be experiencing breast problems.

The mobile mammography program was started through New York State's "Get Screened, No Excuses" Breast Cancer Initiative, and continues with the support of Upstate University Hospital.

The program's aim is to get rid of obstacles to breast cancer screening for women in New York.

The average rate for screening mammography in New York is 81 percent.

The mammography van is equipped with a state-of-the-art 3D digital mammogram system, private exam room, dressing rooms and a waiting room.

Breast cancer is one of the most common cancers in women, affecting one in 8 women. It's also one of the most treatable cancers when detected early. Mammograms—x-rays of the breasts—are the most effective screening procedure for the early signs of breast cancer. For information, contact: Wendy Hunt at 315-492-3353.

Memento Morrie Author Talk

It's been 30 years since Professor Morrie Schwartz shared his wisdom with former student Mitch Albom, author of the bestselling memoir to date: Tuesdays with Morrie. Simultaneously, photographer Heather Pillar collaborated with Morrie as he came to terms with his ALS diagnosis. They created a show pairing Heather's photographs with Morrie's aphorisms to show tenderness and that death doesn't end a loving relationship. 'Memento Morrie: Images of Love and Loss' by Heather Pillar (Daylight Books, 2024) illustrates Morrie's philosophies beautifully.

Join us on Sunday, November 9th at 3pm for 'Memento Morrie' Author Talk, exhibition and conversation about how Morrie's wisdom has shaped the lives of so many, including Heather Pillar's life.

Literacy CNY

We have a volunteer at the Library each Tuesday from 11:00am-2:00pm and a NEW ADDITION of the 1st & 2nd Friday of each month from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. 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.

In Person Story Time & Craft

Mondays (group A), Tuesdays (group B) and Thursdays (group C) 10:30-11:00am for preschool aged children. Join us for stories and crafts. Aimed towards preschoolers – but all are welcome. An adult must accompany the child. All story times are held in the Children's Area/Corasanti room.

Senior Yoga Class

Senior Yoga takes place every Monday at 3:00pm 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.

Chair Yoga Class

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

Chair Yoga on Mondays is Back!

Join us on Mondays, starting November 3rd for a new Chair Yoga Class. Lisa's class will be starting at 10:30 and will run til 11:30. Please note the time difference from our Friday Chair Yoga class.

Class is limited to 20 people.

Back for Another Session!! Meditation Class

12:30-1:30pm Mondays 11/3-12/29. Ages 18+

If you've ever wondered about meditation and how people can achieve stillness, now is the time to take this introductory class. We will learn breathing techniques and other practices to keep us in the present moment. This assists with anxiety, blood pressure and stress.

The class is led by Laureen Violante, CMT, CYT. She is a certified meditation teacher and has taught yoga and breathing techniques since 1995.

No prior experience is required. Registration is suggested.

Lego Club : From Book to Block

Back by popular demand...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. (Geared for 7-12yrs)

Preschool Playdate

Designed for Preschool age children and under. Join us in the Children's Area for some little library users fun! There are plenty of toys, puzzles, educational tablets and of course friends to play with.

Stop in on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday at 10am before Story Time to partake.

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.

“Basketball is for Everyone” Initiative

Thanks to Red & Blue Girls Hoops and their Basketball is for Everyone initiative, our library now has basketballs and pickleball racquets with balls available for checkout! Red & Blue, founded by New Hartford Girls' Basketball alumna Elizabeth Covic, is all about building skills, teamwork, and community for young athletes. Their generosity helps ensure every child has access to the joy of active play both on and off the court.

Stop by the library and borrow some equipment today, because play belongs to everyone!



Save The Date! Pocket Vinyl Class and Performance 12/21

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

>Mystery Book Club:They meet on the second Saturday of the month at 11am. For more information, please contact the library.

>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

Next meeting: Saturday, November 1st from 10:30am-12:30pm in the Sammon Room. Our guest speaker will be Annie Wafer N.P. She will speak on Radiation Oncology: What to expect as a Radiation Oncology patient, and post treatment medical care.

Heritage Doll Club

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.

Utica University Society of Physics : Demonstrations

Please join us November 8th as the Society of Physics Students of Utica University take over our Children's Area. From 10:00am to 12:00pm there will be a series of hands-on physics demonstrations for visitors to explore. These activities are designed to be interactive, fun, and educational, providing participants of all ages with the opportunity to see physics concepts in action.

Drop in Veteran's Day Crafts

Stop in the Children's Area of the library November 11th to make some Veteran's Day crafts. Take it home and give it to a Veteran in your life, or leave it with us to share with our Local Veterans. Crafts will be available from 10am to 7pm while supplies last.

Children's Book Week : November 3rd – 9th

Celebrate Children's Book Week with the New Hartford Public Library. For more information on any of these upcoming programs please call us at 315-733-1535.

· Starting Monday the 3rd to Sunday the 9th cast your vote on our "Children's Book Battle Board." The board

will consist of 16 popular children's books. First round voting takes place on the 3rd and 4th. Second round voting takes place on the 6th and 7th. Third round voting takes place on the 8th. The final round between the last two books will be on the 9th.

· Throughout the week coloring sheets will be available to color and leave at our library to help decorate our Circulation Desk.

· Don't forget to check out our Large Book Display featuring Top Circulating Children's Books!

· Friday the 7th, bring your stuffed animals for a special Stuffed Animal Sleepover. Stuffed animals will be dropped off on Friday and picked up on Saturday. See what fun they get up to during the night when our library is closed! Saturday when picking up your stuffed friends be sure to show them some fun science put on by Utica University.

· Is STEAM more your speed? Saturday Utica University will be at our library for fun. We will also have multiple STEAM books out for browsing and checking out. Read more on UU visit in the blurb

“Utica University Society of Physics : Demonstrations”

· Sunday with the conclusion of our Book Battle we will be hosting a Children's Book Week party featuring activities of Dav Pilkey's Dog Man & Friends. There will also be a book giveaway!

Toy Drive

We are helping collect new unwrapped toys on behalf of the Connected Community Schools Community Elves Initiative. If you are interested in making a toy donation you can find the donation bin at the New Hartford Public Library. Collection has started and will be going throughout the holiday season. Thank you in advance!

Children's Story Time November 14th

Stop by the Corasanti Room at the New Hartford Public Library on November 14th at 10:30 AM for a blood drive story time with Buddy the Blood Drop! Come listen to Buddy's story and learn how to be a blood hero! Presented by the American Red Cross.

Thanksgiving Cookie Decorating Class – November

Add something sweet to your Thanksgiving table! In my November class, you'll decorate 4 festive cookies inspired by the holiday — turkeys, pies, leaves, and more. Whether you're brand new to decorating or already love it, I'll show you fun techniques while we celebrate the season. You'll take home 4 decorated Thanksgiving cookies perfect for sharing (or keeping for yourself!).

11/23 at 1:30. Registration required, limit 15.

Help Make New Hartford Library's Self-Service Lockers Even Better

Our outdoor locker developer is looking for patrons of the library to take a survey about our self-service locker system. Regardless of how much experience you have with the system, they would love to hear from you! They expect the survey to take about 5-10 minutes to

complete. Respondents to the survey will be entered in a drawing for a \$50 gift card to a local coffee shop. Gift card provided by Evenstar, not the New Hartford Public Library. <https://preview.surveymonkey.com/share/D4kM0q>

Display Case

The Tuesday New Hartford Knitting Group returns as the featured exhibit at the New Hartford Library display case located at our main entrance. It is the first time in two years that we will be exhibiting the works of their talented group. The group has been in existence for 18 years. They will feature various knitted, crocheted, and hand-woven items including blankets, hats, sweaters, and even a fish tank!

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:

NEW! Utica Children's Museum

The Wild Center

Fort Rickey Children's Discovery Zoo

Adirondack Experience

Munson (formerly Munson Williams Proctor Art Institute)

Utica Zoo

Empire Passes must be placed on adult library cards and must be returned to the New Hartford Public Library Circulation Desk. Please call 315-733-1535 for more information.

Friends of the New Hartford Public Library

Annette Barber Used Book Room

ACCEPT: hardbound and paperback books, magazines as well as records, DVDs, children's books, puzzles

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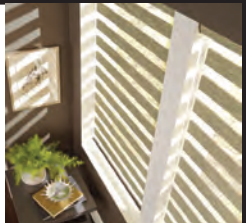
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Falling for Design: How Autumn’s Hues and Textures Are Defining Home Sophistication

Written by: Cassie Grace Miles, 4th generation steward of Grace Furniture, a family-owned business since 1940, on River Road, in Marcy, NY. Cassie received her BFA in Design from The Fashion Institute of Technology in Manhattan and continued her career in design, managing luxury furniture showrooms in the world-renowned Miami Design District, along with additional world class hospitality training at 5-star hotels.

As autumn arrives in New York, the rhythm of life slows just enough to notice the light shifting the golden tones that stream through windows and the warmth that seeps back into our homes. For design enthusiasts and those who take pride in creating a beautiful home, fall isn’t just a season; it’s an invitation to reset. This year, the most compelling interior trends are rooted in a single idea: comfort elevated to an art form. While fast fashion and fleeting décor have had their moment, the pendulum has swung decidedly back toward permanence. “Our clients are craving pieces that feel grounded and real furniture with texture, substance, and history,” says June Grace, of Grace Furniture a longtime destination for high-quality furnishings in Upstate New York. “Fall 2025 is less about what’s new, and more about what feels enduring.”

The Return of Natural Luxury

Think rich walnut and white oak, matte brass instead of high-shine gold, and boucle or mohair upholstery that begs to be touched. These tactile elements aren’t simply trends, they’re part of a larger movement toward authenticity. The design industry is embracing materials that show their natural grain, their slight imperfections, and their craftsmanship. In furniture showrooms this season, you’ll find a preference for pieces that blend sculptural lines with organic finishes. Curved silhouettes are a nod to 1970s Italian design that are being reimagined in modern ways, softening spaces that once felt stark. “People want warmth, but with

refinement,” June Grace adds. “It’s about sophistication that doesn’t shout.”

Color as Comfort

While summer leaned into airy neutrals, fall is embracing deeper, more soulful palettes. Expect to see layered tones of espresso brown, russet, and terracotta paired with soft ivory and mushroom gray. These are hues that invite you to linger, to curl up with a good book, to host an intimate dinner. Color this fall has emotional resonance and rooms that feel lived-in, not staged a place that looks collected, not decorated. A single velvet chair in a deep oxblood or forest green can anchor a room with quiet drama.

Heritage Meets Modernity

One of the more interesting shifts this year is the blending of heritage pieces with modern design. Antique sideboards paired with minimalist lighting. A classic wingback reupholstered in a contemporary textile. The look is neither strictly traditional nor modern — it’s personal. It’s also sustainable. As more homeowners value longevity over disposability, quality craftsmanship is back in the spotlight. Investing in a well-made sofa or solid-wood dining table is not only a design decision but a conscious one. “We’re seeing a return to heirloom thinking,” says June Grace. “People want to buy once, and buy well.”

The Art of the Layer

Perhaps the most sophisticated trend of all is the move toward layering textures, finishes, even eras. A wool throw on a linen sofa. A vintage mirror above a contemporary console. The mix feels effortless but intentional, like a well-curated wardrobe. Lighting, too, plays a starring role this season. Soft, diffused lamps rather than overhead fixtures create warmth and intimacy as the days grow shorter. It’s about mood as spaces should glow, not glare.

A Season for Refinement

As the leaves turn and we retreat indoors, the desire for comfort, quality, and calm becomes universal. And for those looking to elevate their homes this fall, the message from designers and retailers alike is clear:

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Riders Wear Pink

The Riders Wear Pink cycling event, to benefit the American Cancer Society, took place on October 5th at Seven Hamlets Brewing Company.

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- False Alarms = 27
- Good Intent = 11
- Other Alarms = 2
- Weather Related = 0



Total Calls for the Month of September 2025 = 121. Of the 121 alarms, 100 were in the town and 20 were in the village and 1 mutual aid alarm.

Total calls year-to-date through September 2025 = 892.

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.

A Magical Time of the Year

The members of New Hartford Volunteer Fire Department and The New Hartford Fireman's Benevolent Association invite you to stop by the fire station and Village Park to see this year's Holiday Lights display. In conjunction with the Village of New Hartford, the fire station has become the focal point for many friends, young and old, at this time of the year, including many of those who have gone away from the area and returned "home" over the holidays.

Members of the department are working tirelessly to make sure the village "glows" during this holiday season. Over 20 elves will spend over 60 hours assembling and installing the various decorations. In addition, many hours were spent planning and working on preparing the displays before they're placed in the park.

From the lighting to the Memorial displays, to the arches and candles we take pride in making the most of our display along with the Village display in the park.

This year's lights will be turned on prior to the "Believe - A Magical Christmas Festival" on Saturday, November 22, 2025, for all to enjoy.

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Over the past year, our Kiwanis Club has proudly hosted a variety of fundraising events—including a golf tournament, chicken barbecues, and other smaller initiatives. These efforts have enabled us to provide meaningful support to local food banks, Operation Smile, Feed the Vets, Westmoreland Key Club, and several other impactful organizations. We're always eager to connect with groups in need and explore how

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As we begin the Kiwanis new year, starting October 1st, we're excited to sponsor a camper for Kamp Kiwanis, located right here in the Rome area. In addition, our very own club member and New York District Governor, Carla Ingram, has launched a heartfelt initiative focused on supporting foster children in our region. We're actively seeking partnerships with organizations that serve foster youth to discover how we can contribute.

Our commitment to youth leadership continues through our involvement with the Key Club programs in both the Westmoreland and New Hartford High Schools. These service leadership programs empower students to make a difference in their schools and communities.

Meet Governor Carla Ingram: Carla Ingram, Governor of the New York District Kiwanis, hails from Potsdam, NY, where she founded the Kiwanis Club of Potsdam in 1989. Her dedication to youth leadership spans all levels of Kiwanis service programs—from K-Kids (elementary) and Builders Club (middle school) to Key Club (high school) and Circle K (college). Carla has served on numerous boards and has consistently championed causes that benefit children.

A trailblazer in Kiwanis leadership, Carla was among the first women to serve as a Lieutenant Governor, overseeing one of the 27 divisions across New York State. Today, she continues to inspire through her work with the New Hartford Westmoreland Kiwanis Club and the Mohawk Valley Central Kiwanis Club in Mohawk, NY, helping to grow and support the 239 clubs in the New York District.

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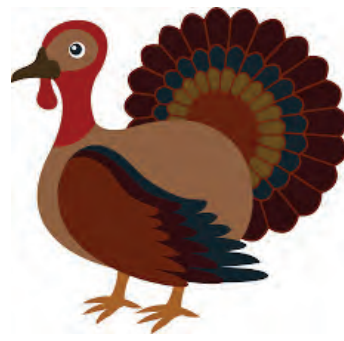
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November is recognized as National Hospice and Palliative Care Month dedicated to raising awareness and honoring the care that helps patients and families live each day with dignity, comfort and peace. Hospice & Palliative Care, serving Oneida, Herkimer, and Eastern Madison counties, provides compassionate care each year to more than 1,700 palliative, hospice, and bereavement clients, helping families navigate life limiting illnesses and grief with dignity and support.

"This dedicated month serves as a reminder of the essential role hospice care plays in providing compassionate, end-of-life care to patients, as well as crucial support for their families. Though often misunderstood, hospice care provides a tremendous benefit that extends far beyond the patient and includes a profoundly positive impact on families. Hospice is designed to improve the quality of life for both patients and caregivers and exemplifies compassionate care while offering a peaceful and dignified transition in life's final chapter," said Mary Bogdan, MHA, BSN, CHPN, CHPCA, Chief Executive Officer for Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc.

Jean the wife of a hospice patient shared her family's experience: "Hospice & Palliative Care not only supported my husband with dignity, but they also supported us every step of the way. The grief counseling, workshops, and support groups for the 13 months after his passing helped our family heal together."

Hospice & Palliative Care offers a full continuum of professional healthcare services, including palliative care, hospice care, and bereavement support for 13 months following the death of a patient. The

organization also provides grief support groups and educational workshops open to the community at no charge, helping families and individuals navigate loss and healing.

If you or a loved one is facing a life-limiting illness, Hospice & Palliative Care can help you understand your options and determine which services may be right for you. Call 315-735-6484 to speak with a member of our compassionate team. Learn more about programs and services at www.hospicecareinc.org



Gan Kavod resident, Chris Horning, gets to play and socialize with puppies to prepare them to become guide dogs.

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Chris Horning, a resident of Sitrin's Gan Kavod homes, has a new job ... and it's one that most of us would love. Chris gets to play with the puppies in an effort to help socialize them as they prepare to become guide dogs for people with visual impairments.

Taylor Wilkes, Gan Kavod/Birch shift supervisor, said that Chris is helping Freedom Guide Dogs in Cassville. Her job? To play with the Labrador Retriever puppies, socialize them, get them accustomed to wheelchairs and other adaptive equipment.

Taylor said Chris has always expressed an interest in working with animals, so the GK staff reached out, made some connections, and helped make this opportunity a reality for her. Although they had to wait for a litter to be born and then get to the right age for training, it was well worth the wait!

The puppy socialization process at Freedom Guide Dogs is a key part of their development. Chris helps the puppies get comfortable with being handled and having their paws, ears and bellies touched. She also helps them to get comfortable with different people, sights, sounds and situations, as well as becoming familiar with toys, leashes and other equipment. This helps to build their confidence and prepares them for the next step in their journey – living with a volunteer who continues their basic training until they are ready to return to Freedom Guide Dogs for their advanced guide dog training.

Chris was especially proud to have purchased some toys for the pups, and even found she was quickly able to teach them a good game of fetch, Wilkes says.

"Gan Kavod staff work continuously to help the residents we serve to find their purpose, fulfill their passion to the best of their abilities, and provide them with a quality life," said Eric Tilton, assistant program director of Gan Kavod.

For more information about our Gan Kavod residences, please visit www.sitrin.com/special-needs/gan-kavod-residences/.

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The Abraham Family photo

The William & Rita Abraham Parkinson's Speakers Series presents "From Despair to Hope: The Parkinson's Treatment Revolution"

Thursday, November 6, 2025, 5:30-7:30 PM, Twin Ponds Golf & Country Club, 169 Main Street, New York Mills, NY

Community Wellness Partners will host The William and Rita Abraham Parkinson's Speaker Series event "From Despair to Hope: The Parkinson's Treatment Revolution" on Thursday, November 6, 2025, 5:30 PM, at Twin Ponds Golf & Country Club, 169 Main Street, New York Mills, NY.

Joining us will be our featured speaker, Dr. Satish Krishnamurthy, a Professor of Neurosurgery and Biology at SUNY Polytechnic and works as a neurosurgeon at CNY Brain and Spine Neurosurgery in New Hartford, NY. He has held many key leadership roles such as serving as Chair of the Department of Neurosurgery and the Medical Executive Committee at SUNY Upstate Medical University and contributing on the national stage as the Chair of the Communications and Education Committee at the Council of State Neurosurgical Societies. His education includes but is not limited to the following:

- Stanford University Graduate School of Business, Executive Education: Innovative Healthcare Leaders
- Penn State College of Medicine, Doctor of Medicine (MD), Neurosurgery
- Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, Minimally Invasive Neurosurgery

Community Wellness Partners Parkinson's Program Director, Alison J. Swartz said, "When learning from Dr. Qandah at CNY Brain and Spine that Dr. Krishnamurthy had joined him and SUNY Polytechnic Institute, I immediately knew he would be an ideal addition to our speaker lineup. People living with Parkinson's often have important questions about the range of therapies available. This event offers a unique opportunity to get expert answers directly from an expert in the field."

Dr. Satish Krishnamurthy is a nationally recognized neurosurgeon with decades of experience. Throughout his career—including his tenure as professor and

interim chair at SUNY Upstate Medical University—he has trained many of today's leading neurosurgeons. Now, he's bringing that expertise to where it's needed most: underserved rural communities.

Since Dr. Krishnamurthy joined forces with Dr. Nicholas Qandah, they are combining their talents to elevate brain and spine care in the region. Their approach integrates cutting-edge precision technology with minimally invasive techniques—resulting in better outcomes and faster recovery times for patients.

Together with SUNY Polytechnic Institute, they are also spearheading innovative research in neuroscience and robotics, aiming to position the Mohawk Valley as a hub for neurosurgical innovation.

Dr. Krishnamurthy is playing a key role in developing a comprehensive neuroscience program that spans the full continuum of care—from neurology and neurocritical care to trauma services and rehabilitation. With his expertise and Dr. Qandah's ongoing commitment to innovation, the Mohawk Valley is entering a transformative era of advanced, compassionate brain and spine care—right here in the Mohawk Valley.

Approximately 65,000 New Yorkers, 1 Million Americans, and 10 Million people world-wide live with Parkinson's disease. Community Wellness Partners offers many programs that treat people who have Parkinson's disease as well as opportunities for caregivers and family. Those programs are Rock Steady Boxing, Cycling with 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, 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.

The speaking portion of the series will take place from 5:30-6:30 PM with a light hors doeuvres reception to follow. 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@cwppinc.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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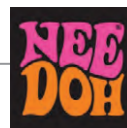
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In the 1940's, Dr. Thomas L. Delorme designed a progressive resistance training protocol that claimed to increase muscle hypertrophy (muscle mass). By performing three sets of ten repetitions, a trainee would gain lean muscle tissue. The first set was done at 50% of one's 10 repetition maximum, the second set done at 75% of one's 10 repetition maximum and the final set at 100% of a trainees 10 repetition maximum. As A high school athlete, I followed Dr. Delorme's system religiously.

Casey Viator, at the age of 19, won the 1971 AAU Mr. America and claimed he used Nautilus Equipment exclusively, performing one set per exercise, to "momentary muscular failure." In 1972, the Miami Dolphins announced they would be using Nautilus Equipment exclusively, in preparation for their upcoming season. I began researching Nautilus and it's revolutionary "variable resistance" cams. Although the Dolphins finished the season undefeated and Super Bowl Champions, I was still not sold on their "variable resistance" philosophy.

I could not believe only one set would produce results. During my time studying Exercise Science in undergraduate and graduate school, I discovered there may be better, more effective methods to achieve muscular size and strength. I still, however, continued to perform multiple sets per exercise. Every few weeks, I was forced to take a week off to overcome "over training" and total exhaustion. I contracted Mononucleosis and spent several days in bed and could not workout for a month. During my convalescence, I researched scientific studies comparing multiple sets per exercise versus one set to momentary muscular failure. I decided to scrap my six days a week, multi-set program and give one set, to momentary muscular failure a try.

Recovery was an alien concept to me. My training consisted of three, non-consecutive days a week for about 45-minutes each. Each set terminated only because I could not perform another repetition in good form (momentary muscular failure). Gains in muscular size and strength were beyond my wildest expectations. Before one of my workouts, a guy approached me with an unusual offer. He owned and operated a local Nautilus Fitness Center and would give me a free membership. One stipulation: I had to complete in the Mr. Kentucky Contest, in three months. My counter offer was that my current training partner had to be included in the deal.

Our workouts were not pleasant. I discovered the role of Lactic Acid in muscular development.

Lactic Acid is the body's protective mechanism to avoid muscular injury, but also a goal while reaching momentary muscular failure. My workouts were no longer 45-minutes, but reduced to 30-minutes! I could not imagine undergoing any more discomfort, much less subjecting myself to any more than three, non-consecutive days a week. The biggest surprise was, I placed 2nd in the 1979 Mr. Kentucky Contest! When asked about my training program by local media, they didn't believe I worked out so little. In fact, one television reporter brought a camera crew out to film one of my workouts.

Many still use the Delorme method of training, achieving minimal results. Endless sets of numerous repetitions may serve to feed one's ego, but noticeable results are achieved when muscles are brought to momentary muscular failure and given 48-hours to recover. At 71 years of age, I combat "age related" muscular weakness and atrophy with one set per exercise, taken to momentary muscular failure. One major benefit of this type of training, it's brief and not gobbling up a major part of my day. I reason, temporary discomfort, although not pleasant is the most effective method for gaining muscular mass. As an older adult, I know from first hand experience, it's also the best way to squelch the loss of aging muscles.



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Dennis Webster is a New Hartford resident, and author of regional books on true crime, ghosts, local history, and asylums.

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New Hartford Highway News

submitted by Highway Superintendent, Richard Sherman

As I write this article today October 15, 2025, the leaves have been falling for a few weeks now. It seems like every year the leaves are falling later in the season. All this tells me that the leaves are going to fall late again this year. This gives us a very small window if snow arrives early. So please, once the leaves start to fall don't wait, get them to the street. This year the four vac style leaf pickers will be out in full force. With four trucks out in all wards every day, there will be no night shifts picking up leaves. Please do not place leaves in plastic bags or containers. PLEASE DO NOT PLACE ARTICLES SUCH AS BRUSH, PUMKINS, AND ROCKS IN WITH THE LEAVES. These articles damage the machines impeller fan, causing down time during our busiest season. I have noticed in my drives around the town that people are placing brush, branches with the leaf piles. Picking up brush piles is over. I am utilizing the employees on the leaf trucks. The rainy season is also upon us, which brings the leaves down and plugs our catch basins, which cause flooding.

Please remove all basketball hoops from the town right of ways so that the plows will not hit them and damage the hoops during the winter season. Also remember no all-night parking on Town of New Hartford Highways starting October 1st.

The Highway department winter shifts will start November 30, 2025 this year. The town will continue to have two shifts: 4:00 am - 4:00 pm and 4:00 pm - 4:00 am for plowing and sanding. The mechanics are working very hard to get the trucks, hoppers and plows ready for these winter months. The salt shed is full with this year's salt and the Bs are being delivered. The salt brine is being made and the tanks are full for the start of this winter season.

The detention pond work continues on the upper side of Roman Rd.

Work continues on the new street sign installations as they come in for placement on the new sign posts this fall.

The highway crew will be removing the Veterans banners right after Veterans Day. The 3-year banners have expired and will be ready for pickup by a family member after this date.

Please call Rick Sherman, Highway Superintendent, with any questions at 315-733-7500 or 315-534-2998. E-mail - rsherman@townofnewhartfordny.gov.

Positive Momentum for New Hartford: Strong Finances, Labor Agreements, and a Responsible 2026

Several major accomplishments this month that reflect the Town's continued financial stability, teamwork, and commitment to residents.

"I'm proud to share that we successfully negotiated and settled two new union contracts with our Highway and Parks Departments, These agreements were reached through open communication and respect, ensuring fairness for our employees while protecting our taxpayers. I'm grateful to our hardworking crews who keep New Hartford running strong every day."

In addition to labor progress, the Town received encouraging results from its annual audit, confirming that New Hartford ended the fiscal year with a healthy fund balance and remained within budget throughout the year. Also noted that the Town has filed its 2023 and 2024 Annual Update Documents (AUDs) with New York State, keeping all financial records current and transparent.

The Town Board also unanimously approved the 2026 Tentative Budget, moving it forward to a public hearing on November 5th. The proposed budget stays below the 2% tax cap while adding key resources for the New Hartford Public Library and expanding senior transportation services through the 50 Forward Senior Center.

"We're positioned for another great year ahead, with new projects, continued investment in our community, and the kind of financial stability that keeps New Hartford one of the best places to live in the Mohawk Valley."

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Handicapped accessible.

NEW HARTFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Hannah Ratliff, Pastor
45 Genesee Street, NH 315-732-1139
newhartfordpresbyterian.org • office@newhartfordpres.org
Morning worship is at 10:30 on Sunday. Services can be found on Facebook and YouTube.
Child care and activities for children 5 and under begin at 9 a.m.
Children's Sunday School (Sunday Club) precedes worship and starts at 9:30. An Adult Study Group meets at that same time and also on Tuesday mornings at 11:30.
The choir rehearses Sunday mornings at 9:10. It will also rehearse at 7 p.m. on Thursdays November 6, 13 & 20.
A New Member Class for those interested in joining NHPC will meet at 11:45 a.m. on Sundays November 2 and 9.
A fellowship/coffee hour for everyone follows each Sunday morning worship service.
The quiet, meditative Taize service held at 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month will be held on November 5.
Except as noted, regular Church Office hours are 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:30-11:30 a.m. on Friday.

Special activities taking place at NHPC in November include:

- Confections & Connections event: Veterans Outreach Services, Sunday, November 9, 11:45 a.m. (following worship)
- Christmas Star Bazaar, Saturday, November 15, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, also a table at the BELIEVE Festival on the Village Green Saturday, November 22.
- NHPC is a dining site for the Oneida County Senior Nutrition Program Lunch, Monday, November 24, 12 noon.

The November schedule:

11/2 — 9 a.m. Child Care & Activities
11/2 — 9:10 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
11/2 — 9:30 a.m. Sondag Club & Adult Study Group
11/2 — 10:30 a.m. Worship, Communion, All Saints Remembrance
11/2 — 11:45 a.m. New Member Class
11/4 — 11:30 a.m. Adult Study Group
11/5 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews
11/5 — 6 p.m. 4-H mtg
11/5 — 7 p.m. Taize Service
11/6 — 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
11/9 — 9 a.m. Child Care & Activities
11/9 — 9:10 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
11/9 — 9:30 a.m. Sondag Club & Adult Study Group
11/9 — 10:30 a.m. Worship
11/9 — 11:45 a.m. New Member Class
11/9 — 11:45 a.m. Confections & Connections: Veterans Outreach Services, reception
11/10 — 6:30 p.m. NHP Women mtg
11/11 — Veterans Day, NHPC closed
11/12 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews
11/12 — 11:30 a.m. Adult Study Group
11/13 — 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
11/15 — 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Christmas Star Bazaar
11/16 — 9 a.m. Child Care & Activities
11/16 — 9:10 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
11/16 — 9:30 a.m. Sondag Club & Adult Study Group
11/16 — 10:30 a.m. Worship
11/18 — 11:30 a.m. Adult Study Group
11/19 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews
11/19 — 6 p.m. 4-H mtg
11/20 — 7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
11/22 — BELIEVE Festival on the Village Green
11/22 — 3 p.m. Hope House meal preparation
11/23 — 9 a.m. Child Care & Activities
11/23 — 9:10 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
11/23 — 9:30 a.m. Sondag Club & Adult Study Group
11/23 — 10:30 a.m. Worship, Safety Preparedness Sunday
11/23 — 11:45 a.m. Session mtg
11/24 — 12 noon, Oneida County Senior Nutrition Lunch
11/25 — 11:30 a.m. Adult Study Group
11/26 — NHPC Office closed
11/26 — 10 a.m. Sew 'n Sews
11/27 — Thanksgiving, NHPC closed
11/28 — Thanksgiving Holiday, NHPC closed
11/30 — 9 a.m. Child Care & Activities
11/30 — 9:10 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
11/30 — 9:30 a.m. Sondag Club & Adult Study Group
11/30 — First Sunday in Advent: 10:30 Worship, Hanging of the Greens Service, Noisy Sunday

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NH

7 Oxford Road - Office phone: 315-733-4570
firstbaptistnh@gmail.com
Rev. James Harrieff, Pastor
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Sunday School - 11:00am
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www.zionlutheranNy.org
Facebook: Zion Lutheran Church, New Hartford, NY

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47 Jordan Road, New Hartford
Call (315) 724-2324 or email info@stmargaretshouseny.org.
To register for an event or volunteer opportunity, or to schedule a personal or group retreat, please email info@stmargaretshouseny.org or call 315-724-2324. Office hours, Monday-Friday, 8am to 4pm

Weekly Activities

Worship Services Wednesdays at Noon
Wednesday Lunches at 12:30 PM (Please make a reservation by the Friday before)

Monthly Activities

Caregiving Support Group | Please call or email for information, new members welcome! This group's focus will be to provide a place for folks who are caregivers to gain support for themselves, and exchange ideas to help care for loved ones at home. We plan to meet monthly and each session will last approximately one hour. Please call or email if you have questions or would like to register your interest in

joining the group.

Men's Group with Father Nick Smith: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays from 10:30 AM to 11:45 AM

Conversations with Father John LaVoe: 2nd Wednesdays at 1:30 PM

Grief Support Group: 3rd Fridays at Noon

Conversations with Rev. Deacon Jean: 4th Wednesdays at 1:30 PM

Community Volunteer & Donation Opportunities

It Takes A Village: Tuesdays from 2:00 to 5:00 PM

Volunteer at the St. Margaret's Food Pantry at Grace Church on Tuesdays. Many thanks for your continued generosity and to the Episcopal Diocese of Central NY!

Shelf Stable Goods for Grace Church Food Pantry | Ongoing. St. Margaret's is accepting toiletries, coffee, and shelf stable goods for the Grace Church Food Pantry.

Your Neighbors Service Project: First Fridays of the Month Help provide meals for the homebound in the Greater Utica area. Containers and instructions available at St. Margaret's. Meal drop offs collected 1st Fridays or by arrangement.

Friends of Emmaus House: 2nd Wednesdays at 10 AM

Join our volunteers who meet monthly to help support the needs of Emmaus House, Utica's only emergency shelter that serves women with children.

Special Events

Book Club with Judy: November 20, 10:30 to Noon – “Dare to See: Discovering God in the Everyday” (2019) by Katie Brown Brown's 30+ stand-alone essays reveal God's presence in moments both ordinary and life-changing—from childhood memories to surviving a drive-by shooting. She invites us to slow down, pay attention, and discover God walking with us every day.

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 of the month.
Trinity Christian Preschool, weekday classes from Sept-May
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Wed - 5:30pm Vespers
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(315) 723-7475 (frmichaelt@msn.com)
Fr. Priest Ephraim Willmarth, assistant priest
Find us on Facebook www.stjkutica.org
Vigil 5pm Saturdays (6pm for weekday services)
Divine Liturgy Sundays and Feastdays 9:30AM
Potluck lunch following Sunday Divine Liturgy.
Our Patronal Feast Day will take place on Saturday November 1st. The greeting of the Bishop will take place at 9:30 AM, followed by the Hierarchal Divine Liturgy (with the Procession of the Cross, weather permitting).

**UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH of UTICA**

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

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. Hospitality hour with coffee and snacks follows each service.

November 2 – Rev. Lori Staubit, “A 200 Year Journey Well Worth the Telling”

Reverend Lori Staubit was our minister in 2021 and 2022, a critical time for our congregation as well as our nation. Navigating the storms of ministerial change and congregational transformation during Covid was part of the long journey of this church's 200 year ministry. But how to set course in the



midst of a national and global tempest? Rev. Lori explores the uncharted territory that calls this congregation into the future.

November 9 – Rev. Dr. Randolph WB Becker “Because They Dared”

Rev. Randy Becker has known this congregation for 40% of its 200 years, and he has also known of the years before his time through the legends and stories of what went before. But, how to account for all those 200 years? Each season in the life of this congregation has a story to tell, but can we discern a thread running through them all? Rev. Randy thinks we can, and in finding that thread we will find our invitation to the future.

November 16 – We commemorate our Bicentennial with Rev. Eve Stevens

Rev. Eve returns to lead this UUUtica Bicentennial service. Our church has existed continuously for two centuries – through wars, recessions, pandemics, changes in politics, technology, and fashion. And at the heart of our celebration are the many souls who have called this congregation home, and a reverence for the gifts of presence, love, and service that filled their lives.

Rev. Eve served our congregation from 2014-2018. She has since served the UU congregation in Charlotte, NC and currently works as a Health & Wellbeing Coach in Asheville, NC while guest preaching regularly in the area. We look forward to welcoming Eve back!

November 23 – Rev. Karen Brammer, “Getting It Right”

Rev. Karen, who retired from ministry at UUUtica just a few months ago, returns newly inspired, particularly by the work of young adult leaders. Rev Karen will reflect on UU Utica’s first 200 years in order to imagine with body, mind and spirit the next 200.

November 30 – Barbara Linsley – Gratitude

On this Thanksgiving weekend we give thanks for community, for family, for the sacrifices made by those who came before us.



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Rabbi Peter Schaktman
Friday Evening Shabbat Services 6pm.

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1607 Genesee Street, Utica
Rabbi Gustavo Geier
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Fri night - 5:30pm • Sat morning - 9:30am

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110 Memorial Parkway, Utica - 315-724-8357
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Holiday Open House



Please join us for a complimentary holiday evening at Grace Furniture featuring:

- Complimentary Wine & Light Bites
- Beautifully Decorated Holiday Trees, including Hospice’s Light Up A Life Tree
- Holiday Decorating Tips & Inspiration

Location: Grace Furniture
9785 River Road, Marcy NY 13403

Date: Tuesday, December 2, 2025

Time: 4:00 – 7:00 PM

Special Giveaway!

Attend and donate to Light Up A Life to receive 10 entries into our La-Z-Boy Recliner Drawing!

Please RSVP by **Friday, November 28**

Call: 315-735-6484

Email: jmoskal@hospicecareinc.org

Come celebrate the season with us!



Celebrate the Season at Grace Furniture’s Holiday Open House

Grace Furniture invites the community to join us for a complimentary Holiday Open House, an evening filled with festive cheer, inspiration, and goodwill.

Event Details: Date: Tuesday, December 2, 2025 Time: 4:00 – 7:00 PM

Location: Grace Furniture, 9785 River Road, Marcy, NY 13403

Guests will enjoy:

- Complimentary wine and light bites
- Beautifully decorated holiday trees, including Hospice & Palliative Care’s Light Up A Life Tree
- Holiday decorating tips and seasonal inspiration

Special Giveaway! Attendees who make a donation to Light Up A Life that evening will receive 10 entries into a drawing for a La-Z-Boy Recliner.

“Join us as we celebrate the season, share joy with our community, and support a meaningful cause,” said Cassie Grace Miles, Hospice Light Up A Life Committee Member and Grace Furniture Brand Manager. RSVP: Please RSVP to Joanne Moskal at jmoskal@hospicecareinc.org by Friday, November 28.

Angels Among Us Food Pantry

Nov 8th, 22nd • Dec 6th, 20th

(2026) Jan 10th, 24th • Feb 14th, 28th • Mar 14th, 28th • Apr 11th, 25th
May 16th, 30th • Jun 13th, 27th • July 11th, 25th • Aug 8th, 22nd
Sept 12th, 26th • Oct 10th, 24th • Nov 7th, 21st • Dec 5th, 19th

Hours of Operation: 10am - Noon

The food pantry is located at: St. John The Evangelist Church, 66 Oxford Rd, New Hartford, NY. Follow the signs to the driveway in the back during open hours. In the event of food emergency issues, please contact the St. John’s rectory from 9AM to 2 PM Monday through Thursday at 315-732-8521.

Our pantry provides services to all residents of New Hartford (btw Rt 8 and Rt 12), Washington Mills, Chadwicks, Sauquoit, Cassville and Clayville.

If this is your first visit, please bring proof of address. If you do not have a permanent address, just come in. We will assist. If you are unsure of eligibility, just come in. We will assist.

We Are Looking For Volunteers!

Food Bank of CNY 2025 income guidelines

The Food Bank of Central New York provides eligibility guidelines for its programs, including The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP). The income limits for calendar year 2025 are:

Household size	Annual income
1	\$35,213
2	\$47,588
3	\$59,963
4	\$72,338
5	\$84,713
6	\$97,088
7	\$109,463
8	\$121,838
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SERVICES ON OUR WEB SITE: DISASTERSERVICES.US**

WATER DAMAGE FROZEN AND BURST PIPES, ICE DAMMING, TOILET OVERFLOW, SUMP PUMP FAILURE, FLOODED BASEMENTS

That time of the year is quickly approaching. Of all the disasters that can happen in your home, there is none worse and more difficult to deal with than a pipe that has burst in your home or business. The extreme cold of winter often brings extreme problems to North East homeowners and businesses. The worst of these is a frozen pipe that bursts and the water damage clean up that follows. When the cold temperatures don't rise above freezing for weeks on end, broken or frozen pipes lead to severe water damage from flooding. A frozen pipe generally occurs to plumbing that is not in a heated space or in an area that is not supplied with proper heat when winter temperatures fall below freezing. A malfunctioning furnace, while the homeowner is away, is another likely cause of a frozen pipe. When exposed to below freezing temperatures the water turns into ice and the pipe expands until it breaks a small slit into the copper or separates the soldered joint. Pipes that freeze first are usually located near outside walls that are exposed to the colder temperatures rather than pipes located throughout the middle of the structure. Some examples include outdoor hose bibs, pool lines, outdoor and indoor sprinkler systems, and other supply lines located in attics, basements, crawl spaces, garages, etc. Pipes in attics, crawl spaces & unheated rooms are particularly susceptible to freezing. Usually, a frozen pipe is not often obvious because the break can be behind walls, in ceilings or in a crawl space leading into the home. The flooding usually is caught much later after damage has been done. An uncontrolled water leak from a broken pipe creates extensive flooding and water damage of carpeting, drywall, baseboards, and furniture and depending on the location of the break can also damage the heating and electrical systems in your home. Disaster Services can accurately evaluate your homes damage and advise as to the most effective course of action to take. We use the latest technology including thermal imaging to determine the source of the water intrusion and the extent of water damage.

SEWER AND DRAIN BACK UP:

Sewer overflow or drain back-ups can present a more technical approach to the clean-up due to the contaminants 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. Disaster Services is a NYS licensed mold contractor and can evaluate and thoroughly explain the different removal options available to you and also help guide you after the mold has been removed with suggestions to avoid another occurrence.

Do I need a water mitigation company and what does a water mitigation company do?

The purpose of a professional water mitigation company is pick up the phone when

a clients emergency arises! Respond to the incident, evaluate and get the situation under control to prevent further damage and discuss a plan with the homeowner moving forward. Disaster Services will determine the extent of water travel, evaluate and remove, if necessary, any affected structural materials, like drywall and flooring. If left unaddressed, wet flooring and drywall can rapidly lead to major problems, like structural weakening and mold growth. We will also determine the proper type and amount of drying equipment necessary to dry the structure back to a pre loss condition. Disaster Services will make sure you get the help you need when you need it most. Customers should get clear answers to their questions about services and procedures. ... Trusted companies will provide detailed information about the services they provide and how they are performed.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT COMPANY:

DISASTER SERVICES CHECKS ALL THE BOXES !!!

Choose a Water Damage Restoration Company That Can Do The Following:

Can Offer A Full Line Of Services From Water Damage Mitigation To Mold Remediation So That The Home Owner Will Be Working With A Single Company.

Responsive – Emergency or Non-Emergency Services. Your Call Will Be Answered Immediately.

Has Reputable 5 Star Local References.

Is Fully insured For Water Mitigation And Mold Remediation Services.

Offers A Detailed Plan For Damage Repairs.

Knows How To Navigate The Insurance Claims Process With You.

Uses The Latest State-of-the-Art Equipment And Techniques.

Treats You, Your Home And Its Contents With Respect.

For more information on any concerns, please feel free to call Disaster Services. When in need of emergency or non-emergency services, Disaster Services LLC. offers immediate response to damage caused by water, fire, smoke and mold. We are a locally owned company who will answer your calls when you call. No answering machines, voice prompts etc. We are a N.Y.S. licensed mold removal firm and recognized by all insurance carriers, working closely with both the home owner and insurance carrier. When calling our office, you will always speak to a live voice and not an answering machine. We realize that in your time of need you should be speaking to someone and not a machine.

When your emergency arises, call us at 315-797-1128 day or night.

Open your camera over the SCAN ME below, as a quick access for our contact information.

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by Victor J. Fariello Jr.



A covered butter dish from the Depression era.



An intricate brass padlock from the Victorian period.



Washboards were once a staple in every American household

FROM THE MAILBAG

Q. I have a covered butter dish that I remember gracing my grandmother’s dinner table on holidays and special occasions. It was passed down to my mother who in turn gave it to me a few years ago. Can you tell me anything about it and its approximate value? I would never part with it but it would be nice to know.

A. Your Depression glass butter dish is very recognizable as being in the Cherry Blossom pattern that was produced by the Jeannette Glass Company of Jeannette, Ohio. It is considered the most collected pattern in Depression glass. For that reason it has been widely reproduced. You are fortunate that you have the provenance of knowing it has been in your family for many years, thus authenticating it as a genuine piece of Jeannette Glass. I would value it at \$75 in today’s market.

Q. I have a wood and metal washboard that I purchased at an auction several years ago. I am curious if it has any value?

A. Your antique washboard is an artifact of a time gone by. It is hard to think that these were a very effective way to wash clothes, but as they say, necessity is the mother of invention. So many were produced and many are still around today. I would value it at \$25.

Q. This antique brass lock belonged to my mother’s great uncle. He prized it and gave it me when I was in my 20’s, which was a long time ago. It is a cherished keepsake but would like to know what it is worth?

A. Your very nice brass padlock dates back to the Victorian era. These locks are highly collectible and the fact that you have the keys and its pristine condition enhance its value. I would estimate its value at \$100, however it could command an even higher price from a collector.

Happy Collecting!

NH Historical Society – Your Support Is Needed

It’s a great time to renew or start your membership in this great community asset. There are new rates for 2025: \$20 Individual; \$25-Family; \$50-Contribute; and \$100-Corporate. You can also now pay for your membership online at the society’s website newhartfordhistory.com or you can mail your check payable to ‘NH Historical Society’ to PO Box 238, New Hartford, NY 13413. All donations are tax deductible. Your support is appreciated.

NH Questers-New Members Welcomed

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 be happy to have you come check us out!

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.



Anthony Nicotera and Maria Smith are retired school administrators. They also co-chair the Genesis Group Regional Education Committee.

Genesis Group to Celebrate Education

American Education Week is celebrated during the third full week of November each year. In 2025, it will take place from November 18th to November 22nd, providing a dedicated time for schools, families, and communities to come together and support education.

The National Education Association was one of the creators and original sponsors of American Education Week. Distressed that 25 percent of the country’s World War I draftees were illiterate and 9 percent were physically unfit, representatives of the NEA and the American Legion met in 1919 to seek ways to generate public support for education. The conventions of both organizations subsequently adopted resolutions of support for a national effort to raise public awareness of the importance of education. In 1921, the NEA Representative Assembly in Des Moines, Iowa, called for designation of one week each year to spotlight education. In its resolution, the NEA called for: “An educational week ... observed in all communities annually for the purpose of informing the public of the accomplishments and needs of the public schools and to secure the cooperation and support of the public in meeting those needs.” The first observance of American Education Week occurred December 4-10, 1921, with the NEA and American Legion as the cosponsors.

Locally, The Genesis Group has sponsored a celebration of education for the past 19 years. We believe recognition isn’t just about feeling good. A recent Gallup poll showed that consistent recognition for doing good work has a direct influence on the key performance measures that are used to evaluate our schools. We believe teachers who receive regular recognition and praise are more productive and engaged at work, are more likely to stay with their school and are more likely to receive higher satisfaction from students and parents. Strictly from a performance perspective, it’s clear that when we fail to recognize our best teachers, we are leaving our schools’ potential on the table.

Later this month, we’ll announce the names of educators and programs selected to be honored at this year’s event. We can announce (now), the names of those who will receive our lifetime achievement awards. They are:

EDUCATION HALL OF DISTINCTION

- Lisa Putnam
- Brian Bellair
- James Weaver

EDUCATION DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

- Jim DuRoss
- Nicholas Laino
- Richard Engelbrecht

This year’s Celebration of Education is planned for November 20 ~ 5:30pm at Hart’s Hill Inn, Whitesboro.

To make a reservation, visit: www.TheGenesisGroup.org

NEW HARTFORD
PAST TIMES

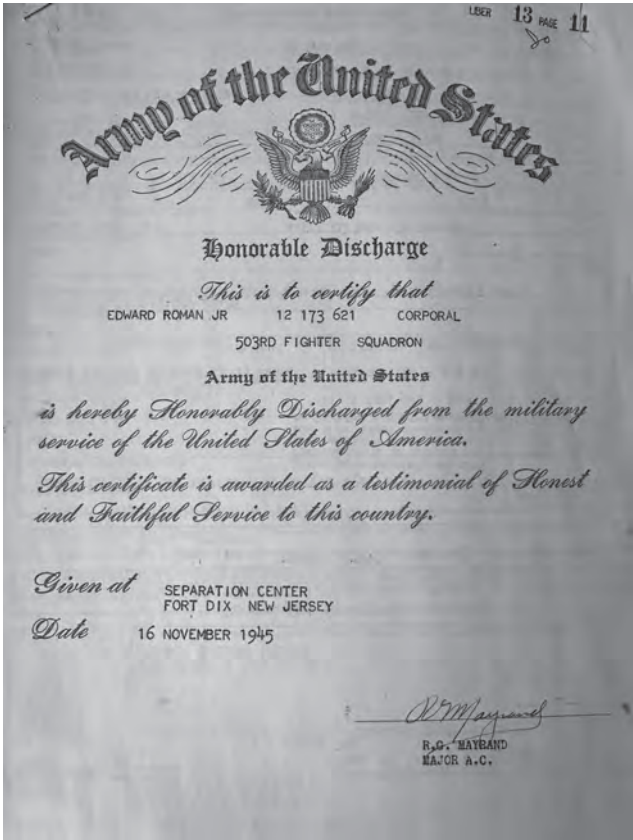
November 2025

NEW HARTFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The 11th Hour of the 11th Day of the 11th Month!



Ed & Joan Roman
April 1946



Ed Roman Discharge Papers
November 1945

The end of World War 1, hostilities officially ceased at 11am on November 11, 1918. In 1919, President Woodrow Wilson formally declared November 11th Armistice Day. (In 1954 it was renamed Veteran’s Day). Since Veteran’s Day falls in November, we felt it was appropriate to honor a New Hartford veteran in this month’s article. Every community, throughout each state, across the nation has dozens of dedicated men and women who have served honorably in our armed services. Picking just one is never easy, but our spotlight shines this month on a veteran who, after serving in WWII, continued to serve his community for decades after returning home. Edward Roman Jr. was born in New Hartford February 16, 1924, to Edward and Myrtie (Manning) Roman. He attended New Hartford Schools. In April of 1942, just two months after his 18th birthday, he would join the New Hartford Volunteer Fire Department. However, his time with NHFD would be put on pause as Ed would join the U.S. Army Air Corps. After enlisting, Ed was sent to England where he served with the 503rd Fighter Squadron stationed at Safron-Walden. While serving, he would be promoted to corporal. He would also meet a girl from Cambridge while attending a dance. Several months later, on June 23, 1945, they exchanged wedding vows in her hometown. Just two months later, Ed received his orders to return to the states. After arriving back at Fort Dix in New Jersey, his Honorable Discharge was processed and he was discharged on November 16, 1945. After returning home, Ed would go to work in anticipation of supporting his new bride. She would arrive by ocean liner a few short months after. They would settle in New Hartford where they would raise four children. Ed would return to the fire department where he would serve faithfully for forty-one years rising to the rank of Chief. He held that rank for twenty-two years. He would also serve as a County Legislator and Town Highway Superintendent. He would also serve as a Deputy Fire Coordinator for Oneida County. Sadly, Ed would pass suddenly in March of 1983 at just 59 years of age.



Ed in Uniform



Chief Edward E. Roman
1956-1977



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Please stop in to visit us and consider becoming a member. Membership fees are \$20 for Individual, \$25 for families, \$50 for Contributing and \$100 for Corporate members. The Historical Society is a non-profit, tax deductible organization.

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Answers from the crossword puzzle in the October issue are on page 27.



- 2.** A long time New Hartford Manufacturer of Cardboard.
- 4.** A small family owned Print Shop on Campion Road.
- 6.** A well known Hotel with restaurant, bar and banquet facilities on New Hartford Street. Later it was a Ramada.
- 7.** Long time family florist once located where Calabria Coffee is today.
- 9.** The go to place in the Village to buy all your family footwear.
- 11.** A former financial institution named after one of New York's native tribes.
- 13.** A concrete store specializing in steps and fireplaces once located on Commercial Drive across from the former Kallet Theater.
- 15.** The seat of Town and Village Government for decades. It was also the original home to the New Hartford Post Office.
- 17.** Longtime Gas and Service Station located at corner of Pearl Street and Paris Road.
- 20.** A pub once located where Daylight Donuts is today. Named for the owner's nickname, it also reminds us of one of Popeye's friends in the comics.
- 22.** An insurance agency on Genesee Street that went by two names.
- 23.** A premium lager beer named after the family and their brewery.
- 26.** Everyone's favorite bowling alley on Campion Road.
- 27.** Namesake of the Weston Road School building. He was Supervising Principal of the New Hartford School District from 1947 to 1970.
- 28.** A service we all need and the tallest building in New Hartford.
- 29.** Old banking institution who at one time had a branch in the N.H. Shopping Center. Their name stemmed from their original focus of dealing with businesses on Buffalo's waterfront.

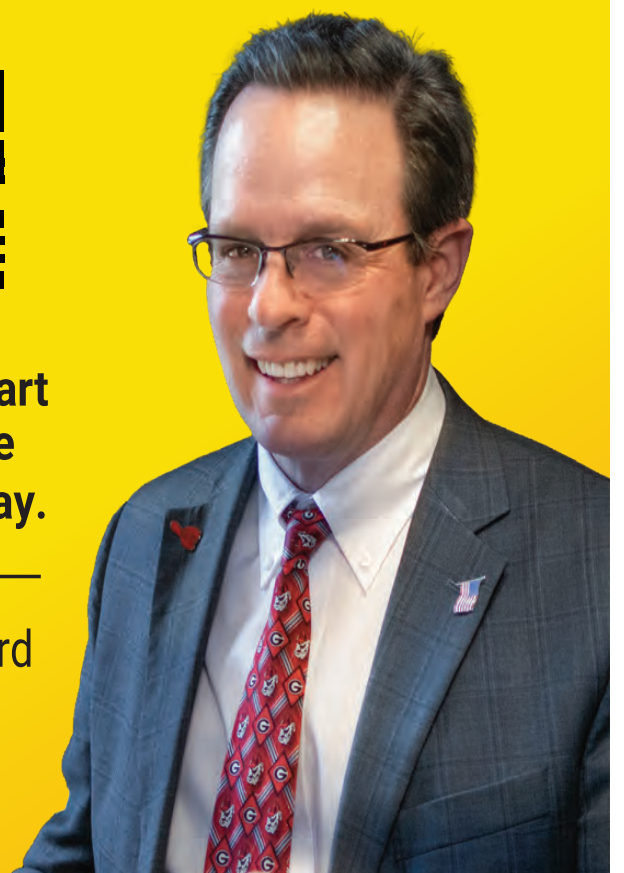


- 1.** Family owned Grocery Store located on Clinton Road opposite Francis Road.
- 3.** Long time photography located on Old Campion Roads. For years they took all the photos for the New Hartford school yearbook pictures.
- 5.** Large village supermarket once next door to Butler Hall. It's name was a nod to the "Windy City".
- 8.** Family owned and operated towing and body shop located on "the other side of the tracks" off Old Campion Road.
- 10.** One of many "watering holes" dotting Genesee Street. This one located at Genesee and Campion.
- 12.** A family owned bank founded in Clinton in 1912. They would establish a branch on Seneca Turnpike in New Hartford.

25. Restaurant that preceded Cavallos on Genesee Street.

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ICC Holiday Paint & Sip

Mark your calendar, the annual ICC Holiday Paint & Sip is scheduled for Thursday, December 4th at 6.00pm. It will be held in the H.A.R.P. Museum at the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley on Columbia Street in Utica. Jill Rae Venerra will once again lead our artists in creating a winter masterpiece, which will make a perfect gift for a friend or to yourself!

Get ready for the holidays as Jill deftly guides you through the process of creating your own personalized 12" x 30" wooden sign designed to celebrate the season. There will be a couple of design choices. The \$50 fee includes paints, wood sign, instruction, adult beverage, and light snacks.

Instructor Jill Rae, is the owner of Easels on the Gogh, a full service mobile painting studio, and Jill Rae Signs. She has a degree in Fine Arts and Art Therapy. Easels on the Gogh hosts parties for adults, children, schools, colleges, and nursing homes. Everything you will need for your creation will be supplied. Everyone is an Artist! Please reserve your spot by registering at this link <https://bit.ly/42INKdA> or call and leave a message at 315-733-4228 Ext 6.

You can attend this presentation at the H.A.R.P. Museum 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.



Annual Christmas Wreath Sale

The Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley is hosting its 5th Annual Christmas Wreath sale to benefit our Irish cultural programs and events. We will be selling hand-made and traditionally decorated 24-inch Balsam-mixed wreaths with either a red or Irish Plaid bow.

The cost is \$35 each or 2 for \$65.

Order deadline is Wed Nov. 26th. Wreath pick-up is Wed Dec 3rd from 4.00--6.00pm

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Lunch and Learn: Nicholas Devereux: An Enduring Legacy

The H.A.R.P. Museum at the Irish Cultural Center continues its popular Lunch and Learn series on Wednesday, November 12th at 11 AM, with a lecture on one of Utica's pioneer Irish citizens, Nicholas Devereux.

Most Uticans with a historical bent are familiar with the name "Devereux," recalling the city's most revered Irish citizen, John C. Devereux. The subject of a previous Lunch and Learn presentation, he was also recently memorialized for his many contributions to the city and the Irish community with a historical New York State marker placed in front of the Irish Cultural Center. But only the most ardent students of Utica's history are aware of the remarkable achievements of his youngest brother, Nicholas Devereux.

On Wednesday November 12, 2025, Alex Sisti, director of the H.A.R.P. Museum, will be giving a biographical presentation on the enduring legacy of Nicholas Devereux, beginning with a brief sketch of his French and Irish forebears and immediate family, up to his arrival in Utica in 1806 and his many accomplishments in the years that followed.

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/43ifgi5> 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.



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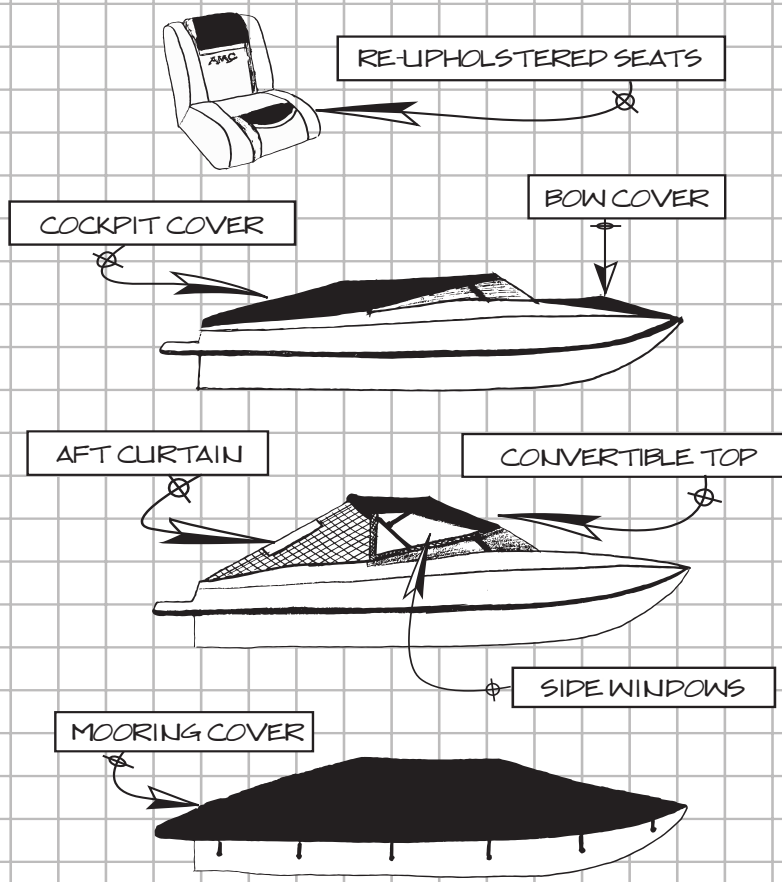




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Irish Film Series - “Brendan Gleeson’s Farewell to Hughes’s ”

The Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley concludes its 2025 Irish Film series this fall on Thursday November 20 at 7 PM when they present “Brendan Gleeson’s Farewell to Hughes’s”.

An unassuming pub on a side street behind the Four Courts in Dublin was a mecca of traditional Irish music for musicians, dancers, singers and listeners for over 35 years. In 2021, Hughes’s pub closed its doors for the last time. In January 2022, talented fiddle player, actor, and Hughes regular Brendan Gleeson meets musicians, dancers and singers in and around the pub as they gather one last time to recreate the magic of Hughes’s and to commemorate its invaluable legacy. The film is approximately 60 minutes long.

Commentary will be provided by Jeffrey A. Miller, PhD. Utica University Professor of Communication and Media prior to the film.

The film will be shown in the H.A.R.P. Museum on the second floor of the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley, 623 Columbia St, Utica. The venue is wheelchair accessible. This film is free to attend, however donations are most appreciated and will go a long way to help continue this and other programs. To ensure there is adequate seating, please register at <http://bit.ly/4olbBIH> or call and leave a message at 315-733-4228 Ext 6.

This film series was made possible through a grant secured by Assemblywoman Marianne Buttenschon (D-119, Marcy). This grant, funded by the Legislation Initiative Program and administered out of the state’s Office of Child and Family Services, to provide educational and recreational programs and events for youth and adults in the community. The Legislative Initiative Program is funded by the New York State Legislature to support the efforts of the activities of eligible non-profit organizations.



Eileen Ivers - Joyful Christmas

The Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley is proud to announce the return of Eileen Ivers to its stage on Sunday Nov 30, 2025 at 3 PM when she and her band present their Joyful Christmas show.

For years, Eileen and the band have been celebrating the glorious story of Christmas, thoughtfully, uniquely and with pure unbridled joy! Eileen’s Irish and American roots shine throughout the evening’s beautiful mix of traditional, story-filled, age-old Wren Day songs, poems, and of course, foot stomping and hollerin’ roots music. Eileen and the ensemble’s plethora of instruments and voices weave throughout the evening, coupled with Ivers’ signature warmth, inviting listeners in for a tuneful, soulful celebration capturing the true spirit and joy of the season.

Grammy-winning and Emmy-nominated, Eileen continues to push traditional fiddling boundaries from a folk music staple to a fiercely fresh, powerfully beautiful, intensely driving world stage experience. Over a career spanning more than 40 years, Ivers has performed and/or toured with such diverse artists as Sting, Patti Smith, Al Di Meola, Hall and Oates and The Chieftains.

The daughter of Irish immigrants, Eileen was born and raised in the culturally diverse neighborhood of The Bronx, NYC. She is a 9-time All-Ireland fiddle champion, and one of the most awarded All-Ireland Fiddle and Banjo champions ever. Proclaimed “a national treasure” by the NCTA chair, she celebrates her renowned career as a performer, composer, producer, songwriter, band leader, educator, multi-instrumentalist and revered pioneer in connecting her American, Irish traditional, jazz, blues, and world roots.

The show starts 3 PM Sunday November 30 in the Event Center at the Irish Cultural Center of the Mohawk Valley located at 623 Columbia St, Utica, NY. Advance sale tickets, \$40, can be purchased at the Five Points Public House or online at <http://bit.ly/46aRYN5>. Tickets will be \$50 at the door. Children 12 and under are free when accompanied by an adult. The venue is wheelchair accessible. For information call and leave a message at 315-733-4228 Ext 6.

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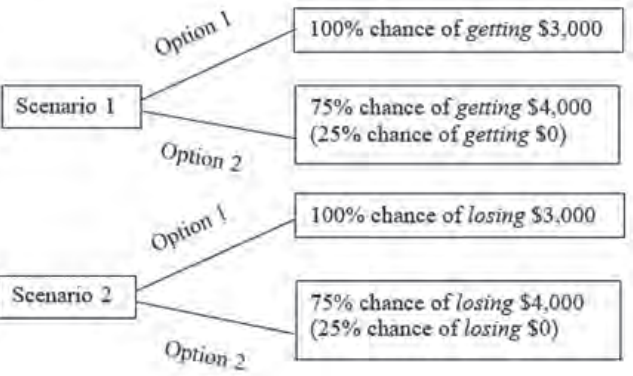
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What is Behavioral Finance ... and Why Should you Care?

Investors may like to think they’re completely rational in their decision-making, but that’s highly unlikely. We don’t stop being human beings when it comes to investing, so psychology and emotions are apt to play roles — sometimes large ones — in the choices we make.

Behavioral finance studies investors’ real-life behavior and common biases. It considers the roles emotions and psychology play in making financial decisions and aims to identify factors that cause investors to sometimes act irrationally.

A key concept in behavioral finance is “prospect theory,” which describes how investors make decisions involving risk and gain. Studies have shown people frequently consider losses far more undesirable than they find comparable gains desirable. For example, take the following scenarios:



Given the first scenario, most people will avoid the risk and take option one (the sure \$3,000 gain). On the other hand, when presented the second scenario, most favor option two (the 75% chance of losing \$4,000) because it offers the possibility of avoiding the pain of a loss.

Keep in mind — and this is important — all four choices are mathematically equivalent. This means individuals’ responses were based primarily on their emotional reactions to fear of loss vs. enjoyment of gain, not rational decision-making.

The psychology of risk and reward

If you ever wonder why markets sometimes act in ways that defy logic, behavioral finance helps explain it. For example, bubbles can form when prices rise based on investors’ emotional reactions rather than the fundamentals. Once their sentiment eventually changes, a precipitous sell-off can follow.

Take what’s come to be known as the dot-com bubble of the late 1990s. Soon after the internet’s introduction, investors realized its potential to transform our everyday lives. What they were over-optimistic about were internet-based companies’ abilities to quickly create profitable businesses.

In response to investors’ enthusiasm, the NASDAQ Index, where many of these companies’ stocks were listed, rose 189% during the two years leading up to its peak in March 2000. Perhaps more significantly, the price/earnings (P/E) ratio — a measure commonly used to determine how expensive stocks are (the higher the ratio, the more expensive stocks are considered to be) — was 175.1 By comparison, it was only 25 as of October 25, 2024.2

That suggests many investors were caught up in the furor over the New Economy and ignored the fundamentals. When investors realized it would be a long time before many of these companies became profitable, the bubble burst and stock prices plummeted.

The lesson for investors is the importance of being diversified and investing primarily based on fundamentals — not on emotion and the fear of missing out on the next “big thing.” Of course, diversification strategies do not guarantee investment returns or eliminate the risk of loss.

1 Source: Nasdaq and Bloomberg, March 10, 2015.

2 Source: Bloomberg.

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Connor Arthur Lynskey, 1999~2018)

“8th Annual Connor’s Way 5-Mile Scenic Memorial Run/Walk”

On Sunday, September 21st, at the 8th Annual Connor’s Way 5-Mile Run/Walk, Silas Crowe captured the men’s first place finish with a net time of 30:28, with Allison Miller taking the woman’s first place with a net time of 40:09.

With over 500 registrants once again this year, the crowd of hundreds enjoyed an opening ceremony with a presentation of the colors, the national anthem being sung by Connor’s sister Meghan, a procession to the start line led by bagpiper Dr. Daniel Murphy, and a Color Guard consisting of members of the New Hartford American Legion, Chapter 490 Order of the Purple Heart and the Vietnam Veterans Chapter 944. Music was provided by The Crazy Fools live band.

The weather could not have been better for the first Connor’s Way Kids’ Fun Run, sponsored by Bruce F. Daniels, P.C. Each of the 41 participants received a free shirt, ran the ½ mile fun run with crowds cheering them on and were then rewarded with a finisher’s ribbon and goodie bag. The first place finisher was Bryce Kapfer of Deerfield.

Guests Assemblywoman Marianne Buttonschon, Oneida County Sheriff Rob Maciol and New York State Police Captain Josh Stanton assisted Race Director Don Lynskey with presenting plaques to the top sponsors that were present at this year’s event.

The Not-For-Profit’s annual event raises funds for scholarships for area youth and provides assistance to needy families, in memory of Connor Arthur Lynskey, who was tragically killed by a drunk driver in 2018 at the age of 18. This year, 21 scholarships were awarded to students at 9 different high schools in Oneida and Herkimer counties. In the past seven years, well over \$80,000 in awards have been distributed to area students who excel in academics and athletics/character, as well as a tradesman scholarship awarded in memory of Joey R. Ventura. The high school scholarship program is administered by the Community Foundation of Herkimer & Oneida Counties. More information on that program is available at www.foundationhoc.org/connor.

Connor was a 2017 graduate of Holland Patent High School and was enrolled as a pre-med student at Siena College, with confirmed acceptance into the Upstate College of Medicine Early Assurance Program. He planned to become a rural doctor once he completed his studies. The “Connor Arthur Lynskey Upstate College of Medicine” annual memorial scholarship is awarded to a medical students at Upstate with plan to serve as a doctors in rural areas.

The 9th Annual Connor’s Way 5-Mile Scenic Memorial Run/Walk will take place on Sunday, September 20, 2026. To view the photo gallery from this year’s event, visit www.connorsway.smugmug.com. To donate, visit <https://runsignup.com/Race/NY/Hinckley/ConnorsWay5Mile>.



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